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By Your Roving Reporter

For the past three years, a pair of chicanos have been the mainstays on Pepperdine's Base Ball Team, with Rudy Victoria on the mound and Gilbert Asa stopping them behind the plate. Both boys hail from Santa Paula High School, where they were star lettermen on the school nine. With one year of college competition remaining, the boys are sure to win many games for the Pepperdine outfit. Some base-ball magnates have offered these two some good opportunities to play in Mexico but they have decided to finish their college careers before heading below the border. Pepperdine's Coach, John Scolinos, is sure going to miss his star battery after they are graduated and would welcome with open arms any of our paisanos who could fill these shoes. Star miler, Humberto Lopez of Pomona High School will do all his running in the future for the University of California up in Berkeley. Humberto does not confine all his talents to running as he is also an outstanding student in the field of chemistry for which he was given a scholarship. It is interesting to note, that each year more and more of our Mexican boys are striving towards a higher education which in the future will result in better leadership for our younger ones. Taking one more step towards the elimination of juvenile delinquency, the city of La Verne inaugurated its new softball park last week with Luis Baiz' team defeating the strong Bañales Grocery Store by the score of 4 to 3. In and around the Citrus Valley, the Bañales club is considered a very potent nine and will jeopardize, Colton's Mexican Title, when it goes on the block in this year's tournament. "There was dirty work at the cross roads last year", wails Mike Martinez, manager of the San Bernardino Mitla's Cafe. Mike goes further and states, "Last year we had a powerful softball team which overwhelmed the best in these parts but when it came to the Mexican Athletic Union Annual Tournament, for some reason, we were not invited. The Colton Mercuries who won the tournament, earlier in the season were added to our list of defeated opponents. This year we are going like a juggernaut, winning 15 out of 17 games so far. We should hit our peak when the MAU tournament rolls around and this time we'll make sure we are in it". Mike's Gas House Gang, makes its headquarters at 1565 Union Street in San Bernardino and would welcome some games with outside teams. So, ye who fear not, and who want to cross bats with the Mitlas, be sure, and write, as all challenges are accepted.

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Two Latins in this Week's Main Bouts



FIGHTS AT HOLLYWOOD

LAURO SALAS one of the best club fighters to come from Mexico. This action battler is managed by Roger Leighton, and he meets Bobby Jackson in a bout that looms like a real thriller at Hollywood next Friday night. Jackson will enter the ring as the favorite, but look for the Monterey Mexican to put on a battle that will be close all the way. Salas has fought some thrillers with Alfredo Escobar, Harold Dade, Pee Wee Swingler, and Mario Trigo. Get your tickets early for this show next Friday.

Gonzales Debuts
At Legion

Newest mat Adonis to come from Mexico is Frank Gonzales, and he will make his L. A. bow next Monday night at Hollywood Legion Stadium meeting John Swenski.

Hugh Nichols claims this boy is good, and will make a big hit. He has been wrestling the best in Mexico, and claims the championship of the lightheavies.

Farmer Jones pairs with Dick Trout against Henry (Bomber) Kulkovich and Tony Ross in an all-out tag team battle that will top the card at Hollywood Legion Monday.

Torrey Matinee
Next Sunday

There will be a matinee dance held Sunday at Torrey's Inn June 20th. that will start at 4 p. m. with the music of Eddie Guerrero and his Pan-Americans.

The Mexican Creative Guild is putting on this dance and it will also serve to celebrate Fathers' Day. There will be a big floor show put on at 7 p. m. with artists of international fame.

Do not forget that Torrey's serves nothing but the best mixed drinks, and authentic Mexican food. For your reservations to the Eastside's most popular night club it is AN-3-9856 or AN. 3-9874.

BARRON AT OCEAN PARK MON.
SALAS BATTLES JACKSON FRI.

Arthur Barron returns to the ring wars next Monday to meet Vic Grupico, another San Francisco lad, who invades the southland. They battle for 10 rounds or less at Ocean Park. Barron lost his last one at Hollywood against Tommy Campbell, but blames his defeat to his long rest from the squared circle. Previous to this battle the Latin welterweight had been out of action for close to 6 months with a bum hand.

Grupico, the ex-sailor, is a tough southpaw, who has won his share of battles at Hollywood. The Northern lad is rugged, and may be too strong for the North Broadway Mexican. But the Mexican has fought some good boys and may surprise.

One of the greatest lightweight naturals will take place at the Olympic next Tuesday when Maxie Docueta and Buddy Jackson step into the ring in Babe McCoy's weekly 10-round headliner.

Maxie, the undefeated New Orleans Filipino, is looking forward to a match with Enrique Bolanos, and for that reason will enter the Olympic ring determined to win the match in quick order. The rugged Buddy, San Francisco lightweight Flash, was a large local following through his many wins

scored in southland rings, and for this reason figures on giving the fast Filipino lad a tough evening. They staged a thriller at the Olympic sometime ago, with Buddy losing by a tko due to a eye cut, but up till the accident, the fight was very close.

Both boys will be gunning for a convincing win, as the winner will be much in demand. Among the boys that want the winner, are Fabella Chavez, Mario Trigo, Rudy Cruz, Paulino Montes, Bobby Jackson, and Tony Mar. Look for Maxie to have too much savvy for the rugged San Francisco Slav.

The battle of the week takes place at Hollywood Legion Stadium next Friday night when Bobby Jackson battles Lauro Salas in the top bout.

Both are far favorites, as they both enter into the ring with one thought in mind, and that is to punch and punch some more.

Salas has crowded the lightweight division of late with many upsets. His most recent battle was a thriller with Alfredo Escobar at Hollywood. He later fought Mario Trigo a thriller losing only after a give and take battle. At Ocean Park he beat Pee Wee Swingler, and also has a close battle with Harold Dade, fought in Sacramento.

Jackson has fought them all, and given a good account of himself. His greatest battles were registered with Fabella Chavez, the sensational buzz saw from Temple St.

They figure on furnishing fans with a slam bang battle from gong to gong. Matchmaker Bobby Jackson no relation to the fighter, is anticipating one of the largest crowds of the present season for this all action battle.

Completing the all Latin card next Friday night will be the following Mexican boys: Benny Chavez, Ricardo Minjarez, Tommy Vargas, Ray Sandoval, Felix Ayala and Ruben Garcia.

Moctezuma A. C.

By Jess Hernandez

Last Monday night at the regular club meeting of Moctezuma, it was voted unanimously to hold a dance on June 28 in honor of the newly elected club officers. Site for the dance will be the St. Lawrence Parish Hall, where currently the meetings of the club are being conducted.

Election Night

To those of you Moctezuma members who have been idle from the meetings, this writer would like to suggest that you attend the coming meeting next Monday. On that particular night, elections of new officers for the next term will take place. Come and express your wishes for your candidates and officials.

A very good suggestion was made by President Urban, in which he asked for a committee to arrange the proceedings of the elections. Nominated and elected to front the group were Alfonso Gutierrez, Rosalio Lemos, Cora Paz, Al Vasquez and Mr. Urban. A report from the committee on their activities is awaited for next Monday.

Football

Coach Vince Nares will hold a team football practice on Sunday at the 109 St. field, all lettermen are asked to attend.

IN MEMORIAL

by Toledo

We haven't forgotten, or ever will, the friendship of "Buddy" Dominguez. Buried across the Ocean neath battle soil. He is home now at last. He is home now to rest.

Wednesday, June 23rd, will be a red letter day for the relatives, the La Purisima Social Club, and the countless friends of the late Private Eugene "Buddy" Dominguez, killed in action in the battle of Saipan, on the 9th of July, 1944.

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After Reading "SPORT PAGE" Please Send It To a Man You Know in the Forces

EASTSIDE AT RINGSIDE

Funeral arrangements were completed today for Captain John (Jack) Francis Kennedy, USN (ret.) who died Wednesday night at his home 3118 W. 76th St., as the result of a heart attack.

Kennedy, 59 was a veteran of 37 years in the Navy, his last duty being that of commander of the Disciplinary Barracks at Terminal Island.

For many years the late Kennedy was considered to be the top third man in the ring. He was the referee in many of Los Angeles' greatest fights.

Rosary will be recited at St. John's Church, 60th and Victoria Sts., Sunday at 8 p. m. and Requiem Mass celebrated at 9 a. m. Monday at the same church.

Interment will follow the mass in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Luis Castillo and Alfredo Chavez have been signed by matchmaker Babe McCoy for an Olympic headliner on July 6. These two cracker-jack midjets should pack them in as they both have a tremendous following. It will be one of the few times when claimants of the state flyweight and bantamweight championships step into the same ring. Whoever wins will claim the 118 and 112 pounds titles of California. Castillo can still make the flyweight poundage. Look for a great battle when this two game cocks step into the fireing pit.

It was stated in this paper last week by Midget Martinez that bantamweight champion Manuel Ortiz would defend his title at Mexicali July Fourth at the Bullring against Mexico's bantamweight champ Memo Valero. The

match has been made, and the hot tamale will soon arrive in L. A. to get in condition: Valero won his title from Leonardo Lopez. Among some of the good boys this kid has fought are Lopez, Luis Castillo, Chillindrina Valancia, and Monito Flores, Mexico's flyweight champ.

Harry Shall's great little lightweight prospect, Freddie Babe Herman's real name is German. Several times local sport scribes have mentioned that Freddie's name is Hernandez. Harry Shall's great little scrapper is proud of being born a Mexican-American.

Rudy Cruz may meet Eddie Giosa at New Orleans this month. Brother Costello getting in shape, and will now fight as a heavy-weight.

Joe Stanley and Bolton Ford head for Mexico City where the colored lightweight fights Julio Jimenez on the 25th.

Martin Zuniga, manager of Paulino Montes, is grooming a fine prospect that just arrived from Mexico. He is Ralph Gutierrez, and has fought some very good boys across the border. Will soon make his local debut.

Bob Castro may soon head for San Francisco to fight George Duke. The Northern lad is a big drawing card up north, and he and the Mexican middleweight should pack them in. Manager Rocky Fields states that the boys may be signed for June 26. Castro fighting mad after his loss to Milo Savage due to an off day, and says he will make up for it with a kayo over the S. F. sensation.

Larry Cisneros writes a postcard to Midget Martinez from N. Mexico. Larry on his way to L. A. to get in top condition for ring action.

Duke Vasquez, Ray Kaiser's amateur prospect due to turn pro



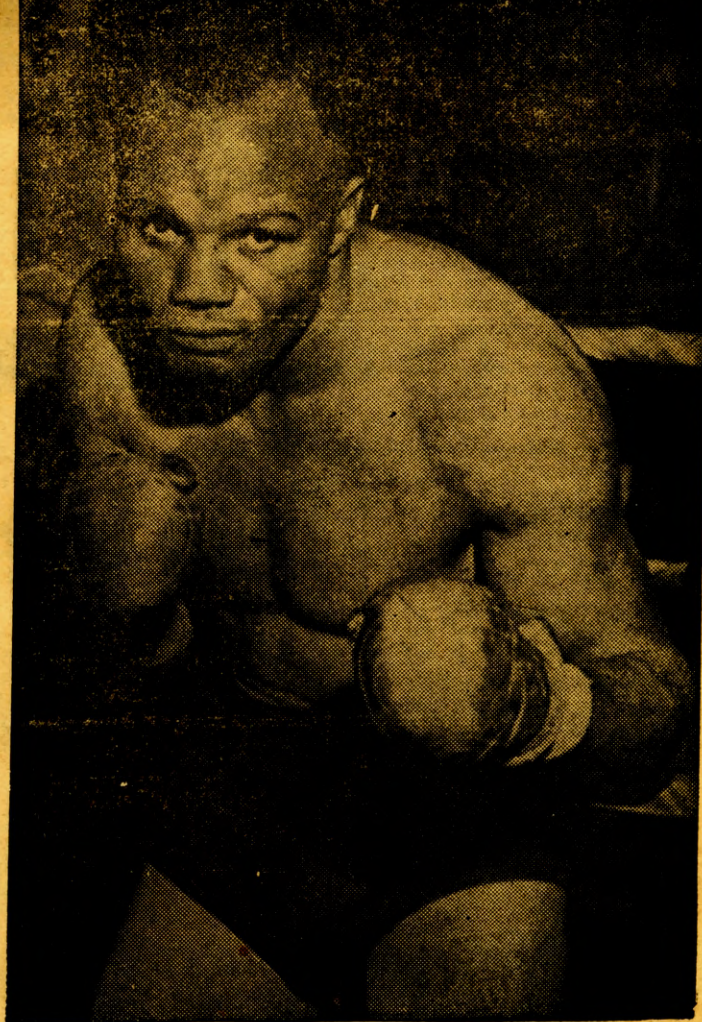
BOBBY PEREZ USC STAR

Pictured above is Bobby Perez ace tennis player for the University of Southern California and who will compete in this week's National Inter-Collegiate tournament at UC LA tennis courts.

soon. Duke is the only boy to beat Georgia Mendoza in the amateurs. This boy may meet Mendoza at Hollywood on his debut, and Ray says his boy will come out the winner.

Nick Moran due in L. A. soon from Mexico. Gus Wilson has the "Million Dollar Baby" signed for a New Orleans showing next month.

Freddie Garcia is passing the cigars around these days. His wife presented him with a bouncing baby last week. Freddie was a very good amateur during his days, and is now the owner of one of the largest collection of boxing record books.



JERSEY JOE WOLCOTT an old man who has been built up by the press to an extent that many fans are giving him a chance to cop the title next Wednesday from Joe Louis in a bout that will be held at the Yankee Stadium in New York. Walcott was almost thrown out of the Gilmore stadium a little over a year ago in his fight with Joey Maxium, another second rater. If the champion is in good shape, he shouldn't have much trouble in stopping the fast Jersey boy.

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By FRITZ

CAFE SOCIETY

Plans for the Ninth Annual Black and White Ball are being formulated and the Avodon Ballroom, with all its modern facilities is being considered as the prospective site for this outstanding affair. Joe Garcia, president of the Club Alegria and chairman of the ball, announces that the Avodon Ballroom is being considered seriously as the scene of the Black and White Ball for several important reasons.

In the past year the Avodon has become the favorite ballroom of Southern California's Latin-American colony and it is natural to assume that the Avodon would be the preferred site of many for such an outstanding event as the "Rei-

na del Churubusco" contest and the widely heralded Black and White Ball.

The outstanding social and sporting event turned out last Saturday night when the Dragon Inn opened its doors. Among the well known sporting figures that attended the premiere were Joey Sanchez, Felix Ayala, Al Arenas, Midget Martinez and SPORT PAGE sketch artist Joey Olmos. The beautiful paintings at the Dragon Inn were done by Olmos. Al Arenas, who belongs to the Joey Barnum stable of fighters, build the stools and the cozy bar.

When you go to the Booth's for a drink from top bartender Blackie talk to him about fights, as he is an expert on this subject. He likes Robinson over Bernard Docusen, and Joe Louis over Walcott. He didn't stick out his neck on the Zale-Graziano fite, and you know what happened. Smart picker that Blackie, and a smart mixer of your favorite drinks.

Enjoying the atmosphere and the hospitality of Armando and Thelma at the famous Mayflower were Mario Trigo and Fabella

Chavez after their fight. These two fine gentlemen proved their fine sportsmanship by celebrating that there were no hard feelings after their torried fight last Tuesday at the Olympic. With the popular pair, that night were Andres Hernandez, Francisco Flores, Pete Martin, Nash Roque and George Estrada, who both lost plenty on the fite. Also having a fine time at the Mayflower was Luis Castillo and that great Mexican fighter, Enrique Bolanos. Armando is planning to have a special dinner at the Mayflower with Bolanos and his wife next Monday. Entertaining now at the Mayflower is the popular Trio Los Amigos.

Memo Rangel owner of the El Casino Inn is back from San Francisco and a much needed vacation. The busy El Casino Inn is very much in need of a good waitress, so if interested call this number Ma. 99059.

Working for the El Popo Club now is pretty Vickie. Here is the ideal spot to go for a good time and some fine dancing to that good orchestra of Nacho's. One of the most steady customers at the El Popo is Donnie Maes, great little Mexican fighter of Colorado, who has fights to his credit with Manuel Ortiz, Midget Martinez, Carlos Chavez, and Tony Olivera.

When you are out looking for a nice place to dance, do not forget the El Sombrero Cafe. Here is one of the most beautiful places in Los Angeles, and Tilly Lopez' band is one of the best. Dance at the El Sombrero Cafe every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

And do not forget the matinee dances at the Fandango to the tunes of Gus Ortiz and his band. Pat Vigil has one of the best and cleanest spots in L. A. Always a good time at Pat's.

One of the most popular spots in Watts is the Soto's Cafe. A real rendezvous for the sporting figures. Come and eat some good food at Soto's Cafe.

Casa Gonzales will soon start enlarging, and Jess Gonzales tells us that he will soon have dancing at this popular eating place. Here is a clean and beautiful place, an ideal spot for dancing.

We had breakfast at Frank Amaro's last week, and what a meal. The Tony's Place is fast becoming one of the smartest eating place for the eastsiders, and it is no wonder, as Mr. Amaro hires only the best help in town. And besides the pretty girls that work there, the place is the only one in the eastside that is open until the wee wee hours of the morning

every weekend. So for good food now you know that it is the famous Tony's Place on First Street.

That popular little girl that is working at the Daven's Cafe is Carmen. She is a very good cook and you will enjoy some of her food. And do not forget that the great Nickie Daven is there at all times. Nickie reminds us to announce that he has good clean rooms for rent at the hotel that is on the same building to the cafe. And very reasonable.

One of the most popular boys in town is Nino, owner of the Nino's place out on N. Main St. Nino knows how to treat all his customers, and the reason he has his place busy at all times.

We haven't heard much from Hope King of late, but she is still at Lupe's Inn we understand. She will soon leave for home, because her mother is sick. But she will not leave until she tells all the readers of this column.

Having a real tasty sandwich last Sunday at Chuck and Chemo's was Joey Olmos, Midget Martinez, and Lupe and Vera Lopez. They all enjoyed the fine cooking of Chucks. For fine food and cold beer visit this place out on Riverside Dr.

Alice is back cooking for the La Colonia Club in Watts. She had been sick for some time, and that was the main reason that Mr. Chavez had to hire someone else during her absence. So if you want good food you will know where to go. And do not forget that for dancing it is to the La Colonia club every weekend to the music of Arriola's band.

If you want some real class, then go to the Club El Sereno. Here you will get your favorite mixed drink. This place sponsors the El Sereno softball team.

Mr. Fred Dupree has his wife back and helping him out at the Alamito Inn. She has been very sick, and was at the hospital. Here is another popular spot for many fun seekers. The Alamito Inn is always packed, and everyone having a good time drinking and eat-

ing the good food that Fred serves there.

Last Sat. at the Hideout Cafe the Eagles A. C. Club had a swell time with Johnnie Loa. Maybe you folks don't know it but Johnnie was once co-manager of the A. C., and he is still one of the boys. Sammy Galindo is now the manager and is trying to get Johnnie to take over again as Johnnie was very popular among the boys and is now sponsoring a suit for the team. So for a swell time come over to the Hideout where base-batters meet. Come in and meet Johnnie and Sal. I guess everybody knows Sal, the Kern bus driver.

Have you been to Morkos yet? One of the best, and the Spartans home field. Here is another ideal spot for gatherings, and they serve fine food here also.

Johnny and Tommy Cocon are back at the Cocon's Intake. And you should have seen the improvements and difference. They both have a large following, and the (Continued on page 4)

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place has been packed since Monday when they took over. Both are swell fellows, and you will not go wrong in going there for a good time. And do not forget that they have spaghetti like you like it.

We ran into Emil last week in Watts, and he told us to tell all the readers of this column that if they want some good tacos it is to his place. Emil's is located at 2156 E. 103rd street. And do not forget that he has his two sisters helping.

Talking about cooks, you will find the best at chiquito's. She is Mickey, and what a cook, you will marvel at her fine food. Her best customer is Midget, and he eats there all the time. And do not forget that Chiquito's sells cold beer too.

One of the best customers according to Molly at the El Supremo Cafe is Frank, brother of Midget. And we can't blame Frank, as the El Supremo is one of the best places to eat in Watts. And all that go there are very nice. And Molly tells us to remind her customers that you can come in and watch television at El Supremo any nite.

Working for Cuca at the Rio Grande Cafe is Lucy. She is very well known in L. A., and she worked before for the Rio Grande. Here is another good eating place, and if you ever go there you will know that we print the truth when you see the many people that will be there eating.

We had a wonderful time at the Blue Light Inn last Saturday nite. The party just started at closing time, so we took off for parts unknown with Betty and Lucy, who are now helping weekends at the popular Blue Light Inn. If you want good service drop in at the Blue Light Inn and let Lucy wait on you.

Popular Chris was not in at the El Charro Cafe last Saturday when we stopped in. He is a real sport that usually goes out to his friend's place to spend a few dollars. A real sport.

If you want to read and see some good jokes drop in to Manuel Porras' El Barrilito. He has plenty of them decorating the walls of the El Barrilito. Here is another place where you may eat some good Mexican food. And you will meet one of the best fellows in the cafe business.

Felix is now vacationing in Arizona. That, we got from Alice, who just got back. For some good food, and cold beer do not pass up the El Nopal. Alice is a real cook, and she will cook you a real meal.

One of the most likeable persons in this town is Katie. She owns the Katie's Place, where you may drop in anytime for a good time. She has menudo every day, and home made tamales and chile.

For food to take out you can't go wrong if you go to the Moctezuma Tortilleria. Every Sunday you may be able to buy the best menudo in town.

Bill tells us not to forget the Dog House Cafe where you may enjoy television. Last Sunday we met a lot of folks at the Dog House having a beer after coming from the Club Alma Joven successful picnic. Here is another place where you meet some very fine people.

We missed Chata last week. We went to the picnic, and had such a good time at the Alma Joven outing that we got in too late to go to Nellie's Cafe. We stopped in Monday, but it was a little early to catch Chata. Nellie's serves good food, and cold beer. It is just a couple of doors from the Golden Gate theatre on Whittier boulevard.

A cozy place is the Carioca Cafe. They have a new girl working there, but we didn't get her name.

For cold beer, and a good time drop in to the Carioca Cafe.

Mike from the Blow Inn is very much interested in the boxing future of Johnnie Robles, brother to Lou. Mike has bought him a robe, and sometime goes as far as having Robles eat a steak at his place before a fight, cooked by him. That's the kind of a fellow Mike is. One of the best according to the gang from Lorena and Whittier.

Another place where you may watch television is the Club Royal. Here also they serve good Mexican and American food. Visit this popular place owned by Agustin Smith, and play a game of billiards.

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★ **JOEY OLMOS**

....Fabulous Fabela Chavez jumped into the fistic active picture once again, and although he didn't take home the bacon or ribbons, he proved to the handfull of fistic patrons that the ole spark still lingers in his frame.

It was no disgrace to lose to Trigger Trigo. And the Trigger knew he had to win this one or get aboard the 12:02 headed for Monterrey, Mexico. Trio is a very hard fellow to beat when he's in shape—And he always is. Shrewd determination can sometimes win a fight—And that was Trigo's goal. Didn't Graziano whip Zale by a last minute desperate flurry of right and lefts in their second fite?

It was the same setup Tuesday at the Olympic. The score now is Fabella 2 wins Trigo one.

PUNCH TWO

The sports world mourned the passing of a great sportsman H. E. (Buddy) Leitch Sports Editor for the San Jose News. Buddy as he was known by his friends died Sunday night June 12th at the age of 44.

For many years Mr. Leitch supplied his readers with interesting sports articles etc. He was a great follower of boxing. Our final tribute to H. E. Leitch a swell guy—And a credit to the Sports world!!

PUNCH THREE

To some of SPORT PAGE readers for critizisms constructive and distructive, who have mentioned my column, I wish to say thanks. It's a pleasure to know that my column is read. For a while I was wondering if anyone did.

Couple weeks back I wrote my opinion on the Williams Bolanos fight, one reader didn't like what I wrote and wants to know where I get my "info". Same place you do Bub!!

I think he's referring to the paragraph where I said that Bolanos outsmarted Williams throughout the 15 rounder. Which he did.

This reader wants to know why I said Bolanos won!!—Read that same issue again fellow, and if I said Bolanos won I'll give you my next press ticket to their third meeting. Course you probably know more about fighting than me, I'll admit. I can't tell you what color of trunks John L. Sullivan wore when he won the Heavyweight title. I've only been following boxing since the time Hoover was elected. But I've seen fighters come and go—titles change hands, shady deals etc. I judge a fight with the eleven point system, and then I give my opinion of the bout. Some of my stuff I gather from United Press teletype at "La Opinion". The same type of setup as Examiner and Times. I'll match witts on boxing with anyone who cares to argue on the sport.

Course too if you want to take over this column, your perfectly willing to do so. Anyway Midget only pays me \$3500.00 a year!!!

THIS WEEK**BOXING**

Ocean Park—Monday
Arthur Barron vs Vic Grupico
Tough one to pick
Olympic—Buddy Jacklish vs Maxie Docusen
Maxie too good

Hollywood—Friday
Lauro Salas vs Bobby Jackson
Look for Salas to upset

WRESTLING

Hollywood—Monday
Tag match
Frank Gonzales vs John Swenski
Mexican to score big hit
FIGHT RESULTS
Ocean Park—Nick Diaz def Pee Wee Swingler
Olympic—Mario Trigo def Fabella Chavez
Sacramento—Everett Marshall kayo over Ernie Rios.

HERE and THERE

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ed..... "Politicians Phooey", so thinks Robert Murga and a band of paisanos out Corona way. It seems Murga and his devotees campaigned in the last elections for some councilmen who were elected and who, priviously, had promised to appoint some of the local chicanos to the police department. The only thing they got was a three month appointment for one of the boys and this was while the regulars were on vacation. Next time we may have a council-

man from the section across the tracks..... In a more pleasant vein, let me remind you that the Mexican Athletic Union will hold it's First Annual Victory Banquet Sunday June 27 at the beautiful, "El Sombrero Cafe", the social center of our Mexican Colony in Los Angeles. Let's all put our shoulders to the wheel and help the MAU in it's program for the betterment of our Mexican Youth

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Sports Shorts

Mickey Rooney helped the radio announcer call the Willie Bean vs Francisco de la Cruz battle at the Legion last night. And Mickey did all right. As you all know the great little actor has starred in many fight pictures during his movie career.

Mexicali's baseball team in the Sunset league is still winning and now is nearing the top. Midget Martinez, publisher of **S P O R T PAGE** predicted before the season got under way that Mexicali would be right up in top when the 1948 baseball season would come to a close. The border team has only lost 2 contests in their last 9 tilts. Many local baseball followers laughed at Midget when the Mexicali club visited L. A. for a game with the strong Rosabell Plumbers, and lost by a big score of 15 to 1. But now the shoe is on the other foot, as Mexicali is improving with each start and if they continue at the clip they are now setting will make a walk-away race of the Sunset league.

The MAU will hold its first annual banquet at the beautiful EL SOMBRERO CAFE next Sunday, June 27. It will be a grand affair with many famous sports celebrities attending. Make your reservations now by calling Ray Sanchez at MU-1556. Plate for visitors on that night will be \$2.00. For athletes receiving awards it will be only \$1.50.

Midget Martinez is picking Joe Louis to defend his title next Wednesday against Jersey Joe Walcott. And will also be string-

Speaking of Softball

by Ray Jauregui

Bear with me people as I take up space in order to cram two weeks of Belvedere Park League softball in our column. This week we find the Lourdes Saints and A. and B. Garment still leading their respective league but not at a safe margin.

The Lourdes played their best

ing along with Ray Robinson to flatten Bernard Docusen in their championship fight Monday night. In the first fight Joe took his rival very lightly but like in all his rematches, the champ is really t.n.t. Walcott in his fight here against Joey Maxim looked like a real bum, and was almost thrown out of the ring for punching Maxim on the seat of the pants. Joe chased Jersey Joe all through the fifteen rounds in their last fight, but ran into a couple of punches that dropped him, but hardly dazed him. Many think that Joe is all washed up. All fighters have days off, and this might have been Joe's day off. Walcott is not a hard puncher, but fast and can get away from Joe's best punches, so for this reason the battle may go the distance. Robinson is one of the greatest fighters to ever wear the welterweight crown in boxing history, and should have little trouble with the brown skinned boy from New Orleans. It is a good bet that the fight will not go the limit, as Ray is a great puncher.

game to date by backing Bob Melendez in a no hit no run game against the Mednick Cards 3-0. Never in the game was there any doubt to Melendez's sharpness, the man really pitched to Robert Aguilar Melendez struck out eight cards to earn his fourth win against one defeat. The Lourdes first run came as Lerma connected with a hard tripple and scored on a bad throw. In the fifth inning Lerma again came through as he literally plastered the hide off the ole softball with a homerun. (Hero!!!)

Melendez scored the third run on a walk, steal, and came home on a sacrifice.

Siggy's Fetterly Cards stayed a half game behind the Lourdes as they downed the Lorena Baptist, 18-3.

The biggest surprise this week was the way the Royal A. C. murdered the Belvedere Foggies. A once sharp Foggie team fell apart as the boys from the Rainbow Gardens (Royal) scored heavily the first five innings. Eddie Sera, former regular first baseman pitched his second game this year striking out sixteen Foggies and allowing one hit. Eddie looks like he will develop into one of best pitchers in our league. Watch him! I quote; Co-Captains Robert Sera and Chuey Paz. Rudy Sera, Richard Smith and Johnny Gonzales all hit very heavy in this game, with Pete slapping a homer.

El 33 Market downed A and B Garment 5-1 in the upset of the week. The league leading A and B couldn't quite match the off and on El 33 boys on this occasion. Ray Ortega's 33 boys scored one run in the first inning, two in the second and in the third inning two more runs. Alvarez started things in the third with a double, Benny then tripled, scoring Alvarez. Rodriguez walked and Salcido doubled scoring the third run. For the A and B Garment Terrones scored the lone tally on a walk and two sacrifices, the payoff coming from Manager Robert Gonzales.

In our next game, the much improved G Hawks from Gallardo downed O'Keefe and Merritt 10-3. Ray Linin again pitched beautiful ball as Pete Barrios Hawks proved too game for O'Keefe.

The final game saw the Soledad Crusaders fall out of a slump by downing the never say die Vincent's Hobos 8-7. Up to the fourth inning it was anybody's ball game. In the sixth inning Steve Camarillo hit a home run, Armenta walked, Roman Diaz then got on base on an error, Hernandez hit, scoring Armenta and Carnigan flied out scoring Roman. Hank the big bat, struck out, ending the inning. The Hobos big inning came as Andy walked, Max got to first on an error, and Paul doubled scoring

the two runners. Hank Lopez was the winning pitcher and a new find for Chuey Salcido's pitching staff.

Two weeks ago proved the fine play of the red hot team from Gallardo as they downed the boys of the El 33 Market, 13-0. The big bats of Cookie, Leo, and Ray Flores proved too powerful as the Hawks scored six big runs in the first inning. Again it was Ray Linin who chucked beautiful ball for the Hawks.

The game of the week went to the O'Keefe & Merritt, Soledad Crusaders encounter. After two scoreless innings, O'Keefe scored one run in the third on a hit by Gilbert, Hennj's poked a double out to deep center scoring Gil, thus breaking the ice. The Crusaders got back in the ball game as Beto walked and moved to third on two fielders

choice. Hank then connected with a sharp single scoring Beto and tying it up. After two gone in the last of the seventh, Richard Davey, pitcher for O' Keefe won his own ball game by hitting a home run ending the game. Vic pitched 3 hit ball while Ray of the Crusaders allowed only 4 hits.

In the last game of the American League, we found Robert Gonzales' A & B Garment keeping pace with the Hawks by downing the Vicent's Hobos 10-2. Five big runs were scored in the third inning, thus breaking the Hobos backs. Higgins started things rolling by walking, Terrones hit and Manuel got on an error. Burolla then smashed a single clearing bases and scored after Hernandez doubled. Benny Gonzales made it worse by sco-

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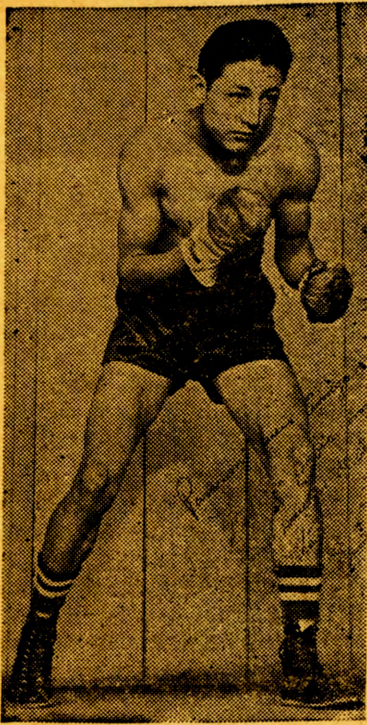
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El 33 Market	4	3	0
O'Keefe & Merritt	2	3	2
Crusaders	3	3	1
Vincent's Hobos	1	6	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	T
Lourdes Saints	5	1	1
Fetterly Cards	4	1	1
Mednick aCards	3	4	0
Foggies	2	4	1
Royal A C	2	4	1
Lorena Baptist	1	5	1

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SPEAKING OF SOFTBALL

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ring Hernandez on another double. Miranda had a very good night striking out nine Hobos and allowing only a few walks making it the best game to date for the boy with the riser ball. And Paul and Ruiz showed well for al Vasquez's Hobos.

In the National League, Siggy's Fetterly Cards beat their rival, the Belvedere Foggies 11-2 to take command of the leading spot. Garcia with his change of pace kept Manuel Candelaria's Foggies checked all night while Pete Chavez of the Cards helped out with a home run after Siggy had singled.

The Royal A. C. and Lourdes Saints evened up as Robert Aguilar's Saints came out on top 3-2. On a late rally, the Royal A. C. was checked by Bob Melendez with one out by striking out Johnny Gonzales and the heavy hitting Eddie Sera to end the ball game, after two Royals were on base.

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He was temporarily buried there. His remains have now been sent home. A military funeral will be held at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery on the 23rd at 2:15 p. m. Some of the members of the La Purisima group are planning to attend.

Born on March 8 1923, Buddy lived all his life in the Eastside where he made many, many friends with his amiable disposition.

He attended Euclid Avenue Grammar School, St. Mary's Junior High, and graduated from Cathedral High. Always a lover of sports he earned a varsity football emblem while a Phantom. He followed up his gridiron career playing with La Purisima eleven. At only 145 pounds he's still regarded as the most outstanding linesman to ever don the green and white. The followers of La Purisima teams

still remember well the gaping holes opened, up by this watch charm type of guard for another La Purisima great, Frank Mercado.

Along with older brother Joe, Buddy entered the service as a Marine in November of 1942. Just two years later, after going through his short lived military hitch side by side with Joe, he met his death.

In final tribute to Buddy Dominguez a solemn Requiem Mass will be said at Our Lady of Talpa Church at 8:00 A. M. on Thursday, the day after the funeral. This church is located at Fourth and Evergreen streets.

Following is one of the articles that appeared in one of the Los Angeles Metropolitan newspapers covering the service terms of Buddy and his brother:

By SERGEANT DAVID DEMPSEY. Marine Corps Combat Correspondent.

SAIPAN.— (Delayed) —A Jap sniper, cornered in one of this island's innumerable caves, fired a desperate last shot today.

The bullet hit Marine Pvt. Eugene F. Dominguez, 21, in the chest, and it wrote a sudden end to a story of life-time devotion between him and his brother Joseph, 22.

It was a blow to this entire Leatherneck unit when Gene Dominguez died. For the bond that existed between the Dominguez brothers wasn't the "ordinary" kind of brotherly affection. It was something rare and fine.

Before joining the Marines two years ago, the boys lived with their parents, Joseph Dominguez, Sr. assistant director actor and technical advisor at Paramount Studios, currently appearing in "The Story of Dr. Wassell," and Frances Dominguez, a character actress at Paramount, at their home at 714. S. Fresno St., Los Angeles.

ENLISTED TOGETHER

The brothers appeared in several films together as children, and then went on to Cathedral High School in Los Angeles, where Gene played football. They enlisted in the Marine Corps on the same day, went through boot camp together, were stationed at the same bases in the States, and got their furloughs at the same time.

A year ago, Joe was married to Miss Virginia Faras, who lives with her parents at 3081 Lan Franco St., Los Angeles. Gene stood beside him as best man.

Last January, they sailed for the Marshall Islands, and fought side by side in the invasion of Roi

and Namur.

Two days after they landed here, in the toughest battle of the Pacific war, Gene was wounded by shrapnel and evacuated. He worried about Joe and fretted constantly until he was allowed to rejoin his outfit.

Let Joe tell the story from there.

TALKED OVER EVERYTHING

We were in different companies in the same battalion," he said, "but the outfits were always side by side, so we saw each other every morning before going into battle and every night when we had finished. We talked over everything that happened during the day.

"Gene was always telling me to take care of myself. He worried all the time about me.

"I remember the day we got our first mail from home. We had a letter from our younger brother, Richard, home on furlough from an Army camp in the States. He told us all about the bands that were playing in Los Angeles and the movies that were showing.

"And there was a letter from our parents, too, addressed to both of us. They told us the whole family was reciting a Rosary each for our safety, and that they plan-

ned to have a Solemn High Mass said when the first word arrived that we had come through okay.

WILL OF GOD

"Mother wrote that she was afraid something was going to happen to us, but if it did, she said, she knew it would be the will of God.

"The next morning at 6:30 Gene was killed. It was the only morning I didn't see him. His company went out at dawn, and Gene was assigned to a detail mopping up on a few Japs holding out in some caves.

"Gene was advancing toward one of the caves when he was hit. His buddies told me he fell to his knees and said 'My Jesus mercy,' three times. He was dead before a hospital corpsman could reach him.

"That afternoon I went to mail call alone. There was another letter there from the folks, telling us that \$100 had been put in Gene's 'marriage fund'. He and his girl had been saving for a year and were going to be married on his first furlough back to the States.

"I helped carry Gene off the hill, and we buried him down by the beach, in the white coral sand of the Marine cemetery.

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