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(This is a Fight Story about a little guy that was once the greatest box office attraction in Southern California. The story of the Great "FABULOUS FABELA CHAVEZ" —His Rise, His Friends and His Fall.)

## PART I

We were all there Tues. nite, Nov. 23, 1948, the place . . . Olympic Auditorium . . . the time, 10:53 . . . and the bell had just sounded ending the fifth round of a ten rd. bout between Tote Martinez, of San Francisco & Fabela Chavez, from Los Angeles. There's reasons to remember the date & occasion, for it marked the ending of the then King of the Gallery Gods —FABELA CHAVEZ!

The beginning of the sixth round found Chavez unable to continue, with manager George Parnassus signaling referee Abe Roth that the fight was all over, his boy had had enough . . .

I imagine everyone that witnessed the kid's last stand felt heart-broken that nite, for they had all come down to see him in his first comeback attempt. Prior to this fight he had trained for six long months & underwent several operations. It proved of no use, as the writing was on the wall.

In its regular tradition the crowd rose and gave the kid a tremendous ovation as he left the ring. Not a bit disgraced was he, because down deep inside he knew he had done his very best, and his opposition that nite was not to shake a stick at.

Walking up the aisle towards his dressing room seemed like the last mile to him. A long, lonely road. "I tried my best", he kept repeating to himself.

An occasional pat on the back & "tough luck, pal" were the wel-wishers, comments as he strolled towards his dressing quarters. —He wondered: —"Where's all my friends?"

Outside of the usual person whose business it was to be in the dressing room, none of the kid's friends were among them . . . Johnny Allen, Gordon Macker, Midget Martinez, Al Sontoro, Dick Hayland, Rudy Garcia & George Main, all newspapermen.

They wanted their fresh copy for the morning edition! It wasn't much of an assignment for them either, it was all very easy, all they could write about was the fact that Chavez had no alibi's & that he was through with the ring for good. —"Are you ready for your rub down, kid?" —asked his trainer, Johnny Villafior. Meanwhile his manager, shrewd George Parnassus, paced the floor nervously. —"Well, if he's through fighting I guess I'm through with him".

"Ouch! Easy with that alcohol,

Johnny, stuff sure burns," snapped Fabela. —"It'll only be a minute, there, now lets have your hands, Humm, off with these bandages, damn sissors need sharpening". —"Yeah! Well, if you weren't so cheap, you'd buy a new pair" — ". . . Yeah! Well, the best thing you better do is hurry up and take your shower.—Here! catch!" — "What the hell's this Johnny?" — "Soap, my boy! DIAL soap! You sure need it!" — . . . Fabela let out a laugh as he jumped into the showers . . .

. . . Burrrr! that water was sure cold! —"Hand me that towel, will you please, George! — Hey! . . . look whose here" . . .

Two of Fabela's best friends, Nash Roque and Charley Estrada had just walked in.

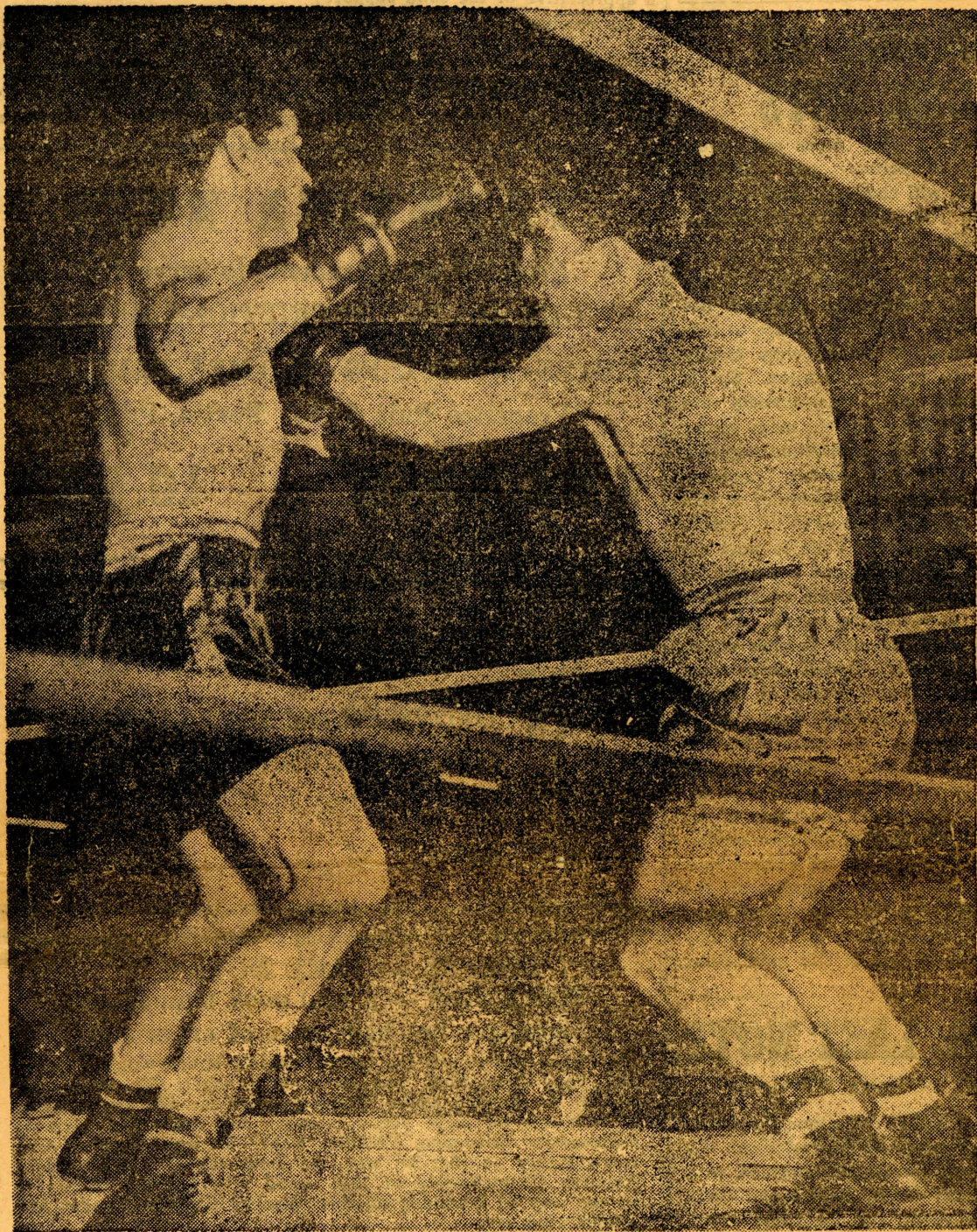
"Sit down fellows, sure glad you came! —I was wondering if you two guys had also dumped me like all the rest. —Ha! Ha! — you know I was just thinking" — "What about", asked Nash, as he knocked off the ash from his cigarett onto the floor! —"Just that if I had a buck for every Jerk that calls himself my friend, I could retire for life. How'd ya like the fight?—Sorry I let you guys down!" — "You gave your best, pal — you were alright!" By this time Fabela was dressing. —"Did you bring your car, Nash?" —"Yeah," —said Charley, "and we're going right home, you ready?"

—"cept for my shoes. Give me a hand, will you fellows, put all my gear in the bag". — "Bag! — What bag?", asked Nash, "I don't see no women in here!" —"What are you?, a comedian?, you %ü+½ \*!3 \*!!" — For a moment the room was full of joy and laughter.

Fabela tried to look happy, but it was the same ole story of laughing on the outside & crying in the inside — the kid was all broken-hearted. "You'll find my mouth-piece near the wash basin, rinse it out a little, the jar's on top that shelf." —As Fabela tied the last loop on his shoelace, he looked up at Villafior & Parnassus & said,— "Well! I guess we've reached the cross roads. So long! Johnny, Mr. Parnassus, I'll probably be seeing you'se in the gym from time to time" — "Can the stuff kid, here! use my hankie! . . . Let's go Nash" —As they walked out of the dressing room, Fabela paused for a moment & looked up at the ten thousand seats that surrounded the ring . . .

By this time, a good forty-five minutes had passed since the crowd had left, and now most of the lights were out, except for the few that were needed so as the janitors could see where they were sweep-

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IN THIS ISSUE, PART ONE OF "FABULOUS, THE LION HEARTED". Here the great little champion is battling Alfredo Escobar in one of his greatest battles that will never be forgotten by those that were lucky enough to witness it. Watch next issue for the second and last chapter of the thrilling story on this great little Mexican fighter who brought nothing but glory on his name and his countrymen. This story will appear in the SPORT PAGE next week. See your nearest advertizer for your copy.

## SLUGGER VERSUS BOXER AT OLYMPIC TUESDAY

It's slugger versus boxer at the Olympic next Tuesday night. That's what Babe McCoy has on

top for his weekly customres when Rocky Lucero and boxer Jackie McCoy tangle in the ten-round main event for the week.

## LATE EATERS AT PIEDRITA

That popular late hours eating place, La Piedrita Cafe located at 1056 No. Soto street, wishes to announce that due to illness the place had been close for a short time, but that you can now go back to this place for good food every day now. The hours for this popular eating place are from 9 a. m. to 4 a. m. on weekends, and only from 9 a. m. to 12 midnight on weekdays. Dora has some swell little girls working for her, and you will not only get good food when you go there, but also top service. Don't forget the La Piedrita for good food, and late hours. And the address which is 1056 No. Soto street next to the famous Chiquito's Cafe.

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## Banquet Set for Latin American Legion

The Latin American Legion Post 508 has selected the Tony's Place night club for their yearly banquet on the night of January 26. Frank Amaro, owner of the smart east-side night club, is getting ready for the gala event by redecorating and painting the popular night club.

This week the place will be finished, and all that would like to go to a nice clean spot for some clean fun may do so at 3541 E. First St. where the Tony's Place is located.

This weekend the Tony's Place orchestra directed by the Mambo King, Joe Hernandez, will have new dance arrangements for your pleasure. The Tony's Place orchestra is proving very popular with dance followers of the eastside, and every week the Tony's Place is packed with dance enthusiasts. Helping Joe with the bandstand are such well known musicians like

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## There's Still a Chance to Join Tennis Classes

That tennis instruction class at Griffith Playground is still being formed, so it's not too late to join. Open to all ages, the new class will be under the supervision of Joel Adler. All a prospective student needs is shoes and a racket. For further info, call OLympia 9496.

## COLUMN ON MUSIC HITS

Starting this week and every week thereafter, the SPORT PAGE will conduct a new column, titled, The Last Note, by Johnnie O'Valle.

In keeping up with only the best for our readers, the publisher has decided to give more space to music, since it ties in very closely with the young generation. Sports activities and entertainment are closely followed by the many young readers of this publication together with their many written requests, have prompt the appearance of this new column in the SPORT PAGE.

Mr. Johnny O'Valle is now attending L. A. CC, and is a qualified to give you the inside on all matters pertaining to music. In his spare time the new column writer of the SPORT PAGE keeps a record shop that is located at 1336 E. First street, and also does a lot of radio work at our local radio stations. His popular column will give you only the latest gossip in the music world, and the name of the places where your favorite orchestra is playing. For his column look elsewhere in the columns of the SPORT PAGE. For information regarding music write Johnny O'Valle in care of this publication.

## THE LAST NOTE

By JOHNNY O'VALLE

This is the first attempt of weekly Gossip on the Musical Field. We will try to keep you informed, with the local L. A. Band's and there where about, also the latest on records with your favorite Artists.

Ruben Reyes had a record date with Taxco record's wed, promising two new fine tones.—Ramon Vasquez, just released Llorando, and Ten Mi Corazon, a well recorded disc.—Bonita, and Tu Me Dijiste, a new release by Ramon Armengod, promises big sales. He backed by Phil Carreon and Orchestra, Philmos Record.—Don't forget Billy Eckstine at the Million dollar for one week. Jorge Negrete comes from across the border to make his L. A. run one week at the Maya Theatre.

Love and Music didn't mix with Don Tosti and the Mrs., there up for divorce, while he blows nightly at Club Babalu promises new original records this month.—Oscar Saldaña blows at Jordan High Friday. The Prom and Sunday for Guatemala relief Benefit Dance. Lets make it a success.—Jose Hernandez and His Mambo Kings plays four nights a week at Tony's Place.—Ray Sanchez has the Drum tied up on week ends.—Bobby Amos has an appointment with superb records. Hope they sign up.—Gallardo's Orchestra, plays Saturdays in Santa Anna. Johnny Ottis holds Sunday Mat. at Angelus Hall.

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THANK YOU JOHNNY.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

NEW YORK. —The University of Virginia, which withdrew from Southern Conference a few years ago in protest over the ill-fated Graham plan, likely will rejoin that group after the current fuss over the National Collegiate Athletic Assn. sanity code is settled. . . . Virginia has been making like a member in all the discussions and is appreciative of the solid support it has received.

But Cap Prichett, the Cavalier athletic director still winces every time somebody mentions a "fight"

or wishes him good luck. . . . Another outcome of this furor is that college presidents, who were criticized a few years ago for not making more part in the athletic programs, will be very active in that line for a while . . . For instance, it was the Louisiana State prexy never known as a strong supporter of intercollegiate athletics, who insisted on "full publicity" for that 250-buck payment. Now the athletic department is hearing some repercussions and can only say: — "Well, look at what the other schools did for their kids".

Probably the biggest pair of hands on display around the football coaches meeting are carried by Joe Stydahar, and that Boston College's Denny Myers to tell a yarn

about Joe college grid days . . . Seems in one game a 150-pound wingback was assigned the job of keeping Stydahar out of the backfield and decided a little illegal holding was the only way . . . So when he saw Joe bursting through, he rapped both hands around a "wrist" and snuggled it close to his body so the ref couldn't see. . . As the play ended, the back

glanced at the bench to make sure his coach had noted his success. . . Just then Joe tapped him with

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## CAFE SOCIETY

By FRITZ

Having his usual snack at the Rio Grande Cafe last Saturday nite was Chato Felix. He is a steady customer of this good eating place. Chato made a complain to this column writer for the little space given the Rio Grande every week. So, here it is, Chato, and in Bold Face type. The Rio Grande, where you find Cuca and Mike, to serve you, is located at 2327 E. First street. Drop in and taste their good food.

Chato Felix was presented with a cigar "Habano" when he went to the Rio Grande Cafe Friday nite to see, over television, his "Compadre" Montes fight Jess Flores. The cigar was presented by proud Cuca Porra, grandmother of a baby boy born to Refugio Jimenez (Güero Bonito) and Irene Muñoz. The baby, born January 9, will be named David.

It was a sad night for Rio Grande cafe as 3 guys from Sonora lost a lot. One lost a fight, the other two, "El Pájaro" and Chato, lost

fat bets they had made.

We dropped into the Lorena Recreation Center last Saturday night for a drink, and found the place jammed with customers of all variety. Some were enjoying the billiards, some bowling, while others were enjoying a good drink while watching television. This popular place, where all the Latins go to bowl, is located at 3413 Whittier Blvd.

Ray Latino may still be in the hospital when you read this. If not, you will find him at his place, the Carioca Cafe in Watts. Due to this the Carioca was closed for a few days last week. Now that the place is on the groove stop over & see how Ray is getting along. You will enjoy your stay here watching television while having your favorite brand of beer.

One of the biggest crowds that we have seen in attendance at the Casa Gonzales Night Club was in attendance last Saturday when we stopped at Jess Gonzales' favorite, dancing spot. Richard and his band is of the best calibre, and once you go to this night spot, you will come again. Now helping Jess in the kitchen is his pretty wife, Pauline. They also have a nice, looking red-head to wait on you at the Casa Gonzales. This place is located at 3910 S. Central Ave.

Another lively spot is the Katie's Place where you will find Lucy to

serve you with a smile. This pretty little girl is one of the best waitresses in this town, and will give you top service when you go to Katie's. Another good thing about Katie's is that they also sell fine Mexican food here. They also have ice cold beer, and a large television screen.

Another very popular spot is the Veteran's Cafe where you will find all of the gang from the La Purisima Club dropping in for some of those good mixed drinks that Louie and Mike serve at the place. The boys like this spot because they can enjoy a drink while watching the sports events over the Veteran's Cafe television set. Louie and Mike have a nice spot, and an ideal spot for you to take your girl for a good drink. The Veteran's Cafe is located at 3408 Whittier Blvd.

One of the best customers of the Blow Inn Cafe is Lou Robles. Lou has been a customer of Frenchie's place for a long time, and says: "of all the spots in the Cafe Society, the Blow Inn is the best."

Frenchie has all the confort that goes with a fine establishment, so drop around and have a drink at the Blow Inn while watching television or playing a game of shuffleboard.

Chiquito's Cafe has a new waitress, and she is a very pretty little girl. Drop in and say hello to Chiquito's new waitress at 1048 N. Soto. This place serves your favorite brand of beer, and you can enjoy television while having a bottle at this cozy little spot.

We missed a swell time at the Serrano's Cafe last Wednesday says Precilla, who was celebrating her birthday that day. Many customers and old friends of the owner joined to wish her many more and have a good time at the Serrano's Cafe. This very popular place is located at 11163 S. Central Ave.

Another good eating place in the Eastside is the El Nopal Cafe. Felix and Alice, serve only the best. On weekends you can hardly get into this place, where you will find people coming from shows, ballrooms or other places, just to eat at the El Nopal that is located at 2307 Brooklyn Ave.

One of the best Mexican eating places in the Westside of town is the Java Joe's located at 450 W. Florence Ave. Joe Castillo has a very busy eating place that features a dime taco. This place is open 24 hours a day.

Talking to the owner of the La Morenita Cafe that is located at 913 San Julian street we found out that this place caters to many ex and present day fighters. Among some of the boys that go to eat the good food at the La Morenita are Paulino Montes, Sammy Garcia, Jimmy Meadows, Perfecto Lopez, Frankie Martinez, Jess Gonzales, and Ernie Jurado. You too will like the food here, so why not make it a regular stop.

The meeting place of all sportsmen is the Zuniga's place that is located at 3732 E. Olympic Blvd. Martin Zuniga, fight manager and ex-fighter, is the owner of this busy place. Martin is the proud manager of Paulino Montes and Rafael Gutierrez. These two boys are tops in their profession, and tabbed to go a long way.

Now you can get your favorite brand of beer at all times at the popular Joe's Place that is located at 4244 Brooklyn Ave. Joe sells nothing but the best in short orders, and is opened 24 hours on weekends.

Another very famous popular spot is the Monterey Cafe. Here you will find nothing but the best in everything. Good mixed drinks, fixed by experts. The food is very good, that is made by the wife of the owner. This swell little spot is located at 3418 Monterrey Rd.



**LOS CRUCENOS** —The popular duet of Necho and Tony. This Globe Recording duet has just made a record that bids to make a big hit. The new hit is "Parodia de Tu Solo Tu". Others that have been made very popular by the Los Cruceros are Josefina, and many others. The main hangout of these boys is the El Barrilito Cafe that is located at 3102 East 4th Street.

Drop in and enjoy a good time at the Monterrey Cafe.

Another fine place for fun and good food is the Cocon's Cafe located at 1465 N. Main street. Johnny Cocon has a dandy little spot, that is always very busy. There helping Johnny are his two good looking waitresses, Josie and Maria.

Another crowded spot is the good eating place of Emilio Sanchez, the Moctezuma Mexican Delicatessen & Restaurant located at 1741 Firestone Blvd. Last Saturday a party was in progress at this place, and everyone was having a good time, including the owner and his wife.

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## THE DUGOUT

By WALLY POON

Muny ball clubs will take to the diamond again tomorrow afternoon, and this time should have clear weather for a nine inning tilt. This is probably the longest rest most teams have had since they enter the Asociation. So all the fellows should have plenty of fire Sunday noon. Although it is rather early to talk about the coming play-offs, it is still the chief problem now for every manager. Last year saw the Eastside Merchants sweeping through for the title but only after a close victory over the Aztec Indians. It was suggested that the single Championship game be a two out of three series. This would really make the Championship play very interesting. A series would give the club losing the first game a chance yet to capture the crown. It's doubtful whether there will be a ball club that may shall we say slaughter their opponents. This year's playoffs will perhaps turn into a close battle. Check the present winter-play, there is not one club dominating. Every ball club has suffer defeats. Top ball clubs have been defeated by lower class clubs with hardly the material to go into the finals. At the Association, the ideal of the series was brought into discussion. Managers of the two top teams last year were asked whether they would like the two out of three series instead of

the single game. It's a good idea, but since the game was very close, neither gave much road to the series. A team bearily winning by one run, you can hardly ask to play another game. But if it was decided before hand that there would be a two out of three series for the Championship, it's settled. Although the single game is the quickest to settle the Championship. The team with the most runs at the end of the ball game wins. Regardless if most of the runs were 'unearned. The other team failed to hustle for more runs thus losing. It was finally brought out that if the two managers of the two teams meeting for the Championship wished to have the series, they may do so. Let's remember that the manager knowing his team can defeat the other will probably be in favor of the series. Now, the other manager can only shall we say, hope for the breaks and a upset. Then the single game decider is his baby. But if he thinks in the way of losing, then the series won't hurt him at all if he considers his team not having a chance. Both managers will be out to win, and the series is the thing for the final. A single game will bring out unearned runs and errors. but that's baseball. Remember a manager can't complain about the same thing in a two out of three series as he may in the single game. Who knows, maybe some day the Municipal Association will come out with a two out of three series for the Championship. Then you'll know which is the best team that

## High Life

By THE SNOOPER

There is a pretty blonde working for Sammy at the Las Palmas Cafe. This swell little place is located at 3516 Brooklyn Ave. The new waitress working at this place is very pretty, and she says that she will give you very good service when you go there to see her. Don't forget that the kitchen at Las Palmas is now under Huera and her food is very good. She has had a lot of experience in this line, and you will be sure to like her cooking.

Another place with many pretty dolls is the Texas Club Beer Parlor in Watts. And we don't mean the ones that are printed on the pretty celendars that Cecil is giving his customers. A pretty little bar maid is Terry, who Cecil says is one of the best girls he has had working for him. Terry has personality to spare, and you will like her when you stop again at the Texas Club Beer Parlor. Another little beauty that you will like at this popular Watts place will be Concha. While there last Saturday we found the popular owner, Cecil playing shuffleboard with a customer, while one of the readers of the SPORT PAGE suggest to this column writer that a Spanish reading column in the SPORT PAGE would become very popular.

One of the crowdest spots in L. A. last Saturday was the Vera Cruz Cafe. At the Vera Cruz Cafe they start dancing early and finish up very late. The Martin Hernandez Tropical Band plays there every weekend. Johnny Perez is your host.

Stopping at the popular Club Fandango we heard the singing voice of the new radio rage, "Charal" Hernandez. This boy has a terrific voice, and is gaining many new admiress at the Club Fandango with his singing every Saturday and Sunday nights. Come to the Fandango and hear this great singer sing. He is featured over the air every day over the 'Hora de Los Angeles over KAGH. On Friday nights at the Fandango it is the music of Richard Lewis and his Rhythm Riffers. This place is located at 231 No. Los Angeles St.

time in the league. Another big item is a consolation round. Most tournaments or play-offs have consolation play. This is fair to teams not up to par with the top bracket and makes the play much more interesting now. Teams entering the playoffs after winning their respective divisions. Boom! lost the first game, that's all until the summer league starts. Why not have a consolation round? There's the diamonds, and the teams. After teams have been defeated they usually watch other games or schedule practice games until the play is over and a new league starts. A consolation round will keep them active and give lower class teams a chance to win honors. One can't expect all the teams to keep on the same level. Somebody has to lose in a game, some are out matched by material. Some teams are clubs, or company teams with players who work there eligible to participate. During your Championship, you can have the consolation round in effect. How about it managers? give the rest of the boys a break, and a chance to win honors to. This Municipal ball is growing plenty big, and there's a lot of good teams now. It wants the same recognition as Semi-pro, and others, well! let's have leagues like baseball should have. Not just a single round, single defeat, and boom! that's all until summer play or winter play.

## SPORTS AND SPONSORS

A call for softball players is out from the Mednick Cards softball team that is now getting ready for the coming summer league in Belvedere. Angel and Julio Quinones, owners of the Mednick Cafe located at 329 N. Mednik Ave., are the sponsors of this top flight softball team, and if interested you may inquire at their place of business. For many years the Cards have won the eastside championship, and always field a top club. Some of the best softball players in the southland have played with the Cards, and if you decide to join this club, you will play side by side with the best. The team has already started spring practise, and if you wish to join the Cards this year please contact the owners of the Mednik Cafe as soon as possible. The phone number is AN. 31573.

Strong favorites to annex the coming CYO league this year are the sponsored El Casino Inn Los Caballeros. The captioned Moses Placencia club is all set for a strong pace in the strong CYO league that consists of some of the strongest casaba teams in the land. Memo Rangel and the Castillo brothers

are betting even money that the boys from Dogtown will bring the El Casino Inn another championship cup this year to add to the already big collection that is on display at the Casino. Memo and the Castillo brothers are the owners of the El Casino Inn that is located at 649 North Spring St. Moses Placencia is considered one of the best Mexican hardwood players to ever don a uniform. This year, the boys that have seen him in action, are predicting another outstanding season for the big boy. Watch other section of the SPORT PAGE for schedules of the CYO league.

Taking over while Felix was out making the rounds was Chencho Soto at the Soto's Cafe. Chencho is a well known L. A. playboy, who is a brother of the Soto's Cafe owner. Jew, as he is better known in some of the better sports of L. A., was chatting with an old buddy, Memo Mata (not the singer, but of the Mata's from El Jardin). They talked about prizefights, and sports while enjoyinb the cold beer at Soto's.

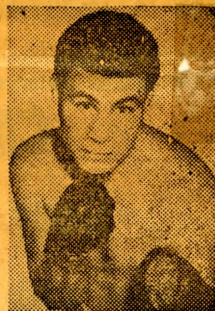
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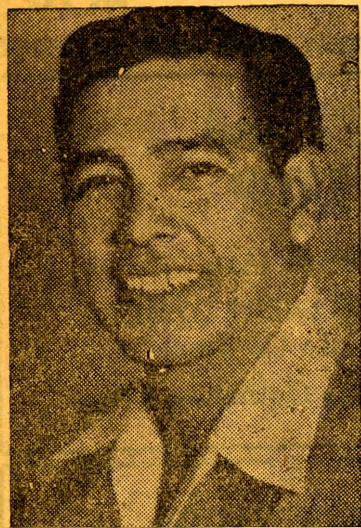


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# CLUB NEWS

By IGNACIO MARTINEZ

A colorful and terrific league will open Sunday, January 15 at the Armory and at the Lincoln High School courts.

Bob Fowler, Catholic Youth Organization, Athletic Director, is in charge of this league which plays under the S. P. A. A. U. regulations and is of 'AAA' calibre.

The archdiocesan Champion of the C Y. O. will be eligible to enter SPAU tournament against City 'AAA' teams selected for the tournament. The winner will represent this district in the finals at Denver, Col.

Four registered officials have been assigned to this league. Iss Noren, Leo Grijalva, Tony Randalini and Bert Colbert.

Seven of the eight teams entered in the league need little introduction as their athletic qualities are a known fact. Leading the dazzling array is: MAU champions, Los Ca-

POS.	NAME	AGE	HEIGHT	SCHOOL
F	Ray Villalobos	16	5'10"	Belmont
F	Arnold Aguilar	23	5'10"	L. A. C. C.
F	Archie Palma	21	5'8"	Occidental
F	Don Hathaway	17	5'11"	Marshall
F	Rene Morales	20	5'6"	Lincoln
F	Ignacio Martinez	34	5'6"	Idaho
C	Gene Wilmoth	23	6'3"	Arkansas U.
C	John Bogdanoff	19	6'5"	E. L. A. J. C.
C	Buck Kettering	22	6'3"	E. L. A. C. C.
G	Mike Villalobos	21	6'1"	Lincoln
G	Archie Estrada	24	5'11"	L. A. C. C.
G	Gabe Estrada	20	6'0"	E. L. A. J. C.
G	Oscar Barron	35	5'11"	Lincoln
G	Louie Villalobos	21	5'11"	Lincoln

balleros; Whizz Kids, Mahar Pirates, Young Men's Institute, St. Anthony, Hazard Lions, and Holy Family, while Veterans of Foreign Wars 7818, will be taking their first step into 'AAA' competition.

**GAMES FOR JANUARY 15**  
7:15 P. M. Y. M. I. vs. Mahar at Lincoln Hi.  
8:30 P. M. Whiz Kids vs. St. Anthony at Lincoln Hi.  
7:15 P. M. Hazard vs. Los Caballeros at Armory.  
8:30 P. M. V. F. W. vs. Holy Family at Armory,  
**VFW POST 7818**  
Commander Frank Galeana has invited 5th District Inspector Estell B Berryman to sit on a meeting at which time plans will be formulated for the Post's Installations the last Thursday of the month.

Service Officer Raul Morin who assists all veterans, members and none-members, if totally or partially disabled has helped numerous ex-G. I.'s to secure case and at the present is working on a home for a 100 per cent disabled vet. Call Morin at An. 6925 between the hours of 6 and 7 p. m. for information.

All overseas veterans of the past War are urged to become a member of the V. F. W. Meetings are held at the Angelus Hall, 1954 E. First St. on every second and Fourth Thursday of the month.

A trip to Santa Barbara for Coach Mike Villalobos and his mad men of the maplewoods is tentatively scheduled for January 28.

The Re-treader's quintet, a top flight 'AAA' team, will provide the opposition for the vets. At this writing the Santa Barbara aggregation is firmly atop first place in their respective league.

Coach Villalobos has indicated that the squad will be at full strength for the game. The roster with age and school follows:

Last year's record was 40 wins out of 42 tilts against 'A' competition and lesser variety. This season the squad has smashed a total of 28 wins in regulation practice or league games in faster company, with many of the scuffles being lucky wins for the V. F. W.

Friday's game against Trinidad at the 'Y' should have been a humdinger and closely contested. If won by the V. F. W. it will have clinched the regular league diadem in the Baptist League. The Vets are flying the Glendale Methodist banner.

Coach Villalobos admits to the fact that though the step is in the correct direction in entering the CYO 'AAA' League, it will prove a little too much for the team. Mike states that he will be satisfied with one victory in the top flight league

# DEADLINE ROUNDUP

Despite major league opposition, minor league vote to retain controversial bonus rule.

Blue Peter, champion two-year old of 1948, dies at Aiken, S.C., of unknown cause.

Ray Scarborough, Washington Senators pitcher, returns 1950 contract unsigned because it calls for salary cut.

Promoter Jim Downing of Salt Lake City offers Heavyweight Champion Ezzard Charles \$50,000 or percentage of gate to defend title against unbeaten Rex Layne of Salt Lake.

East-West Shrine football game netted all-time high of \$130,000 for Shrine's Hospital for Crippled Children, official figures show.

Baylor athletic committee, expected to meet today to consider hiring new football coach, postpones meeting till next week.

Joe Vosmik, former Cleveland outfielder, signed again to manage Oklahoma City, Texas League team affiliated with Cleveland.

Pitcher Clint Hartung and In-

directed by Bob Fowler.

Games will be played at the Naval Armory and the Lincoln High School gym on Sunday nights. The VFW will play the Holy Family quintet at 8:30 P. M. at the Armory in their first trip as a full fledged 'AAA' team.

The famed Los Caballeros lead the power houses closely followed by the fabulous Whiz Kids and the San Pedro Dolphins, playing under the name: Mahar Pirates. St. Anthony, Young Mens' Institute, Holy Family, Hazard Lions and the Vets complete the league.

**BAPTIST 'Y' LEAGUE**  
Charley Mena, Garfield's All-City pitcher, hit the net for 14 point to help the Belvedere Hornets to a well deserved victory over the luckless Rose Hill basketeers 56-31. Gurrola as usual gave a sterling performance for the losers. Manager Johnny Suarez' Unida squad wound up on the long end of the score, 31-28, to decision a scrappy West L. A. team in a water front brawl.

In the evenings night cap, the fast Lorena cagers trounced a Primera team that had trouble finding the bucket 35-18. Lorena's Brown contributed an outstanding display of all around play.

The league playoff will be done by a double elimination tournament between the four top teams of the league, Glendale, Belvedere, Unida and Trinidad will be the teams who will compete for the trophy. A team must lose two games to be eliminated in the tournament.

Belvedere's Buzzing Hornets are the defending champions, while the Sportmanship Award was won by the Hornets' Louie Ramirez.

**PLAYOFF SCHEDULE:**  
Jan. 20. 7:00 P. M. Game A  
Jan. 20 8:00 P. M. Game B.  
Jan. 21. 7:00 P. M. Game D.  
Jan. 21. 8:00 P. M. Game C.

The Annual Invitational Church Basketball Tournament, one of the highlights of the church activities of the past season will make it's appearance in Feb. Many outstanding teams from So. California will be entered. For information call Raul Morin, chairman, at An. 6925.

Rev. Charles Martinez, Rev. Ben Morales, Syd. Webber and Johanan Suarez are the tournament committee.

**FIGHT RESULTS**  
Ocean Park—Irish Rodney Jones def Ray Dioses.  
Frisco—Johnny Gonzales def Fred Babe Herman.  
Olympic—Rafael Gutierrez kayo over Bill Eddy.  
Oakland—Maurice Harper def Art Soto.  
Detroit—Tony Janiro def Charlie Fussari.

fielder Jack Lohrke signs 1950 contracts for New York Giants, bringing total of satisfied Giant players to ten.

Hollywood has signed two more main events for the stadium in the January schedule. It will be Nick Diaz and John L. Davis on the 20th and on the 27th Turkey Thompson faces John Holman of Chicago who has stopped Elmer Ray and Willie Bean.

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**BELVEDERE HORNETS**—Last year winners in the Baptist Association Basketball League, who will defend the perpetual cup in the playoffs this year. The four top teams in the playoffs are the Trinidad Methodist, Unida Baptist, Glendale Baptist and Belvedere clubs. Playing starts Friday, January 20 at the East L.A. gym. Pictured above

are left to right, back row: —Blackie Villaescusa, Chilo Ramirez, Johnny Tijerina, Eddie Acevedo, Charlie Mena and Mgr. Raul Morin kneeling. Left to right: —Louie Ramirez, Lauro Veladez and David Acevedo. Members not in photo are Chuy and Manuel Ramirez.

## DA PREEM COMES BACK!

By DEAN SNYDER

You can't keep a good man down —and sometimes you can't keep a big man down.

Such is the case of Primo Carnera, the Ambling Alp who wrestles Ivan Kalmikoff at the Hollywood Legion stadium Monday nite.

Carnera, a giant, swept the fistic skies to make more than a quarter of a million dollars. He became the

heavyweight champion. But his tenure was short-lived. He had so many managers his money was cut up like a raspberry pie.

He saved some of the loot. He went home to his native Italy with his savings strapped around his huge waist in a secret belt.

War came. The Germans overran the fields where he once played in innocence. Carnera was smart. He buried his American savings just before he was taken prisoner.

A prisoner of war, he used his tremendous strength to crush rocks in the quarries. As a slave he kept his health and his power.

When the war was over he was released from his chains. He returned, dug up his treasure and came back to America where he had made it.

As a wrestler he has never known defeat. He has set gate records both in the east and west. Recently he held the amazing Argentine Rocca to a draw.

## RUBIO'S BAND A HIT AT AVODON

Keith Williams and his orchestra, plus the Mambo rhumba rhythms of Freddie Rubio and his sensational new combo will highlight the weekly dance-rests at the Avodon Ballroom again Saturday and Sunday nights, Jan. 14-15, at the requests of dance patrons.

William's new orchestra, dubbed the "best college band in the land" scored solidly with Avodon dancers as did the Collegian's vocal unit with the band. Rubio's music features the vocals of "El Pollo" Cazarin, Mexico City importation and singing sensation.

Sammy Mendoza and his Mexi-Cuban orchestra will again be the featured attraction at popular Avodon "Rhumba Matinee Sunday afternoon with dancing from 4 p. m. till 8 p. m. Pepin Betancourt is featured.

## THIS WEEK

### BOXING

Olympic—Tuesday  
Rocky Lucero vs. Jackie McCoy.  
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Hollywood—Friday  
Nick Diaz vs. John L. Davis.  
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### WRESTLING

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## Primo Carnera in Legion Tag Match

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The Darnell-Hessel bout is part of a triple main event card that also features Primo Carnera with Ivan Kalmikoff and Billy Barga with Johnny Demchuck in other one-hour matches.

One-fall scraps are Angelo Martinelli with Benny Trudell, George Craig with Frank Gonzales and Johnny Valetino with Mr. X.

## CAFE SOCIETY...

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### Buffalo Bids for Franchise

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off the results to the National Amer-  
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ges totaling 14,726 and worth  
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Albert T. O'Neill, president of  
the Buffalo Bills football club, dis-  
patched a formal letter of applica-  
tion yestaday. It will be acted  
upon by the league an. 19.

"It is significant", O'Neill wro-  
te to NAFL commissioner Bert  
Bell, "that despite the fact that the  
pre-season sale of season tickets  
in 1949 for professional football in  
Buffalo aggregated but 5000, the  
gate still averaged approximately  
\$50,000 per game".

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(Ky.), 48.
- Loyola (New Orleans) 47; Loui-  
siana Tech, 39.

### CYO Season Opens Sunday

Eight triple "A" teams will lift  
the lid on the 1950 CYO Major  
Basketball League with double-  
header programs slated for both the  
Naval Armory and Lincoln High  
School at 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

In the opener at Naval Armory,  
Hazard Lions will tackle the Cab-  
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best Latin hoopsters in Los Ange-  
les. At 9:30 the Veterans of Foregn  
War's five will meet Holy Family  
and Joe Kelly, former Notre Dame  
great from South Pasadena.

The YMI cagers will face the  
Mahar Pirates of Wilmington in  
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champion, and his manager, Jack  
Laken, were injured last night when  
the automobile in which they were  
riding skidded on ice near here &  
crashed into another machine. ....

... Angott, of Washington, Pa, suf-  
fered bruises of the head and hip.  
Laken, of Detroit, as taken to Min-  
ers Hospital, with a possible brok-  
en back and several fractured ribs.

Harold (Baby Face) Jones, of  
Melvindale, Mich., driver of the car,  
was unhurt. Gaines Pope, of Frost-  
burg, Md., who was riding in the  
other car with his father, Clack, suffered minor bruises.

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## BOXER VERSUS SLUGGER

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teresting for McCooy, and the result should be a very interesting scrap for the customers to watch.

John L. Davis, the most feared lightweight on the Pacific Coast, bar none, makes another appearance at Hollywood Legion Stadium Friday night, when he tangles with that pleasing southpaw Nick Diaz, in the ten round feature bout.

Davis is the lad who in three showings at the Legion Stadium has boosted his popularity to such an extent that he is already being talked up as an opponent for Freddie Dawson when the Chicago Lightweight Contender appears next at the Hollywood club.

A smashing puncher, the colored lad from Oakland is fresh from a clean cut knockout in one round over the highly promising Baby Net Ortiz. Prior to that he took Aragon's best punches, as well as Tommy Campbell's, in a pair of hair-raising fistic settos that had the fans gone berserk at the Stadium.

It is a fact that in spite of other good lightweights' refusal to trade

punches, with the Oakland dynamiter, Davis bids fair to become a standout contender for the World's Title during 1950. He is an amazing bit of fighting machinery, never giving a backward step, tossing leather at a mile-minute clip, and taking the opposition's best socks in stride.

Diaz, although fighting but four times in the past year, is a good opponent for any lightie in California. He holds wins over Alfredo Escobar, Billy Gibson, Pee Wee Swinger, and Mario Trigo. He also boxed a draw with Trigo last year, and because of his southpaw stance, figures to give Davis a whale of a battle. In sparring jousts with Aragon, Nick gives as well as he receives, and it is an honest to goodness fight when these two get to throwing punches, even if it's only supposed to be a mild workout.

Jackie Blair and Nickie Smith, two highly promising young lightweights, clash in Friday's 6 round semi. Blair is a standout prospect; Smith has boxed Jesse Flores, and holds a win over Freddie Babe Herman.

## BANQUET SET...

(Continued from Page One)

Hank Medrano, Joe Lara and Mack Rangel.

This week's floor show will feature the debut of Victoria, from Jalisco, Mexico. This new Latin rave, will delight you with her interpretations of Latin Rancheros songs. Sharing the spotlight with Victoria on weekends floor show is dynamic Manuel Beltran, with his enlightening songs from old Mexico. This young handsome Latin singer, has gone over with a bang with Tony's Place audiences, and his long stay at the eastside's most popular dancing spot proves the point.

The little giant on the program is Heriberto Rangel, another Mexico City product, who shines on the weekly program with his singing. This 21 year old youngster has a brilliant voice, and bids to go a long way in his chosen profession.

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## SPORT NOTES

Kola Stasiak, the man with the huge hands, and Marvin Jones, Texas "badman", will claim the tag team championship if they flatten the great Garibaldis, Gino and Leo, at the Pasadena Arena Monday night. During 1949 the Garibaldis, father and son, established their prestige as tag experts not excepting the daring Dusek brothers and the breath-taking Becker boys.

King Kong Kashey, strongman, faces Bob DeMarco in another feature on the card. Handsome Harry Cretoria wrestles Bomber Kulovich in a third match. All bouts are two falls out of three one hour.

- SPORTS -  
ROUNDUP

(Continued from Page Two)

his free hand and said: "The play's over, son. Would you mind letting go my thumb."

Only about a half dozen coaches applied for the vacant Holy Cross football coaching job . . . Only 15 National Hockey League players are eligible for the Calder Trophy, outstanding rookie award, this season. Eleven of them are on the Boston and New York clubs.

## JOEY OLMOS'

(Cont. from page 1)

ing . . . unending rows of empty seats provided the scene. A rat or two ran feverishly, ducking underneath the seats . . . & the brooms of the janitors seemed to play a steady rhythm as they banged against the chairs.

No more would Fabela hear the roar of the crowds, the smell of cheap cigars, or of mustard, or even the yell from the paper boy vendors . . . —"You ready, pal", whispered Nash. —"Let's go" —replied Fabela, . . . and out into the dark, cold nite, the three comrades marched ! ! !

(This is the first instalment of "FABOLOUS, THE LION HEARTED". The second and last instalment will appear next week.)

READ

"Sport Page"

## Take Notice

Due to the tremendous amount of activity in local social and sports clubs during the past few months the editor of the SPORT PAGE has decided to add one more page to this publication that will consist only of club news whether it be sport or social activities.

All club news submitted to this paper will be published in this page. Just send in your copy to the club editor in care of the SPORT PAGE office 424 So. Broadway room 900. All club news is welcomed. Take this wonderful opportunity of getting your coming dance announced in the columns of the SPORT PAGE whether being a party, picnic, or dance. It is also of importance to announce that the SPORT PAGE will be glad to become of assistance to any club wishing to put on a benefit dance for its own fund. The SPORT PAGE will arrange all details like hall, band, and publicity.

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