

Prep Basketball Play Underway



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WARRIORS WELCOME ROAD TRIP

El Camino Finds Home Gym Hostile

El Camino's Warriors will go on the warpath for two games away from home beginning Tuesday after finding nothing but hostilities in its own gym this week, losing at least two of three non-conference encounters.

Last night's score with Glendale was unavailable at press time.

Orange Coast College called on a couple of reserves to spark the invaders to a 76-67 win over El Camino Friday night, after the Warriors had received for a 66-65 loss to Ventura Tuesday.

Dick Barton, a 6' 4" sub center, pumped in nine floor shots and two from the free throw line for 20 points to ignite a second half fast-break attack which broke the game wide open.

Orange Coast took it going away. However, ECC's Joe Cattivera and Dave Brown, a reserve, gave the crowd something to cheer about in the waning minutes with some fancy shooting that twice pulled the locals within a six-point striking distance. But that was a close as the Warriors could get. Mike Schrader, freshman forward from Hawthorne, led ECC in the shooting department with 15 points.

HOWEVER, veterans Cattivera, John Boyd and Jack Runyan suffered what must have been their worst collective offensive night in two years. Between them they hit on just eight of 42 field goal attempts. El Camino's record stood at 1-2 going into last night's game with Glendale. This week Coach George Stanich's run-run boys play at Santa Ana and Cerritos on Tuesday and Saturday before returning for its next home game against Los Angeles City College, Tuesday, Dec. 13.

Long Beach Grids Plan Game Attack

Long Beach City College's Jr. Rose Bowl bound football squad is undergoing a "typical preparation schedule," according to Coach Jim Stangeland. This week the squad is working on its game plan of attack as the Dec. 10 meeting with rugged Tyler, Texas, draws near.

Tyler was led to a 12-0 record this season by quarterback Jim Lyons, a triple-threat performer who scored 12 touchdowns himself and passed for nine.

THE TEXANS have a big, fast backfield which gained 3588 yards total this season, only 750 coming through the air. Long Beach, with its patented Groff-Allm backfield (Andrews, Irvin, Martin), ran up a 9-0 record with the help of a rugged forward wall and a spirited group of reserves. Statistics-wise, the Vikings have the edge on offense — BUT the tenacious Tyler crew is way ahead on defense.

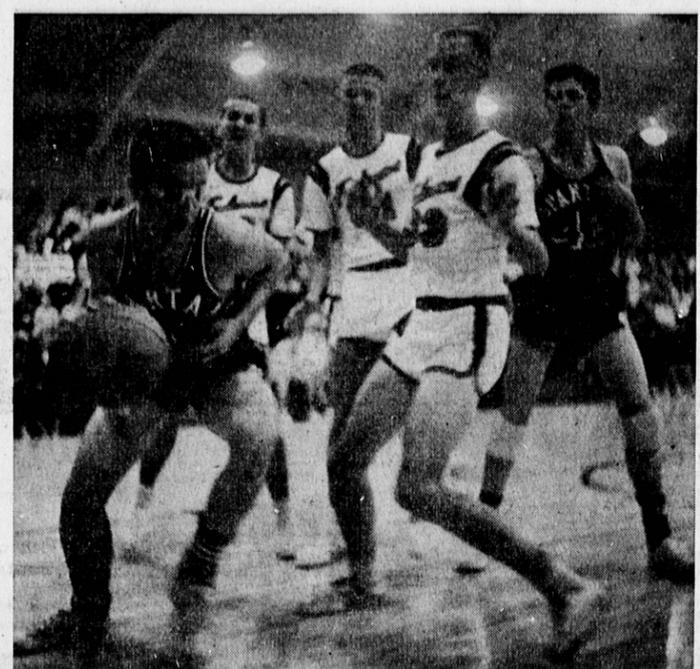
OFF AND RUNNING by John I. Day

The "Claim Box"



One might reasonably suppose that the annual yearling market for race horses, but actually the "claim box" in the racing secretary's office at the race track is a much busier sales agent. At a track like Santa Anita or Hialeah, horsemen may have as much as \$2,000,000 on deposit for claiming purposes. Of the 36,000 races run each year, less than 800 are Stakes events; the remainder are either claiming races or allowance races. The majority of the run-of-the-track races are claiming races in which each horse entered may be claimed by another owner. This is a simple way to group horses in their own classes. During the year some 6000 horses will be claimed for sums adding up to almost \$20,000,000. Claiming prices range from \$1000 to \$20,000. Obviously, a trainer will not risk losing a \$20,000 horse in a race for \$5000 claimers just to win a purse. The most famous claim of all time perhaps was that made by Hirsch Jacobs when he acquired Stymie for \$1500. Stymie developed into a horse of exceptional class and went on to win \$918,485. There is another side to the coin, however. Claims, of course, are put in the box before the race, and should the horse be injured or drop dead during the race his new owner is the loser.

Tartar Mike Thornton Wins CIF Race



OUTA MY WAY . . . South's Phil deLaPorte seems to be yelling to clear the path as he dribbles under Spartans basket in effort to get a shot away. Teammate Mike Andrews (42) and three Aviation defenders watch as action occurred in second quarter of Friday's 60-43 victory by Aviation. (Herald photo).

Spartans in Big Basketball Week After 60-43 Loss

By BOBBY CALKINS Herald Correspondent

South High's basketballers will jump out of the proverbial frying pan into the fire this week. After getting initiated into the 1960-61 basketball season by Aviation Friday night in North Redondo, the Spartans come back against St. John Vianney tomorrow night before entering the annual Pacific Shores Tournament Wednesday.

There they'll be the first to test powerful defending Pioneer League champion Culver City. THE SPARTANS held their own against the smooth Aviation five for three quarters before blowing the show in the final eight minutes Friday in the 7th renewal of the schools' cage rivalry.

Aviation holds a lifetime 6-1 edge over South since the two schools opened their doors four years ago. Aviation's Gary Brooks and Ron Dinnel led the most recent conquest with 19 and 16 point scoring performances.

SOUTH, which owned an 11 point lead briefly in the second quarter, had double digit scoring efforts from veterans Joe Austin, an all-Pioneer League guard last year, and center Mike Andrews. They scored 13 and 11, respectively but still showed some signs of weariness from the football season, where they also starred for the Spartans.

Tomorrow night South will be an underdog to Vianney, who reached the finals of the Mt. Carmel Tournament last night.

Colt League Boundaries To Be Set

Officials for Torrance's sprouting Colt Baseball League will be elected and area boundaries will be determined at a 5 p.m. Tuesday at Edison elementary school. Colt League, a follow-up for Little League and Pony League programs, is played on a regulation size diamond for 15-16 year old boys. Tom Morgan, Western Regional Director for the Colt program, will be a guest speaker at the meeting. Parents of eligible boys in the Gardena-Torrance area are urged to attend. Edison School is located on West 182nd St., east of Prairie Avenue.

North Wins, 58-46

What could be North High's strongest basketball team in the school's history broke out of the starting gate with a 58-46 victory over Beverly Hills Friday night and is looking ahead to its annual battle with Torrance in the Pacific Shores Tournament. Torrance and the Saxons run head-on in the first round of the Shores Invitational Wednesday at 5 p.m. at Aviation High in North Redondo.

THREE-YEAR veteran Jack Golphenee, a 6' 1" forward, seemingly spent half the night at the free throw line for the Saxons as he led North in scoring with 17 points. Fifteen came via the charity toss route, which may tie a school record. Golphenee, who missed just two free throws for the night, had nine points at the half while teammate Sparky Davidson, a junior center, contributed eight as North built up a commanding 25-15 lead.

BEVERLY HILLS, although young and inexperienced, came through with a comeback effort and cut the gap to four points, 27-23, shortly after intermission but North steadily pulled away. Beverly took the junior varsity preliminary, 47-45. It was the first game of the season for both schools.

North (58)	FG	a-FT	Pts
Jacobs, f	3	3-1	7
Golphenee, f	1	15-15	17
Edwards, f	3	3-2	8
Davidson, c	6	7-2	14
Mance, c	1	4-3	5
Murphy, g	2	0-0	4
Alvillar, g	0	5-3	0
Wright, g	0	0-0	0
Totals	16	39-26	58

Beverly Hills (46)	FG	a-FT	Pts
Peterson, f	2	4-4	8
Moss, f	1	2-1	3
Bisgeiger, c	1	6-5	7
Hansen, g	1	7-4	6
Moore, g	3	1-0	6
Goldwasser, g	5	8-5	15
McNeil, f	0	2-1	0
Totals	13	30-20	46

Becomes First Tartar to Win Harrier Title

Torrance's Mike Thornton, who's almost a sure thing when it comes to winning races, was believed to have become the first Tartar ever to win a CIF (small schools) cross-country championship Friday, at City's Doug Calhoun in the

The senior with the gifted legs and the leather lungs outran a field of 64 harriers over a 2.1 miles course, finishing 10 yards ahead of his closest rival. Thornton's time was 9:44 flat, which will stand as a small school record for the new course.

TORRANCE HIGH placed third in the team standings with 110 points, behind Los Altos, 90, and Artesia, 98.

Point winning Tartars were Thornton, Tony Bareford, 6th; Bob Henderson, 23rd; Bill Pitts, 31st; Jim Pulliam, 49th. Ivor Sampson and John Gable also ran for Torrance in the CIF finals.

Thornton, who was second in the mile in the state track meet last spring, was defeated only once this season in 11 cross country races, by Culver Pioneer League finals. Mike, a third place finisher in the CIF meet as a junior last year, broke course records every time he ran this fall, excepting, of course, at the league finals.

Torrance's only CIF team championship was won in 1957, when Len Ehlers, Sanford Smith, Dennis Hansen, Terry Murphy, and Frank Corsentino were team members.

MILLIKAN HIGH of Long Beach won the CIF large schools championship while Bruce Bess, La Habra's distance running sensation won the individual race with a time of 9:25.

TOP TEN TEAMS (Small Schools)	Points
1. Los Altos	90
2. Artesia	98
3. Torrance	110
4. Westminster	129
5. Coachella	142
6. Pius X	144
7. Aviation	151
8. Chino	197
9. Oxnard	260
10. Hart	270

Bruins Dunked

El Camino's water polo team ended its 1960 splash season Saturday with a stunning 6-4 victory over the Bruins at UCLA after finishing second in the Metropolitan Conference and fourth in Southern California.

Weister Sizzles But Tartars Fizzle, 62-45

Torrance (45)	FG	a-FT	Pts
Weister, f	9	10-8	26
Kasterko, f	0	0-0	0
Challis, f	0	2-1	1
Campbell, f	0	0-0	0
Weimer, f	0	1-1	1
Roberts, c	3	1-0	6
Achenbach, c	0	0-0	0
Orr, g	0	0-0	0
H. Taylor, g	2	9-2	6
McCusker, g	0	2-0	0
Parker, g	0	0-0	0
T. Taylor, g	2	3-1	5
McLean, g	0	0-0	0
Hood, g	0	0-0	0
Totals	16	26-18	45

LB Jordan (62) FG a-FT Pts

Hopkins, f	4	9-6	14
Richardson, f	5	6-4	14
Ellis, c	1	0-0	2
Pittman, c	3	3-3	9
Regier, g	3	6-3	8
Kendall, g	0	3-2	2
Capper, g	1	0-0	2
White, g	1	0-0	2
Whitager, g	2	2-2	6
Vickers, f	0	1-0	0
Allen, g	0	2-1	1
Henrick, g	0	3-1	1
Totals	22	36-21	62

Torrance	LB Jordan
10	15
17	16
14	15
45	62



NEW CHAMP . . . Mike Thornton, cross country ace from Torrance, was believed to have become first Tartar ever to win CIF finals race Friday at Cheviot Hills in small schools division. Thornton won 10 of 11 races this season. (Herald photo).

IN SHORES TOURNEY

Torrance, North Play Wednesday

By BILL SCHIPPER Herald Sports Editor

The 1960-61 prep basketball season, which has crept up on us at a snail's pace, will explode like a bombshell this week thanks to the annual renewal of the Pacific Shores Invitational Tournament, which tips-off Wednesday and runs through Saturday night. And one of the tastiest items on an eight-game first round menu is the Torrance-North High pair-up, set for 5 p. m. Wednesday in Aviation High School's spacious gymnasium. Aviation, Redondo and Mira Costa are co-hosts of the tournament.

Torrance and North have weaved a fairly solid rivalry out of "chance" tournament meetings during the past five years although the two schools have yet to play before the kind of crowd the intra-city game deserves. North holds a 3-2 series edge over Torrance, with all meetings occurring in either the Pacific Shores or Beverly Hills tournaments.

It's a trite but true statement to say that anything can happen, and probably will, when intra-city rivals run head on. North, on paper, will be a solid favorite to whip the Tartars who were soundly thrashed by Long Beach Jordan Friday night, 62 to 45, but don't bet on it. Saxon Coach Bill Wood all too well remembers last year's run-in with a fired-up Torrance crew which erupted for a 72-58 triumph in Beverly Hills.

ONE OF NORTH'S biggest headaches with Torrance a year ago was blond Bob Weister, who was one of four double-digit scorers as he contributed 21 to Torrance's cause. Weister went on to become the highest scoring junior in Torrance basketball history and returns to lead THIS into the basketball wars this fall as an experienced senior. He scored 26 points Friday, hitting on nine of 17 field goal tries and swishing eight of 10 from the foul shot line.

Adding a little more power to the bomb sure to explode Wednesday around 5 p. m. is a possible shot for both schools at the city's third member, South High. South will get a taste of the intra-city casaba menu Thursday, in either the winners or losers bracket, depending on how the Spartans fare against Culver City in the first round. So we're liable to have a "city champion" labeled before the week is out.

While South and Torrance split a pair of Pioneer League games last season, North's last victory over Torrance was way back in the fall of '58, 75 to 67 in the consolation finals of the Shores Tourney. The 75 points still stand as a Saxon team record. North has a veteran club back, built around all-Bay Leaguer Rick Jacobs and three year veteran Jack Golphenee, plus center Sparky Davidson, forward Sam Edwards and guards Terry Murphy and Gary Wright.

TORRANCE HAS THREE starters from last year, Weister, center Bill Roberts, and guard Howard Taylor, who's making the switch from the gridiron to the hardwoods. Weister proved he didn't lose a thing from last year when he put on a one-man offensive show in Friday's loss to LB Jordan. However, Jordan's team depth and balance was too much to overcome for Torrance. Coach Will Boerger was both pained and disappointed with his club's performance.