

## North Engages South Tonight

Revenge-minded North High handed Morningside a 65-50 Bay League basketball licking Tuesday afternoon to avenge an earlier defeat at the hands of the Monarchs.

Big Saxon center Al Lepper and junior Phil King dominated the backboards for North and Terry Tierney and Carey Hubert provided the firing power as the host quintet outscored Morningside in all but the third period.

Pushing their league record to 6-9, Hubert pushed in 15 markers, Tierney topped the Saxons with 18 points, King slipped in 12 digits and Lepper plunked 10 points through the hoop.

of Rick Ganulin and Gary Lofgren accounted for 34 points, but it was not enough to overcome North's balance. Lofgren hit for 21 points while Ganulin chipped in with 13 digits.

North boss Skip Enger credited the outstanding rebounding of Lepper and King with leading his club to the victory.

**TODAY AT 8 p.m.**, North will travel to South High for the final game of the league season.

Although his team holds a first round win over the Spartans, Enger feels the game is a toss-up, pointing out that South has come along rapidly in the final stages of the season.

MORNINGSIDE'S senior duo



**LONG REACH . . .** Hawthorne's big Mike Davis makes a futile attempt at stopping South High's Dig Stieg in Tuesday afternoon's Bay League basketball contest. Stieg rolled in for the layup but Hawthorne maintained its chances for a CIF playoff bid with a 79-64 victory. Today, Hawthorne will engage league-leading Inglewood while South will be ending the circuit campaign on its home court against North High. North holds a slim victory over the Spartans from first round competition and tonight's contest is considered a tossup between the two clubs. (Herald Photo)

## Tartars Close League Year

Terminating its Pioneer League basketball season, Torrance High ran roughshod over Lennox by a 73-46 count in the loser's gym on Tuesday.

At one time a contender for the circuit championship, Torrance finished the season with an 11-5 record and a probable tie for third place.

Culver City has the crown cinched with a 15-0 record. El Segundo is second at 12-3 with Beverly Hills tied for third at 10-5. On Tuesday, 'Gundo

earned a bid to the CIF playoffs with a 50-48 victory over Beverly Hills.

**FORGING NEAR** the forefront of the league scoring chase, Tartar center Steve Waters muscled in 34 points, his top point production of the campaign. Guard Ernie Clayton canned 19 points for Torrance with forward Lynn Archibald adding 14 markers and substitute Mike Hatter contributing 10 digits.

Mike Ruotolo hit the cords for 21 points to top the Tartars in point production.

**TORRANCE MOVED** out to a 21-13 first quarter lead and held a 47-22 bulge by intermission. At the end of the third period, THS possessed a 69-39 lead.

The Tartars showed promise in pre-season games, turning in impressive showings in the Pacific Shores, Beverly Hills, and Covina Tournaments. When league play began, Torrance was stunned by two consecutive defeats by Culver City and Beverly Hills. THS snared six straight wins only to topple to the same two clubs in the second half.

## Nine Finmen Anchor Squad

Nine returning lettermen will be the backbone of Bishop Montgomery's 18-man swimming team this season.

Returning are Tom Gulio, Van Johnston, Pat McCoy, Rick Johnson, Mike Mulvihill, Captain Tim McAllister, Jerry Fogarty, and Steve Price. Knight coach Dick Cahill has high hopes for new members Pat Wurm, Tod Gulic, Gene Goochenko, Bob Burkhouse, Tom Villano, Joe Andre, Don Cotty, Gene Champagne, and Tim Scott.

## Gary Mykkanen Cans 28 As Hawthorne Rips South

Behind the dead-eye gunning of Gary Mykkanen, one-time Bay League basketball leader, Hawthorne romped to a 79-64 victory over South High on Tuesday in the loser's gymnasium.

At one time the circuit's top gunner, Mykkanen sank 28 points to guide the Cougars. The big Hawthorne star was pushed for top scoring honors by South's deadly Don Denson, who deposited 23 markers through the cords.

Pouring on the steam in the final four minutes of the first quarter, Hawthorne moved out to a 23-12 lead and pushed the margin to 36-27 at intermission.

**TENACIOUS SOUTH** came right back and outscored the Cougars in each of the final two periods. When the final period got underway, Hawthorne held a 14-point bulge, but South cut the margin to seven points before dropping out of reach.

Mykkanen whipped in eight points in the final quarter as did Denson. Mike Berry, the second high Spartan gunner with 14 markers, kept South in the ball game in the second period by punching through eight digits.

**FOUR COUGARS** wound up in double figures as the fast-breaking Hawthorne quintet continually stole the ball from South and constantly harassed the host five with a vigilant, pressing defense.

One game remains on the league schedule for South. Today at 8 p.m. the Spartans will host cross-town foe North High to close out the basketball season.

When the clubs met in the first round competition, North withstood a late Spartan rally to earn a slim victory. The Saxons are led by all-league guard Carey Hubert, who is currently averaging over 15 points a game, and another rugged guard, Terry Tierney.

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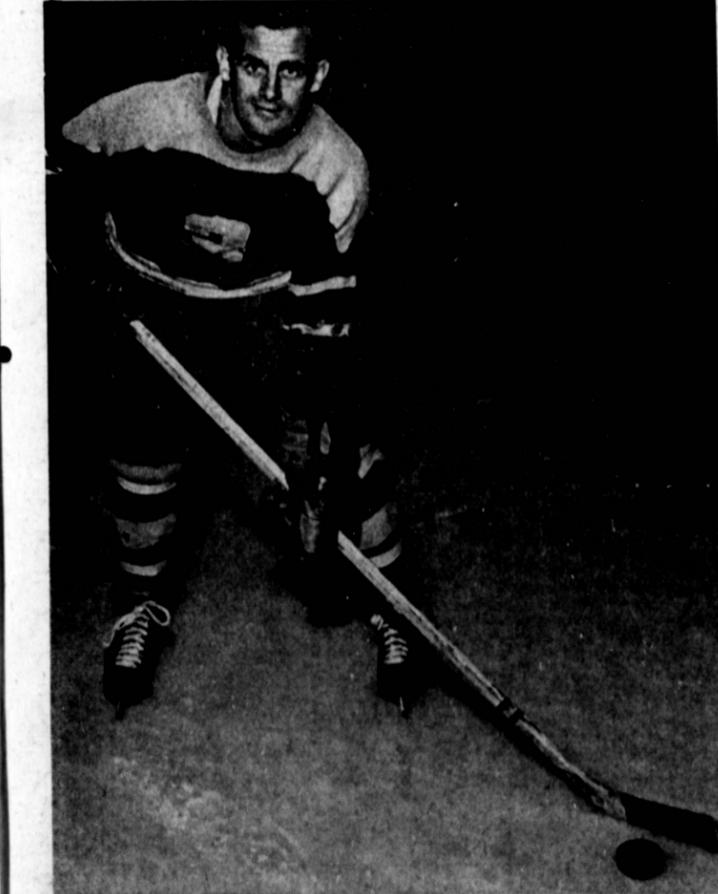
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**OLYMPIAN LEADER . . .** Right wing Buddy McDonald will lead the Torrance Olympians in California Hockey League action at the Olympic Ice Arena, 23770 South Western Ave. McDonald, a veteran Canadian performer in the International League, is among the ten top scorers in the CHL with 39 points. On Tuesday, the Torrance club will attempt a repeat of last week's 6-5 upset win over league-leading Long Beach.

## Olympians Set Home Games

Home games for the new Torrance Olympians in the California Hockey League will be Tuesday evenings at Olympic Ice Arena, 23770 S. Western Ave., Torrance, it was announced today by general manager Bill Harvey.

Next home game is against the third place Bakersfield Kernels on Tuesday. Face-off is at 8:15 p.m.

The Olympians, recently purchased by a group of Torrance businessmen, are headed by player-coach Ken Watson, former member of the Los Angeles Monarchs in the old Western Hockey League.

**WATSON** is second high scorer in the CHL with 53 points. Additional scoring punch is provided by Buddy McDonald, speed skating right wing. McDonald, from Flim Flahm, Manitoba, is a veteran of the International League. He's among the top 10 scorers with 39 points.

**THE FIRST** game played under the Torrance banner saw the Olympians score an upset 6-5 victory over league-leading Long Beach, the Gulls second defeat in 22 games. The win equalled half the winning total compiled during the first half of the season when the team played as the Los Angeles Canadians.

Forming the core for the Olympians are goalie Jack Kennedy, league record holder with 67 saves in one game and former player of Buffalo in the American League; Craig Robertson, an all-league representative from Denver University; rugged George Johnson, third team high scorer; captain Ben Cardas, center Al Checco and left wing Virgil Streams, a Torrance resident and employe of a local paint and supply business.

**ADDITIONAL** strength is being sought by Watson to make the Torrance team a formidable contender in the second half of the season.

Other members of the CHL are Long Beach, Burbank and Bakersfield.

**FEATURE** games of the league are televised each Sunday afternoon at 2:30 on KTLA Channel 5.

Upcoming Olympian games are Thursday, Feb. 28, at Burbank, and Sunday, March 3, at Bakersfield. March 5 Torrance is back home to meet Long Beach.

## Torrance Bullets Nab County Title

Ending its season in a blaze of glory, Torrance snared the Western Division title in Los Angeles County baseball action with a 16-0 win over Compton.

Compton captured the County Tournament with a 1-0 victory over San Bernardino and was the champ of the National League. The Bullets earned the American League crown. Great sticking and stingy hitting paced the Bullets to a 16-0 triumph. Torrance erupted for 17 hits and two hurlers, John Marsden and Bob Wallace, allowed but two bingles.

**MARSDEN** GAVE up two hits in six innings, and Wallace went the final three frames without being touched. Torrance started quickly with four runs in the first stanza, John Treece tripled, Marsden singled, Wallace walked, and Dave Marsden and Jack Crist boomed back-to-back doubles to account for four Bullet tallies.

**TREECE**, the Marsden brothers and Crist accounted for 13 of the 17 safeties. Dave Marsden went five for five at bat, with Wallace, Mike Brooks, Butch Nickoloff, and Rudy Perez each collecting a hit.

Good defensive play by Ken Michaels, Les Dutcher, and Derry Derivan rounded out a fine team effort.

## Seahawk Five Bids for Title

Second place Harbor College trains its sights on the Western State Conference basketball championship at 8 tonight against circuit-leading Pierce at Woodland Hills.

Two victories last week left Harbor in second place with a 9-2 record while the Brahmas sit uncomfortably in the driver's seat with a 10-1 mark. Following tonight's contest, both clubs have one conference engagement remaining.

The Seahawks kept on the trail of a possible championship with typical second-half surges to nod Glendale, 73-67, and Compton, 77-62.

**DOWN** 33-31 at halftime against Compton, the Seahawks came back behind the 18-point performance of Ed Briscoe and the 14-point effort of Jim Leslie to grab the decision.

In its most satisfying victory of the season, Harbor spotted Glendale 14 points at halftime but battled back in the final seconds to capture the duke.

**A CLUTCH** performance by Olson pulled the Hawks through. With five minutes left in the game, Harbor grabbed a 59-57 lead, but Glendale assumed a 63-61 bulge with three minutes remaining.

Olson took over, slipping in seven digits in 48 seconds to give Harbor an insurmountable 68-63 bulge.

**HELD** to three points in the first half, Briscoe came back to net 22 while Olson wound up with 23 markers.

Pierce won a decisive victory over Harbor earlier in the season, but despite not having a player to match Briscoe's loop-leading average, the Brahmas have five men hitting in double figures.

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## Redskins Eye First Division

With fourth place in the Metropolitan Conference chase in line, El Camino will close out its regular season at 8 tonight on its home court against Long Beach. Following a one-point loss to East Los Angeles on Tuesday in an overtime, the Warriors are now in fifth place with a 7-6 circuit record. San Diego tops the conference with Bakersfield second, Cerritos third, and Long Beach fourth.

Despite four Redskins hitting the hoop in double figures, East Los Angeles rolled back from an 11-point halftime deficit to knot the game at 62-62 with regulation play ended.

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