

# Hawk Trackmen Nip THS, 66-51

## VENABLE'S BLAST UPSETS VIKINGS, 4-3



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### Prep for Inglewood Relays on Thursday

Prepping for next week's annual Inglewood Relays, Redondo came on strong in the field events to nip Torrance 66-51 with North High third at 12 points in triangular track action on the Redondo Seahawk Stadium oval Friday. The spikefest was a non-league affair.

Hurdler Gary Cooke sparked the Tartars and was the only double winner of the afternoon with a 120 high hurdle victory in 15.4 and a 180 low hurdle recording of 19.9.

The Tartars won five first place awards as compared to four for the Seahawks. In addition, Redondo tied for two top medals and Torrance deadlocked for one.

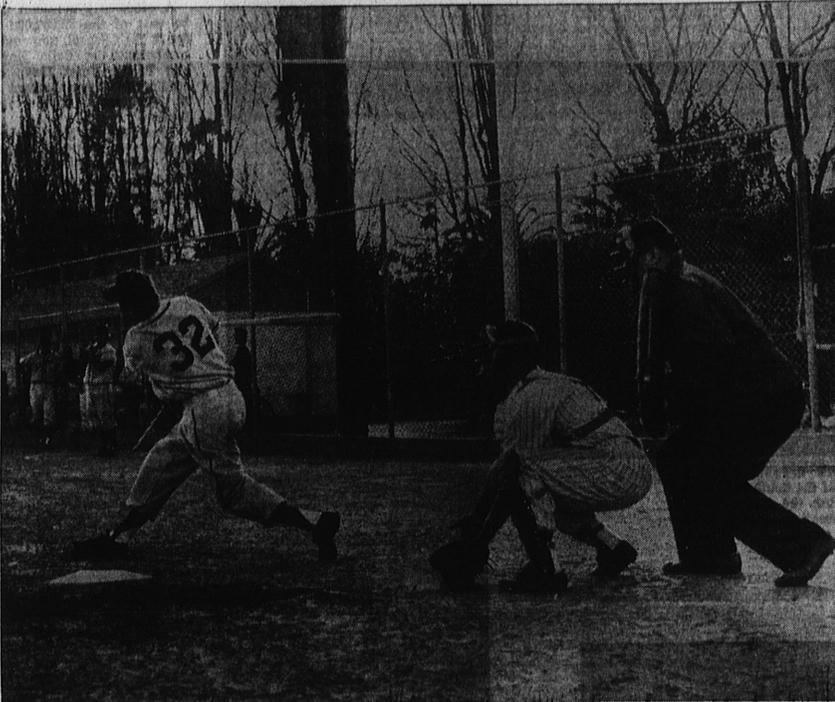
In addition to Cooke's victories, Bill Keefer dashed to a 23.2 clocking in winning the 220 and Len Ehlers bested North High's Jim Richardson in the mile with a time of 4:49.7. In the field events, Tony Calloway bested the field in shot-put competition to win top honors with a 45'2" effort. Stellar pole vaulter Tom Denning tied with Redondo's Al Klinger for first place at 12 feet.

Depth proved a deficit in field action for the Tartars. Bruce Siefert topped Rich Ruffell of Torrance in the broad jump at 20'4" while Mike Palmer tied North High's Al Garnica for top high jump honors at 5'10". A big victory for the Hawks was the 880 relay, which they garnered in a time of 1:34.2.

Thursday, all three squads will participate in the field

events of the Inglewood Relays with track events scheduled for Friday night.

North High (12) and Torrance (51) Redondo (66).  
 100—Siefert (R), Douillard (R), Keefer (T), 10.8.  
 220—Keefer (T), Byers (R), Douillard (R), 23.2.  
 440—Byers (R), Sturgess (R), Carhale (N), 53.4.  
 880—Smothers (R), Lemon (R), Hansen (T), 2:05.8.  
 Mile—Ehlers (T), Richardson (N), Hammock (T), 4:49.7.  
 120—Hill—Cooke (T), Rubco (T), Shankie (R), 15.4.  
 180—LH—Cooke (T), Shankie (R), Rubco (T), 19.9.  
 BJ—Siefert (R), Ruffell (T), Marone (R), 20.4.  
 HJ—The between Palmer (R) and Garnica (N), Tie between McCann (R) and Gobel (R), 5-10.  
 SP—Calloway (T), Pinol (R), Pearly (R), 45-2.  
 PV—The between Klinger (R) and Denning (T), McDougald (T), 12.  
 B SCORES: Redondo 59, Torrance 30, North High 25.  
 C SCORES: Redondo 56%, Torrance 28%, North High 13.



**HITTING STYLE . . .** Torrance center fielder Bob Clifford singles in fourth inning to start short rally during Torrance-Santa Monica game at Torrance Park. Tartars upset Santa Monica in Bay League action 4-3 on Toby Venable's

three-run homer in the bottom of the seventh inning. Clifford, one of the top Torrance hitters, collected one for three during the afternoon. Santa Monica catcher is Jim Ochoa while Norm Verry calls the balls and strikes.

### Locals Garner First Bay League Contest

In storybook fashion, Toby Venable slammed a 409-foot home run, scoring three runs with two out in the bottom of the seventh, to spark Torrance to an upset 4-3 triumph over powerful Santa Monica in Bay League action Thursday at Torrance Park.

Venable's blast, which cleared the left center field and bounced off an adjoining house, came off relief hurler Jim Roberts on the first pitch and enabled the Tartars to pick up their initial league victory against a single setback.

#### Derail Vikes

Finally getting to Santa Monica pitching, the Tartars registered three of their six hits in the final frame in temporarily derailing the Vikings, fabled as the top Bay League outfit in 1957.

With one down, successive singles by left fielder Tony Bertolet and catcher Ray Vanderpool abruptly ended the pitching chores of starter Sonny Peterson. Ken Pevic, the first batter to face Roberts, pinch-hit for Tartar hurler Paul Moir and sacrificed the runners along to set the scene for Venable's game-breaking blow.

#### Moir Victor

Roberts, who faced two batters, was tagged with the defeat while Moir picked up the win to even his record at 1-1. It was Samohi's first complete game of the year after being fogged out of their scheduled opener with Mira Costa Tuesday.

Shortstop Ken Bloore got things started for the Vikings in the third frame, reaching base on an infield safety. Following center fielder Gene Lillard's double, both runners scampered across on Perry Bates' sharp single.

#### Final Tally

The Vikings added their third and final tally in the top of the fourth on two singles and an outfield error. Catcher Jim Ochoa singled to center and romped to second on a miscue by Bob Clifford. Second sacker Tom Bennett brought him around with his one-baser.

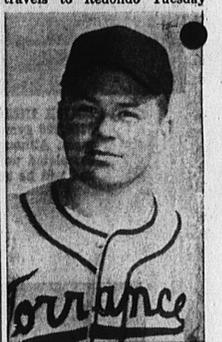
Torrance came to life in their part of the stanza after Clifford singled and was picked off. John Emery followed with a one-base blow and quickly came around to tally on Gary Pfingston's long double to left center.

#### Last Threat

Samohi made one additional

threat in the sixth when Bennett singled, stole second, and went to third on an infield out. Attempting to steal home, he was erased by Vanderpool at the plate.

With a big win behind them, Coach Dave Dana's crew travels to Redondo Tuesday



**GAME STAR . . .** Torrance second sacker Toby Venable broke up THS-Samohi game with three-run, 409-foot round tripper in the seventh inning.

for the third chapter of the young season. Redondo was beaten by Mira Costa in their only appearance of the season by a 7-2 count.

Santa Monica (3)	AB	R	H
Lillard, cf	3	1	1
Bates, 3b	3	0	1
Rosenthal, rf	3	0	1
Stubbs, 1b	3	0	1
Ochoa, c	3	1	1
Kern, lf	3	0	0
Sweeney, if	3	0	0
Bennett, 2b	3	0	2
Bloore, ss	3	1	1
Peterson, p	3	0	0
Roberts, p	0	0	0
Totals	27	3	8

Torrance (4)	AB	R	H
Venable, cf	3	1	1
Farrington, ss	3	0	0
Clifford, 3b	3	0	1
Emery, 2b	2	1	1
Pfingston, rf	3	0	1
Crenshaw, 1b	2	0	0
T. Bertolet, if	2	1	1
Ray Vanderpool, c	3	1	1
Moir, p	0	0	0
Pevic, p	0	0	0
Totals	22	4	6

Score by innings:  
 Santa Monica . . . 02 100 0-3 8 0  
 Torrance . . . 000 100 3-4 6 1

**CIF SCORES**

Bay League  
 Inglewood 8, Leuzinger 4  
 Mira Costa 7, Redondo 3  
 Pioneer League  
 Hawthorne 12, Culver City 1  
 Beverly Hills 4, El Segundo 2

### North JV Nine Garner Third Triumph, 6-4

North High's junior varsity baseball squad came from behind Thursday to rack up their third Pioneer League triumph of the season, dropping Morningside 6-4 on the loser's field.

Steve Sandberg, Dave Pace, Bill Claxton, and Dave Marsden paced the Saxon victory which saw the locals overcome a 4-2 deficit after the first frame and steadily build a game winning lead. Claxton drove in Bob Merry with the go-ahead run in the fourth inning to turn the tide.

So far in league play, the Saxons have downed Culver City by a 9-8 count and El Segundo 9-2 while dropping a 16-3 game to Beverly Hills.

North High . . . 201 200 1-4 9 4  
 Morningside . . . 400 000 0-4 3  
 Mewborn, Buchannan (5) and Marsden  
 Tamburo and Merrill

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The doors will open at 1 p.m. to admit the vanguard of a crowd estimated to total 300,000 before the 11 day show winds up April 14.

The event will feature the largest boat exhibit in the west as well as a trailer and camping section. Other outstanding acts to be seen at the outdoor extravaganza will include logging, canoe-tilting and championship casting competition.

Pat McCormick will make her professional debut in the show. She won four gold medals in the diving championships at Helsinki and Melbourne.

### Saxons Blow Six Run Lead, Drop Monarch Clash, 14-8

North High's hard luck baseballers dropped their fourth consecutive Pioneer League contest Thursday as the Saxons blew a six-run advantage and lost to Morningside 14-8 in action on the loser's diamond.

The Monarchs, who are one game back of Beverly Hills in Pioneer standings, gave up six tallies to the Saxons in the initial frame before pulling together and beginning to hit.

Ten men went to bat for the Saxons in the first with first sacker Lou Harris and center fielder Joe Hedgecock each registering two RBIs. Steve Merring nudged in a single between catcher interference plays on Larry Anthony and Stan Fittinger and set up Harris' hit. Hedgecock's triple came with bases and Jack Simpson on base.

Catcher Don Gravier led the 15-hit Morningside onslaught on three Saxon hurlers with two round trippers and a single which accounted for six runs batted in. The Monarchs tallied four times in the second and third innings to push ahead and retained a comfort-

able lead from then on.

Saxon Coach Del Nuzem commented that illness and eligibility problems have hurt North High considerably in the early part of the season. However, this year squads play a three-round, 15-game schedule.

Monarch starter Glen Kezer received credit for the victory although requiring assistance from Chuck Freeman when the Saxons pushed across two markers in the final frame.

Tuesday, the Saxons travel to Hawthorne to encounter a strong Cougar team which is tied with Morningside for second place in the Pioneer League with 2-1 records.

Morningside . . . 044 005 1-14 15 3  
 North High . . . 800 000 2-8 8 5  
 Kezer, Freeman (7) and Gravier; Simpson, Harris (5), Fittinger (6) and Fittinger, Simpson (6).

### Swearingen In Physical Ed. Job At El Camino JC

Ken Swearingen, who achieved football fame at Redondo High School, El Camino and the College of Pacific, has been named to the physical education department at El Camino, it was announced Wednesday evening by the administration.

Swearingen will assume his duties in September and may assist football coach Norm Verry, who he played under, in coaching chores.

The jedy halfback graduated from Redondo in 1952 where he achieved All-Bay League and All-CIF honors. At El Camino, he led the Warriors to an undefeated 1952 season and was named to All-Metropolitan Conference and All-Southern California honorary teams.

### EC Batmen Rout Santa Monica, 10-2; Smash UCLA Frosh, 7-6

Power hitting and good pitching got together at El Camino Friday as the Warriors pounded out a convincing 10-2 triumph over Santa Monica behind Jim "Pinkie" Lynn's four-hitter. The win marked the second in Metropolitan Conference play for the hot-cold El Camino nine.

Wednesday, the Warriors made it two straight over the UCLA Frosh as they played rude hosts in dropping the Brubabes by a 7-6 count.

The Warriors got to Santa Monica starter Charlie Welch early as Dave Watt and Richard Lindner singled with both coming across on shortstop Ralph Hemp's base blow.

Welch left early in the second inning in favor of Jim Pagan when 12 El Camino players batted and produced six runs. Accounting for runs batted in during the frame were Lynn, Watt, Lindner, Steve Nicks, and John Carbray. Hemp and Nicks drove in the final two El Camino tallies with hits in the ninth inning.

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The local nine hammered Santa Monica pitching for a healthy 14 base blows while Lynn limited the Corsairs to

three singles and a double. Another big second inning enabled the Warriors to subdue UCLA as they tallied five times. Big blow in the stanza was Ed Saunders' three-run round tripper which followed a single by Hemp and doubles by Roger Colwell and Lindner.

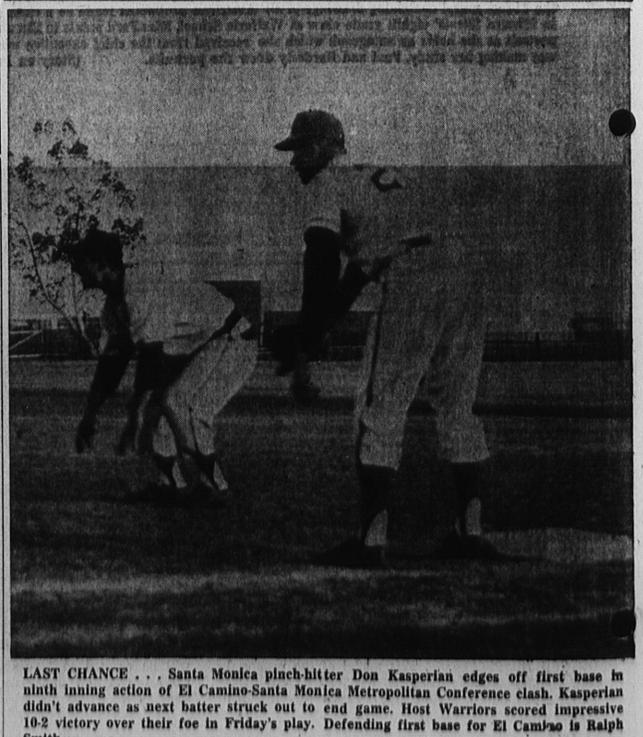
Although leading throughout the encounter, El Camino scored the eventual winning markers in the fifth inning. Following a single by Saunders and free transportation to Carbray, Ralph Smith was safe on a fielder's choice which erased Carbray. Hemp's long fly scored Saunders and Nicks followed later in the inning with a single which scored Smith with the winning run.

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**LAST CHANCE . . .** Santa Monica pinch-hitter Don Kasperian edges off first base in ninth inning action of El Camino-Santa Monica Metropolitan Conference clash. Kasperian didn't advance as next batter struck out to end game. Host Warriors scored impressive 10-2 victory over their foe in Friday's play. Defending first base for El Camino is Ralph Smith.

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