

Defense Revitalizes El Camino, 20-0

The loss of back Tom Reynolds may have taken some of the kick out of the El Camino College offense, but the defense took credit for a 20-0 win over previously unbeaten Santa Monica last Friday at Corsair Stadium.

Coach Swearingen's Warriors held SMCC on two drives inside the 10-yard line and intercepted six of Ken Boney's passes to account for the upset.

Dale Hewitt, who prepped

at South High, ran back an interception 30 yards for a 7-0 second quarter lead. Dave Boyd bolted over from the 1 in the third period after catching an 11-yard pass from Dan Heck on the previous play. A 35-yard drive with three minutes to go culminated with a 1-yard dive by Ed Gilles.

The Metropolitan Conference standings find El Camino and Bakersfield tied with 3-0 records.

Bakersfield got a mighty scare before turning back Pasadena, 28-24; Cerritos stunned Valley, 45-28; and Long Beach whipped Pierce, 28-6.

Bakersfield made good on two successive clutch fourth-down plays to end Pasadena's upset hopes. Trailing 24-21 with time running out, the Renegades preserved their final drive in PCC territory by making a first down on a fourth-and-six situation and scoring on a fourth-and-seven play. The tally came with only 1:14 left on the clock.

Dan Kennedy tossed two TD passes (including the winning one) and Lindsey James scored on a 76-yard run for the Renegades. Pasadena's Rich Haley also connected on two touchdown pass plays.

Santa Monica's traditional explosive offense has not been blanked in more than

10 years and over a span of more than 100 games, but El Camino turned the trick with a tough defense that held the Corsair running game to minimal yards and took the teeth out of the passing attack. Mark Leamy and Terry Mendenhall had Boney on the seat of his pants most of the evening.

John Merino took over the Metropolitan Conference scoring lead with 48 points by pacing Long Beach

to its win over Pierce on two short TD runs. Tim Von Dulm got the Brahmas' points on a 1-yard run.

Cerritos trailed at half-time, 7-3, and then exploded for 21 points in each of the next two periods to down Valley. QB Mike Ernst hurled three TD passes in the assault. Gerald Gaddie scored two touchdowns for Valley.

Santa Monica and Long

Beach, both still very much in the Metropolitan Conference football race, meet this Saturday night at Long Beach.

Both enter the contest with 2-1 Metro marks. The loser will be virtually eliminated from contention in the 1968 campaign.

In other Saturday night games, Bakersfield will be favored to win over Cerritos, but Bakersfield could find

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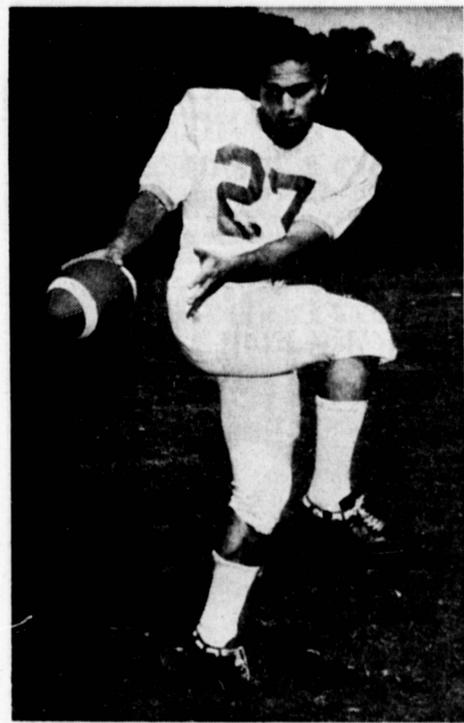
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EL CAMINO SPEEDSTER... Halfback Mike Laurella, former Redondo High player, has recovered from a leg injury and is expected to see lots of action during the remainder of the junior college campaign.

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SKY LEAGUE

Torrance Ran Out of Stuff

It is only human for a football team like Torrance High to bury itself in the ground in the second half after outplaying Rolling Hills for 23 minutes only to come up short at halftime, 14-7.

The passing of Kim Brooks to Mike McGuire was so sharp in the first half Friday night, it made Hal Warfle look like the best coach in the country. In the second half, his team died, 35-7.

But for the second time in the game, (7-7) with the Tartars facing fourth down and four to go on the Rolling Hills' 14 yard line, Pat Luvairelli was called on to try a field goal.

With only 36 seconds remaining in the half, field goal situations of this sort are naturals in college in pro football. They are just coming into style in high school ball.

At the start of the second quarter "Luke" had another field goal attempt from the same spot go high and long enough, but it was wide left. So all he did this time was angle the ball a little more to the northwest.

A high pass from center delayed the timing on the kick and the ball was blocked by a couple onrushing Titans. A blocked field goal is not like a point after touchdown in that the ball is free and could be picked up by Rick Jacobs and run back 73 yards for a touchdown. So he did it and as the half

ended, Rolling Hills led, 14-7.

It must have been discouraging for the Torrance defense to limit the Titans to only a 44 yard run by Bob Griffith and trail, McGuire hauled Griffith down at the 8, but three plays later Bob Daniels scored from the 1 for Rolling Hills.

Torrance scrambled back with three first downs as Brooks connected to McGuire for 15, 13 and 33 (TD) yard passes.

Rolling Hills did not see much of the ball in the first half as the Tartars made three more first downs on their way to the first field goal try. Near the end of the half they went from their own 22 to the Rolling Hills 12 on another sustained drive.

The tide really went out to sea in the second half as Rolling Hills rolled to its fifth straight win with 21 more points.

The game turned out to be a Rolling Hills tuneup for Friday's Sky League afternoon showdown with Morningside.

Rolling Hills 7 7 14 7-35
Torrance 0 0 0 0-7
Rolling Hills TDs — Daniels (2 yd. run), Jacobs (73 yd. return of blocked field goal), Sweeney (1 yd. run), Griffith (2 yd. run), Blazick (1 yd. run); PATs — Miglia (5 kicks).

Torrance TDs — McGuire (33 yd. pass from Brooks); PAT — Luvairelli (kick).

Serra, Carmel Shine

Not since the days of the McKeever has football been so popular at Mt. Carmel High School and not since Junipero Serra discovered Gardena has the Serra High had it so good.

Both schools are making the best of their exit from the former Catholic League by taking top billing in the frisky Camino Real League.

Mt. Carmel (4-1) topped Bishop Montgomery (4-1) from the unbeaten ranks last Friday, 20-14, and Serra (5-0) is planning to finish off the Knights this weekend at Bishop.

It may well be that without Loyola to contend with, winning a football championship is not so impossible for the two former Catholic Leaguers.

Carmel, the victim of a 10-7 loss to St. Bernard's on a last second touchdown, came back with two fourth quarter touchdowns to down Montgomery last Friday.

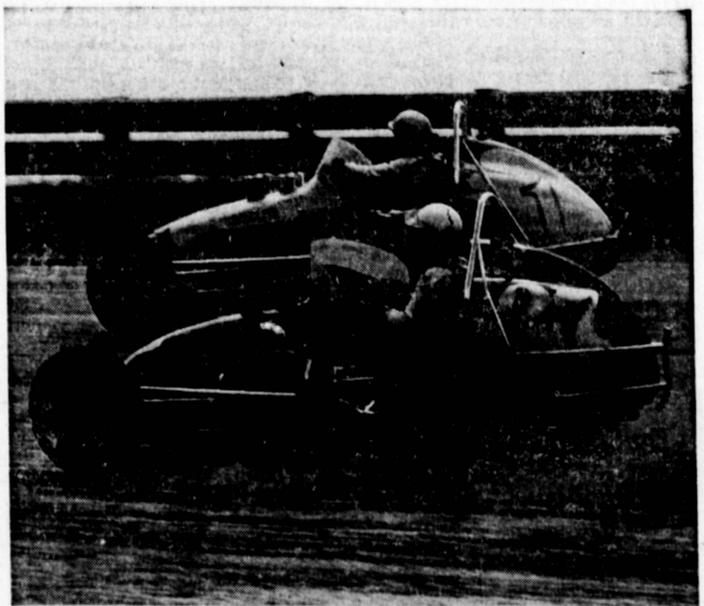
Serra went on a 20-7 spree against St. Bernard's while Fermin Lasuen eliminated Crespi from contention, 14-7.

The race for the pennant is going to be interesting before the final bell, if the trend is any indication.

For Montgomery to stay in the race, it is obvious what has to happen Friday night against Serra. The game between Fermin Lasuen and Mt. Carmel is also a one way street for one or the other.

Montgomery 7 0 7 0-14
Mt. Carmel 6 0 0 14-20
Montgomery TDs — Hansen (2 yd. run), Collins (1 yd. run); PATs — Haren (2 kicks).

Mt. Carmel TDs — Lumpkin (75 yd. kickoff return), Hicks (3 yd. run), Hayes (16 yd. pass from Hicks); PATs — Talmo (2 kicks).



WHEEL TO WHEEL... 1968 USAC National Sprint Car champion Larry Dickson of Marietta, Ohio, #27, battles Bruce Walkup of Downey #1 for the lead during a recent championship event. Dickson and Walkup plus several other Indianapolis 500 stars will battle Saturday night at Ascot Park in Gardena in a 30-lap USAC National Championship Sprint race. Racing starts at 8:30 p.m. with qualifying runs at 7 p.m.

St. Paul Stays on Top In CIF 'AAA' Football Poll

Several new teams joined the prep elite this week after major upsets juggled the standings in the CIF prep football polls.

On the "AAAA" roster, undefeated St. Paul (5-0) continued its domination of the ratings. Angelus League foe Bishop Amat holds down the second spot.

Westminster, which has shown surprising power after an opening game loss to Lakewood, garnered the third position after Blair fell to Pasadena. The Bulldogs, unranked the previous week, vaulted into the fourth spot off their victory over Blair.

Two teams debuted on the "Top Ten" this week as Newport Harbor, 5-0 and leading the Sunset League race with Westminster, nailed down the ninth berth.

On the "AAA" poll, LaRra's Saxons parlayed a Savanna upset and a resounding 31-20 win over Corona del Mar into the number one position.

Newcomers on the "AAA" poll included Serra (5-0) in sixth position, Claremont (5-0) in seventh and Laguna Beach (5-0) in 10th.

Third-ranked Rolling Hills

gets its toughest test of the season this weekend when the Titans meet Sky League rival Morningside. The Monarchs are rated fifth.

The top "AAAA" attraction of the week finds Newport Harbor meeting previously-ranked Santa Ana in the Tars' first of three crucial Sky League tests.

Other key battles this week find El Rancho seeking its second straight Moor League victory over highly-touted Long Beach Wilson; "AAA" stalwart Fullerton meeting always-tough Lowell (4-1); Serra tangling with Camino Real League power Bishop Montgomery (4-1); Claremont testing undefeated Pomona (4-0-1), and Laguna Beach flexing its muscles against Tustin.

10. El Rancho defeated Lakewood 27-7; next L. R. Wilson.

HOW THE "AAA" GOT THERE

1. Serra defeated Corona del Mar, 31-20; next Estancia.
2. Palisades defeated La Habra, 21-10; next Lowell.
3. Rolling Hills defeated Torrance, 35-7; next Morningside.
4. South Pasadena defeated Bell Gardens, 27-19; next La Canada.
5. Morningside defeated Palos Verdes, 33-21; next Rolling Hills.
6. Serra defeated St. Bernard, 20-7; next Bishop Montgomery.
7. Claremont defeated Chino, 24-13; next Pomona.
8. San Marino defeated Duarte, 30-0; next Temple City.
9. Savanna lost to Buena Park, 20-11; next Sunny Hills.
10. Laguna Beach defeated Fullerton, 22-20; next Tustin.

Profile on Elvin Hayes

Elvin Hayes arrives on the National Basketball Association scene this year with more super star fanfare than any rookie candidate since Oscar Robertson in 1960.

Hayes, college player of the year at Houston, is San Diego's only consolation for a rugged inaugural campaign in the NBA. As a result of the Rockets last place finish, they were able to select Hayes as the first selection in the college draft.

Therefore, the rugged 6-9½, 235-pounder from Rayville, La., is the leading candidate for the 1968-69 pro basketball "pressure cooker."

However, the pressure has not put an extra burden on the big man's shoulders.

"Pressure is there and there's nothing I can do about it," Elvin said. "This year isn't any different to me as far as pressure goes."

"When I had a good freshman season at Houston everybody said let's wait and see what he can do on the varsity."

"When I had a good sophomore season they said let's see what he does as a junior."

"It just keeps going that way every year. Now I have to show 'em I'm pro material. Everybody is waiting for you to fall on your face, but it's never going to happen if I can help it," Hayes said.

His manner of expression indicates this is not bold bragging, but rather a cool, calm self-esteem that drives him to higher plateaus.

And make no mistake, Hayes is not expecting to rip up the NBA from the opening whistle.

"Some nights I'm going to get smoked," Hayes said. "and some nights I'm going to smoke somebody else."

Hayes has no special plans to try on NBA proven stars such as Wilt Chamberlain, Bill Russell and Nate Thurmond.

"I'm just going to play my game," Hayes said. "It isn't going to do me any good to try and show them up. I'll only get burned in the process."

"I think I can do things that will give them trouble. I can move outside and shoot. This may be a problem for them—at least I hope it will," Hayes said.

Hayes likes the idea of playing the pivot, a position he handled well during his sophomore and junior seasons at Houston.

Do Rams Have Advantage?

"Sure, it's good to go into Baltimore with a one-game advantage," said George Allen Sunday after the Rams beat the Atlanta Falcons, 27-14, "but it really doesn't make any difference. We still have to beat the Colts."

Thus, the stage is set for the mid-season summit meeting between the two Coastal Division favorites. The game is Sunday in Baltimore's Memorial Stadium, and Southern Californians can watch the game over KNXT (channel 2). Kickoff is 11 a.m.

The Rams, 6-0 after Sunday's win, find themselves with a one-game lead over the 5-1 Colts, thanks to a 30-20 Cleveland victory in Baltimore. Last year the two teams battled down to the final week of the season before Los Angeles won the title with a 34-10 triumph.

With six straight victories this year and eight at the end of 1967, the Rams have now won 14 in a row, approaching the NFL record of 17 set by the Chicago Bears in 1933-34. In addition, the rams have not lost a road game in their last 11 starts, although they did play to a 24-24 tie in Baltimore last year.

Football Schedule

GAME THURSDAY
North at Hawthorne.

GAMES FRIDAY
Redondo at West.
Santa Monica at South.
Inglewood at Mira Costa.
Serra at Montgomery.
Crespi at St. Monica's.
Mt. Carmel at Lasuen.
St. Bernard's at Murphy.
Torrance at Culver City.
Morningside at Rolling Hills (day).
Leuzinger at Palos Verdes (day).

Beverly Hills at Lennox.
Miraleste at Lawndale.
Aviation at El Segundo.
Carson at Jordan.
San Diego Hoover at Gardena.

San Pedro at Locke.
Banning at Narbonne.

GAMES SATURDAY
Valley at El Camino.
Pasadena at Pierce.
Cerritos at Bakersfield.
Santa Monica at Long Beach.
Stanford at UCLA.
Washington St. at Oregon St.

GAMES SUNDAY
Los Angeles at Baltimore.
San Diego at Kansas City.

Lightweight Results

SKY LEAGUE
Class B Football
Culver City 12, Leuzinger 9 (practice).
Torrance 29, Rolling Hills 6.
Morningside 6, Palos Verdes 6.
Class C Football
Torrance 6, Rolling Hills 0.
Palos Verdes 26, Morningside 6.
Leuzinger 6, Culver City 0 (practice).

Trio Still In Race For C Division

Three Torrance schools are in the race for Bay League Class C football title.

West won its third game with a 39-0 rout of Inglewood and North downed Santa Monica to remain unbeaten.

South ran its record to 2-1 with a 26-6 win over Mira Costa.

South 7 4 6 7-26
Mira Costa 0 0 0 0-6
South TDs — Koeman (5 yd. run), Rivera (3 yd. run), Sidam (5 yd. run), Wilson (60 yd. run); PATs — Getzke (2 kicks).

West Takes Lead In Football Race

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The Bay League football schedule was beautifully designed for a whale of a finish. The climaxing match between West and Santa Monica seems like a natural now that they have displayed a solid offensive thrust.

The West Warriors (3-0) are the only unbeaten grids in the league and at the rate they are going the Redondo game Friday night doesn't look too hard—that is unless West takes the game too lightly.

Redondo is capable of giving anybody a struggle. Evidence is its 7-0 defensive victories over offensive-minded Torrance and Santa Monica.

Santa Monica, unloading a 34-14 comeback against

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Varsity Football Bay League

Team	W	L	PF	PA
West	3	0	83	27
Mira Costa	2	1	62	33
Santa Monica	2	1	48	28
North	2	1	55	58
Redondo	1	2	7	47
Inglewood	1	2	12	58
South	1	2	19	55

Camino Real

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Serra	5	0	83	27
Mt. Carmel	4	1	60	24
St. Bernard	2	1	52	49
Montgomery	2	1	42	39
Crespi	1	2	56	28
Fermin Lasuen	1	2	39	56
St. Monica	1	2	39	56
Don'te Murphy	0	3	29	101

Marine League

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Gardena	3	0	79	7
San Pedro	2	0	31	21
Narbonne	1	1	35	44
Locke	1	2	27	48
Banning	1	2	32	69
Jordan	0	2	21	53

Pioneer League

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Beverly Hills	1	0	37	13
Lennox	1	0	35	14
Lawndale	1	0	35	14
Aviation	1	0	37	13
Miraleste	0	1	14	35
El Segundo	0	1	13	37
Beverly Hills St. El Segundo	0	1	37	13
Lawndale 35, Miraleste 14.				
Lawndale 13, Aviation 7.				

Sky League

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Rolling Hills	5	0	77	7
Morningside	1	0	32	21
Culver City	1	0	32	21
Palos Verdes	0	1	0	7
Torrance	0	1	7	35

Friday's Results
Rolling Hills 35, Torrance 7.
Morningside 32, Palos Verdes 21.
Culver City 7, Leuzinger 9.