

Central Gagers Nip Torrance In Three Games

Redondo's Central School Play-ground basketball teams, coached by Bob Lindley, made a clean sweep over the Torrance Recreation teams in South Bay Play-ground League games played last week at the new court at Torrance City Park.

In Monday's A division contest, the beachites barely edged Wayne Scholl's local five, by a 27-25 score. Scholl, Torrance High basketball star and recent graduate, has taken over the coaching reins, formerly held by Elmer "Red" Moon.

Tom Babbitt's B team, after spotting the visitors a 19-point first period lead, rallied to out-score their opponents in the remainder of the game, only to lose by a 41-26 count. Ivan Martin of the winners, nabbed 13 points for scoring honors, and Norm Chambers speared 11 for the losers.

Dick Gresham's young charges showed a world of improvement in losing Friday's C game, 20-26. Little Billie Meacham, scored 12 points for Torrance to tie with towering Ronnie Williams, of the winners for high point honors.

Lineups:
"A" GAME - MONDAY
 Torrance, 25 Central, 27
 Bob Moon 3 F Dick Goldston 4
 Jerry Farrar 10 F Bob Sanku 3
 Sid Stasrad 8 C Alex Madrid 9
 Jim Hardy 10 C John Hatfield 2
 Jim Brown 2 G Don McMaisters 3
 Jim Farrar 1 G Fabian Abram 4
 Don Stasrad 2 C Chuck Flatland 4
 C Jim Schaeffer 7

"B" GAME - WEDNESDAY
 Torrance, 26 Central, 41
 N. Chambers 11 F Lloyd Harless 8
 Pete Welch 6 F Bob Marshall 7
 R. Ledford 6 F Don Collins 1
 R. Knappenger C Don Young 13
 Chas. Babbitt 3 G Darrel Crow 2
 Jim Walgren 2 G Sammy Norman 5
 Don Stasrad 2 G Jim Schaeffer 7

"C" GAME - FRIDAY
 Torrance, 26 Central, 26
 Jackie Johnson F Gall Griffith 26
 Benny Pinto 4 F Garry Swanson 6
 R. Ledford 6 F Tom Cassidy 7
 Sunny Smith 2 C R. Williams 12
 Richard Faren C Jim Babbitt 2
 Skipper Smith C C
 Tommy Cook 2 G Jack Greenleaf 2
 Don Stasrad 12 G Jerry Morris 4
 Larry Coon G

Water Official Urges Basin Replenishment

All haste in starting the water replenishment of the West Basin, which lies under Torrance and surrounding areas, along with other "de-watered" basins was advised this week by Carl Fossette, manager of the West Basin Municipal Water District.

Referring to the Metropolitan Water District system, Fossette said:

"Many responsible agencies know that a lifeline 245 miles long, supplying 10 million people, is a tempting target in time of war, and that millions of acre feet of fresh water stored underground is not a feasible target.

"Serious thought and planning is therefore being given to replenishing our de-watered basins. The danger lies not in the fact that the program will not be started, but that it will not be started soon enough."

A spreading ground for replenishing the water in the West Basin has been proposed by the Rolling Hills area.

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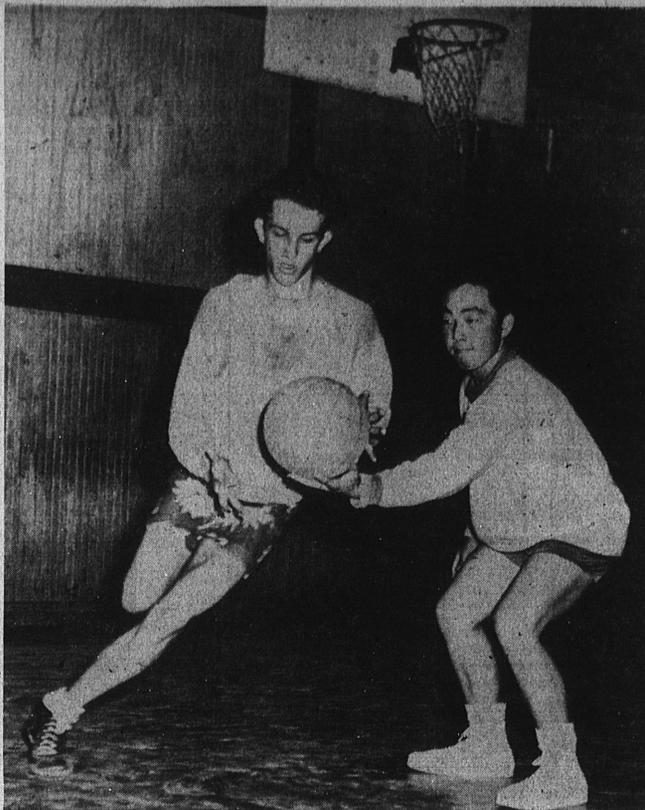
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FAST CAMERA EXPOSES BEE'S SECRET

... The Camera Freezes "Tad" Mimura At The Moment He Passes A Fast One To Forward Tom Glatras In A Fast Play That Usually Ends In Big Score For The Bees. —Herald Photo.

Bees Tie For Second Place In Bay League

The Torrance Bees went into a second place tie with Beverly Hills in the Bay League as the result of a 42-26 win over El Segundo last Friday.

Center Billy Baron, who looks likely to get the coach's award for high point man among the Tartars this year with 215 points so far, tallied 16 points for the winner. Co-captain Tom Glatras boosted in 14. Forward "Rip" Carlisle added 8 to the score and played a good floor game. Special credit also went to Glen Boyce, who filled the guard job left by Boyd Crawford's graduation.

As usual, the offensive was led by Captain "Tad" Mimura, lighting fast guard and Student Body President this year.

Summary:
 Torrance, 42 El Segundo 26
 Glatras 14 F El Segundo 26
 Stock 2 F Clark 2
 Olson F Olson 2
 Carlisle 8 F Maldonado 4
 Berg F Kanode
 Baron 16 F Adams
 Kaeten C Bura 2
 C Ward 1
 C Thomson
 Boyce 2 F Duricott
 Murphy G Tillotson 3
 Mimura G G
 Groves G Floyd
 Crawford G Bolton
 G Osborne
 G Mitchell
 G Banks

Halftime scores: Torrance 27; El Segundo 7.

CASH BOX GEARS
 A cash register may have as many as 250 gears.

Punch Boards Illegal Here, Vendor Learns

Alfred Shor of 1221 Linden avenue, Long Beach, learned Friday that punch boards are illegal in Torrance.

Patrolman Theodore A. Morris said he saw Shor trying to sell punch boards to merchants with indifferent success. Shor learned one reason for his failure when Morris confiscated his stock and told him to leave town, which Shor did.

Police Seek Child Molesters in Cars

Police were alerted three times this week on complaints from parents near Perry School that their children were annoyed by strangers in cars. One parent said his small son was stopped by two swarthy men in a two-tone blue coupe. Two other parents said their small daughters were accosted by a man in a red pickup truck.

Final Building Mark of 1949 Best Locally

Torrance new construction in December almost reached the combined aggregate of San Pedro-Wilmington-Harbor City, and Shoestring.

The Torrance December total showed \$519,355 as compared to the total of the other communities served through the San Pedro office of \$545,659.

San Pedro building permits were down during the period as the office for the past six months had been among the top 10 areas in the county in construction.

Palos Verdes in December showed \$125,000 worth of construction.

STEEL IS DURABLE
 Pittsburgh (SP)—Containers made of stainless steel have a service life of about 14 years.

PRODAN TEAM BACK IN LEAGUE

Reed's Pantry Five Hits 69 For New League Record

By DUANE MITTAN

Tony Prodan's temperamental team came back into the City Basketball League last Saturday after previously refusing to play and put up a 67-71 but losing fight against Fenwick that ended in Fenwick's favor, 83-31.

Biggest news of the evening, though, was when Reed's Polar Pantry Five broke loose and scored 69 points for a new record for the "Black" division. The old record of 59 points in one game was set December 9, 1949, by National Supply.

Ray Vollmer and Bob Clark both sank 15 points for the winners and Jim Halle tried hard with 17 points for the losing Torrance Teachers. Final score was 69-31.

Munsterman tried hard for National Supply with 12 points, but National went down before the Merchants 34-27.

Summaries:
 Reed's, 69 F Teachers, 31
 Vollmer 15 F Cole 3
 J. Clark 6 F Halle 17
 Klehmann 7 F B. Clark 15 C Stewart 5
 Schaffer 2 C G Baker 2
 Schwank 10 G G McDaniel 4
 Goldring 14 G G
 Halftime score: Reed's 30, Teachers 12.
 Fenwick's, 83 F Prodan-Feete, 31
 Flak 10 F A. Espinoza 4
 Smith 1 F Dietrick 10
 Breets 1 C C
 Boucherly 8 C D. Espinoza 9
 Lee 3 C Davis 7
 Turner 24 C Walker 1
 McVaine 4 G Torres 0
 D. Turner 2 G
 Halftime score: Fenwick's 34, Prodan-Feete 13.
 Merchants, 34 F National, 27
 D. Settling 2 F Munsterman 12
 Widner 10 F Tiah 2
 J. Settling 9 F Olsen 5
 Epler 3 C G Koblmeyer 2
 Ross 8 G Morris 6
 Coleman 2 G Bailey 6
 Halftime score: Merchants 20, National 10.

Hoop Trophies On Display

Trophies which were purchased by the Walteria Hatchery and Jewellery for the winners of each of the two leagues playing in the Torrance City Basketball League, have been placed on display in Howard's show windows, 1503 Cambridge avenue.

The Howard's Trophy will go to the winner of the Black League, which plays on Friday nights. Fenwick's Shoe Repair appear to have the edge toward the winning of this trophy, having won the first round of play and being undefeated in the second round of play. The Torrance Merchant game at 7 p.m. tomorrow in the High School gym is their last remaining obstacle.

The Harbor Hospital Does, having won the first round, following the playoff of a three-way tie with Columbia Steel and Lovelady Hardware, are favored to cop the Walteria Hatchery Trophy, put up for the Blue League (Wednesday). The trophies will be presented to the winning teams, following the conclusion of league play February 15.

ALONG MEMORY LANE

It's Not Commies Joe's After

Remember Joe Waters when he pitched for the Torrance Police Nine, in the not-too-distant past?

Young Joe, (he's only 20) is now with San Diego Padres, working hard to make the Cincinnati Reds remember him—with regret.

The youthful mound star is determined to make the big leagues and make the Reds regret they gave him his release in 1948.

If the speedball slinger improves any at all on his '49 record it is only a matter of time until the Cincinnati team may see red when they send their batteries against the local hurler.

Water's record for last season shows a neat 83 ratio established in 96 innings. He yielded 91 hits, fanned 62 and passed 46. He had an earned run average of 3.84.

The six-foot, one-inch, 178 pound right-hander, has not been without a couple of highlights in his up and coming career. Among them is a ball game in Salt Lake City in 1947. Waters threw 69 pitches, setting down his opponents, 1-0, to establish a new loop record.

Joe's brother, Bob, a used-car salesman for McCollum Buick, moaned:

"And to think I wanted him to learn the difference between a hydramatic and a fluid drive."

Income Tax Aid Available at CofC Office

Assistance in preparation of State income tax returns will be available at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce March 2, 1950. It was announced this week by the Franchise Tax Board office.

Single persons whose net income was \$2,000 or over and married couples whose combined net income was \$3,500 or over in either status if the gross income was \$5,000 or over are required to file State returns.

Inasmuch as provisions of the California Income Tax Law differ in many respects from those of the Federal Revenue Act, taxpayers having any questions are invited to call on the State representative to have them answered.

It is pointed out that the above date is the only time when personal assistance will be available in this city and taxpayers are urged to avail themselves of this service in order to justify a representative being assigned here next year. There is no charge for this service.

THEME SOUGHT

Theme suggestions for the 62nd Annual Tournament of Roses to be held New Year's Day, 1951, are now being accepted by the Tournament of Roses Association, L. Clifford Kenworthy, President, announced this week.

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Has Anyone Seen A Stray Lamb Chop?

Twenty-five pounds of lamb chops and a lamb shoulder weighing about seven pounds were stolen from a freezer at the rear of his home at 17285 Arlington avenue, Ambrose Bernard told police.

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Letters To The Editor

January 31, 1950

Editor Torrance Herald 1519 Gramercy Torrance, California

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

I wish to thank you for the very fine cooperation the TORRANCE HERALD gave our recent Community Chest campaign and in support of the work of the hundreds of local volunteers.

Cooperation of this kind is immediately reflected in greater understanding by our fellow-citizens of the needs of their neighbors, and in our American tradition is translated into funds to help the sick, the needy, and our youth.

I am happy to report that contributions to the Chest are now well in excess of those made in the 1948 campaign, and to date \$6,580,751 has been made available to our Red Feather agencies, with additional funds expected. A far greater number of donors also is noted, and it is expected they will reach 600,000 when the books are closed.

In recognition of your help, we are enclosing one of our special awards and again express our thanks.

Sincerely yours,
 Charles P. Skouras, Chairman
 Campaign Public Relations Committee
 Community Chest of Los Angeles Area

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Boy's Bike Taken From Theater Rack

Billie Meacham, 1740 Gramercy avenue, told police his black and white bicycle was stolen from the bike rack in front of the Stadium theater Sunday night.

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