

Knights Collide with Morningside

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Attractions in Prep Football

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It is almost impossible to pick a winner among the remaining few teams in the CIF football playoffs. The front office of the CIF began drooling over the competition and talent before most of the league championships were decided.

According to the script, however, Centennial was supposed to reach the finals of the "AAAA" playoffs and renew its battle with defending champion Mater Dei.

Centennial's Mickey Cureton, heading for a new scoring record of more than 237 points, would go against a Mater Dei team that sailed through two seasons without a loss (23-0-1) and had lost only five games in six years. Nothing could possibly prevent this attraction, it seemed!

But in a game against an equally marvelous Lakewood team, Centennial was upset in the rain Friday, 16-13, and Cureton settled for one touchdown and a point total of 240.

Glenn Davis, now the former all-time one season prep scoring king, watched Cureton race 83 yards through mud and rain for the touchdown which boosted his point total to 240, four more than Davis scored in 1942 while at Ponita High.

Davis visited Cureton after the CIF quarter-final game against Lakewood and congratulated the prep star, then told reporters:

"I'm delighted he broke the record. He broke it on a sensational run, typical of his play all year.

"Twenty-four years is a long time for any record to stand. I'm only sorry they (Centennial) lost. I'd like this to be a happy evening for Mickey. Winning would have meant more than any record.

"I wish him lots of luck in his college career. I hope he'll go to school in the Southern California area so we can have many more thrills watching him play."

Davis after scoring 236 points in 1942 to conclude his prep career, went on to become Mr. Outside at Army, winner of the Heisman Trophy and a pro star with the Los Angeles Rams.

With two more games Cureton was expected to run the record out of sight. The championship game would have filled the Coliseum.

But although Commissioner Ken Fagans lost his moneymaking attraction, the remaining contenders should receive great support from their more local followers.

The Mater Dei-Anaheim game could serve as a mighty fine substitute for the Mater Dei-Centennial game, but this one is still in the category of a "semi-windup." The championship game will have either El Rancho or Lakewood in the finals.

This is a warning not to discount Anaheim out against Mater Dei and don't even try to pick a winner between El Rancho and Lakewood.

The Triple-A playoffs are in the same boat. Going into semi-finals, a recordholder of another sort—Danny Graham of Bishop Montgomery—still has a chance to improve a few passing marks.

The Knights go against a highly successful running team—Morningside—in a big game at El Camino Stadium. Both teams play the type of offensive football that fans enjoy watching. The stadium should be filled!

Nicklaus Made Debut At Los Angeles Open

Jack Nicklaus, who made his professional debut in the 1962 Los Angeles Open, is returning to Rancho to play in the 41st annual L.A. Open, January 25-29.

Big Jack is the first entry for the oldest civic-sponsored golfing event in the nation.

Nicklaus made an unassuming pro debut in 1962 at Rancho. He tied for 50th and last money place, winning \$33.33.

Since then Nicklaus has gone on to become, along with Arnold Palmer, one of the dominant figures of golf. His wins in 1966 included the Masters and British Open.

The big, blond belter from Columbus finished the year as second leading money winner behind Bill Casper. He has won most of the major tournaments and awards in his meteoric five-year golfing career.

Surprisingly, Nicklaus has not been back at Rancho since his pro start in the L.A. Open. He told Tournament

Chairman John Hines he was looking forward to the chance to return.

El Camino

Plays In

UCLA Pavilion

Challenging the "Big Ones," the El Camino College basketball team takes to the road Friday and Saturday nights to tangle with San Diego State Frosh and UCLA Frosh.

The Warriors are sporting a 3-0 pre-season record, having dropped Harbor, 122-94; Compton, 93-80; and Orange Coast, 112-101.

The Warrior-UCLA Frosh game precedes the UCLA-Duke battle at 5:45 p.m. The game will be played at Pauley Pavilion on the UCLA campus. The Bruin Frosh squad maintains a 1-1 pre-season record, losing to Orange Coast and beating USC Frosh.

Two Unbeaten (11-0) Powerhouses Tangle at El Camino on Friday

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It has been three weeks since the men were separated from the boys and the best prep football teams in the Southland began competing for laurels in the CIF playoffs. Two familiar teams from this part of the country which can hold their heads high after whipping 11 straight opponents are Bishop Montgomery High of the Camino Real League and Morningside of the Sky League.

These two undefeated league champions come face-to-face Friday in a semi-final round game of the CIF "AAA" playoffs. The game will be at El Camino's Murdock Stadium at 8 p.m.

Morningside's 11 victories include a 48-14 playoff win over Sierra and a 26-6 win over Santa Fe last Friday. Montgomery, in the same series, has beaten Rancho Alamitos, 41-20, and Magnolia, 34-7.

Eleven opponents have been unable to stop Morningside's running game. The Monarchs were tabbed at the outset of the season to win the Sky League. The team's best running threat, all-league Everett Marshall, was not listed on the first string at the time. Another speedster who made himself known during the season is End Tom Reynolds whose touchdowns of 1 and 58 yards helped crush Santa Fe.

The man most responsible for Morningside's all-around thrust is Quarterback Jim Bouton who likes to run with the ball himself and excels as a defensive back. He also ran for two TDs against Santa Fe.

Among the team's quick linemen are all-Sky League tackle Harvey McGee, guard Tom Stolarz, and end-halfback Reynolds.

The Monarchs' starting lineup will consist of Tom Teague and Dennis Goff at end, McGee and Steve Johannes at tackle, Jeff Bettinger and Ron Nelson at guard, Dave Neff at center, and backs Bouton, Marshall, Ron Hastings, and Tom Stolarz.

Montgomery's starting offense will have Rich Sidbeck and Steve Patterson at end, Mike McClain and Mark Leamy at tackle, Charlie Reade and Richard Pipkin at guard, Nelson Straley at center, Danny Graham at quarterback, Bob Comstock at halfback, Chuck Bongard at I-back, and Ed Gilles at fullback.

Filling in on defense are linebacker Pat Kealey, guard Ralph Mishler, tackle Mike Bruccoleri, defensive ends John Sullivan and Ray Vida, and defensive backs Dan Pritchett and Mike Rameriz.

Coach George Swade said credit goes to offensive guard Richard Pipkin and tackle Mike McClain for opening up Montgomery's running game. "These boys have done a fine job this year," said Swade.

Asked how he felt about the rainy weather, Swade said, "We would like to throw more against Morningside than we did against Magnolia."

The Knights were unable to work out on Monday, but plans call for the team to spend as much time as possible on the practice field this week.

The Knights had to rally in the third and fourth quarter of their games against Rancho Alamitos and Magnolia to win convincingly. The team's blocking, together with key runs by Fullback Gilles and QB Graham, led to both victories.

Passing-wise, Graham has 98 completions in 163 attempts. He has 1,642 yards passing and 25 touchdown tosses.

Starting Lineup—CIF Playoffs

MORNINGSIDE						BISHOP MONTGOMERY					
No.	Player	Wt.	Ht.	Pos.	Ht. Wt.	No.	Player	Wt.	Ht.	Pos.	Ht. Wt.
61	Dennis Guff	160	5-3	LE	5-10 153		Rich Sidbeck	84			
75	Harvey McGee	190	5-10	LT	6-1 210		Mike McClain	74			
66	Ron Nelson	175	5-10	LG	5-11 175		Charlie Reade	62			
54	Dave Neff	200	5-10	C	5-9 160		Nelson Straley	51			
82	Jeff Bettinger	155	5-7	RG	5-9 170		Richard Pipkin	61			
72	Steve Johannes	185	6-0	RT	6-2 180		Mark Leamy	73			
80	Tom Teague	165	5-10	RE	6-3 170		Steve Patterson	82			
12	Jim Bouton	175	6-0	QB	5-10 170		Danny Graham	10			
20	Ron Hastings	160	5-8	HB	5-10 160		Chuck Bongard	20			
22	Everett Marshall	170	5-10	HB	5-10 170		Bob Comstock	32			
30	Tom Stolarz	185	6-0	FB	5-11 185		Ed Gilles	46			

MORNINGSIDE	
41	Aviation
42	Inglewood
43	LaQuinta
44	Palms Verde
45	Leuzinger
46	Culver City
47	Beverly Hills
48	Rolling Hills
49	Torrance
50	Sierra
51	Santa Fe
52	BISHOP MONTGOMERY
53	Mira Costa
54	Lennox
55	Lawndale
56	Verban Del
57	St. Bernard
58	Cross
59	Murphy
60	St. Monica
61	Fermin Lashon
62	Rancho Alamitos
63	Magnolia

Norm Dow To Speak

Norm Dow, former North High quarterback who came off the bench to lead UCLA to a 14-7 win over SC this season, will speak Friday at the South Bay Athletic Club.

Dow, a senior at UCLA, will talk at noon in the Plush Horse Restaurant, Redondo Beach.

The Bruin quarterback won national acclaim last month when he replaced injured All-American Gary Beban against USC. Dow passed and ran the Bruins to the upset win and solidified their No. 5 rating in the national polls.



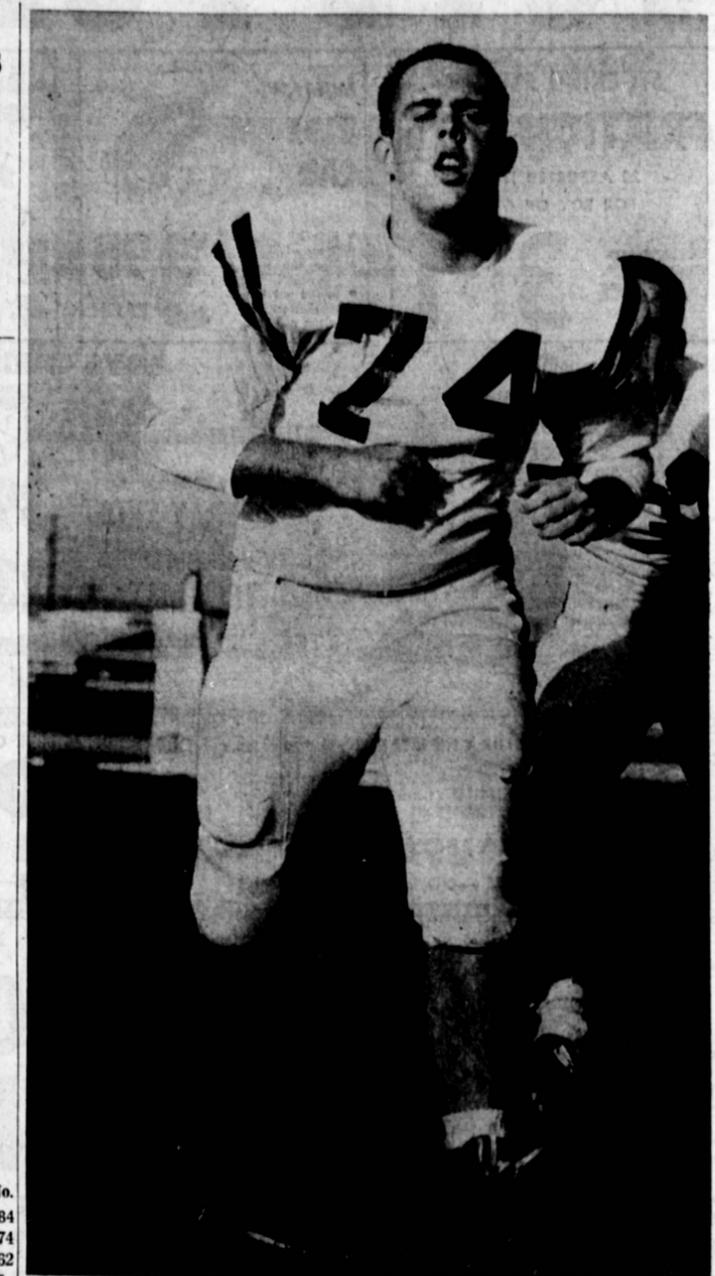
THREE-YEAR MAN . . . Robin Fisher began his senior year of basketball at Torrance High by scoring 71 points in four Pacific Shores Tournament games. The Tartars took third place. (Press-Herald Photo)

Final Junior Rose Bowl Game Readied

Pasadena College and Henderson, Texas, will clash in the 21st and possibly the final Junior Rose Bowl game Saturday at 1 p.m.

Junior college officials from California recently voted to withdraw participation from all postseason bowl games in favor of a series of state playoffs.

Margene Adkins, Henderson's All-America JC end who was voted co-player of the game last year along with Fullerton's Dick Hough and Rich Leon, will be among the re-



MONTGOMERY TACKLE . . . Mike McClain, All-Camino Real League offensive tackle, will lead the Bishop Montgomery Knights against Morningside High in their CIF "AAA" semi-final playoff game Friday night. The game will be at El Camino Stadium. McClain is a two-year starter for the Knights. (Press-Herald Photo)

North Tops Warren in Basketball

North High finished one tournament and got right back into another one. For a starter the Saxons defeated Warren High, 66-53, with a 22-point third quarter. They trailed at halftime, 33-29, but held Warren to five points in the third period.

Dominguez High smashed Palms Verde, 62-38; Monrovia downed Glendale, 63-59; and Long Beach Poly edged Santa Ana, 53-43, in other games.

North (66) . . . Warren (53)
 Jones (9) F Weathers (11)
 Taylor (12) F Weathers (11)
 Nielson (14) C Popovich (4)
 Hansen (2) G Yoder (17)
 Albin (15) G Merrill (5)
 North . . . 15 14 22 15-64
 Warren . . . 19 14 5 14-53
 Scoring subs: North—Anderson (2), Kastl (4), Wright (1), Thomas (1), Warren—Borg (6), Patton (1).

Vacation Show To Be Held In January

There will be 35 per cent more exhibit space this year at the 8th annual International Sports, Vacation and Travel Show Jan. 13 through 22 at the Great Western Exhibit Center.

Pacific Shores Won by El 'Gundo

As expected, El Segundo won the Pacific Shores Basketball Tournament, and although not exactly as expected, Torrance took third place.

It was intended that El Segundo and Torrance would be the finalists in the tournament, but the Tartars were upset by Morningside, 80-77, in the semi-finals, and El Segundo was able to beat Morningside by eight points in the decider, 62-56.

Torrance went on to crush a pesky Aviation team for third place, 80-59.

Dana Pagett of El Segundo was named "player of the tournament." He had 31 points against Morningside.

Bart Johnson, the outstanding player in the 1965 tournament, won by his team, this time was named to the all-tournament team with Rich Krueh.

Robin Fisher, the third returning star from Torrance's CIF third place team, scored 71 points but was not selected to the team again this year.

However, none of the 16 participating teams got three men on the all-tournament team. El Segundo had John Pickett along with Pagett and Morningside placed Stan Love and Nate Baumer.

Other players are Alex Gemble of Beverly Hills, Paul Westphal of Aviation, Jim Nielson of North, Mont Scammon of Mira Costa and Steve Sims of Redondo.

Beverly Hills won the consolation title with a 96-73 win over West High.

In Saturday's closing games at Redondo, Fisher was high point man with 23 for Torrance; juniors Bill Taylor had 18 and Jim Nielson 17 for North; and Eric Bramhall had 23 for West.

The South Bay Athletic Club meets each Friday, featuring a speaker from the sports world. Meetings are open to all men interested.

Torrance Third

Torrance (80) . . . Aviation (59)
 Johnson (19) F Smith (3)
 Krueh (2) F Rayborn (8)
 Jasper (11) F Westphal (12)
 Fisher (23) G Westphal (12)
 G. Harrington (4)
 G. Miller (17)
 G. Miller (17)
 Torrance . . . 29 15 22 22-80
 Aviation . . . 12 20 13 14-59
 Scoring subs: Torrance—Grim (11), Goettch (4), Locke (2), Huff (7); Aviation—Laffon (4), Boyer (4), Cowan (2), Widenburg (2), Hickey (6), Pousey (2).

North Is Fifth

North (72) . . . Loyola (61)
 Jones (15) F Forgnalberg (17)
 Taylor (18) F Curtis (15)
 Nielson (17) C Young (7)
 Albin (12) G Kelly (5)
 Hansen (6) G Ornelazo (5)
 North . . . 17 15 19 21-72
 Loyola . . . 16 13 11 23-61
 Scoring subs: North—Anderson (2), Kassel (5), West (6); Loyola—Sherbart (4), Duncan (2), Samsnigo (2), Racedado (3).

West Loses

Beverly Hills (96) West (73)
 Emmons (14) F Hyde (3)
 Newman (8) F Bell (3)
 Campbell (25) C Wilson (23)
 Puraro (11) G Bramhall (7)
 G. K. (27) G Thomas (17)
 Beverly Hills . . . 27 19 21 28-86
 West . . . 19 18 16 20-73
 Scoring subs: Beverly Hills—Anderson (2), Horowitz (2), West—Roswell (8), Marks (5), Thrapp (2).

The opposing records are:

34	Southwestern	12
35	East LA	12
36	Harbor	12
37	Pierce	0
38	Santa Barbara	0
39	LACC	0
40	Ventura	27
41	Glendale	10
42	Compton	0
43	HENDERSON	0
44	Navarro	4
45	Cisco	4
46	Tyler	4
47	Campton	2
48	Whartons	2
49	Bison	12
50	Ranger	2
51	Nigara	1
52	Tyler	2
53	Navarro	8