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## FIVE DOTS TAKE EIGHT GAME LEAD

Al Harvey turned in a sterling performance at the Torrance Bowl-O-Drome last week and nudged close to the perfect "300."

Harvey missed the perfect game by a mere 22 points, racking up a grand game total of 278.

In league play, the Sleepers took the lead in the first week's play for Basic Tool Industries with three straight wins. E. B. Lewis had the top series of 604 and B. Chiono rolled a neat 244 game.

Longren Aircraft, going into the second week of competition, saw the Five Dots take a commanding eight game lead. R. Lindley had the top men's series with 622 while L. DeJardin took ladies' honors with 598.

L. Bradvica had a top series of 633 for the Thursday Men's Handicap League. J. Hoss rolled a respectable 250 for high game. In final results, Minneapolis Honeywell Mixed Trio saw Team Seven finish in the lead by a margin of only three games. M. Laxton's high game of 280 highlighted the play.

## COMMENT ON SPORTS

### BASEBALL ★★★

By PETE FRITCHIE

Looking back over the baseball season—now about over—several surprises and unexpected turns come to mind. To begin with the National League, the reader will remember that the race in that senior-circuit was supposed to be a three-team affair.

Milwaukee, Brooklyn and Cincinnati were to fight it out, with Brooklyn picked first by a majority of sports writers. These teams did fight it out for a time. But then, during one nine-day stretch at the beginning of August, Milwaukee made off with the flag.

The Cardinals, who were not supposed to be in the race, had been in the thick of it until that terrible nine days, when they lost nine straight—while the Braves were winning nine straight. The Phils too had been in up to that point—and this was not supposed to be.

After that, it appeared all was over in the National. But the Cards died hard. They took three out of four from the Braves thereafter, and then two out of two. They closed the gap some, but it was a big gap the Braves had opened. The key game might have been the second game of the four-game set between the two clubs after that fateful nine days.

The Cards won the first game, and won a double-header on the third day. They lost the second game by one run in extra in-

## Torrance Pool Schedule Set

Torrance Municipal Plunge will be kept open to the public until Nov. 15, according to Joe Rode, aquatics director.

Swimming activities will continue to be scheduled throughout the week days, evening and on weekends, he said.

Students from South High School will use the pool Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

It will be open to the public from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on weekdays, and on Tuesdays and Thursdays it will be available from 7 to 10 p.m. for special events.

**WEEKENDS**  
The weekend schedule includes operation of the plunge on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon, and again from 1 to 5:30 p.m.

Sundays it will be open to the public from 1 to 5:30 p.m. only. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings the pool will be reserved for organized groups and clubs, said Rode.

The Torrance First Baptist Church is slated to be the first group to take advantage of the program with a splash party set for Sept. 14.

Had they won that second game, they would have whacked four games off Milwaukee's lead rather than two. Moreover, the result would have been important from a psychological point of view.

So, in the end the Cardinals were the surprise team of the year in the National.

In the American, the Chicago White Sox could have won the pennant if they could have whipped the team they had to

## Catalina Swim Postponed

Swimmers Leo Vigil of Torrance and Bernardo Martinez of Venice were forced to cancel their attempt to swim the Catalina Channel to break the record, held by Tom Park of 13 hours and 26 minutes, last Saturday night.

The swim was called off at 10 p.m. when it was learned that the attending physician, Dr. Samuel Arnold of Los Angeles could not be present because of an emergency operation he had to perform.

Elaborate plans were made by the two swimmers who had hoped to break the record by swimming the channel in 12 hours.

Professional coaches and navigators had been obtained for the marathon swim. But, both boys refused to make the attempt without their doctor. It was learned that the physician is instrumental in the feeding of the boys while in the water. He also administers vitamins during their swim.

Martinez said that, "I feel that God did not want us to swim this night. Maybe soon we will try again."

There was little hope that the swim will be attempted again this year. It was learned that necessary tides for the swim would not be prevalent for at least two weeks. And, by that time the water temperature will have dropped several degrees, making the swim more difficult.

The Cuban government has indicated that prize money from the feat would be about \$20,000.

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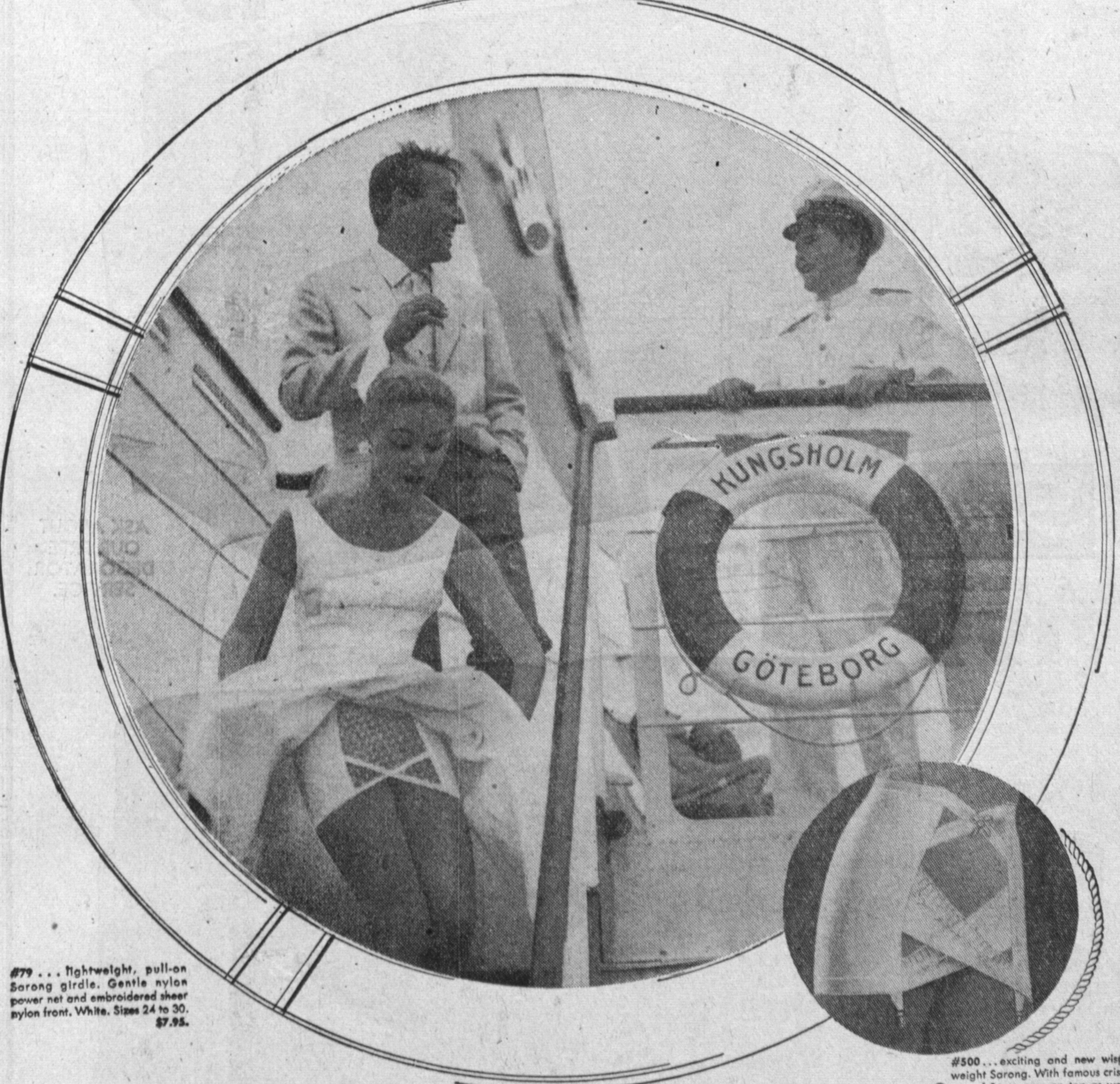


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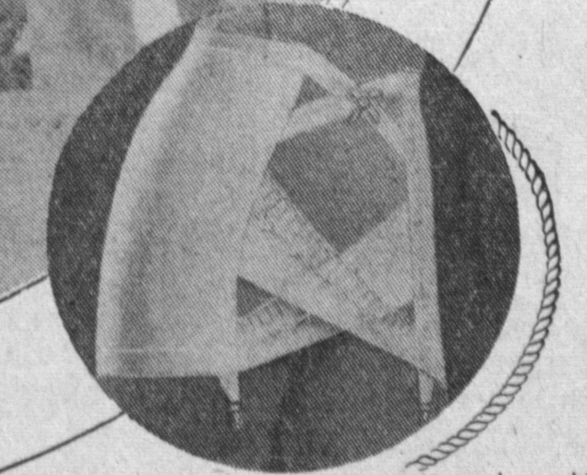


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