

New Sporting Goods Store Opens in Downtown Torrance

Mel Saltzman, former UCLA athlete, this week is opening a new sporting goods store at 1621 Cravens Ave., in downtown Torrance.

Named Sportsville, USA, the store will feature a complete line of sporting and camping equipment with particular emphasis on fishing tackle.

Because of his vast knowledge of both fresh water and deep sea fishing, Saltzman will write a weekly outdoor column in the Torrance Press, starting next week.

"I've fished in almost every spot in California, and will be happy to give advice at all times," he said.

The store will cater to golf, tennis, hunting enthusiasts as well as feature a complete line of other sports and camping equipment, at prices competitive with those of discount houses, Saltzman said.

On the premises will be a rod and reel repair service and custom rod shop.

The owner has been in this

type of business for 15 years. He is a former member of the UCLA frosh team, where he played guard, and also was active in tennis and golf.



Mel Saltzman

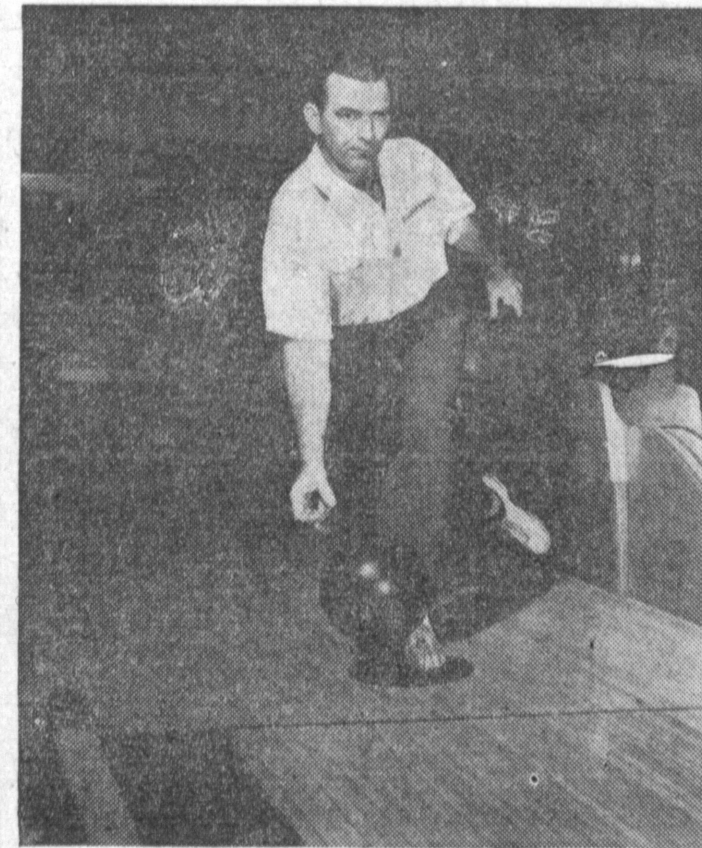
Buddy Bomar to Give Exhibit at Palos Verdes Bowl

Palos Verdes Bowl, 24600 Crenshaw Blvd., will feature in a personal appearance Jan. 31 at 6 p.m. a world famous bowler, it was announced today.

He is Buddy Bomar, the captain of the famous Munsingwear team and member of the Brunswick Advisory Staff of Champions. Buddy captained the famous Tavern Pale team, national champions for several years, and has won the national match game crown and twice captured the National Doubles title.

In 1956, he was captain of the St. Louis Falstaffs, ABC team and all-events champion. He was named from America's 20,000,000 keglers as "Bowler of the Year," not once, but twice within a three-year period, being given the accolade in both 1945 and 1947, an amazing tribute to the Brunswick star who has captured virtually every important title in the game.

Buddy manages to keep himself in the limelight every year with attention-getting performances. During the 1950-51 season, for instance, he made headlines by winning the National Doubles for the second time, this time paired with Ned Day, making him one of the very few ever to win that title twice. Bomar and Day have finished in the runnerup spot twice in doubles competition, a remarkable record when it is considered that the cream of the nation's keglers vie for the title every year.



BUDDY BOMAR

High Wrestling Team Performs at Howard PTA

The wrestling team of Torrance High highlighted the Jan. 15 meeting of Howard Wood PTA.

Athletic Director J. Hoag had the students demonstrate wrestling and gave general information to the audience.

Elected to the nominating committee were: Mmes. Paul Crossman, Dana Houston, Jack Hoy, C. W. Strahm and Principal, Robert Evans.

A PTA meeting Jan. 12 featured a panel discussion on various aspects of the school program. Mmes. Ronald Wigg, J. D. Ankerberg, C. R. Griffin and Fred Bergon were presented with Mr. Evans, serving as moderator.

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Torrance Matmen Take Fifth Place

Morningside and Redondo high schools deadlocked for first place in the final standings of the fourth annual El Camino College invitational wrestling tournament with 71 points each. The tourney was held all day Friday and climaxed that night in the El Camino basketball gymnasium.

Defending champion Mira Costa was a very near third with 67 points, while Inglewood with 55, Torrance with 48, and Leuzinger with 44, were not far behind.

CREW REUNION

Former crew members of the Base Force Ships of the Pacific Fleet, that were based at San Pedro, will hold their first reunion at the CPO mess, Jack Kennedy Center, Naval Station, Terminal Island, on Saturday, May 9.

'Basketball' Was Theme of High Sports Night

Theme for the final lower-division Sports Night at Stephen M. White Jr. High this semester the big game held Jan. 9, dancing and dance contests were held at Whitehall.

Upper-division Sports Night committee members were guests. Members of the faculty sponsoring the event were Anthony Sokoloff, Geraldine Yamamoto, and Douglas Reed.

Parents attending were Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Blakeley, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sentes, Mmes. William H. Dunston, F. E. Dye, M. H. Sawyer, E. R. Alves, E. N. Reese, John Raschke, H. T. Runge, and PTA President, Mrs. Oscar Smith.

Orientation talks for the Sixth grade pupils and their parents was the topic of discussion at a Round Table held at the Halldale PTA January Association Meeting.

Principal speakers were: John Fox, vice principal, Stephen White Junior High; Roland Mings, counselor, and two ninth grade honor students, Mrs. Herb PTA.

Halldale will be hostess to the Lomita-San Pedro Council Meeting, Feb. 3. The Council will present their Founders Day Program and Halldale PTA board members will serve lunch.

"Mock" Meeting "Fathers Night" was held at the January meeting of the Carl Steele PTA. The mock meeting was conducted by the husbands of the women in office.

The regular business meeting followed with an election of committee. Those elected were: Mmes. James Woodford, Leon Kagen, Gerald Thompson, Lorin Scheele, David Forbes, Jack Irving, and Neil Campbell will serve

Recreation Head in Answer to 'Empire Building' Rap

Duplications have been sliced out as much as possible in the administration of the city recreation program, Director Harry B. Van Bellehem of the Recreation Department pointed out in a lengthy report.

While not specifically answering recent allegations by Councilman George Bradford of "empire building" in the department, Van Bellehem reported that full time personnel has risen from nine to 11 in six years.

This, he said, is in spite of a population increase from 44,902 to 100,000.

Part time personnel, however has been increased from 40 in 1953 to 115 today, and the budget has risen from \$57,908 to \$242,327.

Duplication

Van Bellehem said that the department strives not to duplicate classes already given by Adult Education programs, but cited that sometimes this is hard to avoid.

He said that the department

has de-emphasized its boys baseball program during the summer to avoid competing with Little League. But, he pointed out, the department still has a boys baseball and softball program to serve those not included in Little League programs.

Cost Saver

Van Bellehem said that in order not to compete with adult education craft classes, some recreation facilities have been turned over to these school classes in order that they pay the cost.

He also said that much of the craft program is self-sustaining in that the members pay for the supplies.

The official said that early in his administration he transferred several recreation employees to the Park Department and to the custodial service to avoid duplication.

College Matmen Resume Schedule

Undeclared in Southern California Conference competition, El Camino College wrestlers will take a vacation until Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., when they travel to Costa Mesa to grapple with Orange Coast in a conference meet.

Using two second-string men to replace two first stringers, one ineligible scholastically and one injured, El Camino easily defeated Chaffey College 25-8 in a Southern California Junior College Conference meet on the loser's mat Tuesday evening.

on this committee with Mmes. Lansing as alternates. Guest speaker, Mr. Clifford Grabehl from North High spoke on "Father's Place in Recreation."

Torrance Again to Enter Run

An entry from Torrance will again participate in the 1959 Youth Safety Run of Los Angeles County Car Clubs, Chief of Police Percy G. Bennett announced today. The 1959 event will mark the sixth consecutive year in which the contests—stressing economical and safe driving—have been held. The run will start and end in Torrance next June. Chief Bennett said. The destination, as in June, 1958, will be Yosemite National Park.

The Torrance Police Department is a member of the Police Advisory Council for Car Clubs, and Chief Bennett has assigned Officers A. L. Jackson and S. J. Piazza to work with local car clubs on a part-time basis.

Bowling News

Longren Aircraft on top of the pack in Friday nights Men's Industrial Handicap, 3 1/2 over A&W Root Beer, rounding out their 18th encounter against Bowl-O-Drome wood. Marty's Texaco, in for third, a big 8 games out of first, followed 1/2 game down by squad 10, and another 1/2 by the V.F.W. quintet. Moose Helicat, G. Souder spot-lighted for solo honors, uncorking a smashing 266&8-274, while B. Nugent with his 648&36-684 set holds down the number one position for series high.

Tuesday nights female bowling addicts performing in the Handicap loop completed their 18th week of winter play with A.B.C. Bowling Supply hanging on to their three game lead over second place Vel's Ford. Shock's Hardware, riding in third, five out of first followed by the Sport Togs, Howard's Jewelers, Souder Plumbing and Torrance Plumbing. A. Hageman, of the Spur quintet, tops the gals in the race for series trophy as C Beck, Livingston Jewelers hurler, holds down the honor spot in the high game column with her impressive 221&39-260 effort.

Torrance Aces holding down

LEAGUE CONTINUES

Play in the open league of the Torrance Recreation Dept. adult basketball program will continue at the Narbonne High School gymnasium in Harbor City through Feb. 23.

a one game lead over second place Torrance Shafers, completing the 16th week of the American Legion 1st Division kegling league, hitting Bowl-O-Drome lanes Friday eve. L. B. Carithers rolling with the L. B. 326 Cardinals, heads the high game column with his whopping 248&37-285 single pitch.

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