



BIG REACH . . . All-Bay League guard Carey Hubert unloads a basket-bound shot Friday night as North High clobbered Bay League rival Santa Monica. Samo's Alvin McCowan (15) attempts to stop the shot as forward Mike Gratzke looks on for the Saxons. Hubert hit in double figures to help keep North in the chase for the championship. (Herald Photo)

North Five Routs Bay League Foe

Still very much in the Bay League basketball chase, North High walloped weak Santa Monica, 65-52, Friday night. Rebounding from a defeat by high-ranked Mira Costa, the Saxons worked their fast break to perfection against the taller, but inexperienced Santa Monica quintet. Samohi was at times a slick

ball-handling outfit, but the Vikings were unable to find the range as shot after easy shot missed the cords.

NORTH OPENED up a 16-10 first quarter lead, and a 20-point second quarter outburst sent it into halftime with a 36-20 margin. The Vikings responded after intermission with a 16-point third-quarter effort, but North was one point better and the game was in the bag.

FOUR SAXONS connected in double figures. Center Al Lepper came through with 18 markers to nab high-scoring honors. Guard Terry Tierney was responsible for 17 more digits and forward Carey Hubert finished with 16 markers.

Substitute Phil King, alternating as a center and forward, finished the night with 12 markers for North.

ONLY GUARD Cecil Hayes, with 16 points, was impressive for the losers.

North likes to run, and Santa Monica allowed it to and that proved the difference in the rapid encounter before a packed house.

NEXT ON THE agenda for the Saxons will be a 3 p.m. encounter with Redondo on the Seahawks floor on Wednesday. Redondo has been steady although not spectacular, posting an easy victory over South High in an outing the past week.

On Friday of next week, North will take on current Bay League-leading Hawthorne in a must-win tilt for the Saxons. The Cougars posted a victory over Mira Costa the past week to assume the favorite's role for the crown.

Narbonne Succumbs To Pedro

Marine League title-contending San Pedro ripped Narbonne, 65-52, Friday afternoon to preserve its hopes for the crown. Defeat dropped Narbonne's mark in the league competition to 1-4. Victory kept the Pirates just a length behind Jordan in the close battle for the crown.

Even Jim Kegley, the city's leading scorer, was unable to furnish Narbonne any big help. Kegley wound up with 19 points, far below his average of 29 points a game.

Usually dependable John Bunch, normally a 20-point gunner, managed to contribute only six points to the Gaucho cause. It remained for surprise starter Ed Gilland to pick up the slack with 12 points in his forward role.

Banning, tied with San Pedro for second, keeps its chances for a title alive with a 70-59 decision over Gardena. Gardena is only one game out of the cellar that Narbonne now occupies.

Tribe Quintet Nips Cerritos In Overtime Metro Contest

Warriors Nab First Cage Win

Defeat brings despair and victory brings elation. The joys of triumph have come the way of West High's basketball squad.

In their first year of Pioneer League competition, the Warriors snared a 39-24 victory over Lennox Friday night on the loser's hardwood.

Bench strength was a great team performance propelled Coach Tom Sutherland's outfit to its first victory in history.

TRAILING 19-15 at intermission, West came back with a sterling second half effort paced by substitute guard Jerry Cole. Cole hit five for five in the frantic fourth quarter, three baskets coming on long jump shots to spark the Warrior rally.

Cole tallied eight points to grab high-scoring honors for West, but it was another substitute who clinched the win. Bob Hebert came through with seven points and nine rebounds to lift the Redskins over the hump.

CENTER JOHN Cochran scored five markers and added 11 rebounds to guide the West starters. Contributing heavily were Terry Febles, seven points; Terry Cooke, six points; Rich Hall, four points, and Johns Marsden, two points.

West led 6-5 at the end of the first period, but trailed after an inept second stanza. A 10-point third quarter outburst sparked the win and a 17-point fourth period cinched victory.

VICTORY ALSO came for the junior varsity as Danny Galla led a 43-40 overtime victory. It was the first triumph for the Redskin junior varsity. Galla connected for 27 points and pulled down 21 rebounds. He is only a junior.

Bullets Set To Engage Top Clubs

Tournament time rolls around on Sunday, Jan. 20, for the Torrance Bullets in the opening of the Los Angeles County baseball classic.

Torrance will open at 1 p.m. at Belvedere Park in East Los Angeles against the winner of the Pasadena-San Bernardino game being played today.

The Bullets won their league in the County program, then drew a first round by in the tournament.

WITH A 10-2 record to their credit, the Bullets have been led by the hurling of Tony Treece, John Marsden, and Dick Webster. Treece has a 5-2 mark, Marsden a 3-0 record, and Webster a 2-0 slate.

Overall, Torrance has been to bat 311 times, connecting 101 times for a .308 team average.

LEADING THE Bullets in batting is West Anaheim High student John Treece. Treece holds down the second base slot and has connected at a .452 clip for the season.

Outfielder - third baseman Butch Nickoloff from North High is hitting at a .323 average. Also valuable as a stickler is Marsden, a third baseman-pitcher from West High with a .303 average.

FIRST BASEMAN Bob Wallace from El Camino has a .409 average. Loyola University's George Carr, a catcher-outfielder, has a .265 average.

Shortstop Jack Crist, from Gardena High, has a .293 average, and another Gardena student, outfielder Rudy Perez boasts a .300 mark. Catcher-outfielder Mike Brooks, from North High, has a .235 average.

WEST HIGH'S Ken Michaels, an outfielder, is hitting at a .352 clip while Narbonne's Les Dutcher, another outfielder, is in at .181.

The Torrance hurling staff is led by Dick Webster with a .333 average, followed by Jim Jensen at .250 and Tony Treece at .235. Both Webster and Jensen come from North High.

Clutch-playing El Camino bombarded Cerritos in an overtime period to gain an 83-78 Metropolitan Conference victory Friday evening in the Warriors' gymnasium.

It was a nerve-wracker all the way. Cerritos held a 31-29 lead at halftime, but at the end of regulation play, the score was knotted at 70-70.

Even then, it took a two-pointer by the Falcons' great center, Jim Herrick, to tie the contest with three seconds left.

CERRITOS COULD not maintain its impetus as a fighting band of Warriors outscored it 13-8 in the overtime stanza to pull out the triumph over the shell-shocked Falcons.

Three Tribesmen were instrumental in the win. Reserve forward Paul Ingleman collected 26 points for his evening's work, the highest figure an ECC player has hit this season.

NEXT IN LINE for the Redskins was a former Torrance High, All-CIF forward, Bob Moon, who frayed the cords for 21 digits. Tiny guard Bob Garcia responded to the situation with 14 markers.

Once again it was El Camino's semi-stall, instituted by

veteran mentor George Stanich, that helped pull out the contest. Camino instituted the stall near the beginning of the second half, and it paid dividends.

THREE guards are used, and they stand behind the key, passing the ball back and forth, and alternately faking toward the bucket. The two forwards remain under the bucket.

The Tribe will wait until an opening occurs and will only attempt to tally on a layup.

THE COMING week will be a busy one for the Warriors as they continue through the arduous Metro grind. Santa Monica beckons on Tuesday and Friday, ECC will trek to Bakersfield.

El Camino's stall tripped Santa Monica in the Sam Barry Tournament, but the Corsairs will now be wise to the stunt. Bakersfield was considered an early-season pick to grab conference honors, but fell to Long Beach early in the campaign.

So far, the Warriors have upset Valley, fallen to surprising San Diego in a tight clash, and upended Cerritos.



UP AND IN . . . West High center John Cochran sights in basket in frantic fourth quarter of the Warrior's victory over Lennox Friday night. Cochran tallied five points and pulled down 11 rebounds as he helped guide West to its first basketball win in its short history. (Herald Photo)

Bryants' Notches Casaba Triumph

High-scoring Bryant knocked over First Baptist, 80-60 in Tuesday League basketball action, sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Five men hit in double figures to pace the Bryant assault. Warren Peterson hit 18, Rex Hughes canned 14, Bob Garrett dumped in 11 more and both Tom Reddin and Dave Brown contributed 10 markers.

Four First Baptist cagers hit in double points. Ted Atterberry slipped in 15 points, Ed Perales added 13 more, and Terry Taylor and Dick Sankey potted 10.

OTHER ACTION saw the West High Teachers rip the Shell Chemical Jets by a 57-36 count. Tom Hadley and Tom Cykon hit 19 and 15 points respectively to pace West. Bob Church and Vince Martinez canned 10 each for the losers.

An exhibition saw Thunder-burger down Big Nine, 46-24. Bill Price hit 12 and Gene Crenshaw canned 14 for the winners. Jerry Adams hit 10 in a losing effort.

IN THURSDAY League action, Harvey Aluminum romped by AlResearch, 66-42. Char-

les Tomblin hit 12 and Wilbert Milo added 10 for Harvey. For AlResearch, Henry Blackman canned 14, John Jacobelli added 12, and Ben Kon wound up with 10.

A tight tilt saw Murphy's take a 45-40 victory from McCulloch Motors. Clay Hodges topped the winners with 10 digits and Hamilton Allen and Terry Benjamin canned 14 apiece for McCulloch.

Behind 26- and 17-point efforts by Richard Ruffell and Jim Mannix, Party House walloped Aeronca, 58-38. Bob Citrowski hit 11 for Aeronca.

Amble Cagers begin season

Other tilts saw the Madrona Squares down the Bulls, 15-10, 15-4 and 7-2. The Rambling Wrecks also nudged Local 1547 by 14-10, and 16-13.

The final fray saw the North High Teachers whip the Dead Heads, 16-12, 17-6, and 15-6.

Top Pilots Go Today At Ascot

Auto racing's greatest array of champions to ever appear at a Southern California track take the green flag in this afternoon's first annual West Coast Open Competition stock car race at Ascot Park.

More than 160 laps of championship racing will be topped off by a 100-lap main event on the half-mile dirt track.

Racing will begin at 2 p.m., preceded by qualifying runs starting at 10:30 a.m. A field of near 150 cars and drivers will battle for a starting berth in the championship main event.

HEADING THE field of champions entered are three of the West's top stock car racing drivers, Eddie Gray of Gardena, Marvin Porter of Lakewood, and Marshall Sargent of San Jose.

More than 12 current and former champions are entered for the championship event.

GRAY, the 1961-62 NASCAR Pacific Coast Late Model stock car title holder, will wheel a powerful Oldsmobile as he shoots for his first victory of the 1963 season.

Porter, 1959 NASCAR National Short Track stock car champion, has entered in a Ford in which he hopes to start the year with his first win of the season.

SARGENT, 1960 NASCAR state "Sportsman" division champ, will be making his first Southern California appearance of the season. He will drive a Pontiac-powered stock car.

Besides the 100-lap main event, other racing includes a 35-lap semi-main, a 20-lap consolation, and a six-lap trophy dash.

IHS Five Bombards Spartans

Another Bay League basketball clash Friday night only added to the woes of South High as the Spartans tumbled 56-41 to powerful Inglewood.

South has notched only two cage wins this season, one in league play, and it took a fine second-half performance by the Spartans to hold the score as close as it ended.

By halftime, the Sentinels had fashioned a 40-21 lead against the inept South quintet. Center Steve Roth wound up with 22 markers for the night to pace the Sents and lead all gunners.

ALTHOUGH SOUTH got respectable scoring performances out of five men, only one managed to hit in double figures, and it was not enough to halt Inglewood's eight-game winning streak.

Chuck Robinson gunned in 11 markers to guide the Spartans, Dick Stieg contributed seven points, John Thomas and Don Denson each hit six, and Ken Halland added five markers.

ON WEDNESDAY, South experienced rough going at Redondo, falling 72-48. Redondo led all the way, slacking off only in the final period when the reserves came into the game.

Denson canned 15 markers and Robinson finished with 11 in an attempt to keep the Spartans in the game.

On Wednesday, South will draw a bye, resuming play on Friday by hosting Leuzinger in an 8 p.m. fray.



MIGHTY MITE . . . Small Torrance guard Ernie Clayton takes off for two points in Friday's victory over Pioneer League rival Palos Verdes. Described by the coach Will Boerger as, "The best little man in the league," Clayton, only 5-10, thumped in 10 markers to help the Tartars. (Photo by George Herrin)

Archibald Paces Easy Tartar Win

Fast-moving Torrance took advantage of a weak Palos Verdes quintet Friday night to chalk up a 66-40 Pioneer League basketball victory. Three men tallied in double figures for the Tartars as they took a quick lead and held it for the entire contest.

After dropping its initial two loop clashes to Beverly Hills and Culver City, the Tartars have now come roaring back with wins over Lawndale and Palos Verdes.

MAGNIFICENT Lynn Archibald, continuing his hot-shooting performance, led all scorers with 20 markers from his forward slot.

All THS starters hit well as Steve Waters and Ernie Clayton contributed 10 markers apiece and John Nicci and Randy Hester plunked in eight digits.

NO SEA KING hit in double figures as Torrance finished the first period with a 19-8 lead and still led by a 32-23 margin at intermission.

THS outscored the visitors 14-4 in the third stanza and poured it on with a 20-point outburst to end the contest.

DESPITE ITS two losses, the Torrance five still has a chance for the title considering the equality of the league. THS, Aviation, El Segundo, and Culver City are all powerful.

On Tuesday, the Tartars will go up against Aviation, a rapidly developing club, on the Falcon's court in a 3 p.m. engagement.

PATER NOSTER gained one win Friday, whipping the Montgomery junior varsity, 50-40.

Next for the Knights will be a Tuesday battle with Crespi at 8 p.m. The fray will be held on the Pierce Junior College court.

Loop Win To BMHS Hoopsters

Remaining in Camino Real League basketball contention, Bishop Montgomery pulled down a 69-53 victory over Pater Noster Friday night on the Cathedral High court.

Following an opening round defeat at the hands of top-rated Alemany, the Knights have bounced back to upset St. Bernard and Pater Noster.

Three Knights gunned in double figures as Montgomery piled it on early and coasted to the victory. BMHS held a 41-24 lead at halftime.

BIG 6-6 CENTER Paul Deyden earned high-point honors for the Knights with a 15-point effort. Right behind Deyden were Pete Maccarrone and Bill Brown with 14 points apiece.

Things look bright for Montgomery in the future since Maccarrone is a junior and Brown is but a sophomore.

Registration Set

Registration for boys interested in North Torrance Little League West baseball will be held on Saturday, Jan. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at McMaster Park.

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