

Torrance Distance Runners Snare Two Pioneer Firsts

Power in the distance events proved to be Torrance's main forte in the Pioneer League track finals on Friday as the Tartars garnered two first places in the varsity division.

West High, pushing its strength into the Bee and Cee divisions, still wound up with one varsity first place as well as a win in the Bee division. Dennis Dyer brought Tor-

rance its initial varsity win as he toured the half mile course in 1:57.6 seconds to easily outdistance Aviation's Leroy Timm. It was Dyer's top effort of the year and the first time he has smashed the two-minute mark this season.

TOM JURCO, a sophomore, galloped the B 660 in 1:19.4, establishing a new West High record as he won a gold medal. Jurco missed the league record by .4 of a second.

Another sophomore, Ron Pettigrew, led in the B 1320 for almost three laps before faltering in the final 10 yards and slipping to second place. Pettigrew ran the distance in 3:19.8, establishing a new West record in the process.

AFTER A SLOW start, Mark Hart gathered steam coming down the straight-away and captured the B 330 in the final few inches. In the Cee 330, Pete Hernandez wound up in third place behind a record-breaking effort.

The first three qualifiers in each race in each division will advance to the CIF preliminaries on Saturday.

IVOR SAMPSON came through with a hearty last-lap kick to capture the mile in 4:32. Sampson, expecting to go under 4:30 as he did recently in the Compton Cup when he hit 4:27, was the victim of a slow early pace. Last year, the senior distance star was the league's top B 1320 man. Senior hurler Dave Lee took a first in the 120 high hurdles for West as he hit one hurdle but still stepped the distance in 15.4 seconds. Lee came back with a fourth in the low hurdles.



SURPRISE SPOT . . . South hurdler Bob Palmer streaks over the final hurdle in the varsity 180 low timber chase in the Bay League finals. Palmer sprinted to a 20.2 clocking, his best time ever, in addition to a fifth place finish in the 120 high hurdles. Palmer also ran on the 880-yard

relay squad that finished a surprise second. Just as the relay team was a surprise, so was the entire South performance as the Spartans wound up in second place behind easy winner Santa Monica. (Herald Photo)

South Runners Shock Foes With Second in Loop Finals

Come-through performances by its varsity qualifiers gave South High a second place finish in the Bay League track finals held at Mira Costa on Friday.

The Bay League selects its top teams on a compilation of the league finals and dual meet records. South finished with only two losses to edge Mira Costa for second, but still may finish in third.

Tomorrow the Spartans will host rugged Morningside at 3

p.m. in a meet that was rained out when originally scheduled. Should South lose, it would slip down to third place in the standings.

NORTH, although not impressive as a team, turned in several top individual performances.

Bob Dobbie earned South a second in the varsity 120 high hurdles with a surprising 15.5 effort. Spartan Bob Palmer was second in 15.7. Scott

Smith finished fourth in the B 70 high hurdles and took a fifth in the 120 low hurdles for South.

IN THE 220 low timber chase, Palmer came back to nab a second place with a 20.2 clocking, his best effort ever. The C 120 low hurdles turned into a tremendous dog-fight as North's Dave Hubert overcame a slow start to nudge Mark Fletcher at the tape and hand the Spartan ace his first defeat of the season.

In the varsity half mile, Doug Hall responded with a 2:00.3 for first place, nipping North's sensational sophomore Bob Hansen who clocked 2:00.6 for third place.

IN THE FIELD events, John

Anderson finished fifth in the high jump for South at 5-10 while teammate Marty Bakker threw the shot put 53-2 for second place.

Randy Siller gave South a fifth in the B 220-yard dash, but North's Pete Molina was a half-step better in fourth place. Steady Bruce Hamilton easily ran away with the B 1320, winning in 3:16.4.

NORTH'S B 660 relay team of John Rance, Stan Ferris, Bruce Allen and Molina ran the fastest time in the school's history to earn a second.

Saxon high jumper Dale Fauth went over at 5-10 to garner a fourth place.

BREAKING a South record, Wes Fox ran away from the field in the Cee 660 to post a time of 1:26.2. South's Mike Mooring picked up a fourth in the C 1320 while the Spartan C 440 relay team of Fletcher, Barry Rathin, Fox, and Bob Johnson earned a first place.

North finished second in the relay with a team of Dave Rance, Tim Foley, Norm Sanwo, and Hubert.

South's Johnson also took a fifth in the century pending the results of films.

Spartans Attempt To Snap Streak

Fighting to overtake Hawthorne in the tight Bay League title chase, Redondo will host South's horsehiders on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Slumping in a six-game losing streak, South is down in seventh place in the league while Redondo, at 11-3, is just one game behind the Cougars.

Inability to hit in the clutch has been one of South's biggest problems. On Thursday, the Spartans left 12 men stranded as Inglewood climbed out of the league cellar with a 3-0 victory.

Inglewood snapped a four-game losing streak of its own as southpaw Steve Menegazzi won his first game of the season while Phil St. John was dropping his second decision without a win.

South outhit the Sentinels 6 to 5, with Richard Rosato bang-

ing out two hits in two trips to the plate, including a double, but the dozen stranded men finished the Spartans.

Students Plan Hospital Trip

Members of the Psychology-Sociology Club of Harbor College will entertain women at the Metropolitan State Hospital Thursday. Purpose of the activity is to afford patients an opportunity to meet and talk with persons from outside the hospital grounds.

Choir Sets Concert

Members of the Harbor College Choir will present a jazz concert May 16 during the college's fine arts festival. For information, call TE 4-8581.

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Knights Maintain First Place Edge

Although it is the undisputed Camino Real League baseball leader today, Bishop Montgomery could be in no more than a second place tie by Tuesday night.

Montgomery, with a 9-2 record, will battle Fermin Lasuen on Tuesday at 3:30 p.m., traveling to the Padre diamond for the tilt. Lasuen has a 9-3 mark, and is tied for second with St. Bernards.

BMHS took sole possession of first with a 4-2 triumph over St. John Vianney on Friday coupled with Lasuen's 4-2 loss to Crespi on Thursday in a make-up game.

RELIABLE Tom Jamison, winning his fourth game in a row, pitched the Knights to victory on Friday. Jamison relieved starter Irl Davis in the fifth frame and went on to compile four strikeouts, one walk and allow no hits.

Jamison, boasting a 4-1 record, whiffed the side in the seventh frame to preserve Montgomery's two-run lead. Davis struck out two men, and gave up three hits in his four innings of work.

Hawthorne Next Fee For North

Matters continue to get worse for North High instead of better in the Bay League baseball chase, and things should not improve much on Tuesday.

Recovering from a 12-inning defeat on Thursday from Santa Monica, North will travel to Hawthorne on Tuesday at 3 p.m. to engage the league-leading Cougars.

The game will be quite a contrast with Hawthorne holding a 12-2 record while the Saxons manage only a 2-11 mark, good for last place in the circuit.

NORTH HAD the contest iced going into the seventh frame, holding a 3-2 lead, but a single Viking tally knotted the count and forced the game into extra innings.

Samohi blasted in three runs in the top of the twelfth, but North came back to almost tie the game again.

RICK JACOBS singled home two runs in the Saxon's half of the final inning, but Samo's Rick Monday put out the rally as North left the tying and winning runs stranded.

Saxon hurler Jay Baker absorbed his fourth defeat of the year against one win as he whiffed nine men and walked five.

NHS outhit the visitors 11 to 10 as Baker, right fielder Don Irelan, catcher Mike Brooks, and center fielder Rick Jacobs slashed two safeties apiece.

BOTH OF Vianney's fourth-inning runs were unearned, coming as a result of two Montgomery errors.

The Knights exploded for three runs in the fifth frame to take the lead for good.

JAMISON walked to start things off, but was immediately erased on a fielder's choice which left David Hunt safe at first. With two out, Dennis Blackburn was safe on an error which allowed Hunt to go to third base.

Tony Guggiana went all the way to second and Hunt scored on a two-base error. Blackburn went to third, John Joseph climaxed the inning by singling into left field to drive both runs across.

IN THE sixth inning, Mike Fox was safe on an error, Jamison sacrificed him to second, and Dave Bowman singled him home.

All told, Vianney committed five bingles.



DETERMINED PAIR . . . Competing without its top sprinter, North's B 660 relay team still managed a surprise second place in the Bay League finals on Friday at Mira Costa. Above, Bruce Allen hands off to Pete Molina on the final leg of the relay. The squad's top sprinter, Allan Johnson is suffering from a bad hip and was forced to pull out of the meet. (Herald Photo)



END OF THE LINE . . . Winding up a gruelling half mile, Torrance ace Dennis Dyer cuts across the tape to capture a gold medal in the Pioneer League track finals on Friday at Beverly Hills. Dyer broke through the tape in 1:57.6 to qualify for a berth in the CIF preliminaries on Saturday. (Herald Photo)

Torrance Snares Horsehide Finale

Ending its Pioneer League baseball season on a happy note, Torrance earned a 7-2 triumph over Lennox on Thursday and climbed back into a second place tie with El Camino. The hurling of Don Coil plus the batting heroics of catcher Steve Waters was too much for the last-place Lancers as Torrance pushed its league record to 10-5-1.

Coil earned his seventh victory against only one defeat as he hurled a three-hitter. The hard-throwing right hander whiffed 13 men and walked only two.

WATERS, an all-league third baseman last year who has been converted to a catcher, exploded for three hits in four trips to the dish and shoved across two runs.

The only Lennox runs came in the fourth frame when

Scott Morgan homered with a man aboard. Torrance pushed three tallies over in the third and two more runs across in both the sixth and seventh innings.

BILL COFFMAN and Bob White accounted for the other two earned Tartar runs.

As it has done for most of the season, Aviation continues to hold its league lead. The Falcons have an 11-2 mark followed by Torrance, El Segundo at 8-4, and Culver City at 8-5.



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