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THIS WINS CIF TITLE

Cross-Country Runners Named Winners of Meet

By BILL SCHIPPER

Torrance High's mighty cross-country squad registered the school's first CIF championship Friday when they outran eight other small school entrants for the prized trophy at Long Beach State College. Coach Jim Wilson's harriers narrowly missed a chance for qualifying for the state meet as four large schools (over 1500 enrollment) teams recorded faster times for the day.

Pacing the Tartars championship performance was senior distance man Len Ehlers,

who toured the muddy 1.8-mile course in a speedy 9:51, finishing sixth overall in the nine school class.

Right behind Ehlers with a 9:57 clocking was junior thin-cladder Dennis Hansen, who in his first year of varsity competition has been one of THS' top reasons for the title.

Carter Third

Tom Carter finished third for Torrance and 13th overall, Frank Corsentino was 16th, and Sanfred Smith 18th. Joe

Gilstrap and Kent Bartholic finished out of the running as only the first five finishers for each score are counted.

The championship climaxes one of THS' most productive cross-country seasons in history. The Tartar harriers recorded a first in the CIF prelims, held last week, finished second in Bay League behind Mira Costa, who will represent the loop at the state meet in Merced Saturday

Also the Torrance harriers copped all but one of their dual meets and won several trophies at the Mt. San Antonio College invitations.

Jayvee's Sixth

In the junior-varsity competition the Tartars placed sixth among the other nine schools, although Dick Ryan had a first place finish with a 10:23 clocking. Other finishers for Torrance were Kenny Smith, Jack Tippin, Robert Rodriguez, Ken Ehlers, and Charles Shertey.

Next year Coach Wilson should again have championship potential as two varsity runners will be returning, Hansen and Corsentino, and a host of distance men up from the jayvees will be vying for varsity berths.

SULPHUR DEPOSITS

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grove were tied with 11 points apiece for high scoring honors for the Spartans.

Freshman Star

Once again the big freshman star was South's big gun, as Austin grabbed most of the team's rebounds while playing his usual fine game.

Coach Hanny's starting five was composed of Jim Hawkins, John Mewborn, Jim Mantis, and Austin and Hargrove.

The loss was the third in four tries for the local Spartans—the lone win recorded over Chadwick—a team they again play Tuesday on the THS hardwood.

In the Friday Bee preliminary affair the locals were dumped 41-28 despite a rallying 21-point second half by the STHS crew. High scorer was Neil Rosecut who netted 9, followed by Kenny Motomaru with 6.

A South Cee team also saw action, losing 36-13 in their first outing of the season.

County Reveals Purchase Plans For Golf Site

Notice of intention to buy roughly 174 acres of land on Crest Rd. near the western end of the Palos Verdes Peninsula for an 18-hole golf course was adopted this week by the board of supervisors. Cost of the property was set at \$1,360,000.

A public hearing and completion of the purchase has been scheduled for Jan. 16, according to Supervisor Burton W. Chace, who has supported the site acquisition for a golf course.

Norman S. Johnson, director of county parks and recreation department, said the facilities proposed for the new golf course will be of "tournament caliber." He described it as a "sporty course," saying it would offer an ocean view in addition to superb playing areas.

The new course will have a driving range, putting greens, modern clubs, and several tennis courts. An option to purchase the land from Rancho Palos Verdes Corp. and the Capitol Co. has been signed by the county, and \$1,400,000 set aside in the current budget for the property.

The price was within appraisals made last July by two independent appraisers, officials said.

Another major golf course development in this area is the proposed Dominguez course for which the property was purchased last fall. It lies east of 190th St. and Normandie.

UCLA Coach to Speak at THS Sports Banquet

Torrance High's annual Fall Sports Awards Banquet will be held Tuesday at 6:30 in the school cafeteria. Fathers and letter winners will be honored and guest speaker will be UCLA Assistant Coach Johnny Johnston.

Coaches Dick Turner, varsity football; Howard Brubaker, Bee football, and Jim Wilson, cross-country, will present the block "T" letters to their athletes.

They will also name the All-America winners and make special presentations to the All-Bay League football players and the CIF champion cross-country team.

Coach Turner will also name next year's varsity captain. The banquet is under the supervision of Steve Foster, commissioner of athletics.

Kiwanis Clubs Announce Fall Sports Banquet

Kiwanis Clubs of Lomita, Wilmington, and San Pedro will sponsor the Fall Sports Awards Banquet honoring Harbor College athletes on Tuesday at 7 p.m., in the college campus center, according to an announcement made today by Raymond J. Casey, director of the college.

The Lomita Kiwanis Club will serve as host club for the banquet. This year the evening has been designated "Ladies' Night," and members will bring their wives. George Dickerson, UCLA line coach, will be the featured dinner speaker.

Each of the sponsoring Kiwanis Clubs will select its candidate for "Outstanding Citizen" awards to be presented at the banquet. These three awards will be given on the basis of significant and meritorious contributions to civic progress in the community.

Athletic awards will be given to outstanding Harbor athletes. These presentations include letters, lettermen jackets, and individual recognitions, such as the Director's Award to the most valuable football player of the year.

"The recognition given to our athletes by the Harbor communities is greatly appreciated, and the Sports Awards Banquet is an event to which we look forward each semester," stated J. Reyburn Hatfield, dean of student activities.

Hoopsters Fight for Berths in Tourney

If everything went according to the so called "experts" plan last night at the unpredictable Pacific Shores Tournament, Mira Costa and Torrance will today be the undisputed champs of the winners and consolation brackets of the four-day Sixth Annual Invitational, sponsored by the Redondo, Michoi, and Aviation High Schools.

The Tartars tangled with their Bay League opponent, Leuzinger, on the Seahawk hardwood yesterday after earning the title shot with wins over Loyola, 52-39, and El Segundo, 48-36. In the initial game of the tourney, however, the locals were clobbered 74-29 by Hawthorne in one of the poorest performances a team has displayed in over four years.

Leuzinger Rolling Leuzinger, traditionally a poor basketball school, has the basketball prognosticators scratching their heads in wonder as the Olympians have recorded a pair of high scoring victories over Aviation and North High, but the people who are supposed to know picked the THSers to topple the Olymps for the consolation trophy.

In the winners bracket, Mira Costa, seeded as team one, was expected to record their fourth straight win by dumping Long Beach Jordan for the title, in the feature game of the evening which got under way at 8:30 on the Redondo court.

Torrance's brilliant Gene Crenshaw is almost a cinch to land a berth on the All-Tournament team, as the tall sharp-shooter had scored 64 points in the first 3 days, including a pair of 28 and 26 digit performances over Loyola and El Segundo, over half the team's total output in both cases.

Rugged Season

All indications of the tourney point up to one pertinent fact, that the Bay League will have one of its toughest seasons in history, with all of the teams capable of copping the title. Torrance, Leuzinger, and Mira Costa all played for trophies on the final night, and Santa Monica, last year's Bay champs, finished fourth.

Also, Redondo has shown promise pulling out a pair of hair-raising wins before bowing to Long Beach Jordan.

The Pioneer League entry's did all right for themselves too, with Hawthorne and Beverly Hills displaying plenty of talent. North High, playing without the services of two regulars, looked good in losing to powerful Santa Monica, and reeked up an impressive win over Aviation.

The two Torrance schools get back into action this week, with the Saxons playing host to Artesia in the North gym on Tuesday, and the Tartars going right back into tournament play at Long Beach in the annual invitational at the state college.

South Dumped in 3rd Non-League Basketball Tilt

Coach Jim Hanny's South High basketballers received their third non-league loss Friday as Beverly Hills' Jayvee team played the role of villain in a 57-39 skunking on the Normans' floor.

The ninth and tenth grade Spartans proved no match for their older hosts, although the Green and White locals held a slim 14-13 lead early in the second quarter.

However, when the Normans' scoring machine went into operation the South hoopsters didn't know what hit them and the winners had a comfortable 28-14 halftime advantage.

Joe Austin and Bill Har-

LUCKLESS BEES, CEES SUFFER DOUBLE LOSS

Torrance High's Bee and Cee cage teams are still looking for their first seasonal wins as the two Tartar outfits were knocked for a double loss by Culver City's visiting lightweights Friday by scores of 54-34 and 21-20, respectively.

The Maroon and Gray Bee basketballers received their heaviest loss of the young season as the Centaurs jumped to quick 13-7 and 19-13 first and second quarter leads.

Although the Will Boergo-coached Barbabes rallied back to play the visitors basket for basket in the second half, the huge lead piled up earlier was too much as the locals took their third loss in as many outings.

Bill Roberts was the team's top point producer, swishing in 9, followed by Jim Hester, 8, who also led the team in rebounds with 15. Bill Schipper followed with 6 points, and Bill Reinert had 5. Butch Cowan 4, and Dick Colburn 2.

The THS Cees were defeated by the narrowest of margins as the Centaurs held on in a shaky second half to record the win. The losers had rallied back after trailing 15-6 at intermission.

Torrance's speedy Guard Vic Macki led the scoring department with 7, followed by Tom Sasse 6, Tom Richardson 5, and Howard Taylor 2.

Friday the two teams swing back into action with a game at Bell Gardens.

South High Basketball

Date, Opponent:	Place	Time	Teams, Gym
Tuesday, Dec. 10—Chadwick	Home	2:45	A&B, Torrance H.S.
Friday, Dec. 13—LaSalle	Home	7:00	A&B, Torrance H.S.
Tuesday, Dec. 17—Morningside J.V.	Home	3:00	A,B&C, Torrance H.S. (G.G.)
Friday, Dec. 20—Culver City J.V.	There	3:00	A,B&C
*Friday, Jan. 17—Dominguez	Home	6:30	A&B, Torrance H.S.
*Tuesday, Jan. 21—Warren	There	2:45	A&B
*Friday, Jan. 24—Aviation	There	6:30	A&B
Tuesday, Jan. 28—El Segundo	There	3:00	A,B&C
*Friday, Jan. 31—Lennox	Home	6:30	A&B, North H.S.
*Wednesday, Feb. 5—Dominguez	There	2:45	A&B
*Friday, Feb. 7—Warren	Home	2:45	A&B, North H.S.
*Tuesday, Feb. 11—Aviation	Home	2:45	A&B, Torrance H.S.
Friday, Feb. 14—Pasadena Acad.	There		A&B
*Tuesday, Feb. 18—Lennox	There	2:45	A&B
Friday, Feb. 21—LaSalle	Home	6:30	A&B, Torrance H.S.
Tuesday, Feb. 25—C.I.F. Prelims			Crescent League games.

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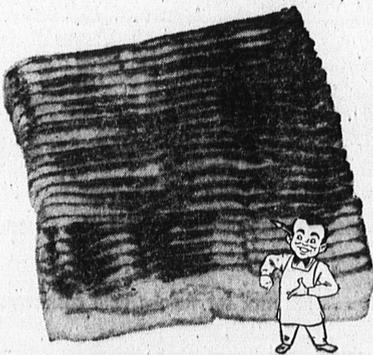
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