

LOST CAUSE . . . North High first sacker Steve Mearing makes final leap towards first base in Tuesday's action at Morningside. Partially hidden is defending Monarch first baseman Burton Davies who took throw from third base to retire Mearing. Late rally by the Saxons fell short as Morningside garnered a close 4-3 decision. North hosts Hawthorne in a Pioneer League encounter today.

## Morningside Outlasts North High Team, 4-3

Coach Del Nuzem's hard luck North High batsmen dropped their eighth consecutive Pioneer League decision Tuesday as host Morningside eked out a 4-3 triumph.

Monarch hurler Doug Carroll won his own ball game with a fifth inning bases-loaded single which later provided the margin of victory. Carroll went the route, allowing the Saxons eight base blows while his teammates were garnering six off three North twirlers.

Evan Harris, the second of the North mound crew, drew the loss. He took over for starter Pete Kemp in the fourth and was relieved by John Simpson following Carroll's blow.

North drew first blood in the fray with a lone marker in the second inning. Following a free pass to Joe Hedgecock, singles by Bob Merry and Emil Capik brought him around.

Morningside quickly retaliated in their half of the frame when lead-off batter Fred Muth singled and scored on Burton Davies' deep triple to left center. The Monarchs scored again in the fourth when Muth singled and later was forced in when Harris walked Larry Balliett with the bags jammed.

In the deciding fifth stanza, Glen Kezer led off with a single to center and moved to third on passes to George Pickering and Davies which loaded them up for Carroll.

North High threatened to tie the count in the sixth when they pushed across two runs. Catcher Stan Fittinger led off the uprising with a single and advanced to second on a walk to Merry. Capik registered his third straight hit and second RBI by driving in Fittinger with a single. Bill Bartleson batted for Dave Pace and accounted for the second Saxon tally in the inning with a single which tallied Merry.

The victory sent the Monarchs into a third place tie with El Segundo behind unbeaten Beverly Hills and runner-up Hawthorne.

Today, the Saxons return home to play host to the second place Cougars.

## Grammar School Relays Saturday

More than 500 Torrance elementary school boys are expected to participate in the eighth annual Torrance Optimist Club's elementary boys' track and field meet at Torrance High School stadium Saturday, Chairman Cliff Graybehl said yesterday.

Each of the city's elementary schools will participate in the event—and each will be trying to win the city crown. Individual competitors will be shooting at some top records set by young track stars of past years.

Oldest running mark under fire will be Richard Ruffell's 1953 time of 63 seconds for the 440-yard dash. Oldest field event mark at stake will be Bob Putman's 1953 shot-put of 40 ft. 7 ins.

Most schools have held preliminary meets to select their entries in the annual event. Boys are limited to one running event and a total of two events.

Following the meet a luncheon will be served by members of the Optimist Club on the field.

## Beverly Wins Over Eagles, Stays On Top

League leading Beverly Hills remained unbeaten in Pioneer play Tuesday as Dave Mann threw a two-hitter at El Segundo in posting a 5-2 victory for the Normans on the winner's field.

In notching their eighth straight, Beverly moved closer to a successful defense of their Pioneer League championship. They scored twice in the third and tallied the deciding three markers in the fourth.

Hawthorne moved into undisputed second place, three games behind the leaders, by downing Culver City behind an 11-hit attack 15-0 on the Centaur diamond.

Ron Curtis limited the opposition to three hits while his teammates scored twice in the second and tallied a crushing 10-run fourth inning.

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## Pacific Little Leaguers Slate Sunday Opener

It's "play ball" in Little League Sunday when the Pacific Coast Little League schedule gets under way at Kissel Field in Redondo Beach at 12:30 p.m.

Following an invocation by Pastor Gangsel, of the Riviera Lutheran Church, opening ceremonies will include the flag raising by Boy Scout Troop 240 of Waverly, under the direction of Scoutmaster Ray McLaughlin.

Introductions of the Pacific Coast board of directors, umpires, teams, managers, coaches and sponsors will be introduced. In addition to a representative of Mr. Kissel, UCLA Coach Phil Steinberg and Torrance Mayor Albert Isen have been invited to attend the ceremonies.

Highlighting the opening activities will be a tripeheader. The Seals meet the Solons at 1:30 p.m., followed by a Stars-Padres clash at 3 p.m., and an Angels-Beavers game at 5 p.m.

## Crowded Athletic Program Set for Camino This Week

After a two-week layoff from activities the El Camino athletic program swings into high gear this week end with competition scheduled in five sports.

The Warriors' track squad, rained out in the Easter Relays at Santa Barbara Saturday, travel to Chaffey this afternoon to duel the hosting Bears and the Occidental Frosh in a triangular non-conference meet. The locals won their only decision of the year against Chaffey in their first meeting, coming out on top 70-44 in a three-way meet with Long Beach.

Distance runners Jim Bevins and Lee Miller, along with field event specialist Frank Olson, will carry the bulk of El Camino's threat.

Coach Norm Verry's tennis squad, in the second spot in Metropolitan Conference play, travels up north today to compete in the three-day annual Ojai Tournament which runs through Saturday.

El Camino's highly regarded swimming team, which placed third in the recent Metro championships, also journeys north today to begin three days of competition in the Southern California Finals at Bakerfield.

Under the guidance of coach Don Jurk, the local gymnastics squad returns to action



## League Preliminaries Scheduled For Torrance, North Thinclads

Nearing the climax of the 1957 track campaigns, Torrance and North High spikemen enter their respective league preliminaries tomorrow afternoon. The Tartars journey to Mira Costa for the Bay League action while Morningside entertains Pioneer squads at Inglewood's Sentinel Field. Both meets are scheduled for 3 p.m.

Centennial's powerful Apaches are overwhelming choices to cart off top Bay Loop honors and are also the logical pick of most experts to advance to the CIF in State championships.

The Apaches' closest competition will be Santa Monica, who gave Centennial a close battle in the Mira Costa and Inglewood Relays. In the former event, both squads deadlocked for the top spot with Centennial winning, 30½-29.

Hosting Morningside has been tabbed to walk off with top laurels in the Pioneer pre-

## Field Tests For Umpires Set Tonight

Field tests for umpires' training, for certification into the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation program, will be conducted from 7 to 10 p.m. tonight at Torrance Park.

The training program is being conducted under the auspices of John Barr, Harbor District sports director for the Los Angeles Recreation Department, and Elmer "Red" Moon, Torrance city athletic director.

Softball game schedule for umpires' training sessions at the local park tonight include: 7-8 p.m., Lovelady Hardware vs. Post Office; 8-9 p.m., Longren vs. General Petroleum; 9-10, Gold Star Cafe vs. Torrance Sand and Gravel.

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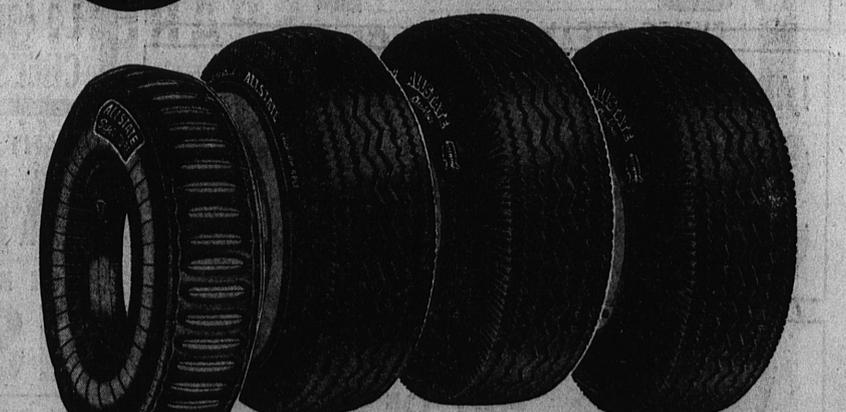
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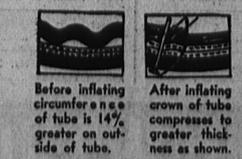
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