

# Sport Shop

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The picture above was taken from inside a football and shows what the pignis sees after a fumble when it is rolling around near the right side of the Torrance line. More specifically, it is Gene Stirling, Tartar right tackle, as the opposing runners, passers and kickers see him.

This may be an unusual photograph but it is definitely a very common occurrence to see Gene Stirling through the line to break up a play. Or opening a hole for his backs to go through. Or throwing a downfield block. Or doing anything else that marks the good football player.

Stirling's 200 pounds are well scattered over his 6-foot frame, but his weight doesn't hinder him from getting around the field in a rapid manner. He's a smart, heads-up player on the field.

Off the field he looks not much like a football player, with his glasses perched on his nose. More like the proverbial scholar, at which art he is no slouch either.

Last year, his first on the Tartar varsity, he was selected as an Marine league tackle and third string All-City, an honor well deserved. This year he should repeat in the bigger, tougher Bay league despite Torrance's rather unpretentious showing so far.

There is only one unfortunate thing about Gene. This is the fact that the present semester will be his last at T.H.S. His future plans include attendance at UCLA and rumors indicate that Dick LaBrucherie is not displeased with the possibility.

**ADDENDA AND ERRATA**  
Which is just a fancy way of saying that we made a slight omission in the facts last week and want to clear it up. Seems that Eddie Cole's wife had a mighty big part in the success of the Varsity Club's barbecue that was held on Oct. 12. Unfortunately, it was from Eddie my information came originally and far be it from him to keep credit in the family. From talking to some of the footballers who were at the clam bake, we found that Mrs. Cole was chief cook and bottle washer for the 50 hungry people there and the team really appreciated the work done by the coach's wife. Shame on you, Eddie; I hope that your supper isn't ready when you get home tonight.

Last week's battle between Jordan and Torrance was one of the cleanest football games I've ever been privileged to watch. Torrance lost exactly one yard on penalties, on offense drawn on the Tartars during the try for conversion after the first Jordan score.

Even more amazing is the fact that both teams were out on the field fighting and driving all the way. After the game, Bud Woodward, captain and star of Jordan came over to the Torrance bench and shook hands with Eddie Cole. That is the character-building side of the

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## Jordan B's Romp Over Torrance For 31-6 Victory

As the B's go, so goes the varsity. Such seems to be the case with the Torrance football fortunes as the Tartar B team found itself swamped by the Jordan B's to the tune of 31 to 6.

The game, played at the Torrance High field Friday, saw the visitors roll over the Tartars in almost every department. The Torrance B's were held to a minus 10 yards in rushing, getting only four first downs in Jordan's 12, and being outgained in the totals, 195 yards to 72.

The home team eked out their lone tally in the closing minutes of the game after they intercepted a pass on the Jordan 40. Boy Crawford, Torrance left half, connected with a pass to give the local boys a first down on the 26 and then hit End Dave Doherty with the touchdown pass on the next play. The attempted conversion was no good.

The Jordan B's made three of their five tallies by passing. Quarterback Jim Mays doing the tossing from the T formation. He hit substitute end Pat Thompson for the two scores in the fourth period after connecting with Gil Lunt in the second quarter. Glenn Briggs came into the game for Mays to try the conversions, making one out of five.

The other two touchdowns were made on running plays, Jim Thompson, sub left half, going over tackle for 11 yards after one of Mays' passes set up an opening score in the second period. The only Jordan score to be made wholly on the ground occurred when the visitors received a punt on the Torrance 34.

A Torrance offside gave Jordan a first and five on the Tartar 25. The home team dug in and pushed Jordan back four yards on the next play, but the next run carried down to the Torrance 5, from where Bob McClure and Bill Yancey teamed up to make the remaining five yards on three tries. Yancey carrying over from the two for the TD.

The visitors consistently outcharged the Torrance forward wall, with many of the local boys being helped from the field after the bruising blocks and tackles laid by the Jordan men.

At 2:30 p.m. today the Torrance B's will take on the Inglewood B squad at the Torrance High field. Like the varsity, the Tartar B's will be seeking their first victory in Bay league competition.

TORRANCE	JORDAN
Dean LE	Lunt
Donohue LO	Yancey
Beuge LO	Gerahs
Haddock RO	Hanson
Rodier RO	Wright
Peary RB	Mason
Wells RB	Wright
Vorhis RB	Mays
Strandridge RB	Carpenier
Wall RB	Yancey
Yancey RB	Selbert

Score by quarters: Torrance 0 0 0 6-6 Jordan 0 0 0 0-0  
Torrance scoring: Touchdown, Doherty.  
Jordan scoring: Touchdown, P. Thompson (for Judy), Yancey, Lunt, P. Thompson (for Carpenier).  
Conversion: Briggs (for Mays).  
Officials: referee, Charles Robbins; umpire, Joe Kleinbauer.

## Tiny Racing Car Track Provided

Miniature racing car owners may follow their hobby on a prescribed course at Alondra Park near Torrance under a special permit issued by the Board of Supervisors at the request of Chairman Raymond V. Darby.

The tiny cars which are powered both by jet and alcohol motors are controlled by wires and develop high speeds in excess of 112 miles per hour.

The proposed site is between the flood control channel, the artificial lake and Redondo Beach boulevard, Chairman Darby said. It would be just west of El Camino College site.

The miniature car enthusiasts in Torrance built a track, with aid of city financing, at Border and Plaza del Amo, but it was protested out of use by neighbors because of the noise of the little cars.

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# TORRANCE HERALD Sports

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## Torrance Tartars Downed, 19-7, By Jordan's Power, Passing

The Torrance Tartars, fighting every inch of the way, repeated the trick of scoring in the last minute of play to avert a shutout by Jordan High graders of Long Beach Saturday night, with the final score reading Jordan 19, Torrance 7.

Playing their first game away from home before a crowd of 75,000, the Tartars fought an uphill fight against the running and passing of Jordan fullback Bud Woodward. Woodward scored all of Jordan's points and sparked his team to the win.

The Torrance score was made as the clock ran out when the Tartars got the ball on the Jordan 40 after the Panthers got off a poor punt which went only 10 yards.

Two passes were good for 27 yards and Bill Morgan then set up the score by taking the ball down to the five on two tries. Jack Taylor went over on the next play and Eddie Fortin made the point after touchdown.

The local boys had one other scoring opportunity in the third quarter when they had a first down on the Jordan three-yard stripe, but they were pushed back to the eight and lost the ball on downs.

Jordan then took over and proceeded to march 92 yards for their final score, Woodward going over the center of the line for the tally. The first Jordan score was also the result of a long drive—85 yards in the first period—with Woodward going over the same spot for the score and sweeping end for conversion. Big Bud had started the drive with a 30-yard pass to End Bill Brannon.

Jordan scoring in the fourth period was made after the Tartars made a brilliant goal line stand. Taylor's punt to the 40 was run back to the Torrance 23. The Woodward-to-Brannon duet was good for 20 yards to the three yard stripe after two unsuccessful tosses. Woodward then went over the center once again for six more points.

The Torrance left Woodward fairly bottled up in mid-field, but to no avail. The Jordan Panthers would take to the air for long gains when the team was drawn in and would hit the line when the Tartars spread out.

As usual, the outstanding line performer for Torrance was Gene Stirling. Woodward and his brother powerhouse, Bill Ingram, found the Torrance right tackle spot was the best way to get nowhere fast.

Dick Preston, who missed the bus at the local high school, popped up with Dick Oefinger at the last minute and played a brilliant defensive end spot for the Tartars. Preston, the Tartar off-again on-again, was "on" last week and made a big difference at the flank.

In the Tartar backfield, it was the passing of the two right guards, Turner and Rupert, and the defensive play, again as usual, of Milo Goetsch, which kept the game from being a rout.

The Torrance boys will still be looking for their first Bay league victory tomorrow night when they meet Inglewood High at Sentinel field, Inglewood.

**TORRANCE JORDAN**  
Webb LE Cavanaugh  
Stephenson LT Tobbutt  
Sullivan RB Gwert  
Fortin RB  
Harris RB Harrison  
Wright RB  
Hood RB Magel  
Turner RB Ruppert  
Rupert RB Ingram  
Taylor RB Throver  
Farris RB Woodward

Score by quarters: Torrance 0 0 0 7-7 Jordan 0 0 0 6-15  
Torrance scoring: Touchdown, Taylor.  
Jordan scoring: Touchdown, Woodward.  
Conversion: Fortin.  
Officials: Verdon Weybright, referee; Marty Martinelli, umpire; Ray Rock head linesman; Clarence Beebe, field judge.  
Torrance substitutions: ends, Fortin, Brannon; tackles, Donastoni, Carstena, Pearson, Schulz, Garrison; fullback, Gene Jones; quarterback, Lee Long; backs, Rupert, Goetsch, Morgan, Licht, Francis, Parn.

**TARTAR JV'S Win, 27-7**  
The Torrance junior varsity football squad defeated the Long Beach Jordan JV's, 27-7, in a full length practice game held at the Torrance high school field Monday afternoon.

Scoring for the winners were Bud Licht, who made two touchdowns, and Greg James and Jack Wadell who made one a piece. James also drop-kicked three points after touchdown for the Tartar JV. Ted Black scored for the visitors.

The JV games have been scheduled to give experience to the substitute sophomore and junior members of the squad who do not play more than five minutes in the regular games. Six more games have been agreed to with other Bay league schools throughout the season.

A rematch with Jordan High and two games each with Redondo and Inglewood, and a game with Leuzinger have been added, with the schedule to be announced at a later date.

## Tartars Stress Passing For Inglewood Tilt

Passing, both offensive and defensive, was the keynote of this week's practice sessions for Coach Eddie Cole's Torrance grid

men as they prepared to take on undefeated Inglewood tomorrow night at Sentinel field, Inglewood.

Cole kept his tossers, Dick Turner and Dick Rupert, busy flinging in an attempt to spruce up the Tartar aerial attack, while the tackles were hard at work learning to flatten the opposing ends as they started out to receive the passes.

Also due for the team was a general improvement in offense and strategy on the field. Cole was definitely unhappy about several mistakes against Jordan that cost valuable yardage.

Generally, Torrance's nervous mentor was fairly satisfied with the line play despite the fact that Bud Woodward hit the center three times for scores. He feels that only one touchdown made by the Long Beach boys last week was earned while the other Jordanian on mistakes by his squad which were capitalized on by the Panthers.

The team came out of their encounter in good shape with only minor bruises suffered by several players. Physically, they will be ready to go, that much is known.

Comparatively and actually, the Tartars will start tomorrow's game the underdog. The comparative edge goes to Inglewood over their victory last week over Beverly Hills, which had beaten Jordan on mistakes by his squad which were capitalized on by the Panthers.

Added to the fact that Torrance knows nothing of the Inglewood style of play while many Inglewood players were present to view Torrance and Jordan.

Only change in the Tartar line-up tomorrow night will be at quarterback, with Dick Rupert winning back the starting role that he had at the beginning of the season. Otherwise, the same team that started against Jordan will get the nod for tomorrow's kick off.

At the ends will be Jim Webb and Captain Jack Hood; tackles, Gene Stirling and Al Stephenson; Rano Sullivan and Onal Harris at guard and Ed Fortin at center in the Tartar forward fall. The starting backfield will be Rupert at quarter, either Bob Turner or Bill Morgan at left half, Jack Taylor at right half and Tom Farris at full.

The team is primed for the opportunity to get out of the Bay league cellar. Inglewood, despite its two victories in the league play, is not as tough as either Redondo or Jordan and may be considered to be on a par with Torrance playing good ball. With the Tartars playing the brand of football that they have shown in fits and spurts throughout the season, this may be the week to break into the win column.

**PLANS MADE FOR NEW GIRLS GYM**  
Estimated to cost \$270,000, a new girls gymnasium building will be built for the Redondo Union High School District, according to an announcement.

Plans for the building are being drawn by Samuel E. Lunden and Associates, architects of Los Angeles.

The building will be of reinforced concrete construction, and will consist of gymnasium and locker rooms.

**TANK TRUCKS**  
A tank truck must be carrying more than 100 gallons of inflammable liquids before it is required to stop at a railway grade crossing like a passenger bus, school bus or truck carrying explosives. Under the old law, all trucks carrying inflammable liquids in any quantity were required to stop.

## Lynn Brickers Win, 18-13, Lead Touch Grid League

The Torrance Lynn Brickers yard pass from Don Hart to Yvonne Wilson for the TD and the extra point pass from Hart to Dick Thompson.

In Sunday's second game on the T.H.S. field between Dedmon's Mobigas from Whittier and the Torrance National Home Appliance team, the Whittier boys took a seven-point lead in the opening period on a 50-yard pass from Bob Bayless to Fred Barton who took the ball on the 10-yard marker and scored without a man near him. The extra point was made on a pass from Bayless to Dave Reiman.

The home tea mgot two points on a safety early in the second quarter when Dedmon's Jack Parcell slipped and fell in his own end zone in an attempted ruckback of Bill Brannon's 45-yard quick kick. The local boys followed up with two quick touchdowns on passes from Bill Stanley to LeRoy Schwenk and Stanley to Dan Moon.

The visitors tied the score at 14-14 over the half time on a 45-yard pass from Ed Ralston to Barton. Ralston passed to Harold Lyggard for the conversion.

Both teams scored in the third quarter, the Home Appliance team on a pass from Gerald Jackson to Bud Smith and Dedmon's on another pass from Mayless to Bob Fries. The Torrance team made the clincher on a hideout pass from Jackson to Stanley in the last period.

This Sunday's schedule feature another double feature at the local field with the National Home Appliance team meeting Sachs and Sons at 1 p.m. and the Lynn Brickers meeting the Torrance Theater club at 3 o'clock.

The game between the Torrance Johns and Dedmon's Mobigas, originally scheduled for York Field, Whittier, has been changed and will be the future attraction at an insurance picnic at 2 p.m. in Montebello Municipal park.

**A Quick Jaunt Around The Marine League**

With All-Marine fullback Bill Stits throwing them and Jack Garrabrant on the receiving end, Narbonne's Gauchos came from behind in the third quarter to defeat Banning, 24-13, Friday at Travis field.

End Garrabrant snagged two of Stits' passes for touchdowns and, after catching another, lateraled to quarter Bill Kelley who ran over. The fourth Narbonne touchdown came on a five-yard gallop over left guard by Stits.

In the other Marine league opener, San Pedro's Pirates capitalized on Gardena errors to swamp the Mohicans 42-13. Left half Ernie High accounted for two of the Pirate touchdowns in the fracas at Gardena.

Banning's lightweight defeated the Narbonne B's 19-0, at Narbonne.

The Gaucho varsity gets its second test today as it plays host to Gardena at Narbonne's and San Pedro is the overwhelming favorite to smother Banning at Piraveille, also today.

**Marine League Standings**

W	L
Narbonne .....	0 1
San Pedro .....	1 0
Gardena .....	0 1
Banning .....	0 1

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