

Camino Quintet Nips Long Beach

Tribe Earns Overtime Nod In Santa Ana Tournament

It's getting to be a habit for El Camino College cagers to engage in overtime basketball encounters.

In its third overtime game out of the last four it has played, the Tribe quintet earned a 78-68 triumph over Long Beach City College in the opening round of the Santa Ana Tournament on Tuesday.

Winding up regulation games in ties with the University of California at Santa Barbara frosh and the UCLA frosh in addition to Long Beach, the Warriors have won two of the three, losing only to the Brubabes in a heart-breaking double overtime war.

Sweeney at 5'11" showed the way with 23 points. Camino began to find the range though, and pulled to a 66-66 deadlock as time ran out in regulation play.

FOUR WARRIORS hit in double figures lead by Keith Erickson with 19 digits. Ron Dinnel and Dan Karavas tied for runner-up honors by potting 16 each. Mike Schrader came off the bench for the

Indians to contribute 12 points to the cause.

El Camino went looking for its first win ever against Hancock JC yesterday. Hancock has won five straight over EC and knocked over Cerritos by a 64-51 margin to gain the second round in the eight-team classic. Earlier in the year, Hancock trampled the Braves, 82 to 58, in a practice contest. Cerritos also fell before the Warriors, 54 to 50, in a pre-conference contest this year.

Palos Verdes Sprint Opens Anita Season

Santa Anita Park, established since 1934 as the world's winter thoroughbred racing center and a show place at Arcadia in Metropolitan Los Angeles, will present outstanding holiday programs to usher in its 55-day, estimated \$3,345,000 "Track of Champions" meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 26. Top attraction first day will be the traditional \$20,000 Palos Verdes sprint, followed by \$20,000 Las Flores on Dec. 29, the double bill of the \$70,000 California Breeders Champion Stakes and \$25,000 Malibu on Saturday, Dec. 30, and the \$25,000 San Gabriel over the grass on the New Year Holiday Monday.

Offered for the first time on thoroughbred racing at Santa Anita will be the popular "Daily Double" on the first and second races. Custom will be followed in starting the first race at 1 p.m. with the gates opening at 11 a.m.

Heading Santa Anita's 1961-1962 31 pretentious stakes, with \$1,180,000 in added money, will be the following classics in American and international racing:

\$145,000 Santa Anita Handicap, 25th running at 1 1/4 miles, on Saturday, Feb. 24;

\$170,000 (est.) Santa Anita Maturity, world's richest race exclusively for four-year-olds, 1 1/4 miles, on Saturday, Jan. 27;

\$100,000-added Santa Anita Derby, 1 1/8 miles, on Saturday, March 3;

\$100,000-ADDED San Juan Capistrano 'Cap, about 1 1/4 miles on hillside-infield turf course, Saturday, March 10, (closing day).

Major stakes, each \$50,000 added, will be San Carlos (Jan. 6), San Fernando (Jan. 13), Santa Margarita (Feb. 3), San Antonio (Feb. 10), San Felipe (Feb. 17), and Washington's Birthday on grass (Feb. 22).

A SPECIAL feature besides the \$25,000 San Luis Rey 'Cap on grass for the holiday Monday Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12, will be the public presentation of the George Woolf Memorial Jockey Award.

Western Speedway Holds 'Win a Car Day'

This Sunday afternoon will be "Win a Car Day" at Gardena's Western Speedway when some lucky fan will take home a brand new 1962 Ford Falcon compliments of the California Jalopy Assn., operators of the speedway.

A double header racing program is slated with two complete racing programs for the price of one. In action will be the CJA Hot Rods, and Stock Cars. Two 30-lap features will be featured in the day's double show, with more than 100 laps of racing being presented. Also included are two 15-lap semi-mains, and two six-lap trophy dashes. Over 100 cars and drivers will see action on the tricky one-third-mile clay oval.

Leading drivers from both divisions will be racing for points and money. "Tiger" Jim Roessler, San Bernardino, has the hot rod championship wrapped up, but other drivers will be trying to better themselves in the final hot rod race of the year.

OTHER top drivers in the top 10 include: Art Atkinson, S. Pasadena; Chuck Townsen, Gardena; Vallie Engelauf, Riverside; Mike Chapman, Duarte; Wayne Page, Montclair; Billy Cantrell, Colton; Jay East, Colton; Bob Simmons, South Gate, and Jack Austin, Downey.

In the stock car ranks, Arley Scranton, Compton, and Dick Cook, Lakewood, will continue to battle for the 1961 championship, with one race left after Sunday's event. Other drivers in the top 10 in points

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EASY ON THE EYES . . . Lovely Linda Roaker, Miss Gardena Valley, from Torrance, is shown with the keys to the brand new 1962 Ford Falcon to be given away to a lucky admission ticket holder at Sunday's CJA Hot Rod and Stock Car racing doubleheader at Gardena's Western Speedway. Racing Sunday will feature a pair of 30-lap features, action beginning at 2:30 p.m.

include: Gene Davis, Santa Monica (Olds); Frank Denny, L.A. (Olds); Jerry Plotts, Gardena (Olds); "Wild" Bill Foster, Newhall (Olds); Bill Ferrier, Oxnard (Olds); Eddie Kusch, Compton (Buick); Chubby Chatto, Van Nuys (Olds), and Bill St. James, Gardena (Ford).

OTHER drivers not in the top 10 in points in either division who will compete include: Marvin Heins, Sylmar; Dallas Harrison, Hermosa Beach; Ed Van Eyk, Bellflower; Ron Adams, Torrance; Audie Madron, Compton; Ron Garriott, Gardena; Cliff Garner, Culver City; Sam Stanley, Newhall, and Don Hawley, Long Beach.

Racing will begin at 2:30 p.m. preceded by time trials at 12:30 p.m.

North Hoopsters Squashed In Beverly Hills Classic

Unable to buy a basket, ice-cold North High was held to 10 first-half points by Ventura, and finally lost an 82-51 battle to decide fifth place in the Beverly Hills Basketball tournament over the weekend.

Dog-tired after playing 10 games in 16 days, the Saxons just could not locate the net in the first half, hitting for four points in the first quarter and six more in the second period.

Ventura, eliminated by Mira Costa in the quarter-finals, could not miss in contrast to frigid North. Controlling both backboards, Ventura was never headed after the opening minute of play and by halftime held a 47-10 lead.

ANY THOUGHTS the Saxons had of rebounding into contention were buried under a 34-point Ventura scoring onslaught in the second quarter. Securely sitting on a 36-point third period lead, Ventura cage mentor, Bob Tuttle, gave the Saxons a reprieve, yanking his starting five, and North, along with Sparky Davidson, got hot.

OUTSCORING the winners, 24 to 16 in the final period, North narrowed the final margin to 82 to 51.

Second-string all-tournament selection Sparky Davidson led

in the scoring department for both ball clubs, meshing 20 points along the route.

ANAHEIM EARNED claim to the tourney crown by swamping Santa Monica, 62-49. Mira Costa, eliminated by Anaheim in the semi-finals, shattered a cold streak and walked over defending CIF champion Compton, 52-46, to gather in third place honors for the four-day classic.

El Monte, led by Mickey Dittebrand's 30 points, squashed Redondo 75 to 43 to net the Lions the consolation crown for the 16-team classic. Dittebrand, named the most valuable player of the tournament, set a new scoring record by potting 123 points in four games.

Dittebrand broke the record set last year by Compton's Fred Goss of 101 points by hitting 26, 24, 43 and 30 points in the four-game series.

On its way to the sixth place finish in the holiday classic, North tripped El Monte, and Bellflower, while losing to Santa Monica and Ventura.

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