

STRIPTEEES

By John P. Stripling

"With, or without an Orchid to friend or foe, I'll Tee an opinion wherever it may go"

LET GEORGE DO IT . . . And "by George," Ralph George does it!

For more than 200 minutes of play during the past five games, George has been the heavy spark plug of the Tartar gridsters, scoring seven out of the nine Torrance touchdowns and for the other two markers, Ralph tossed the passes for the remaining 12 counters.

During these five games the dependable little quarterback threw 49 passes to complete 28 with the records showing opponent interception of two. Few pass heaters can boast this enviable percentage of .572.

Just in case some of you readers are not impressed, our choice for another berth on the All-Marine League and a place in the All-City sun, averaged nearly seven yards every time he packed the hog-hide.

And in dominating him All-City, we are not alone in our choice. Los Angeles scribes and radio sports commentators are loud in their approval of the Tartar George as an All-City choice.

Editor of his school paper, Ralph writes a witty column in his Torrance News Torch called, "BY GEORGE." Like others on this year's Torrance football squad, the leading pass tasser has an I.Q. rating among the highest in his school.

This, dear reader, is a record that few high school or college footballers can crow about!

Yes, it would require a "heady" team to decide, "Let George do it, fellows—we need a touchdown!"

TORRANCE FOSSIL WOOD . . . This was constructed by baseball fans as a sports article, and no doubt misconstrued as propaganda by those who could do something about it.

Elsewhere in the Torrance Herald appears the second in a series of articles concerning the history of petrified wood, which tells of the rare display in Torrance Library of the many priceless species. This exhibit has been brought to Torrance through the efforts of mineralogical enthusiast F. W. Schmidt, a local man who has a hobby of collecting rare petrified specimens.

Mr. Schmidt has traveled all over the Northwest in search of the fossil pieces and has, he reports, found these stony particles even in the Palos Verdes hills, which are said to be more than 40 million years in age.

We were telling all this to a baseball fan Sunday following the Signal-Sampson game. He listened very carefully, then reached toward his back-sides and withdrew a weathered splinter which he insisted on taking to the Torrance Library to add to the fossil exhibit.

Fun is fun, but this fan was so intent on adding his find to the collection, that it was necessary to call upon Mr. Schmidt to show the new fossil wood enthusiast his mistake.

Mr. Schmidt took so long in determining the age of the ball fan's find that for a while we began to have visions of the City of Torrance selling the ball stands for fossil wood at a fabulous figure. But these visions were short-lived. Mr. Schmidt cleared his throat, removed his glasses and said:

"Sorry, gentlemen, but this specimen you have brought me is not yet fossil.

"However," he advised, "mark the location of this wood because its potentialities are excellent!"

Narbonne Meets Banning Friday; Torrance Bye

Narbonne high school gridsters meet the Banning eleven tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 in the Banning field. Despite new life recently breathed into the Pilot squad, the Gauchos still are favored to down their Wilmington rivals.

The San Pedro squad, who tied Banning last Friday 12-12, will face the Gardena "cellar team" on the Mohican gridiron. Play begins at 2:30 p.m.

Torrance high school draws a bye this week and will meet Banning on the Tartar field Friday, Nov. 27.

STANDINGS

W	T	L	Pct.	Pts.	Op.
Torrance	3	1	1.750	58	38
Narbonne	3	1	1.750	58	41
San Pedro	3	1	1.750	38	24
Banning	1	3	1.250	48	38
Gardena	0	4	0.000	2	68

Seahawks Fall Defeated Before Mighty Panthers

The Redondo Beach Sea Hawks Friday night fell victim to a strong Long Beach Jordan high eleven 14-13 in the Sea Hawks Bowl before some 4,500 football fans.

This marked the second straight one-point defeat of the former "high-flying" Bay gridsters, and caused Redondo's remote Bay league title aspirations to float out the window in favor of the Jordan squad. Jordan, with one defeat, still must meet Inglewood, also conquerors of the Bay boys, in order to obtain the top spot.

COLUSA COUNTY DUCKS

Reports from Colusa County indicate that duck hunters are having good hunting. Duck population is large in the county, with the largest numbers located on the clubs.

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WHOSE BALL? . . . A costly fumble, this one. Unable to hold the ball on the wet turf, a Torrance fumble recovered by Narbonne cost the Tartars a touchdown. On the next play the Gauchos picked up more yardage to clear the way for a score on their following try. Tying Torrance, 13-13, the Gauchos face a new Banning squad tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. on the Pilot gridiron. (Photo by Dick Friend, Narbonne High School photographer.)



TURNER STOPS TANNER . . . Narbonne's left end, John Tanner (22), takes a pass from Quarterback Wesley Christian. Tanner was nailed by Tartar half, Bob Turner (5), after picking up five yards. On four line plays Christian and Bill Stits boomed to the Torrance 14 behind some vicious blocking that had the Torrance linesmen dropping like bowling pins. The dead-heat melee ended 13-13. Narbonne meets Banning tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 on the Pilot field. (Photo by Narbonne High School photographer, Dick Friend.)



Richard Jones Meets Match In Hank Herring

Sailor Hank Herring, fighting gob off the U.S.S. Samar, and Richard Jones of Watts, two of the finest lightweight boxers in Southern California, will clash in the main event of the amateur fight show at the Wilmington Bowl tomorrow night.

Herring rolled up seven straight victories before his ship went to sea recently, and now is back ready to add to that record. Jones always has given a good performance at the Bowl.

Promoter-matchmaker Joe Craig has mapped another powerful supporting show, rivaling last week's nine-bout scorchers, with the return of Shorty Contreras of Wilmington, back from six months with the Merchant Marine in Alaska, taking on Rocky Ford of Hollywood in the semi-windup.

First of the preliminary matches will begin at 8:30 p.m.

MONO COUNTY HUNTING

Duck hunting is reported to be fair in Bridgeport Valley, Mono County, with some limits being taken along the ditches, sloughs and ponds. Antelope Valley is providing fair hunting along the west Walker River and sloughs. There are some geese in both valleys with hunters bagging a few now and then.

PLACES FIFTH

Washington high school's all-city bound cross-country team completely outclassed Jefferson high school and their Tartar hosts Monday afternoon on the Torrance track. The only Tartar threat in the 1320 practice meet was Oscar Escobedo, who placed fifth.

Ernie Ashton, in an effort to regain the top spot, held a 276 for a three string average to clinch third place.

Fourth position went to veteran Police Sgt. Willard Haslam who scored 250 with two strings followed by J. Grier who shot 248 for a twin string average. E. Miller placed sixth with a 239 average from four strings.

Medicus' 283 Average Paces Pistol Packers

O. Medicus, non-police member of the Torrance Police Revolver club, stepped ahead of the class last week when he banged a 283 average with four strings from his 38 target marker. Usually among the first three high markers, Medicus paces the revolver pack for the first time this year, course records show.

Hot on Medicus' score is L. Berry who fired a 281 average with three strings. Police Cap-

"Tale Of Two Cities" Features The Battle Of The Quarterbacks

By DICK FRIEND
Led by the expert passing of Gaucho quarterback Wesley Christian, the Narbonne football squad deadlocked with the strong Torrance team 13-13 on the former's gridiron last Friday.

Had it not been for Christian's precision hurling of the pigskin, the Gauchos might have met defeat on the wet turf. The entire game was a passing duel with Torrance's Ralph George hitting the mark to give the Tartars 13 points.

The Tartars, leading 7-0 at half time, on George's 67-yard tramp down the field were swarmed under by Christian and the Gaucho squad who finally came to life after half-time.

Three minutes after the third period started, Narbonne's left guard Bill Kelley recovered a Tartar fumble on the Torrance 39-yard line, and the Gauchos put forth for practically the first time. Wes Christian pulled an excellent job of faking to his backfield men and "boot-legged" the ball around right end to pick up 24 yards.

On the next play, Christian tossed the pigskin to halfback Bill Biller who dodged the Tartar backs and scored for the Gauchos.

Mark Groves' kick hit the upright and the Tartars kept the lead 7-6.

Coming back after the kickoff, the Gauchos once again scored. After picking up 65 yards in nine plays, Christian dropped the pill into Biller's arms. Biller raced down into pay territory and gave the Gauchos an additional 8 points. Groves' boot sailed through the goal posts and Narbonne was out in front 13-7.

As the fourth quarter began, with both teams going all out to score, a Narbonne punt rolled out of bounds on the Gaucho 38, putting Torrance into a scoring position.

Here Ralph George again opened up. He hurled the ball to end Bud Smith, who galloped to the Gaucho five where he was pulled down from behind by Corky Richardson. Three plays later George plunged over trying to score. The Gaucho squad succeeded in blocking LeRoy Schwenk's kick and the score remained even up.

With only minutes left in the game, the visitors muffed their chance to pull ahead when they succeeded in reaching the Gaucho five. On the third down, the Gaucho went off ending the fracas. Referee Al Striet ruled Narbonne was off-side and placed the ball on the two-yard line. The Narbonne squad literally swamped George when he attempted to score and the game ended in a 13-13 tie.

Torrance 0 7 0 6-13
Narbonne 0 0 13 0-13
Touchdowns: Torrance, George 2.

Extra point: Torrance, Schwenk (placement).
Touchdowns: Narbonne, Biller 2.

Extra point: Narbonne, Groves (placement).

RECREATION DEPTS. MAY NOW BUY U.S. SURPLUS PROPERTY

Children's day nurseries, parks, playgrounds and organized recreational departments are now eligible to buy surplus property at the same discount and priority level as other health institutions, the War Assets Administration announced today.

The newly eligible groups may obtain public health discounts by stating their needs in writing to their nearest WAA Public Interest Division, providing they are income-tax-exempt organizations or operated by state or local governments.

STRIPED BASS

Striped bass fishing has been good in the Mokelumne River, Steamboat and Sutter Sloughs in Sacramento County. Rio Vista and Decker Island continue to yield good catches.

By BILL TOLSON

Playing a college-like game of football, the Tartars from Torrance and the Gauchos from Narbonne battled to a 13-13 tie on the Narbonne gridiron last Friday. This game was as fine an exhibition of football as a person could hope to see in any stadium of the country. Both teams played good hard smart football all the way. The Tartars were led by their great quarterback, Ralph George, who tallied both of Torrance scores.

On the second play of the second quarter, George tore through right tackle for 75 yards and a touchdown for Torrance. George showed the running skill of a college tact as he cut back, picked up his interference, and raced for a score. Darrel Cornstock and Dough Woolever laid key blocks on the run.

But Torrance's lead was short-lived, for in the third quarter little Bill Biller scored two touchdowns to put the Gauchos out in front. He sprinted 29 yards for the first and took a pass from Wesley Christian for the second. Early in the fourth quarter George threw a 32-yard pass to Bud Smith, who carried it to the five. Two plays later George cracked over from the two. This tied the score at 13-13. In the dying seconds of the game the Tartars drove to the Gauchos' 40-yard line where the game ended.

The Tartar line, led by Leroy Schwenk, Jay Stroh and Gene Stirling, limited the Gauchos to six first downs.

This tie linked with the tie between Banning and San Pedro left the league in a three-way tie for first between Torrance, San Pedro and Narbonne.

Lineups
Torrance: LBR Schwenk, ITR Stirling, MGR Malin, C Fortin, RGL Donatoni, RTL Stroh, REL Hood, Q George, SMR Smith, TNR Turner, FRR Faren.
Narbonne: LBR Lund, K Kelly, H Hamilton, A Ackerman, G Goss, C Collins, T Tanner, C Christian, G Groves, B Biller, R RHL Stits.

BADGER 'GETS IN'
Last week's Utah hunting story, which reported Mayor J. Hugh Sherkey as the "one drone" in a local group of six, is this week corrected to read that a seventh member, Fred "Badger" Bever, also was a member of the party and accounted for two does during the eight-day encampment. Okay, Badger, you're in!

HUMBOLDT FISHING

Salmon are reported to be abundant in the South Fork of the Eel River near Garberville. The main fork of the Eel has good salmon fishing near Alder Point, with silver side being landed in good numbers in Dungan Pool.

Marine League On The Air; War Hero Honor Guest

Station KLAC featured the Marine league in its weekly presentation of high school sports writers and players this week. Representing Torrance high school were LeRoy Schwenk, captain of the varsity football team, and Ralph George, quarterback, who is Marine league high point scorer.

To conclude the broadcast, Captain Louis Zamperini was called to the microphone. After he had been interrogated concerning the 1936 incident in Berlin, in which he hauled down the Nazi flag, Zamp was asked to predict the outcome of the Marine league games. He predicted that if Torrance-football team worked as hard as it has in the past, the championship is assured. At present it is in a three-way tie with Narbonne and San Pedro for top honors.

Bill Tolson, sports editor for the T.N.T., appeared on KRKD following the Narbonne-Torrance bout last Thursday evening to answer queries concerning the members of the team and prospects for the championship.

BULLDOGS vs. CLIPPERS

Bitter rivals developed in the Pacific Coast Pro Football League this season come to a climax Sunday, November 24, at Gilmore Stadium, when the burly Los Angeles Bulldogs clash with the invading San Francisco Clippers.

AMATEUR FIGHTS



EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT, 8:30

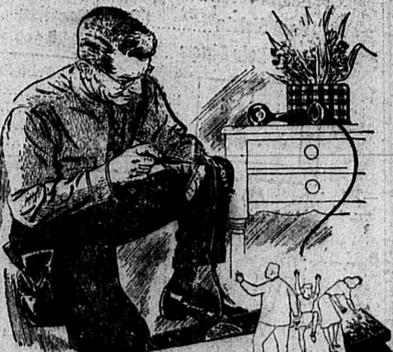
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