

# Lawndale's Mike Battle Routs West, 55-0!

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Mike Battle, Lawndale's one-man show, made his appearance in the West High Stadium Friday evening.

As a result of that brief appearance, West High will be eligible for aid to depressed areas.

When Battle and crew departed, the Warriors had taken their worst beating of the year—make that the worst beating of their history. The score, for the record, was 55-0.

Battle scored three touchdowns, passed 30 yards for another touchdown, intercepted two West High passes, and carried the ball 16 times for 113 yards—an average of 7 plus yards per carry. He

also ran 120 yards for two touchdowns that were nullified by penalties.

The Warriors, simply and truthfully, were never in the game.

The game went something like this:

Lawndale kicked off and West High promptly fumbled. The ball was recovered by the Cardinals on the West High 35-yard line, and with less than three minutes gone, Battle scored from the 1-yard line. Chuck Coppola ran for the extra point, making it 7-0.

About four minutes later, Battle found his way around end and ran 40 yards for his second touchdown of the evening. He also ran for the extra point, and Lawndale had a 14-0 lead.

Midway through the second quarter, Battle

ended another Lawndale drive by handing the football to Rick Sitterly. Sitterly ran the yard between him and the goal line for the third Cardinal touchdown. The attempt for the extra point—another run around end—mercifully failed.

Battle ran five yards with 1:39 left in the half for another touchdown and Sitterly added the extra point. That touchdown came less than a minute after Battle had run 70 yards to the end zone in a play that was called back because of a clipping penalty.

In the third quarter, two Lawndale drives were halted on the West High 20-yard line before the red shirted Cardinals sent Sitterly in for another touchdown. This time, Coppola added the point after touchdown.

A final burst in the fourth quarter saw Lawndale chalk up another 21 points as manslaughter turned into murder. The fourth period melee started when Battle intercepted a pass thrown by West High's Ron Sells. Two plays later, Battle hit Tom Duncan with a 30-yard pass that was good for a touchdown. Sitterly again added the extra point.

Mark Clayton wrote his name into the record book with a 4-yard run that was good for a touchdown as the clock showed 55 seconds left in the game. This time, Battle was on the sideline and his understudy, Monte Herrington, hit Sitterly with a short pass that was good for another extra point.

On the last play of the game—with the clock showing no time—Jim Metoyer intercepted a pass

## Good Old Days

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### Strange Circumstances Surround Lasuen Victory

What would have been the story of last night's Bishop Montgomery football game had its original coaching staff remained on the scene?

It is possible three heroes for the winning Fermin Lasuen varsity may have been members of the Montgomery team, that's the story.

When Montgomery High opened its doors six years ago two young fellows by the names of Tom Robinson and Jim Fohey decided to package their coaching services as a team and applied for the varsity football assignment at the new parochial school.

Budget-wise the offer must have been interesting for the two men were accepted with a background of two years of coaching Pop Warner football for kids.

If nothing else, the spirit of Montgomery started off like a house-on-fire. Fohey was a competitive coach with a tremendous ability to steam up football players in a game. His reputation was a carryover from the Crusaders and it did not falter in high school.

After two years, of which everything seemed peachy keen at the school, Fohey was finally turned out to pasture because of a lack of teaching credentials.

Robinson, meanwhile, became accredited while on assignment at Montgomery and was able to manage the athletic department despite his limited career. However when Fohey was released from his duties, Robinson resigned as well. Robinson soon became athletic director at Fermin Lasuen, a new school opening on the hill.

With Fohey returning as head coach of the Pop Warner Crusaders he inherited a youthful crop of athletes, namely, and touching only a few names, Jim Sullivan, Bill Tapp, Bill Bercich, Art Saenz, Phil Smyth and Fred Meyers.

Robinson and Fohey, with their ability to influence youngsters and their parents, built a football dynasty with the Crusader aggregate. Their team four years ago compiled 460 points to less than 30 for their opponents and local coaches began to drool over some of the talent. Because of the fondness for Robinson's leadership, Bercich, Saenz and Smyth, a trio of Torrance lads, enrolled at Fermin Lasuen.

Friday night the threesome played a big part in Fermin's 26-13 win over Montgomery. Saenz made smashing runs and Smyth ran the Padres beautifully at quarterback. Bercich handled the team's punting, the most serious weakness at Montgomery.

And possibly had Tom Robinson and Jim Fohey remained at Montgomery to this day, the Bercich-Saenz Smyth combo may have led the Knights to victory instead.



**BATTLE FOR YARDAGE . . . Lawndale's Mike Battle (27) fights for yardage against West High's Dave LaRoche (41) as Paul Cannon (85) moves in to assist LaRoche with the tackle. Battle ran, passed, and played sparkling defensive ball as he led the Cardinals to a 55-0 rout over West High. It was the worst battering the Warriors have suffered in their three-year history.** (Press-Herald Photo)

## Tarbabes Trip Aviation, 13-7

Torrance stands alone as the No. 1 team among Pioneer League Bees. The Tarbabes' John Randall and Mark Hornbeck scored touchdowns in the third and fourth quarters to beat Aviation Friday, 13-7 at Torrance Field.

Randall's touchdown broke up a scoreless tie with five and a half minutes left in the third period when he grabbed a counter flat pass on the Aviation 22 yard line and ran

it over. Hornbeck swept end for the conversion.

Hornbeck came back a few minutes later and ran right end for 55 yards, but a touchdown was nullified by penalty. Then, a minute and a half into the fourth quarter Hornbeck took a pitchout from his own 45, and behind two good blocks, one by Fred Kendall, Hornbeck ran another 55 yards to score.

Aviation came back with a drive to the Torrance 12 yard line. After Ken Ihara stopped one drive with an interception, the Falcons came back again in the final three

minutes to get on the scoreboard.

Torrance ran out the clock the final two and a half minutes.

Torrance has a 3-0 league record, having beaten Lawndale and West previously.

Coach Frank Simon's Tarbabes take on El Segundo next week. El Segundo dropped its third straight game to Lennox Friday, 14-7. Aviation 0 0 0 7-7 Torrance 0 0 7 6-13

Scoring: Aviation TD—Diederickson (1 yd. sneak), PAT—Drobraough (kick); Torrance TDs—Randall (22 yd. interception), Hornbeck (55 yd. pitchout), PAT—Hornbeck (run).

## Falcons in 19-0 Defeat Of Torrance

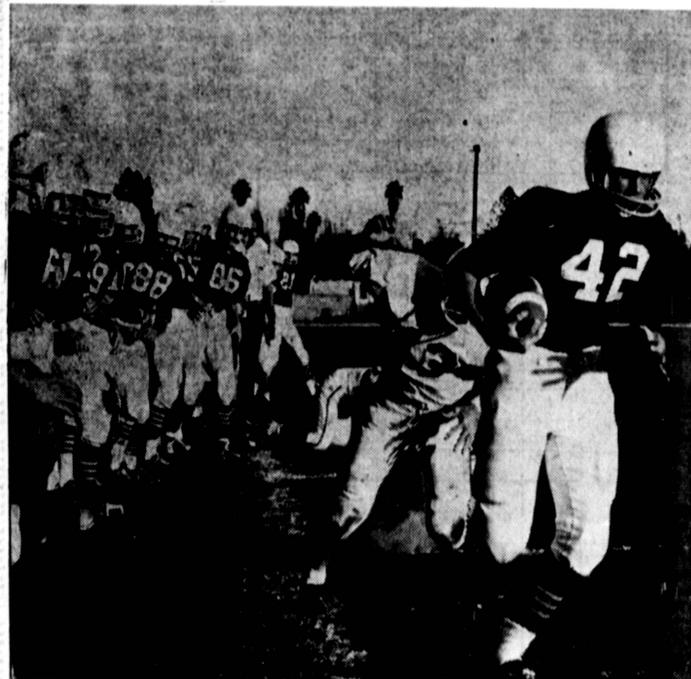
Torrance High got back to its usual self in football Friday night, losing to Aviation, 19-0, in Pioneer League action.

How a team can play so good one week and look so bad the next is even hard for Webster to define. But the Tartars dropped their second league game after beating West a week ago, 13-0.

Aviation jumped on the scoreboard in the first quarter against Torrance and put two more touchdowns together in the second period. That was the scoring for the evening.

Greg Runnals ran 12 yards for the first TD. The score came with eight and a half minutes gone in the game.

The Falcons scored again on the second play of the second quarter when Mike Tag-



**TOUCHDOWN-BOUND . . . Mark Hornbeck (42) of the Torrance Bees runs in front of team bench, but stays in bounds on a long touchdown run of 55 yards against Aviation. The play was called back, but a few minutes later Hornbeck ran 55 more yards to lead the Tarbabes to a 13-7 Pioneer League win.** (Press-Herald Photo)

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## PREP GRID STANDINGS

BAY					PIONEER					SKY				
VARSITY DIVISION					VARSITY DIVISION					VARSITY DIVISION				
W	L	PF	PA		W	L	PF	PA		W	L	PF	PA	
Palos Verdes	3	0	65	33	El Segundo	3	0	51	13	Leuzinger	3	0	111	26
Hawthorne	2	1	51	25	Lennox	2	1	58	32	Culver City	3	0	41	21
Santa Monica	1	1	53	45	Lawndale	2	1	99	13	North	2	1	64	19
Mira Costa	1	2	50	39	Torrance	1	2	19	57	Inglewood	1	2	54	61
Redondo	1	1	61	66	Aviation	1	2	26	39	Beverly Hills	0	3	32	117
South	0	3	27	78	West	0	3	12	111	Morningside	0	3	7	65
* Denotes tie game.					* Denotes tie game.					* Denotes tie game.				
<b>Friday's Results</b>					<b>Friday's Results</b>					<b>Friday's Results</b>				
Palos Verdes 26, Santa Monica 20.					El Segundo 13, Lennox 7.					North 32, Beverly Hills 6.				
Redondo 33, South 20.					Aviation 19, Torrance 0.					Culver City 14, Morningside 7.				
Hawthorne 19, Mira Costa 12.					Lawndale 55, West 0.					Leuzinger 34, Inglewood 13.				
Mira Costa at South, 8 p.m.					El Segundo at Torrance, 8 p.m.					North at Inglewood, 8 p.m.				
Santa Monica at Hawthorne, 8 p.m.					Aviation at West, 8 p.m.					Leuzinger at Culver City, 8 p.m.				
<b>CLASS B DIVISION</b>					<b>CLASS B DIVISION</b>					<b>CLASS B DIVISION</b>				
Palos Verdes at Redondo, 8 p.m.					Torrance					Leuzinger				
<b>CLASS C DIVISION</b>					<b>CLASS C DIVISION</b>					<b>CLASS C DIVISION</b>				
Redondo					Aviation					North				
Hawthorne					West					Leuzinger				
Palos Verdes					Lennox					North				
Santa Monica					El Segundo					Morningside				
Mira Costa					Torrance					Inglewood				
South					Lennox					North				
* Denotes tie game.					* Denotes tie game.					* Denotes tie game.				
<b>Friday's Results</b>					<b>Friday's Results</b>					<b>Friday's Results</b>				
Redondo 23, South 0.					El Segundo at Torrance, 2:45 p.m.					North 41, Beverly Hills 6.				
Palos Verdes 15, Santa Monica 14.					Lawndale at Lennox, 2:45 p.m.					Leuzinger 25, Inglewood 12.				
Hawthorne 13, Mira Costa 13.					Aviation at Torrance, 2:45 p.m.					Morningside 13, Culver City 0.				
South at Mira Costa, 2:45 p.m.					Lawndale at Lennox, 2:45 p.m.					Beverly Hills at Morningside, 2:45 p.m.				
Redondo at Palos Verdes, 2:45 p.m.					* Denotes tie game.					* Denotes tie game.				
Hawthorne at Santa Monica, 2:45 p.m.					<b>CLASS C DIVISION</b>					<b>CLASS C DIVISION</b>				
Santa Monica					West					North				
Redondo					Aviation					Leuzinger				
Hawthorne					Torrance					North				
Mira Costa					Lennox					Morningside				
Palos Verdes					El Segundo					Inglewood				
South					* Denotes tie game.					Beverly Hills				
* Denotes tie game.					* Denotes tie game.					* Denotes tie game.				
<b>Thursday's Results</b>					<b>Thursday's Results</b>					<b>Thursday's Results</b>				
Redondo 40, South 0.					West 14, Lawndale 7.					North 19, Beverly Hills 12.				
Santa Monica 35, Palos Verdes 6.					Aviation 7, Torrance 2.					Leuzinger 20, Inglewood 13.				
Mira Costa 7, Hawthorne 6.					Lennox 13, El Segundo 12.					North 13, Beverly Hills 6.				
Mira Costa at South, 2:45 p.m.					Torrance at El Segundo, 2:45 p.m.					Leuzinger at Culver City, 2:45 p.m.				
Palos Verdes at Redondo, 2:45 p.m.					Aviation at West, 2:45 p.m.					North at Inglewood, 2:45 p.m.				
Santa Monica at Hawthorne, 2:45 p.m.					Lawndale at Lennox, 2:45 p.m.					Morningside at Beverly Hills, 2:45 p.m.				

## Saxons Topple Beverly Hills, 32-6

Daytime football proved agreeable for the North Saxons Friday afternoon as they ripped a host Beverly Hills varsity, 32-6, in Sky League play.

It took until the second quarter to get the score going, but after that the Saxons rolled for five touchdowns, four of them on passes.

QB Bob Quarry tossed to Don Albin for four yards and kicked the extra point for a 7-0 lead. Reserve quarterback Henry Lopez completed a 48 yard drive by passing to Brent Nickloff for a touchdown in the same second period.

Quarry found the range twice in the third quarter after Coach Ed Levy reminded him of Norman defensive weaknesses at halftime. Albin received a 4-yard toss to run

the count to 19-0 and Dave MacGillivray caught and ran 50 yards for another

After Bob Tetley scored on a fourth down run for the Normans, North came back with a clinching touchdown in the same final stanza. Steve Schmitz smashed over from 6 yards out and Don Williamson added the conversion.

North goes into its game with Inglewood next Friday at Sentinel Field with a 2-1 record.

Leuzinger ran its league record to 3-0 with a 34-13 rout of Inglewood and Culver City held a tie for first by edging a stubborn Morningside, 14-7.

North 19, Beverly Hills 12. Beverly Hills 0 0 0 4-6. Scoring: North TDs—Albin (4 and 1 yd. passes from Quarry), Nickloff (7 yd. pass from Lopez), MacGillivray (50 yd. pass from Quarry), Schmitz (6 yd. run), PATs—Quarry (kick), Williamson (kick); Beverly Hills TD—Tetley.



**DAYTIME FOOTBALL . . . Brent Nickloff (42) of North High finds plenty of daylight as he circled right end against Beverly Hills in afternoon Sky League game. He awaits blocks from Quarterback Bob Quarry (15) on the road to 32-6 victory.** (Paul Chaille Photo)