Little League **Playoffs Set**

26 Major Division Tourna-ment has been scheduled for Monday, July 15, to Saturday, July 27.

The playoffs will be con-centrated at Central Redon-do Little League's McCand-less Field at Ripley and In-clewood Ave

glewood Ave. A three-game area tourna-ment will be at San Pedro 20 to 24. Carlos Field at Gaffey and Capitol St. These games will be Saturday, July 22, Monday, July 22. The sub-sectional game in District 26 at Tordondo

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the match.

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SPORTS

Wild Pitch

Ruins Game

Field. Champions from each District 26 and District 27 will be at McCandless Field. The Section 6 games will league in the distirct have been invited. The tournament will be in honor of Gary Diaz, a former South Redondo Little Leaguer who is the first vic-tim of the Vietnam War

be in Santa Ana. The south-ern California tournament will be at Lompoc and the Western Regionals will be in Portland, Oregon. The World Series is in

Williamsport, Pa., from Aug.

Pairing for the all-star tournament are: During the two-week pe-riod from Aug. 10 to 26 the first annual Gary Cup dou-ble elemination champion-ship tournament will be held

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Monday, July 15-Central Redondo vs. Pacific.

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Tuesday, July 16—South edondo vs. Lunada Bay. Wednesday, July 17—Tordondo vs. Sunset

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Thursday, July 18—South-wood vs. North Redondo. Saturday, July 20—Riviera vs. Monday's winner; Rolling Hills vs. Wednesday's win-

ner. Saturday, July 20 (at East-view)— Palos Verdes vs. Sil-ver Spur; Eastview vs. Mala-go Cove. Agajanian Schedules **Two Races**

Bob Gibson failed to match Don Drysdale's shut-out record, but he did win swered by Shag Crawford. Gibson's first pitch with the new ball was inside to lefthander Ron Fairly, hit the dirt and eluded catcher Before a sellout crowd of the Dodgers ended Johnny Edwards. Gabrielson dashed home and jumped on the plate with both feet. Gibson's scoreless streak in

the opening inning Monday night, but stopped there and lost to the league-leading Cardinals, 5-1. "It was a fast ball that got away from him," said Edwards. "It hit the inside edge of the batter's box. I Gibson started with a string of 47 shutout innings and needed 12 to break Drysdale's recently estab-lished record. couldn't get to it." "I don't know how I ever

nanaged to pitch five shut-outs in a row," he said. "I don't see how anyone can do it. It's tough to pitch one shutout and it takes a lot of The Dodger run came on a wild pitch with two out in the first inning. It was a let-down tantamount to ending "for Drysdale to pitch six in a row is unbelievable. It's possible no one will ever break it."

an eight-course gourmet din-ner with a lollypop. Gibson managed to lick it, along with his wounds, and fin-ished with a nine-hitter for his seventh win in a row and 10th of the year.

When it was over, Gibson said Drysdale's record may stand forever.

After Gibson disposed of the first two Dodgers on a grounder and a pop-up, Len Gabrielson and Tom Haller singled to right, placing runners at the corners.

Because the ball was slick from the moisture on the outfield grass, Gibson asked second base umpire Doug Harvey for a change. Harvey told him only the plate um-pire can change baseballs, an

Angels Acquire Sherry

The Angels, in search of relief pitching, have acquired ex-Dodger World Series star Larry Sherry and rookie Andy Messersmith from their Seattle farm team.

Pitcher Jack Hamilton, 29, was sold outright to Seattle and Jim Weaver was optioned to the PCL club. Ham ilton is 3-1 this season but he has been hampered by a

rib injury. Sherry, who will be 33 this month, joined the Seattle

One of the big motorcycle appeal that was to be anracing programs of the season is scheduled Friday and Saturday.

and Saturday. J. C. Agajanian has pro-grammed a twin bill over the Fourth of July weekend. There will be flat-track racing on Friday and steepe-chasing on Saturday. Both shows start at 8:15.

shows start at 8:15. As an added highlight, there will be the unique sidecar cycle starts on Sat-urday evening. The two-man jobs have been providing a unique, if sometimes scary, type of competition. Saturday's steeplechase meet will be a final shake

meet will be a final shake-down for many of the riders before the 50-lap U. S. steeplechase championship at Ascot in late July.

break it." Gibson said he threw as hard as he ever has, was thinking of the shutout at the start, but couldn't gain his control.

THEY COME IN ALL SIZES . . . Two members of the Tordondo Little League Senior Division Cardinals discuss the opposing pitching while getting ready to bat in a recent game. At the left is Willie Kalvin, 15-year-old pitcher who hit four home runs during the season. The little guy is Tommy Berwick, the Cards' popular 13-year-old second baseman. (Press-Herald Photo)

Agajanian announces that rize money for the Nation-als has been raised to \$7,500, making it the richest steeplechase race in the country this year.

TOURNAMENT GAMES SET FOR SENIOR DIVISION A Little League Senior Division area tourna-ment will be played at Lennox High School July 15, 16, and 19 among Lennox, Hermosa, Tordondo and Central Redondo leagues. and Central Redondo leagues. Lennox was host to the Senior Division West-ern Regional Tournament a year ago. The July 15 game will be between Hermosa and Lennox and the July 16 game is betwen Tordondo and Central. The winners will compete on July 19. The area winner will meet the winner among four long Beach tournament teams for the right to compete in the Section 6 semi-finals at Long Beach.

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A tournament among the five leagues in Dis-trict 27 will also qualify a team for the Section 6 semi-finals. The entire Section 6 tournament insemi-finals. The volves 32 teams

Can Baseball Grow Up?

In a series of articles on baseball in Torrance) By HENRY BURKE

Press-Herald Sports Editor Young boys made up their minds by idolizing Mickey Mantle and Willie Mays that playing conventional baseball was much more appealing than playing with a softball.

The trend works the other way for the working

play.

Leagues

A graduate program was set up to draw players from no less than two Little

Recruiting of established "star" Little League grad-uates became almost a cus-

tom. It was not uncommon for a league in the so-called

The Babe Ruth League

has done a good job for the 13-year-old, but recruiting has not been all endearing.

WITHIN the past year, three Senior Divisions have been organized by Little Leagues convinced that an

adequate graduate program did not exist in their bound-

The Senior Divisions, in

aries.

man. The ex-high school ball-player may try some type of semi-pro baseball for Taking everything into consideration, Little League couple years. He may even get into a red-hot 12-inch softball league, but the more Baseball found that the standard baseball diamond was best equipped for boys 13, 14, and 15. often he strikes out the sooner he settles for some slo-pitch which is best de-Since the inception of Senior Division many ap-proaches for handling of a program of this age group scribed as a batter's delight.

Playing ball is a frustra-tion when a player is unable to hit the ball once in a have unfolded. have unfolded. It was first preached that the lack of boys' interest in baseball after the age of 12 decreased the availability of participants in subsequent while Ten years ago Little League Baseball made the

game more acceptable to the average kid by moving to the pitcher back from 44 to 46 feet. Major league baseball, on the other hand, took some of

the popular offense out of the game in recent years by increasing the strike zone. Little League refused to fall back into a problem it corrected a short time be-fore. Not only does the bat-

ter have a chance in Little League, but the "old" strike zone keeps the baseball out

aseball. Safety is one characteris-

tic in baseball which can preserve the batter as the predominent hero in the game.

WHEN LITTLE LEAGUE Baseball took on the added responsibility of sponsoring a baseball program for boys

13, 14, and 15, careful re-search was given to the bat-ter and base runner. this case, restricted their boundaries solely to the ter-ritory of the Little League

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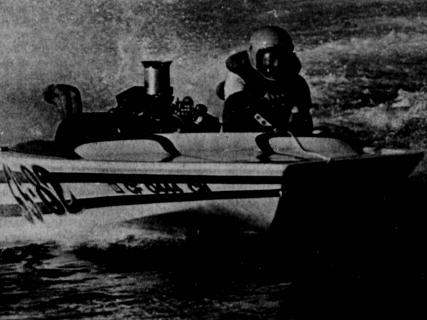
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Races Set For Fourth Pirates. Tickets for this National League game at regular Dodger Stadium prices are available from Kiwanis clubs

Dodgers and Pittsburgh

and members. The names of all Kiwanis clubs is avail-able by calling 272-3400. It is important that tick-ets for the event are ob-tained from Kiwanis, it was stressed by Game Chairman stressed by Game Chairman Hap Halligan of the spon-ing Kiwan is Crippled Children Foundation. He noted that funds to help needly children are raised only from tickets sold by Kiwanis



BOAT RACER . . . Clem McCullah of Torrance, owner Clem is favored to win the Independence Day Re-

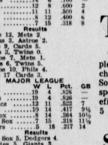
Giants, Pirates

Are Tied Torrance American Little League will take time out from its torrid pennant races tomorrow to announce

the Senior Division and Major Division tournament teams between games of a holiday doubleheader at Seaside Ficld. In the majors the Giants and Pirates are tied for first place with 19-4 records. The Pirates went 12 innings Sun-day to beat the Tigers, 4-3, and the Giants went two

innings of a resumed game to blank the Dodgers, 1-0, for a combined 9 inning win.

the Milles into the final four games of the Senior Division.





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Annual Ball Game

To Help Kiwanis To raise funds for crip-pled and underprivileged children throughout the children throughout the Southland, Kiwanis will sponsor its 29th annual ben-efit baseball game August 5 between the Los Angeles

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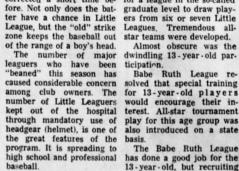
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Angels Athletics Red Sox Orioles

Big Show

At Ascot

ritory of the Little League and have fielded four to five teams each. Two leagues are expected to increase to at least eight teams next spring and are entertaining the idea of a farm system. None of the other existing programs were seriously af-fected by the Senior Division this year, but almost 200 more boys of the age 13, 14, and 15 played baseball this spring compared with 1966. Three critical points es-tablished were: • The pitching distance must be as favorable as possible for the batter. • The same helmet used by Little Leaguers would be required of the senior play-ers. · A non-steel cleated shoe would be adopted to prevent spiking and twisting injur-



team after being released by Houston this spring. He has pitched 35 innings while compiling a 1-2 record and 1.29 ERA.

Messersmith, 22, working both as a starter and in re-lief for Seattle, has a 6-7 record with a 2.96 ERA for 85 innings. bought a cruising boat of relaxation and fishing. But Clem could not relax. He entered the Off-shore Long Parch to Neuront Boat Bace

U. S. Olympic Team Wins The touring U.S. Olympic basketball souad made it two

The touring U.S. Olympic basketball squad made it two straight over the Finnish national team Monday night by downing the Finns, 82-60, behind a second half fastbreak attack led by center Spencer Haywood and guards Mike Barrett and John Clawson. wake as he spins out in circle racing competition.

In 1956, Clem McCullah

at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

Boat Racing Began as Hobby

boat was totaled out, Clem escaped serious injuries. In 1963, with still another "Flying Home" — this time "IV" — Clem joined APBA to race in the SK class. At Long Beach Marine Stadium, he won the featured SK In-beach Beac in the Beacht McCullah - Woodruff Te a m looked promising, Ron had children reside in Torrance Leonard Schiada (famed where Clem works at Ameri-"Schiada Boats") build a can Standard. Super Stock for Clem to In the Super Stock class,

he won the featured SK In-board Race in the Regatta of Champions. As if to say he was jinxed, Clem flipped again and this time it took a patrol boat and liver all night to locate the boat and complete res-cue operations. Powered by Chevy and named "Psychedelic," she took second, third, first and third on her first four times out. A first and sec-ond followed at Long Beach in April '68, second at Par in April '68—second at Par-ker, Arizona, a first in the Memorial Day competition

In 1960, the flipped an-other new boat, "Flying Home III" and, although the boat was totalled out, Clem Competition, Because the tition.

Clem and his wife and

In the Super Stock class, Don St. John of Inglewood had been the favorite with "Shockwave," but the Mc-Cullar-Woodruff Team has Eddie Sauer of Torrance and Jerry Jones of Haw-thorne will head a 100-car field in tonight's 100-laps of DDA field in tonight's 100-laps of PRA Figure 8 stock car rac-ing at Ascot Park in Gar-dena. Racing starts at 8:15 upset the St. John victories. They're expected to do so p.m.

again in the Independence Day Regatta tomorrow at Long Beach Marine Stadium A triple-header program is on tap at the criss-cross when racing starts at 11 a.m. course.

driving champion is current-ly on top in the 1958 CRA point race. He will pilot the Morales Bros. Offenhauser powered "Tamale Wagon" from Anaheim Anaheim.

Wilkerson was the 100-lap Memorial Day classic win-mer. He drives a Chevy V8 powered racer for Ernie Duncan of La Habra.

For Fourth More than 50 of the West's top drivers, led by Bobby Hogle of Buena Park, Bill y Wilkerson of El Monte, and Jimmy Oskie of Maywood, will invade Gar dena's A sc ot Park for Thursday n ig ht's annua "Firecracker Fifty" sprint car sweepstakes. The large field will take to the half-mile clay oval for a full eight-event card the night will start the 25-mile feature race. Racing starts at 8:15 p.m. Qualify-ing runs are at 7 p.m.. Hogle will go after his seventh California Racing Association feature victory of the year. The 1963 CRA driving champion is current-ly on top in the 1958 CRA

All Star Berth

Mighty Mickey Mantle of the New York Yankees was named to the American League All-Star team for the 16th year Monday as injured Al Kaline of the Detroit Tigers was passed by for the first time since 1955.

his wife, Audrey, as co-pilot. After a summer of such victories, Clem bought his first inboard — a Chrysler-powered SK Racing Run-about, "Flying Home II," and entered it in the Salton Sea Race. During practice, Clem flipped and "Flying Home" didn't make it. cue operations. At the Marine Stadium in

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