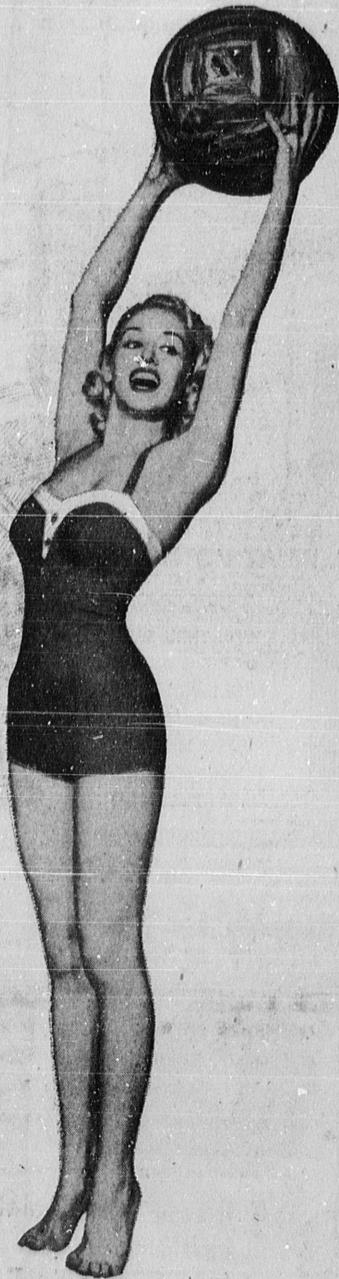


WIFE MISSING!



Have You Seen This Woman?

FILE 110

THE CASE OF THE MISSING WIFE

I saw the moment he walked into my door he had trouble. Big trouble. The kind of trouble that turns a man's insides upside down and sends him to the showers. His voice quivered as he asked, "You Sam Spiegel, Private Eye?"

"Yeah," I answered, "I'm Spiegel. What have you got on your mind?"

"My wife's missing," he said, and then he broke. Covered his face with his hands, and began shaking. "Been missing all day, left the house this morning . . . and when I got home this evening she was still missing."

"Yeah," I answered, "That unusual?"

"Yeah," he answered, "I even had to get my own dinner."

"Yeah," I said, "What's this babe like?"

"Who?" he asked, "You mean my wife, Cleo Castro?"

"Yeah," I said.

"Yeah, well," he said, "she's a doll, a beautiful doll. The kind that will stop a man cold at twenty yards. Nice legs, white teeth, looks great in sweaters. Expensive tastes. Beautiful clothes. Fast automobiles."

"Yeah," I said.

Then he really cracked. There is something terrifying about a big man tearing himself to pieces in front of your eyes.

"Yeah," he said, "We been having an argument. She wants me to buy her a new car. No money. I think she's left me for good. Find her, Spiegel . . . Please find her . . ."

"Yeah," I said, "Sure." I picked up the phone and dialed FAirfax 8-5014. The voice on the other end came through strong and husky.

"Oscar Maples," it answered.

"You got Cleo Castro over there?"

"Sure, and most of the other gals in town, too. Disposing of the 1955 Ford demonstrators. The place looks like a beauty salon."

"Yeah," I said, "I know . . . Got Mr. Castro here. He's about to have a broken home. Can you fix him up?"

"Sure," the husky voice answered, "Give him the no-drama plan!"

"Yeah," I said, "Castro shook himself out of his grief fast. I have never seen a man as happy."

I hurried as I marked the case of the missing wife closed.

I wanted to get over to Oscar Maples myself, 1420 Cabrillo.

. . . And they all lived happily ever after, with their 1955 Ford!

Saxons Debut Against Artesia; Wilson Hosts Tartar Gridders



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NHS Opens Grid Season at Home

Veteran coach Cliff Graybehl will unveil the newest football team in this area tomorrow night when his North High Saxon Varsity plays host to Artesia on the THS field. Graybehl's Saxons will kick off their first grid season in an 8 p.m. encounter. The Saxons are characterized by

speed and desire, says Graybehl, but are lacking seriously in weight and depth. Only Bill Warner, 6'4" tackle who weighs in at 200 pounds, and Bob Turner, also a tackle at 195 pounds, add any kind of heft to the Saxon squad.

Graybehl has come up with a real good aerial game, however, featuring the tosses of Ray Grieshaber, Grieshaber, running at fullback in the single wing formation, has connected continuously throughout practice sessions on both long and short aerials. He is especially adept at tossing the long gain.

Primary Target
Gene Daimler, who is a 5'8", 130-pounder at end, has been Grieshaber's main target. Daim-

WHAT'S DOING

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DOWN TO THE SEA IN SHIPS

(Pacific Telephone congratulates the men and women of the Harbor area, who lend their efforts to making the Fishermen's Fiesta one of the outstanding events of the nation):
On Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 12, one of the most interesting and important events of the Fall period in Southern California will be held - the 9th annual Fishermen's Fiesta. On Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 1 and 2, one-quarter million people will come to San Pedro, Los Angeles Harbor, to witness and participate in the gigantic fish fry, folk dancing, witness the beautiful and solemn blessing of the fishing boats and the men who 'go down to the sea in ships' - the fishermen.

The people of the Harbor area have nominated the daughters or pieces of fishermen for the titles of Skipperette of the Fishermen's Fiesta and Mates of the Fiesta. Three beautiful and charming young girls have been judged and selected as the fairest of the fishing industry - and will be on hand to greet the visitors who visit this outstanding event.

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INDUSTRY TAKES TIME TO RECALL THE SPIRITUAL VALUES OF MEN

The blessing of the fleet and the men who go down to the sea in ships - the fishermen, marks the high point of the Fishermen's Fiesta.

On Sunday, Oct. 2nd, the day begins with the celebration of Solemn High Mass in Mary Star of the Sea Church in San Pedro. A procession of members of the hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church, clergy, choir, fishermen and other laymen of the community moves to Fishermen's Wharf following the Mass. Here at Fishermen's Wharf are assembled the representatives of national, state, county and city government, prominent business and professional men - and, together with thousands of visitors - the blessing of the fishing boats and the men who man them is bestowed. At its conclusion scores of gaily decorated fishing boats move away from the dock and head for the open harbor. Truly a beautiful and symbolic ceremony.

Crippled Locals Face Second Test

Crippled by injuries to two key players, Torrance's Tartars invade Long Beach Wilson High tomorrow night for their second practice tilt of the young season. The locals still are seeking their first win after being dumped 31-7 by a powerful Hoover of Glendale team last Friday here.

Tony Ward, first team end who ball hawked all night against Hoover, is out for the season following a scrimmage accident Monday. Ward, who copped two passes and recovered a fumble in the opener, suffered a double fracture of the right jaw and cheekbone and had to undergo surgery late Monday on the hurt.

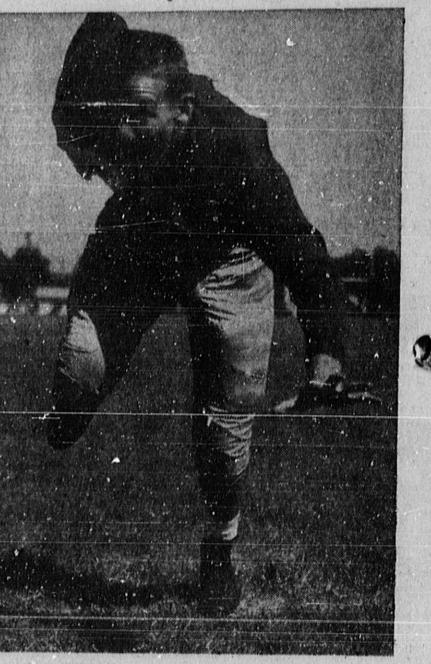
Coaches Don Porter and Jack Miller say 8', 160-pound speed burner Tommy Brown will open for Ward at left end. Brown, a junior, was a sprinter on the Tartar track squad last spring.

Meacham Out Too
Bill Meacham, first string quarterback, still is bothered by an ankle injury that he came up with in the first quarter of the Hoover game. Although he played in spot situations in the second half, Meacham has been unable to suit up this week. He has a torn ligament in the ankle.

Porter said Charley Valencia, who lacks experience but handled the signal calling job capably last Friday, will replace Meacham.

Both coaches were enthused at the addition of two newcomers to the squad this week. Larry Lippincott, veteran tackle who stands 6'2" and weighs in at 210 pounds, has returned from a summer trip to Europe.

The other new turn-out is half-back Mike Bertollet of Tartar baseball fame. Mike is a rugged 170-pounder and will see some action at defense in tomorrow's game, Porter said. He said that he expects Bertollet to add speed and heft to the Tartar's light backfield when he masters the signals. Lippincott



LEADS TARTARS . . . Skip Smith, senior fullback who captains Torrance Tartar eleven, will try to roll over LB Wilson squad tomorrow night as he did Glendale Hoover last week. Although locals dropped 31-7 decision to Hoover, Smith gained on every play and he ran every scrimmage play but four. He capped good evening by running back kick off 90 yards for only Tartar score.

Tartarbees Face Wilson in Opener

Torrance High's Tartarbee vaders a tough struggle. Dana eleven tangles with a strong Long Beach Wilson squad today in the first game of the season for the locals. Game time is 2:45 p.m. on the THS field.

Coach Dave Dana says if last minute injuries clear up the Bees will give the rugged injured halfbacks.

Dana is minus a healthy left halfback due to recent injuries. George Boscon, Milt Robin and Gary Vom Steeg, prominent candidates for the starting left half post, all have bum knees. He hopes that one of them will suit up for the game healthy enough to see action.

Jim McDougal, who lost three teeth and suffered a double fracture to his jaw recently, will be able to punt for the squad. Medicos gave the speedy back the green light, for punting purposes only. He had previously been announced as through for the year.

Squad At Limit
Dana and assistant Herb Solomon have cut the squad to its limit of 40. The Tartarbees will trot out on the field today with all new white uniforms.

PROBABLE LINEUP
Carlos Acosta LE
Dave Murphy LT
Dick Knight LG
Steve Foster C
Fred Balow RG
Tom McCloud RT
Joe Rubio RE
Mick Babbitt Q
Milt Robin RB
Ray Kearns F

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