

Sports

Warriors Meet Two Toughies This Week-End

Hoop artists from El Camino will board the crosstown trolley tomorrow evening for a journey to East Los Angeles where the Warriors will take on a bunch known as the Huskies. The contest will be a Metropolitan Conference affair.

On the following evening, Saturday, El Warrior will do the entertaining for the Valley Junior College quintet at the Alondra gym. Tipoff for both games is scheduled at 8 p.m.

Coach Doug Essick's bucketeers are rated no less than a co-favorite to cop the loop championship honors this year to add to the gridiron championship won last Thanksgiving Day.

Essick, who took over from Johnny Morrow when he went into active Navy service, has a hustling, well-rounded outfit that has been coming through under pressure.

In forwards Jimmy Cline and Bob Chambers, he has two excellent ball handlers and steady scorers. Guard Jack Turner is the play maker—the heart of the club. He has a terrific competitive spirit and is rated an expert at the art of rebounding.

Second Round Adult Casaba Skeds Out

Schedules for the second round of play in the City-County adult basketball leagues were announced this week by Walt Puffer and Elmer Moon, directors of the leagues.

One new rule on players lists was announced at the same time. A team will be allowed to replace a member who is inducted into the armed services, the directors said.

Next week's games according to the new schedules are:

At the High School—Torrance Teachers vs. Fenwick's Shoe Repair; Harbor Hospital vs. Columbia Employees; Torrance Merchants vs. Pierman's.

At the Alondra Park gym—Redondo Eagles vs. Hawthorne Merchants; Gunga Din vs. South Bay AC; Banner Drugs vs. Robertson's Insurance.

All games are played on Wednesday evenings, the first game to begin at 6:45 o'clock.

Saturday Hoop League Resumes Play Jan. 27

Tip-off in the 1950 Boys' Saturday Basketball league at the High School gymnasium last week started six young teams off on a scramble to see who, among the bike set, are the basketball champions of the area.

Sponsored by the city's recreation department, three games are to be played each Saturday morning through February 17, the first to begin at 9 a.m. and the last at 11 a.m.

There will be no games this Saturday because of the YMCA Week golf tourney at the Alondra Park golf course.

Beginning January 27, the following schedule will be maintained:

January 27—Walteria vs. Vikings, 9 a.m.; Seagulls vs. Shoestring Gra-Y, 10 a.m.; Apaches vs. 5-Stars, 11 a.m.

February 3—Vikings vs. Shoestring Gra-Y, 9 a.m.; 5-Stars vs. Seagulls, 10 a.m.; and Walteria vs. Apaches, 11 a.m.

February 10—5-Stars vs. Shoestring Gra-Y, 9 a.m.; Apaches vs. Vikings, 10 a.m.; and Seagulls vs. Walteria, 11 a.m.

February 17—5-Stars vs. Vikings, 9 a.m.; Walteria vs. Shoestring Gra-Y, 10 a.m.; Apaches vs. Seagulls, 11 a.m.

Team captains are Gus Sanchez, Apaches; Dennis Hester, 5-Stars; James Lawrence, Seagulls; Gilbert Pike, Shoestring Gra-Y; Tom Vanderpool, Vikings; and Don Iwata, Walteria.

What—No Swimmers?

Torrance athletes have been figuring prominently in El Camino's football and basketball fortunes, but when 12 Warriors lined up last week to receive letters for water-polo, not a single Torrance boy was among them.

Win Hungry Tartars Seek Second Victory

Battle Due Tomorrow

Battle for control of the second division of the Bay League standings will get under way in the Tartar gym at approximately 8:30 tomorrow evening when the Leuzinger Olympians are scheduled to establish a beachhead here in Tartarville.

Both teams are going into the struggle with a record of one win and three losses.

"We're in the same boat," Coach Cliff Graybehl said yesterday when comparing the two teams. "We're both shallow," he said.

Leuzinger lost to Beverly Hills, 43-22, in the season opener. Beverly beat the Tartars, 50-45, January 12.

Leuzinger lost to Santa Monica, 46-35, January 9. Torrance lost to the Vikings, 34-25, January 5.

Leuzinger lost to Inglewood, 56-23, January 12, while Torrance lost to Redondo in a 45-37 game January 9.

In the win departments, the Tartars collected their win at the hands of Mira Costa last Tuesday while the Olympians beat El Segundo, 40-33, the same day.

At this time it would appear that neither Leuzinger nor Torrance stands more than a 50-50 chance of winding up in the first division during the season. The best either can hope for is to lead the second division.

Inglewood should be a cinch for the loop title, with Santa Monica and Beverly Hills battling for the second spot. Redondo should be the fourth team.

However, things don't always go like the charts say they should, and actually the Tartars could ease Redondo out of the first division if they can organize a scoring combination.

Meanwhile, the first step toward the top is a victory over the Leuzinger crowd—and it's going to take a crowd to do it. There's more to a team than the players on it; there must be fans behind the team.

If everybody turns out for the game tomorrow night, the team might not be in the embarrassing position of looking up and seeing the Torrance crowd outnumbered almost 2-to-1 as was the case at the Beverly Hills game last week.

Tipoff in the Bee preliminaries is set for 7 p.m. tomorrow night. Those are terrific games, too.

Tartars Top Mira Costa

That long victory famine which has been plaguing the Tartars all season finally came to an end here Tuesday afternoon.

Meeting a newcomer to the Bay League, Mira Costa, in what could have been billed "the Battle of the Nothing," the Tartars took the new school, 48 to 18, in a game that saw 11 Torrance players get into the scoring party.

After the Tartars had raced to a fast lead during the first five minutes of play, Coach Cliff Graybehl yanked the first string out of the game and thereafter used the "two platoon" system of play just like they do up town.

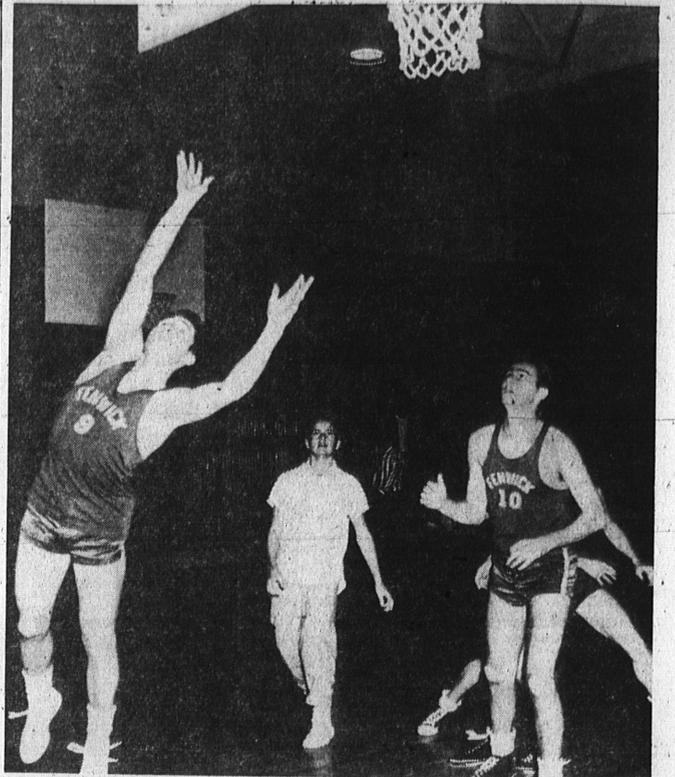
Still, reaching down into the third string, the Tartars were running the show all the way.

"You can't take anything away from that Mira Costa bunch," Graybehl warned. However, Mira Costa, being a new school, has students enrolled only up to the 10th grade. Therefore, the team the Tartars beat Tuesday afternoon might well be the same team that could win the Bay League two years from now.

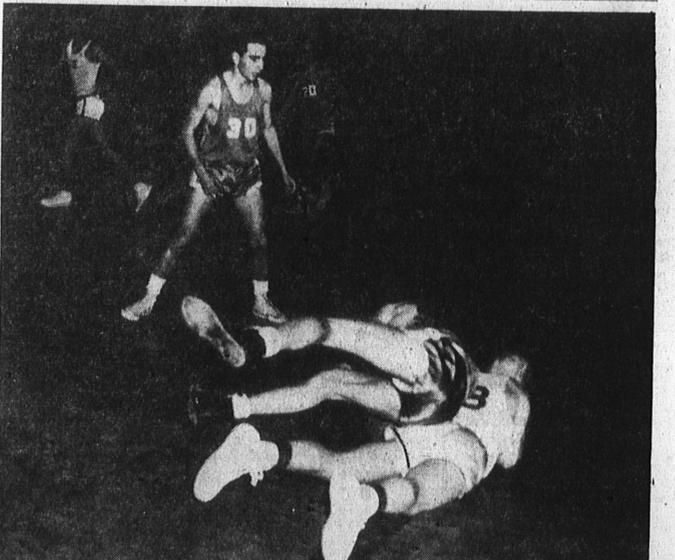
Tuesday's win was the second of the season for the Tartars, the first in Bay League play. Their only other win was collected at the expense of Ventura in the opening rounds of the Long Beach tournament in December.

Graybehl was high on a couple of reserves after the game. Singled out for praise was Bruce Smith, who, the coach said, "played a terrific game." Also given verbal pats on the back was Bill Baron, front line forward, who bucketed a fast 10 points in the third quarter. Baron was cold in the first half, however, getting only 2 points.

In the preliminary game here, the Bees kept their league record clean with a 46-30 win over the Mira Costa Bees. It was the fourth league victory for Coach Vern Wolfe's lightweights. Larry Roy and Mike Day turned out to be a two-man bucket brigade as they scored a total of 24 points between them. Day got 10 and Roy 14.



BASKETBALL BALLET . . . Wimpy Chambers, one of Fenwick's Shoe Repair roundball artists, strikes a fetching pose as his team trounced Harbor Hospital last Wednesday evening. Looking on are Jerry Farrar, filling in for the Hospitalmen, and Jerry Melvaine (No. 10) another Fenwick lad. (Herald photo).



TAG, YOU'RE IT . . . Hard-fighting Bee teams of Torrance and Beverly Hills ran up a total of 51 personal fouls in their meeting here last Friday night. Here is one where the play got rough, but no fouls were called. The boys were merely scrapping hard for the ball. (Herald photo).

Bay League Standings

Team	W	L
Inglewood	4	0
Santa Monica	4	0
Beverly Hills	3	1
Redondo Beach	2	2
Torrance	1	3
Leuzinger	1	3
El Segundo	1	3
Mira Costa	0	4

'Fortune Hunter' Set for Airing

Two of Hollywood's favorite young performers, John Lund and Jeanne Crain, are co-starred in "The Fortune Hunter" on the U. S. Steel hour Sunday, January 21, via coast-to-coast stations of the NBC network at 5:30 p.m.

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Warriors Drop from Undefeated Class Before San Diego Knights

El Camino's cage sharks dropped from the undefeated class in the Metro loop last Saturday night when the San Diego Knights nudged them out on the short end of a 58-50 encounter at the Alondra gym.

The win gave the San Diego quintet undisputed possession of the first place in the conference.

Thrills for the weekend were provided the night before, however, when the Warriors squeaked by the Long Beach Vikings in a game that lasted 40 minutes and 3 seconds. The 3 extra seconds came at the end of the game when Viking Coach Charlie Church charged a timekeeper had not stopped the clock when his team called time with three seconds left to play.

GRACIOUS HOSTS

Being the gracious hosts that Emily Post has been pitching for, the Caminitos instructed officials to let the contest continue for the few seconds. The Warriors were ahead 49 to 46 at the time.

A long, 35-foot goal by the Vikings in the extra period closed the gap to 49-45 and there

the game ended without further protest.

In the Saturday night game the Warriors looked real classy during the first half, but a team of smooth cage artists from the border city counted them out before the game was ended.

El Camino made but 29 per cent of the shots attempted from the floor.

El Camino (50) San Diego (58)
Cline (9) Hatt (6)
Chambers (10) Brady (15)
Flanagan (10) Fuller (19)
Shaw (2) O'Brien (7)
Turner (11) Hengle (5)
Diego (18)
Scoring subs: El Camino—Held 5, Kulo 2, Moore 1, San Diego—Swisher 2.

El Camino (49) Long Beach (48)
Cline (8) Ferguson (16)
Chambers (9) F. Jorgensen (16)
Flanagan (10) C. Sullivan (6)
Turner (6) G. B. Smith (6)
Shaw (2) C. Smith (6)
Held (11) G. C. Smith (6)
Scoring subs: El Camino—27, Long Beach—26

Scoring subs: El Camino—Held (3), Moore (3), Long Beach—Satter (3), Sutherland (2).

Half a Hundred Personal Fouls Called in Bee Game

It was such action as shown above (with Duane Mittan, No. 8, on the bottom of the heap) which prompted officials to call a total of 51 personal fouls in the Torrance-Beverly Hills Bee game here last Friday night. The play was never "dirty" or rough as a result of short tempers—the boys were just fighting a hard ball game.

Two Beverly Hills players received slight injuries in the game—one when his glasses were broken in a scramble for a rebounding ball, and another when he was cut on the arm in a struggle for possession of the ball.

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