

Torrance Topples in Overtime Tilt.

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ALL-LEAGUE FORM . . . North High's all-star guard Carey Hubert sets for a two-pointer Friday night against Inglewood. The powerful Sentinels overcame Hubert's 12 points and coasted to an easy victory, all but clinching a tie for the Bay League crown and a bid to the CIF playoffs. (Herald Photo)

Seahawk Five In Contention

Remaining just one game out of first place in the Western State Conference basketball race, Harbor College hung a resounding 77-62 defeat on rugged Compton Monday night. Pierce continues to lead the confer by virtue of a 54-46 triumph over Glendale. Glendale's defeat left Harbor all alone in second place. Formerly Harbor and Glendale had been deadlocked for the runner-up spot.

Ed Briscoe, the circuit's leading scorer, ripped the cords for 26 points as the Seahawks came battling back from a 35-31 halftime deficit to nab the crucial victory.

CONTRIBUTING heavily to the Harbor victory were Dave Olsen with 19 markers and Jim Leslie with 14 digits.

Once on top of the loop, Glendale has suffered heavily with the loss of John Block, who transferred to the University of Southern California. The Vaqueros have dropped three straight tilts and are now tied with Pasadena for third place.

ONE OF Glendale's defeats was administered by Harbor on Wednesday. The Seahawks waxed red hot after intermission to overcome a 42-28 Vaquero lead at halftime.

Olsen counted 23 points and Briscoe added 22 markers for Harbor.

Next for the Seahawks will be an 8 p.m. war with Trade Tech on Tuesday in the Harbor gymnasium.

First Baptist Nips Bryants'

Handing Bryants' its first defeat of the Tuesday League recreation basketball season, the Torrance First Baptist Church came from behind in the second half to post a 57-52 win.

Ken Ellsworth canned 20 points, Spencer Campbell added 12 digits and manager Howard Taylor responded with 11 points as First Baptist came back from a 29-21 halftime deficit.

Rex Hughes pumped in 18 markers and Tike Karavas added 14 points for the losers.

BRYANTS' is now tied with the West High Teachers for first place with a 5-1 mark. First Baptist is second at 4-2 with Thunderbird third at 3-3. Shell Chemical with a 1-5 mark and Big Nine at 0-6 fight for the cellar.

With Tom Cykon canning 25 markers, West High gained an easy 74-37 decision over the Shell Jets. Tom Handley, 21; and Clark Merrill and Tom Allison with 10 markers apiece, contributed heavily to the win.

DEAN STARKEY pumped in 17 points and Robert Babbitt contributed 10 markers for Shell Chemical.

Renegades Nod Tribe In Crucial

Smashing El Camino's chances for a third place finish in the Metropolitan Conference casaba chase, title-contending Bakersfield came through with a tight 59-54 victory Friday night on the Warrior's court.

Breaking a 25-25 halftime tie, Bakersfield remained just one game behind circuit-leading San Diego by pulling into a 57-50 lead with minutes left to play.

John Turner canned 27 markers and Al McDaniels slipped in 12 more digits for the Renegades. Former Torrance High cager Bob Moon responded with 15 points to top the Redskins. Bob Pier and another THS graduate, Jim Brennan, each finished with 10 markers.

Usually dependable Camino guard Bob Garcia was limited to nine points by Bakersfield. Garcia shot only 25 per cent from the field compared to his usual 45 per cent clip.

THE INGLEWOOD height plus the ball-handling ability of 5-6 guard Rocky Price was too much for the Saxons as they turned in one of their poorest performances of the campaign.

North fared equally poorly on Wednesday as one-time league kingpin Hawthorne, fighting to remain in third place, rambled to an 83-72 victory.

STEADY Gary Mykkanen dropped in 21 points for Hawthorne, but it was the surprise 27 markers of 6-7 forward Sam Davis that sank the Saxons.

Hubert slipped in 22 points for North and Tierney added 13 markers but impressive second and third quarters by Hawthorne spoiled the Saxons.

On Tuesday at 3 p.m., North will get another crack at Morn, inside on the NHS floor. In the two clubs' first meeting, the Monarchs grabbed a slim two-point decision.

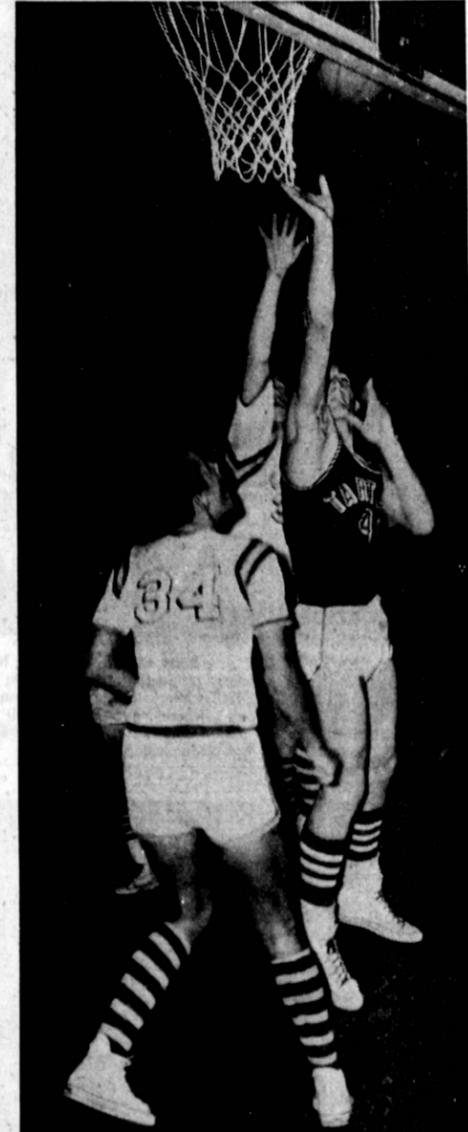
Loop Tryouts Set

Torrance Babe Ruth League will hold its tryouts on Saturday, Feb. 23, and March 2.

Tryouts will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for 13, 14 and 15 year old boys on the Torrance Del Amo Field. Interested boys must attend both tryouts.



FALL-BACK JUMPER . . . Mike Hatter sends roundball spiraling towards the hoop Friday night as Torrance suffered a 62-60 overtime defeat at the hands of rugged El Segundo. On Wednesday, the Tartars grabbed a close victory over Aviation, withstanding a Falcon rally for a 47-45 triumph. (Photo by George Herrin)



CLOSE QUARTERS . . . Torrance center Steve Waters (41) casts off from close range in Friday's overtime loss to El Segundo. Waters pumped in 22 markers for game high scoring honors, but the Eagles knocked the Tartars out of possible second place finish in the Pioneer League. (Photo by George Herrin)

El Segundo Earns Revenge For Earlier Tartar Victory

Avenging an earlier season licking, El Segundo outlasted frantic Torrance and captured a 62-60 overtime triumph Friday night in a Pioneer League basketball fray.

Victory left El Segundo tied for second place with Beverly Hills while defeat cost the Tartars any hopes they harbored of a runner-up finish.

After a tight first quarter that ended in a 15-15 deadlock, the Eagles got hot and took a 30-25 lead into the locker room. Torrance went one point ahead as the final quarter began with a 19-point outburst in the third stanza.

AT THE end of regulation play, the count was tied at 54-54 and Dan Deurwaader won it in overtime for the Eagles. Deautwaader canned the first and last buckets in overtime for 'Gundo and finished the evening with 19 markers.

Three Torrance gunners ended the evening in double figures. Center Steve Waters canned 22 points to cop game high-scoring honors. Lynn Archibald, dropping out of the league point lead, plunked in 12 markers and guard Ernie Clayton added 14 more digits.

DESPITE a miserable third period, Torrance managed to salvage a 47-45 decision over Aviation on Wednesday.

Archibald plunked in 18 markers and Waters responded with 11 more as Torrance survived a five-point third quarter to nod the Falcons.

TORRANCE carried a 32-26 lead into the locker room, but at the end of the third stanza, Aviation had drawn into a 37-37 tie.

Jim Lloyd, Archibald's closest competitor for high-scoring honors, managed but 13 points

as Gary Dinnel took over the top spot for Aviation with 15 markers.

CULVER CITY remains entrenched in the league lead with an insurmountable 14-0 record. Only two games remain for the Centaurs and they boast a three-game edge over their closest competitors.

On Tuesday, Torrance will get a breather at 3 p.m. against host Lennox. In the first meeting between the two clubs, the Tartars hung up a fantastic 115-64 triumph.

Playoff-Bound Inglewood Demolishes Saxon Quintet

Blazing a trail into the CIF basketball playoffs, Bay League leading Inglewood turned in one of its finest efforts of the year Friday night in wrecking hapless North High, 72-45.

With Steve Roth, the circuit's leading gunner, heading the way, Inglewood dominated the game in every aspect to all but run the Saxons off the court.

Roth, a 6-9 forward, finished the evening with 28 points.

Ten of Roth's points came in the first quarter as the Sentinels opened up a 20-10 bulge over the invaders.

BACKING up Roth, 6-7 center Dick Padrick pumped in 14 points to grab runner-up scoring honors.

North's all-league guard, Carey Hubert, contributed 12 markers, but went the entire first half without hitting the

boards. Terry Tierney canned nine points and Mike Gratzke added seven digits for North.

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King Culver Rips Surprising West

Determined West High is still not a contender in the Pioneer League basketball campaign, but the first-year Warriors are rapidly learning the facts of casaba life.

Despite losses to Culver City and Beverly Hills the past week, West coach Tom Sutherland beams approval for his club's improvement.

Culver, undefeated in loop play, handily managed West although several Redskins came through with their top games of the season. Jim Cochran and John Marsden both turned in top performances although the Centaurs snared a 74-47 triumph.

COCHRAN, only a sophomore, slipped in 13 points from his center position, also snagging 15 rebounds. Deadly accurate from the charity line, Cochran hit seven of seven free throws.

Marsden connected for nine markers, his best output of the season, but the West duo took second place in team scoring honors to Bob Hebert, who wound up with 14 digits.

RED HOT from the foul stripe, the Warriors dumped in 17 of 19 free throws.

Four Centaurs connected in double figures to pace the win. Center Ken Peterson contributed 22 points to top Culver.

AGAINST Beverly Hills, West actually held a 16-12 first quarter lead before finally succumbing, 65-48. Richard Hall pumped in 21 points for the Warriors.

On Tuesday at 3 p.m., West will go gunning for its fourth league win of the season, traveling to Lawndale. The Warriors have already clubbed Lawndale once this season.

OFF AND RUNNING by John I. Day

Geo. Washington Bet Here!



February 22 marks the birthday of a rather famous horseplayer. While perhaps not a plunger, George Washington was definitely a devoted racing fan. A man of vision, he also apparently anticipated present-day IRS requirements for expense accounts. A meticulous record of a visit to the races at Annapolis, Maryland in 1762, shows, in addition to "Traveling expenses, 2 pounds 10 shillings; servants in trip, 7 shillings . . ." expenditures for tickets to a play and a ball, "two boxes of claret", the purchase of a horse for "50 pounds Maryland currency" and "cash lost on races, 1 pound 6 shillings." On the credit side was recorded 13 pounds won at cards. While there is ample evidence of Washington's visits to the races at the Maryland Jockey Club's Annapolis course, predecessor to Pimlico, his officiating at the Alexandria Virginia race course and his own account of contributing to the purses of the Williamsburg Jockey Club, there are few records of his own horses racing. One rare instance is notable in that it was the only occasion when two U. S. Presidents opposed each other on the race course, and Washington's Magnolia was beaten by Thomas Jefferson's "roan colt."

Mira Costa Rips Spartans To Maintain Title Chance

Holding its slim hopes of a tie for the Bay League cage crown, down-trodden Mira Costa handed South High a 71-50 shelling Friday night on the Mustang court.

Micoth was belted out of the league lead on Wednesday as Inglewood withstood a majestic final quarter Mustang rally to post a 46-45 victory and assume control of the circuit. Both clubs have one game left to play.

Three South cagers connected in double figures, but it was not enough to overcome the 21-point effort of Rod Stidham and the 11 digit performance of Neville Saper.

STEADY Don Denson led the Spartans with an 18-point evening. Mike Berry pumped 11 markers through the hoop and John Thomas added 10 markers.

Mira Costa gained a 2-9 first quarter edge and never relinquished the lead.

ON WEDNESDAY, the surprising Berry responded with a 33-point effort against Leuz-

inger, but it was almost a one-man show and South went plummeting to an 87-62 defeat.

Berry's performance was the second highest scoring output of the league season.

South will run into one-time circuit leader Hawthorne at 3 p.m. Tuesday on the Spartan's court.

Montgomery Five Batters Vianney

Evenly-balanced Montgomery placed three men in the double figure bracket Thursday night as the Knights gained a one-sided 55-38 decision over St. John Vianney in a Camino Real League basketball tilt.

The junior-laden Knights outscored St. John in all but the third quarter to post an easy triumph and remain in contention for a first division finish.

Big center Paul Deyden topped all scorers by depositing 14 points through the hoop. Dennis Blackburn dropped in 10 points and Pete Maccarrone added 12 digits. The other two Montgomery starters, Bill Brown and Tony Gugginalna, responded with nine and eight points, respectively.

St. John Vianney was ice cold from the floor and only one man was able to connect in double figures, canning 10 points.

BMHS galloped into a 16-9 first quarter lead, and by intermission, held a 34-20 bulge. Vianney outscored the Knights 9-8 in a frigid third period, but BMHS came back with 13 points in the final stanza compared to the visitor's nine.

Montgomery will give its first division hopes a stern test on Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the San Pedro YMCA against Fernin Lasuen.