

Royal Palms Festive Setting of Initial Dance

Tony's Place Orchestra Still Drawing Good

The Tony's Place orchestra directed by popular band leader Joe Hernandez, the Mambo King, still rates the No. 1 slot in popularity among local bands.

This popular group is still attracting the biggest crowds to the Tony's Place that is located at 3541 E. First street in East Los Angeles. Dancing is held at this good eating spot on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights. Everyone of these nights is a crowded night at Tony's Place. No other night spot can boast of such a remarkable record. Most of the night spots in L. A. are only catering to the public on Saturday and Sunday. Another feature about the Tony's Place is the fact that Mr. Frank Amaro also features a first class floor show on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights. Among some of the famous performers that have worked at Tony's Place have been Teppy, Selina Cruz, Clementina Cruz, Vickie Gonzales, Tabu Rolando, Manuel Beltran, Joe Caldera & Ernesto Inda.

Now starring on the floor show every Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights is Mexico's newest singing sensation, Manuel Beltran. The popular Juarez, Mexico singer is a big hit with his "ranchero" numbers. Manuel was discovered at Tony's Place, and already many talent scouts are bidding for his service.

Also being featured on the floor show at Tony's this weekend will be Heriberto Rangel, a Mexico City product. The little giant is coming along fast and bids to hit the big time before very long.

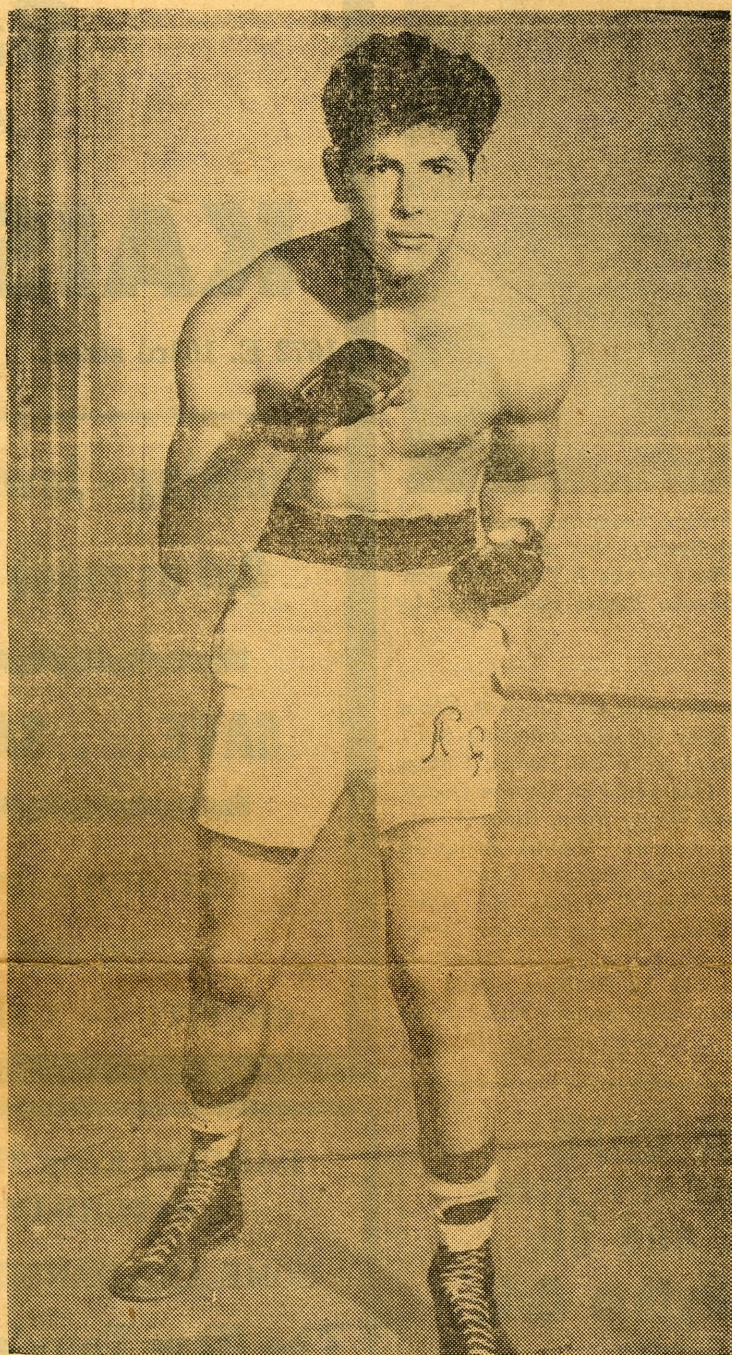
The Mambo band of the Tony's Place includes besides drummer Joe Hernandez, Joe Lara, at the trumpet, Mack Rangel, on the sax, and Hank Medrano on the ivories.

The Tony's Place now features a 2:30 a. m. floor show that is attracting many new customers every week. A small admission is charged at this place, where you may also get only the finest Mexican food in town. Don't forget that Tony's is located at 3541 E. First St.

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ABEL FERNANDEZ —A strong favorite to win the Golden Gloves light heavyweight title this year at Hollywood on Feb. 8, 9, and 11. The Mexican boy has been going good of late, & during the war won the All-Japan heavyweight title. This fine prospect is handled by Armando Fontes and trained by Bobby Fontes.

New Poolhall

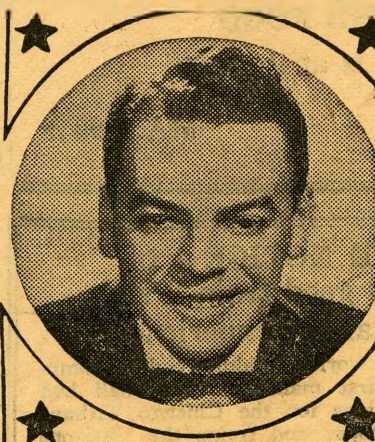
There is a new pool hall in the heart of old dogtown. The New Cocon's and A. W. Pool Hall is located at 1461 N. Main street, and you are all invited to bring your friends here for a game of snooker. Johnny Cocon has purchased only the finest equipment available which will make you enjoy every minute of your game there. The new place is located right next door to the famous Cocon's Intake Cafe, and is kept in order by well known A. W.

New Styles

The Martin's store in Watts is now carrying the latest in women clothes with reasonable prices. At Martin's you can also get your clothes on credit.

This popular store will soon donate prize to be given at the South Gate fights on Monday nights starting in the very near future. Watch the SPORT PAGE for further details on the above subject. Martin's is located at 1668 E. 103rd.

Les Brown at Avodon Ballroom



LES BROWN

Les Brown, his band of renown, and entertainers will highlight the three weekend dance offerings at the Avodon Ballroom, 9th & Spring streets, with a special one night engagement Saturday, Feb. 4.

Brown, a popular favorite, is ex- (Continued on Page Seven)



Gala Social Nite Dance

Set For

Saturday, Feb. 18th

By EMANUEL CARDONA

There is a season of social dancing activity ahead to overwhelm & amaze the dance goers from our Spanish Speaking Colony. The Social Club Association's "Social Night Dance" on Saturday, February the 18th will mark the beginning of dancing activity at the Royal Palms Hotel for the first time in several years.

The Royal Palms Hotel, situated at 360 So. Westlake Ave., was the mecca for most of our social festivities in the past. For this reason, the forthcoming initial function is attracting wide social interest among the social groups. The event will certainly be one of this town's most important affairs, and the beautiful and spacious "Palm Room" (upstairs) of the Hotel will be the festive setting.

Association board members are deep in plans for their "Social Night Dance". According to Ray Jauregui, President, many of the leading social clubs in the city and suburban sections have been issued invitations. Also, Ray, has informed the writer that many notable personalities of the entertainment field will appear as guests of honor at this inaugural dance.

BOBBY AMOS ORCHESTRA

Highlight of this extraordinary social gala event will be the introduction of that solid sender and latest sensation—Bobby Amos and his orchestra—playing the most in danceable music. This band will rate the number one spot of the up and coming bands before long. Recently, this musical aggregation of accomplished musicians earned the distinction of becoming the official Latin band of the Superb Recording Co. on E. 1st St. in music. Don't miss the show. Write it in your book and be in attendance to hear Bobby Amos Orchestra take the doledrums of Winter with his new songs and his splendid renditions of them.

Further announcements and other details on this all important occasion will be published next week in the SPORT PAGE.

Aragon replaces "Little Duke" against Bolanos at Olympic

By Midget Martinez

That humiliating defeat handed the "Little Duke" from New Orleans at the hands of newcomer Guillermo Gimenez in the undefeated Docusen's backyard proved a big boom in local boxing. Babe McCoy now finds himself with 2 attractive matches instead of the proposed Maxie Docusen vs Enrique Bolanos battle set for February 14.

The shot in the arm for local boxing came when the famous "Little Duke" came down with a cut eye forcing Art Aragon into the picture. The Golden Boy has promised to fill in Docusen's shoes on the Feb. 14 date. Which sets the stage for an even more appetizing fistic dish that will settle once and for all who is the top Latin lightweight in this vicinity. The Golden Boy has come along challenging Bolanos for superiority in both, drawing power at the gate, and as to who is the better gladiator in the ring.

Aragon is now rated 5th in the worlds lightweights, just a couple of notches behind the ex-hell hop from Mex. who has already fought

Ike Williams for the title three times. Aragon's boxing career is just the opposite of Bolanos'. The New Mexico born boy always packs them in, but it seems that more than half of the fans that go to see him fight, pay only in the hope of seeing him flatten. For this matter the Olympic will turn away close to 5,000 people on Feb. 14, when he engages the Dur. Mexican. Bolanos will step into the ring as the favorite, and is about the only one in this parts that has a chance to put the Golden Boy to sleep.

The other match will be the winner to be pitted against the "Little Duke", who has missed but once in 68 bouts. If Aragon whips the great lightweight from Mexico, which in my books looks like a good shot, then Maxie and Art would sell out any joint in town, including Wrigley Field. And there will still be left the return match between Maxie Docusen and Bolanos for the state title, that will surely pack them in no matter how any of the above mentioned matches comes out. Then to this Gimenez could be imported to this shores, what with so many people cu- (Continued on Page Seven)

CYO Youths try for Golden Gloves

The Catholic Youth Organization will enter four topnotch open division amateur mittsters in the seventh annual Golden Gloves tournament Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday (Feb. 8, 9, 11) at the Hollywood Legion Stadium.

Top contender for middleweight honors is Charles Green, winner of 27 of 31 fights, 10 knockouts. The others are Joe Ornellas, hard-punching, clean-boxing lightweight from Hawaii; Jimmy Frausto, another lightweight, who recently drew with Jimmy Mitchel, Olympic elimination champion, and Henrilee Long, former Jefferson High School athlete, who has won four of five fights by kayos as a welterweight.

In addition, the CYO will enter seven likely lads in the novice division, with other late entries expected.

Headed by Larry Zagar, CYO boxing supervisor, the CYO coaching staff comprises Tony Colun-tona, Dick Fitzpatrick, Johnny Flores and Jack Silvas.

Purisima looks for Banner Year

La Purisima's melon tossers, who were setups for veteran squads last season may be coming into their own this year. The Green Waves were more like a sheep in a lions den las year but pulled a few upsets to continue their hardwood competition. Although most teams will remember that the Waves gave them a rough battle before going down on defeat. Going into their second year, La Purisima shows rapid signs of improving to become a sudden threat in their respective league. A veteran squad from last season, the exception of three players, the Quackenbush brothers and Billy. Johnny Padilla, are the only new additions. The boys were also on the Purisima eleven, and now on the five. Athletic Director, Joe Mellado, promises plenty of hard played basketball. Opponents will have a time keeping up with the Purisima five as far as speed goes. Teams will really have to go out and earn their victory like they did last year—the hard way. Heading into the record department, the current play finds the Green Waves doing fairly well. Boasting nine victories and one defeat.

The lone defeat came at the



OSCAR REYES —Welterweight belting beautician, who will be gunning for the Golden Gloves title at Hollywood that will be held on the nights of Feb. 8, 9, and 11. Reyes, who won the E.T.O. championship during the war is managed by Armando Fontes and trained by Bobby Fontes.

hands of the Hazard Lions in a pre-season tilt. Since then the Waves have come a long ways. A rematch is going into the makings, that is if the Lions will come out of their den at Hazard and go on a court. On the victory side, the Watts Cardinals, and Helper Christian have suffered two defeats to La Purisima. Santo Niño, Holy Cross, Russian Sportsmen, Lumberman's Union, and Club Royal are the latest to bow to the Purisima team. Wearing the Green & White this year are the following boys: Forward positions: Johnny Padilla, Billy Quackenbush, George Quackenbush, Wally Poon, Richard Gonzales. Centers: Manuel Ronquillo, and Tommy Marquez. Guard positions: "Piggy" Gomez, Ed Cota, Bill Tilton, Marcus Ramirez, Duke Aloï, Art Elorriaga and Bob Mendoza. The La Purisima squad can be seen every Sunday night at the Jackson gym in their league play.

TAG MATCH AT LEGION

Leo Garivaldi, who is proving to be the "Hydrogen bomb" of the grapplers here, pairs with his dad, Gino, against the sizzling Johnny Demchuck of Canada and Marvin Jones, who came out of a Texas saddle, on a triple main event card

at the Hollywood Legion stadium Monday night.

The other two one-hour contests are Baron Michele Leone with classy Gordon Hessel and Billy Varga, who beats everybody with the abdominal stretch, with Sheik Lawrence of Arabia.

Bob Corby and Ernie Piluso mix in the one fall match on the Legion card.

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CAFE SOCIETY

By FRITZ

One of the best dancing spots in this town is the Vera Cruz Cafe. Last Saturday night despite the rain, Johnny had his hands full with the big crowd that was there. The Vera Cruz Cafe starts its dancing at 7:30 P. M. and you will always find a crowd there at that time. This swell little dancing spot is located at 632 North Spring St. The fine band of Martin Hernandez plays there on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. You will like this Latin spot, so for your reservation this week call Johnny at MA. 9-8665.

We are sorry to hear that Alice of the El Nopal restaurant had an accident. Last week she got burned at her place that forced her to go to the hospital for treatment. Doing most of the cooking while Alice is sick is Cookie. You will like her food, so why not go down now to the El Nopal located at 2807 Brooklyn Ave.

Saul Toledo, baseball editor of

this paper, and now the top Latin baseball writer of this town, did the delivery of the SPORT PAGE to the Veteran's Cafe, Blow Inn and Lorena Recreation Center, so we can't give you much gossip on this swell places. The Lorena center is the Latin bowling spot for all all the Latins in the eastside. Mike and Louie of the Veteran's Cafe are very good friends of the baseball writer, and he enjoy going there. The Blow Inn is another place that Toledo likes to go to.

It is getting to be a habit with singers to go to Manuel Porras' El Barrilito Cafe to sing. Every Sunday you will find some of the best singers in town enjoying themselves at this spot. Last Saturday night the famous Los Crucenos were there having a good time. This spot is located at 3102 E. 4th St.

Taking care of the Rio Grande Cafe last Saturday night was Mike, the owner of this good eating spot. The place was packed, and all were having a good time.

We ran into another very good fighter of yesterday at the Monterey Cafe last Sunday. He is Joe Ruben, and a good one, he was in his days. This is a very popular place for the Latins, and you will always find many there at all times. Here is one spot where you get the best for your money. Drop in and have your favorite mixed drink here.

Once again we found the Katie's

Fresno Highlites

By WALLY HOON

Social Dancing and Jitterbug lessons lead off the 1950 program at Fresno Playground. Recreation Directors Joe Castenada, and Doris Duncan, invite all guys and gals of Junior and Senior School age to attend the Swing Sessions. Like to know more than just one type of dancing? Well! you can learn them all by attending the weekly Swing Sessions at Fresno. The first few lessons will be on the New Yorker, Lindy Hop, and the Balboa. After this, it will cover Social Dancing all the way to Jitterbug. Here at last is the chance for all you hepcats. A hepcat has to know more than one step since the year is now 1950. The Swing Sessions will be held every Thursday, from 6:30 to 8 P. M. Fresno gym, 1016 South Fresno Street. Come along and bring all your friends. Better yet! make it a club affair. You can watch the sessions, and your feet will soon be stepping with the crowd at Fresno's Swing Sessions. Hey! get the dumb bells! no, the fellows aren't talking about Mario and Manuel. Fresno has finally been gifted with a set of weights by the department. The boys are now working daily either building up or reducing their respective bodies. If this continues, the tee shirt companies will do plenty of business. Heading into the athletic circuit, the bucket boys are practicing on the outdoor court nightly. The league is slated to commence some time this week. Latest honors won by Fresno, came from the Senior Football Seven which won the City title. In a pre-season baseball game, the Fresno Juniors defeated Griffith Park. Ping Pong rolls back into action with a brand new table that was double built so it may last. Cleveland Indians to continue their Saturday Baseball School at Fresno. All future ball players are invited to bring their gloves and shoes. Shooting back to the feminine side at Fresno we find the Sporting Queens going into their new year. Their 49 affairs were to be remembered. One of the newest all gal clubs, their dances were tops. This teen age group threw a terrific Xmas program. Gals also brought gifts that were passed out to the little kids. There was to have been a story on the great holiday program the Queens present but

some how the copy was lost during the new year coming in. The Sporting Queens are currently participating in the E. L. A. Y's basketball league held every Thursday evening. Lorena Baptist, Pirates, Co-Eds, Maywood Baptist, are a few opponents the Queens will meet. Next Wednesday, Feb. 8th, the Sporting Queens will have a open meeting. New members will be permitted to enter the club. The meeting starts at 6:30 p. m. and any gal over 15, interested in joining the Queens may do so by attending. The last social affair turned out to be very successful. The gals even had a big snow trip last weekend. This is one of the very clubs that are active in everything from athletics to knitting argyle socks. (Size 11 girls!).....

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Another very popular eating spot in town is the La Morenita located at 913 San Julian St. Here you will always find good food and ice cold beer. This is the eating spot for a lot of good fighters of the past and present.

You should have seen the big crowd at the Moctezuma Mexican Delicatessen and Restaurant last Saturday night. Emilio, the owner, is such a good sport, that he was among his customers having a good time. You to will like this place when you go there. Tony Vasquez was there last Saturday night, and he sure was enjoying himself. This good eating spot is located at 1741 Firestone Blvd. This spot has one of the best waitresses in town, and you will like the beauty when you go there.

Another very crowded spot is the El Casino Inn. Memo Rangel has a lot of friends in this town, and you will always find a bunch of good fellows here. The El Casino has television and shuffleboard for your pleasure.

Wonder what has happened to Herbert at the Hickory Inn? It has been sometime since we have seen the popular owner around. Hickory Inn is very popular for its good southern style barbecue. Drop in and try some of it.

An all night spot on weekends is the Joe's Place located at 4244 Brooklyn Ave. Joe also sells beer, and the best short orders in town.

Another very good spot where you can have a good time in Watts is the Serrano's Cafe. Priscilla Serrano's swell little place is located at 11163 S. Central Ave. You can't afford to miss this place, as you will like your stay here. There will be plenty of cold beer, and good food while there.

But the swellest dancing spot in the eastside these days in El Jardin Club Cafe where the famous Ray Pineira band plays every Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. There to serve you will be pretty waitresses. This popular spot is located at 2817 Whittier Blvd. Cris Mendoza is the owner of this spot, and he will be there to see that you will have a good time. Plenty of girls and cold beer at the El Jardin Club Cafe.

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STARDOM FOR LOCAL LATIN

By Ray Jauregui

For those of you who don't quite remember Ray Vasquez, I will try to give you a bit of information, and for those who have followed him for years, I will try to brush you up on his doings of the past and present.

Ray's, first appearance in East Los Angeles, was when he came over to Roosevelt Hi School with the Jordan Hi band, back in 1941. Ray, did a swell job of singing that day but what he didn't know was that he was to spend the rest of his high school days at Roosevelt. A young man by the name of Lionel (Chico) Sesma, who played trombone for the Roosevelt Hi band and knew that they needed a vocalist,

Gohers prepare for ball season

The mighty Gophers from Mariana have started drilling for the coming softball season. Most of last years players that captured the Terrace Hights League crown are back on the fold, and ready to defend their crown that was won last year without a defeat.

Manager Coty's team never lost a contest last year, and this year the team is expected to accomplish just as good a record. One of the biggest games of the year last season was the one between the Gophers and Mednik Cardinals. The Gophers that are sponsored by the Chavez Service Station located at the corner of Carmelita and Brooklyn streets, are again challenging the Cards to a showdown. These two teams are bitter rivals, and a great game is again expected this season when they tangle. The Mednik Cafe is the sponsor of the mighty Cardinals, who this year will play in the Belvedere Play-ground league.

cornered Mr. Vasquez after Aud. Call, rushed him over to Dembies and talked Ray into becoming a Rough Rider. After this the coaches wondered why all the track & football teams, wanted to exercise near the band bungalow where the band practised as Mr. Vasquez filled all requests by singing to his pals.

In later years, Ray, sang with local bands creating a style of his own that was helping him acquire a very big following. Ray's, first step toward a definite career as a vocalist, started when he hooked up with Phil Carreon who used to pack the Avodon.

Singing with a local band during the weekends does not furnish enough money to live, so Ray decided to go to work, and to find means of getting ahead as a recording artist. Ray has hustled his own breaks, never for a moment giving a thought to giving up his dream of becoming a top artist in the field of great singers.

To date Ray has recorded such numbers as Mi Corazon, Llorando, which is very popular, "Flor de tentacion", and the great and only one of it's kind, "El Milagro Del Tepeyac". A two side record which tells you the story of Juan Diego, when he saw the Virgin of Guadalupe. If you want to give a little present to your father or mother this record fits its purpose.

Probably the best of all his breaks is the one that came through when he was selected to sing "Tuyo Siempre", a composition of Cuba's greatest composer, in the Metro Picture "Visa" which stars Hedy Lamar and John Hodiak. The song incidently carries a lot of weight in that the composer insisted that the whole song was to be sung, with close ups of Ray, and his motions are perfect. Lets hope that during the course of the picture, some big director spots Ray and gives him his chance.

Ray Vasquez, incidently will be a featured guest of the Social Club Ass. at the opening of the Royal Palms Ballroom Feb. 18th, so if you want to hear how great he sings drop in.

I'm sure that you will all wish him the success an ambitious young fellow like him deserves. We of the "SPORT PAGE" staff surely hope he makes good because we know he'll set a great example to the younger Mexican boys that have dreams of becoming another Ray Vasquez one of these days.

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ABOUT LATIN SPORTS AND
LATIN SPORTSMEN.

The Last Note

By JOHNNY O'VALLE

On the View Side..... This week we are making a special dedication to a great man that has many followers in the Latin Colonies. We are speaking of the Great STAN KENTON. Last Monday night Stan made his preview at the Philharmonic Auditorium. Some of you got to hear his wonderful performance but not many (It was by invitation only). After his performance, Eddie Rodriguez, Bobby Amos, Freddie Rubio and yours truly had a personal interview with Stan. It's very interesting what the boy told us concerning the connections of his music and the music of the Latin American Countries. It's so interesting that we are going to re-broadcast it Saturday morning between 6:00 and 7:00 over "Buenos Dias K F V D." Be sure and listen to it, I promise it will be worth your while. One of the most colorful Personel fo the Kenton organization is CARLOS VIDAL (Conga Drum). New to the band but not to the field. Being well known he is quite capable of handling to his position. We also had a very interesting interview with Vidal..... We like to thank Mr. Garcia stage

supervisor of the Philharmonic, who gave us much help because without his help we could not have made this interview with Stan Kenton and Carlos Vidal..... Another great happening this week is the new program over KOWL 1580: in Santa Monica. Lionel (Chico) Sesma will do the honor of turning the turn tables. I understand that the music will be a variation of modern American and Latin Music. Imported from Cuba, Puerto Rico and Mexico. "Chico's Swingtime" is sponsored by Greyburns. This kid will need your help as well as your backing give him a listen every day 5-5:30, and give the boy a hand.

On The Band Stand..... Bobby Amos Superb Recording Artist, has a date with Aviation Marine Base in China Lake Feb. 10..... Sammy Mendoza at the Avadon (Tardeadas)..... Les Brown The Band of Renown will play at the Avodon Feb. 4th..... Johnny (Turkey Hop) Otis, sunday matinee at Angelus Hall... Don Tosti at Club Babalu downtown.

On The Platter Side..... About the only new releases this week are on Taxco La Mocura and Goxa Negra by Ramon Marquez and Miguel Salas, Chinero de la Calle Main..... Imperial "Desgraciado" Lalo Guerrero.....

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THE DUGOUT

By WALLY POON

The Winter Playoffs commence tomorrow afternoon on all the baseball diamonds. The schedule calls for a single round league composed of six teams. Among the six teams are the two former home clubs that have been playing at Fresno. Ornelas Mkt. and Club Vera Cruz. Strangely enough, both teams will make three appearances apiece at Fresno. The other ball clubs are Monterrey All Stars, Manuel's All Stars, G. Fazzi Mkt., and Watts Giants round out the league in this section play. Running down the league we find a pretty good balance league. In this league, records of any particular ball club doesn't mean a thing. Although it's safe to say that the 3 top teams may be Ornelas Mkt., Veracruz, and Monterrey. "Dark

horse" of the league will have to be handed to Manuel's All Stars. G. Fazzi Mkt. can well be the team to slip through and capture the title. The Watts Giants are the team that is hot and cold but nobody knows when. So just mark them down for a couple of upsets before the league-play is over. Tony Gonzalez and his Monterrey club is the same team for seasons now. Hector Felix, Louie Guerrero, Rudy Martinez, Orlando Figueroa, Epi Gonzalez and Lou Trez are a few of the players that will carry the ball game to their opponents. Monterrey has a well balanced squad in all departments. Ornelas Mkt. with the addition of Jimmy Miller, and Rudy Gonzalez to the mound staff maybe what they needed. It will also be the same Mkt. team with a good fielding and timely hitting crew.

Joe Hernandez, the Blanco boys,

HIGH LIFE

By THE SNOOPER

We caught the most popular playboy in the eastside, Marcos Lozano having a good time at the Las Palmas Cafe last Saturday night. Marcos is soon to become a proud father, and it looks like he is starting to celebrate early. Sammy Castanon and the ex-fighter, now the best barber in the eastside are bitter rivals at the Las Palmas Cafe Shuffleboard. Marcos has yet to beat the owner of the cozy eastside cafe.

Another well known playboy that is taking things easy is Felix Soto of the Soto's Cafe. Felix had to cut his honeymoon short, so that he

will of course be the one, two punch. If the Mkt. nine can hold their lead and not blow it as it has been the occasion, they'll not be denied of a top berth. Several of their losses have been after getting a big jump on the opposing nine. Veteran Joe Correa, and Richie Pena, boast the Veracruz club. The club fields the same as the two above. Fielding five Pena's on the team, it leaves only four positions open. Should the Cruz team repeat their last performance; it may well find them up along the top three. The last playoffs found Ornelas cutting them off of a semi-playoff spot. Manuel's All Stars may come through with one or two upsets. Lacking the hitting power to boast them into the tall bracket, Huba, Huba, will have to find another solution. Manuel's club is loaded with plenty of young ball players yet to come into their own. — Watch out for the ole master coach to pull a few things either out of his cap or car. G. Fazzi Mkt. ended right behind Ornelas and Veracruz the last playoffs. Should their mound staff be strengthened, Fazzi may well go through this division. Veracruz defeated them 10-9 in a thriller. While Ornelas had to out-hit and outscore the rival Mkt. 17 to 15. So the findings of Fazzi Mkt. against Veracruz will be close and not a slam bang ball game. The Watts Giants have been coming and going the past few seasons. They have at times been among one of the top colored ball clubs. Liked the usual colored team you can not pick them in any particular spot. The schedule calls for Veracruz to meet Watts Giants tomorrow afternoon in the initial game. Then Ornelas Mkt. takes over the diamond for three Sundays. Their third game of the league play will find Manuel's All Stars & club Veracruz. Take your pick in this league play. You have been watching these teams play for the last few months. They field practically the same outfit with maybe one or two new faces. Don't forget the divisional playoffs every Sunday at Fresno Playground.

could take care of his business. Last Saturday Felix took his brand new wife to the Casa Gonzales Night Club to dance to the Richardumba band that plays there. Felix says that this Latin band is one of the best in town. Playing for Richard at the Casa Gonzales band stand are such famous musicians like Bernie Themes, Little Joe, and Borrango, who comes from a noted family of musicians. Themes has played and directed some of the finest music organizations in L. A. Little Joe is at present considered one of the best Latin drummers in town. Joe Torrez, famous band leader, says that Little Joe may soon get his break, and then will be known as the best Latin drummer in L. A. With such good musicians on it's bandstand it is no wonder that the Casa Gonzales is packing them in on Saturday and Sunday nights. Casa Gonzales is located at 8910 S. Central avenue.

When you want to see some pretty babies go to Chiquito's Cafe located at 1048 No. Soto St. Martin Zuniga, that well known manager of Mexican fighters, says that every time he goes to see his friend Chiquito Salcido that he finds a handful of beauties. You should have seen the pretty one that was there last Sunday night visiting this popular cafe. Her name is Trini, and what a beauty.

Now packing them in on weekends is the well known Club Fandango that is located at 231-35 No. Los Angeles St. This place is one of the cleanest spots in L. A. and when you go to dance to the Rios band, you will enjoy yourself very much. On Friday nites Richard Lewis and His Rhythm Riffers play there for the younger set. Come here for a good time, anytime.

THIS WEEK

BOXING

Ocean Park —Monday
Baby Ortiz vs Lem Thomas
Ortiz too fast.

Olympic —Tuesday
Lauro Salas vs Jack Leslie.
Salas the Best.

Hollywood —Friday
Jay Caldwell vs Don Lee
Jay can upset this time

WRESTLING

Hollywood —Monday
Tag match
Leo & Gino Garibaldi vs
Johnny Demchuck & Marvin Jones
Father & Son to win.

BASEBALL

Fresno —Sunday
Ornelas Mkt. vs Vera Cruz
Vera Cruz still has the power.

FIGHT RESULTS

Ocean Park
Clarence Henry def Frank Daniels

Olympic
Jackie McCoy def Johnny Efland.

New Bedford
Sammy Walked def Jimmy Taylor.

Buffalo
Steve Belloise tkos Anton M. M.
Providence

Don Williams def Ralph Zam
New Haven

Sugar Ray Robinson tkos George
La R.

Boston
Johnny Wells def Johnny Cesa

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Dave Whitlock def Dutch Culbertson

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Robert Villemain def Jean Stock
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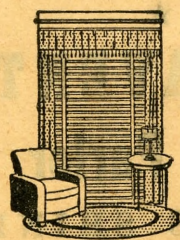
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SO YOU WANT TO BE A FIGHTER!

PUNCH ONE —

(My topic for today's column is a yarn about the average youngster who some day hopes to become a fighter!)

So you want to be a fighter, eh! —Well that's not such a bad idea! —Have you always liked the sport? —How old are you now? —What is your weight? —You say you're 16 & weigh 132 huh. —Well that makes you a junior lightweight —O.K. come along with me & let's get you signed up at the gym, —by the way! —Do you happen to have any equipment to train in? —You haven't! —How about a pair of old chaps & school gym grays? —Man, that's either??!! —Man, you're hurtin'... The thing you should do first is to get yourself a pair of boxing shoes —they run \$7.50 a pair & up —you'll need'n a pair of trunks, —

they run no less than \$2.50, yeah! Bandages also —they have them from four bits to a buck —mouth piece, that's another \$1.25. If you want to save your teeth a little longer, they sell some made to order mouthpieces which run around 25 dollars. Tsk, Tsk! Don't let me scare you kid —chances are you'll never have to visit a dentist —What's your chance of gettin' hurt? —Now your putting me on the spot! —I'd say your chances of getting hurt are small if you learn to keep your hands up & follow instructions carefully —Yes! I know about guys dying in the ring. —Recent figures of ring deaths show that 18 boxers were killed as a result of bouts up to Nov 20, 1949.—13 in 1948, nine during 1947 and 11 in 1946. Fifty percent of these deaths were caused from head injuries. On the other hand every sport has its dangers. —Take football for instance, although the deaths in football are not publicized so bold as in boxing —You'll find that at an average they run much higher than in fistiana.

You still want to be a fighter? —O.K. You're the guy that's gonna take the punches!! I'm going to teach you the proper way to jab, the right cross & the hardest blow to learn of all, that's the left hook. —Your foot-work will have to coordinate with the way you intend to deliver your punches.

Don't think for a moment that footwork isn't essential. I'm also going to teach you how to bob & weave, counter punch & infight. All of this things & still some.

I'm going to have you up every morning at the crack of dawn, to run whether you feel like running or not —after all you're the guy that wants to be a boxer —You still want to be a fighter? —O.K. I'm going to have you in that gym day in & day out —training hard. You'll feel like quitting after the first few days —because I'll have you jab crazy —You think I'm crazy —Maybe so. Next, I'll teach you the right cross.

I won't let you punch the bag till I see that your punches are correct —for a while you'll be skinning your knuckles on the bag. When you do, you'll know that this is caused from not punching the bag right. Now you know why I'm trying to explain why I want you to learn things the proper way. Just trying to make things easier for you, pal —let's say three months have passed since you started training —Now you're ready to start sparring in the ring —It's the acid test. Now you can start working on your opponent instead of the old punching bag! —All right, time!! move around —keep your hands up and jab —keep jabbing —get away from that corner —you are dropping your guard kid —& keep 'em up!! —Your right, kid use your right —break!! awright, time!! —here, rinse your mouth out... your doing fine, just remember, —keep your hands up! By the way, how do you feel? —You feel like a champ? —Kid I just got you a bout down the westside of town —I think that you're ripe for your first bout!! —What ya say? O.K. —Solly Field, the matchmaker for this club I'm taking you to, has you matched up with a green kid like yourself —no reason in the world why you can't win.

Don't forget that's next Thursday —on that day I want you to just take things easy when you get up. You'll have two meals that day —with the last one about 2 or three o'clock in the afternoon & get your mom to cook you a steak, eat plenty of vegetables & drink a cup of hot tea. —Then lay down a couple of hours & try to get some sleep.

I'll expect you here at the gym

about 7 30 p.m., bring all your gear with you, trunks, protective cup, shoes, socks, & mouth piece... Oh! say, champ —before I forget, I want to tell you not to expect too much money for your troubles —You'll get \$5.00 to be exact—but in your case it'll only be four bucks —you see this is your first amateur fight & the license cost a dollar! —And say, I won't be able to take you home after the fights, 'cause I live on the other side of town opposite to your home —the street car fare home will cost you twenty cents, you transfer four times —I know you'll be plenty hungry after the fights, so treat yourself to a snack —You'll probably eat 2 hamburgers & a bowl of chile & a coke or coffee —Hmmm just a minute, let's figure this out —2 burgers, that's 50 cents at two bits apiece, bowl of chile that's 30 cents & coke ten cents. That's a total of ninety cents plus twenty cents for street-car fare that's \$1.10. Deduct that from \$4.00, that leaves you \$2.90 from \$4.00, that leaves you \$2.90 wanta be a fighter?

If you do —well brother, you're well on your way to become a world's champ!! —as for me I'll stick to checkers.

—NEXT WEEK—

(An untold story about a crowd pleasing fighter of yesteryear, who wanted a crown & a "newspaper" Well, his first wish wasn't granted —but his second was —be sure to read "THE BIRTH OF SPORT PAGE") with an introduction by some friends of Midget Martinez.

CLUB NEWS

By IGNACIO MARTINEZ
VFW POST 7818

The post get-to-gather was a great success, states Commander Frank Galeana, who planned and executed the plans for the party assisted a great deal by Adjutant Jonathan Suarez and the Sgt.-At-Arms, Ruben Aldapa.

Sandwiches, doughnuts, cookies, cold cuts with trimmings, coffee, pop and beverages of a slightly stronger taste were served to the crowd who was there.

Fifth District, Senior Vice Commander Lucas Lopez donated to the post a bottle of strong spirits which was promptly raffled and of which a tidy profit was realized, a bit unusual these fine days.

The entire post wishes to extend its sincere thanks to Senior Vice Lucas who is a member of Post 2248, one of the most powerful of the nation, for his whole hearted cooperation in helping to boost the post.

Past Post Commander Gilbert Negrete and Chaplain Frank Martinez rejoined the post. Firing Squad Exec. Emilio Luna, sent word that he will also rejoin the group immediately.

Color bearer Luis Medrano, one of the hardest working members of the post is recovering from a serious operation.

A full military burial was accorded Sgt. Henry Valenzuela, who died performing combat duties for our country. Burial was at Evergreen.

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ARAGON REPLACES

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rious as to what the new comer carries in his mitts. The Argentine lightweight packs a mean wallop in either hand, and would fit in very nicely locally against Bolanos, Docusen, Aragon, Rudy Cruz and even John L. Davis. Gimenez stepped into the New Orleans ring last Monday night against the "Little Duke", as a 10-1 shortender.

Yes, it is no secret that the "Little Duke's" defeat last Monday in his hometown, proved a big shot in the arm for California boxing.

Babe McCoy, matchmaker for the Olympic, was forced to card two outstanding tens for this week at the Olympic, when Rafael Gutierrez came down sick. The two tens will feature Cecil Shoemaker vs Ruben Smith in one, and Lauro Salas versus Jock Leslie in the other.

Both Smith and Shoemaker are the best of the new lot of boys being developed now in this neck of the woods. Both have outstanding records, and nobody wants to fight them. It is a mystery how McCoy got them together on the dotted line, but it only means a great battle for those attending the Olympic fights next Tuesday.

Salas, is the Monterrey Mexican, who always puts on a bang-up performance. Who will ever forget his battles with such great little men like Harold Dade, Carlos Chavez, Manuel Ortiz and others? He should punch too fast and often for Jock next Tuesday.

Baby Ortiz gets a chance to redeem himself for his loss against John L. Davis last month, when he meets Lem Thomas at Ocean Park next Monday night. Ortiz was undefeated in these parts until he met up with the Oakland none stop puncher. Lem is the same gent who had Maxie Docusen on silly streets but could not finish him up. This battle looms like a sure fire attraction with either boy a good bet to hit the deck inside of ten rounds.

Joe Caldwell and Don Lee will finally settle a long smoldering feud at Hollywood Legion Stadium next Friday night. The two rugged middleweights clash in the ten round headliner bout at the Legion, topping an excellent card of prelim fights.

It was last August 19 that Lee and Caldwell put on a wild slug-ging bee, with Don coming out on the long end of a highly disputed verdict. Since then the two have been rematched a number of times, only to have the bout fall through at the last moment.

Caldwell insists that Lee has done a wonderful job of ducking the issue, whereas Lee emphatically maintains that he has been hampered by injuries sustained in training sessions, and that that is the only reason he has not accommodated Mr. Caldwell in the Legion ring.

All of this of course, adds up to a great punching duel when they come together Friday night at the Legion Stadium. The way these boys fight, there's hardly a dull moment when they engage in a knock-down drag-out affair. Neither knows a thing about the finer points of boxing, choosing instead to bang away until something begins to give away.

The winner of Friday's contest will find himself in line for a shot at the highly rated Harry Kid Matthews, a former Legion Stadium star who is said to be on his way to Hollywood for a series of matches.

Friday's semi-final will pit young Jackie Blair against Chicago's Ronald Cannon. They'll go six rounds or less at 134 lbs.

Other bouts:

Bobby di Giovanni vs Aurelio Navarro, 124 lbs.; Jackie Condon vs Art Brown, 165 lbs.; Gil Chavez vs Jimmy Burhus, 140 lbs., & Leo Romero vs Bob Terrace, 147 lbs.

LES BROWN BAND...

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pected to draw a large crowd of dance goers to hear and dance to his music. Featured with the band of renown are comedy vocalist Butch Stone, Stumpy Brown and lovely singing star Lucy Ann Polk.

Carlos Miguel and his rumba orchestra will also be on hand at the Saturday eve dance.

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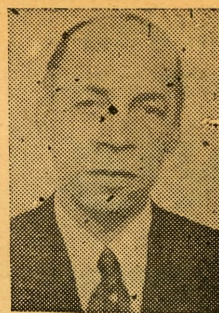
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CLUB NEWS

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Cemetery. Commander Frank Galeana was in charge of the squad while your column scribbler gave a brief farewell address for the late departed hero.

Coach Mike Villalobos and his exponents of the fast break were finally stopped. The powerful Santa Barbara Retreaders came from behind in the last two minutes to overcome a 5 point lead that the Golden Hurricanes had built up in the last 4 minutes of the terrific

and thrilling scuffle to sew up the game 66-65 on Guard Nelmark's heart stopping payoff long field goal from mid-court with 60 seconds remaining.

Santa Barbara grabbed the lead 11-3 at the start of hostilities and managed to hang on to it, but for some fancy shooting by Arnold Aguilar and screen shots by the amazing youngster of the V. F. W. R. Villalobos, the Retreaders would have taken a commanding lead at the half. As it was, the half ended in a deadlock 35-35 with Coach Mike Villalobos being a pillar of strength by out rebounding his tall

adversaries. Center John Bogdanov hurt the Vet's chances as he was forced to sit on the bench with four personal fouls with manager Ralph Villalobos strategy being to save "Bones" for the crucial moment.

Coach Villalobos decided on a change from a man-to-man to a zone defense, after a quick conference with the squad for the second half. The change proved partially effective by stopping Sherman & Center Shutte, but Guard Nelmark lambasted the net with some long nifties to make him the nights top scorer with 24 digits.

The play for this half was give and take with never more than two points separating both teams. The Hurricanes fast break almost proved a little too much for the bigger but slower Retreaders, but wasn't quite enough.

Manager Villalobos sent in Bogdanov to replace Gene Wilmoth who had played a fine game but was out on his footsies. 'Bones' ran right back and occupied his regular spot on the bench after being nailed with 5 fouls. Aguilar, Choo Choo Estrada and Mike's drive-in hesitation shot almost sewed up the contest.

Joe De La Torres' Santa Barbara cage squad is by far the best team that the Vets have met. Their play was superior in every department and the best team won. High point men for the Hurricanes were Ray Villalobos 21, and Aguilar 17. A rematch is in the making with a return game again being at Santa Barbara.

Nelmark, Shutte and Sherman of S. B. are active members of the Santa Maria Dukes who are leading the Western Amateur Basketball League with 5 wins and one loss. L. A. Police, Oakland Nuggets, S. F. Stewart Chevrolet, McGee and Molly and the San Diego Rockets are also in this league. The Police have won 4 and lost two.

The dangerous hot and cold Belvedere Hornets were slightly sizzling last Friday evening. They almost completely annihilated the V. F. W. with a deluge of field goals, but the Hurricanes had Lady Luck and went on to win by a very narrow margin 60-56, after being outplayed by a superb basketball machine, who on two different occasions had the V. F. W. at its mercy with first half scores of 19-1 and 21-3.

The Hornets with plenty of sting started out the tilt by running away with the game and playing their best game to-date. There has been few teams anywhere who have displayed the team and playing powers on any one particular evening, as did Belvedere.

Halftime score was Hornets 27, V. F. W. 10. Regulars Arnold Aguilar and Archie Estrada who had been watching the game as spectators were hurried into uniforms and to the dog fight. The second half was a terrific duel with the Vets ((Glendale) scoring 50 points to win the contest 60-56. Arnold Aguilar's phenomenal shooting with sweeping hook shots from all angles and Ray Villalobos, thorn on the side of the Hornets all night long and brother Mike's courage and rebounding spelled the difference. R. Villalobos collected 23 digits to take scoring honors, followed closely by Aguilar with 21 for the V. F. W.

Chilo Ramirez was high for Belvedere with 19.

The Mahar Pirates were the Hurricanes 37th victim out of 38 trips to the maplewood floors. The score was 53-49 in a CYO 'AAA' League game held Sunday at the Armory. This victory enables the VFW. to sit astride first place. The Vets jumped off to a big lead and were content to coast the remainder of the contest. Though Dick Tracy was not at the game, it didn't necessarily take a master mind to note that the first squad was not exactly a ball of fire due to weariness. The alternate string played the majority of the scuffle until Mahar came within one point of catching up 49-50. However Aguilar, Don Hathaway and Ray Villalobos went back into the fray to take possession of the leather melon with two foul throws and a field goal by Hathaway to sew up the melee. Incidentally Donnie, who was the entire team for Marshall High School was left off the All Northern first team only to wind up in the 2nd. team. Everyone is still trying to figure

that one out.

BAPTIST LEAGUE

Ray Ogaz and his Trinidad cage team stomped over a hard playing Unida team 58-39 in a cup playoff game at the Whittier 'Y'. The Kettering brothers, Buck, Chuck and Joe were too much for Johnny Suarez ever trying team. Chuck Kettering was high point man for the contest with 22. Emilio Gonzales with 19 was high for the losers.

Glendale (VFW 7818) emerged victorious 60-56 over a surprising Belvedere Hornet squad who outplayed and outscored the Hurricanes in the first half 27-10 but were themselves outscored in the payoff half 50-29. Aguilar gave a performance that long will be remembered for Glendale. Ray Villalobos nabbed 23 points to keep his 20 point average for league and none league games for Coach Mike Villalobos fast breaking Will-O-Wisp team.

Trinidad will meet Belvedere Friday Feb. 3 at 7:30 P. M. for the right to play Glendale for the League Playoff Championship. The contest will be held at the Whittier 'Y'.

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