

Tartars Open Season Against Covina In Practice Tilt Tomorrow Night

The Torrance Tartars, opening their first season in the powerful Bay league, will give the fans a preview of what to expect when they play a practice game against Covina High tomorrow night in Redondo Bowl.

Coach Eddie Cole's men are in tip-top shape and rarin' to go despite injuries to some of their key reserves. Ed Fortin may have to do a 60-minute stint as Milt Long, second string center, and his availability is doubtful. Milo Goettsch, speedy halfback, is also sidelined with a bad knee and is expected to see very little if any action. Rano Sullivan, starting left guard, is suffering from bruised ribs but is expected to be on the team that trots out for the kickoff.

The starting right half spot is still undecided. If Torrance receives the kickoff, Bob Turner will start at that position, while if the Tartars do the kicking, Jack Taylor will get the nod. The team averages 175 pounds per man with most of the beef in the forward wall. The linemen average 181, with three of the starters tipping the scales at 200 or more. The backfield averages only 164, but makes up in speed what it lacks in size.

Covina is pretty much an unknown quantity. It, too, is playing its first season under a new coach, Duane Whitehead, new back on last year's team at Southern California.

Whitehead has introduced the T-formation to a team that won only two games last year using the old Notre Dame box, but two of his first stringers will not play because of injuries. One of the boys was in an automobile accident and the other has a bad knee.

The Tartar line outweighs the Covina wall by five pounds per man, but this advantage is lost in the backfield, where the invaders have an edge of nine pounds at each position.

On the whole, the teams line up pretty even, with Covina averaging 174 as compared to Torrance's 175.

The starting lineup for tomorrow night:

TORRANCE
Jones, 200
Sullivan, 185
Fortin, 170
Harris, 175
Donahue, 210
Hood, 150
Support, 155
Moran, 155
Turner, 150
Taylor, 170
Faren, 180

COVINA
L.E. Hepner, 180
Mickens, 170
L.G. Martin, 165
C. Peelle, 168
R.G. Bainbridge, 180
R.T. (Co-capt.)
R.E. Caffrey, 180
Q.B. Fy, 165
Hibbs, 175
L.H. Casabian, 170
R.H. Scharrum, 165
F.B. Pendleton, 180

The schedule for the rest of Torrance's games is as follows, with all games to be played at night in the Redondo Bowl unless otherwise indicated.

Friday, Oct. 3—Redondo.
Saturday, Oct. 11—Saint Monica (nonleague).
Friday, Oct. 17—Jordan at Jordan.
Friday, Oct. 24—Inglewood at Inglewood.
Saturday, Nov. 1—Santa Monica.
Friday, Nov. 7—Beverly Hills.
Saturday, Nov. 15—Leuzinger.
Friday, Nov. 21—El Segundo.

The price schedule for Torrance varsity games will be \$1 for adults and 25c for children under 12. Students may purchase tickets at school for 30c with student body cards or 50c without. Pupils of the seventh and eighth grades will be admitted for 25c.

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Torrance Herald photo
SCHINDLER AIDE . . . Johnny Schindler, director of athletics at El Camino college, has been doubling as line coach for Amby Schindler's football hopefuls in their workouts these past weeks.

Torrance Herald photo
EL CAMINO COACH . . . Ambrose Schindler, former USC grid great is guiding the football fortunes of the El Camino College Warriors in the first season of competition.

Schindler Names Starting Team For Opening Tilt

Ambrose Schindler will take a traveling squad of 35 men to Ventura tomorrow night to face the Ventura Junior college Bucs in the opening of El Camino's first football season.

After almost four weeks of practice, Amby and Johnny Morrow, E. C. athletic director, have reduced the squad to 33 men and another cut was expected this week to bring the team down to between 45 and 50 players for the regular season.

Schindler was hazarding no predictions on his Warriors since he knew nothing of the power of the Ventura eleven. The practice tilt between Ventura and Citrus that Coach Schindler had intended to watch last Friday was cancelled and the El Camino men will go into the game with no knowledge of what to expect.

Sport Shop

By ARNOLD YELLIN
A busy railroad station has nothing on Eddie Cole's little office over at Torrance High. I sat there for about two hours trying to get him to say more than two sentences without being called away for some reason or other.

First it's a couple of his ball players wanting to use a football overnight. Then another boy comes in to have the coach look at a banged-up knee. Then one of the B team lads is carried up on a stretcher.

Ray Richhart comes dashing in to take the helmets home and paint them and Eddie gets started talking to him. Then there were some papers that a few of the players had to fill out.

But, out of all this organized confusion, I finally get Eddie to give with a few observations on football in general and Torrance football in particular.

"Take this kid, Jack Taylor, at right half," he was saying. "At the beginning of practice, Bob Turner has right half all sewed up tight and now he's really being pushed by Taylor.

"Turner has a little speed over Jack, but when it comes to defense, Taylor is a bear, a real tough boy. That's why I had to have him in with the other four backs for the team picture. If we receive the kick against Covina, it will be Turner, but if we kick off, I'll start Taylor.

"It's almost the same with the left end and left guard spots. Captain Jack Hood has the right wing post pretty well under control but at the other end of the line, Dick Preston is hanging right on the heels of Bob Jones in the struggle for the starting spot. And Al Stephenson is giving Rano Sullivan a fight at left guard."

It would be fine if all of the Torrance football problems could be solved as easily. But, and a

"I'm more nervous than any of the players," Cole said. "I always get this way during the football season; by Friday I'll be a wreck."

Eddie is superstitious about a few things. We wanted to get some pictures of the team tomorrow afternoon before the game, but he begged off, saying that he didn't like the boys to get into their suits until game time.

"And I'll be pulling out my 'lucky tie' from the mothballs for the game." This tie has quite a history, according to the Tartar coach. He wears it for all the games and wouldn't think of going to a game without it.

Last year at Oceanside Junior college, the team got as steamed up over the tie as Eddie is. Once he almost forgot it and the players wouldn't leave until he went back for it. It could be one of those ties that light up in the dark and says "We want a touchdown" or something. I am looking forward as much to the unveiling of this marvelous tie as I am to the football tie.

INCIDENTAL INFORMATION . . . Fire Captain Roy Winter's son George looks like a good bet for the starting spot at tackle for Compton Junior college. He won his letter last year on the second team for the National Junior college champs and looks like a cinch for the starting team this year. George played at Torrance back in '41 before going into service.

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59 Football Hopefuls Get First View of New Narbonne Attack

Fifty-nine Gaucho varsity football prospects this week quaffed an initial dose of Coach Sheldon Loughborough's new touchdown medicine, the short punt, single wingback formation.

Eight "A Class" lettermen, veterans of last year's "T" formation, were among the early Gaucho aspirants and two of them, according to mentor Loughborough, will find themselves playing at different positions this season.

Narbonne makes its 1947 league debut Thursday Oct. 16 at Banning high school.

Featuring split ends, the new Narbonne attack, according to Loughborough, will employ a balanced line throughout and is designed to improve blocking angles.

All-Marine League fullback, 180-pound, sophomore Bill Stitts will handle the key tailback spot in the new formation, with veteran tackle Bill Kelley stepping into the quarterback post.

Last year's first string left half, Corky Richardson, senior, 165 pounds, will hold down his old position as will running mate Bill Miller, senior, 150 pounds, at right half.

At the ends, right wingman Duane Parsons, 180-pound senior, is the only returning varsity letterman.

Tackle Ralph Collins, 197-pound senior, will return to his last season's berth as will center Alfred Dudley, senior, 153 pounds.

Only at the guard positions is there no previous varsity letterman listed. Last year's second string fullback, Ed Hansen, has been shifted to guard, where only three candidates are out for the position. Ray Hutson, first string B last season, and George Ross, former varsity second stringer, are likely prospects.

A first string B wingman last year, Forrest Condon, plus varsity second stringers Lawrence Jordan and Bob LaFlamme are available for the vacant end job.

Dick Hamilton, 220-pound varsity second-stringer guard last season and Don Rice, 260-pounder, are hot prospects for Bill Kelley's old tackle post.

Backing up Dudley at center will be Forrest Bell and Jack Allen from the B's and Ed Gregory from the varsity.

First view of the Gauchos, 1948 edition, in action against another school may be had Oct. 3, when they play host to Dorsey in a scrimmage.

A full dress practice tilt with Washington High has been scheduled for October 10.

First home league game for the Gauchos this season will be on Thursday, Oct. 23, when they entertain highly touted Gardena, the popular choice, at this date, for the 1947 Marine league title.

Narbonne's varsity assistant coach is Walter Kuna, who will concentrate on the line.

Roster of candidates by position follows:

Ends—Dale Atkeson, Forrest Condon, Jack Garrabrant, Donald Fasnacht, Lawrence Jordan, Everett Jones, Bob LaFlamme, Duane Parsons, Andy Spann, Fred Spann, Lowell Summerford, Jim Hodges.

Tackles—Ralph Collins, Frank Espinosa, Jimmy Holstrom, Herbert Lindeman, Hilton Nelson, Viok Pleis, Bob Rice, Don Rice.

Saturday, Nov. 8—East Los Angeles Junior college.
Saturday, Nov. 15—San Diego Navy.
Friday, Nov. 25—Glendale at Glendale.

Thursday, Nov. 27 (Thanksgiving day)—Santa Barbara Frosh. It was expected that the Santa Monica game would be played at the Redondo Bowl and the rest of the home games would be at either Sentinel field at Inglewood or Leuzinger field.

PROJECT JUNIORS MEET LOMITA PARK TONIGHT
The Harbor Hills Junior touch football team opens its season tonight against the Lomita Park juniors at the local field.

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