

TARTARS-ROMANS CLASH IN PLAYOFF HERE

Merchants Plenty Good

Second Successive Defeat Handed Out to Colored Giants Sunday

Are the Los Angeles Colored Giants slipping, or are the Lomita Merchants just plenty good? After humiliating dozens of outfits during their long career in semi-pro baseball, the Giants have finally met up with an outfit that can lick them, not only once but two games in a row.

The Merchants made it two last Sunday, 9-8, in spite of the fact that the Giants had come to town well bolstered up with additional talent combed out of the bigger leagues. With a three-run lead that they shook out of Eppley's delivery in the first frame the Giants were in a cocky mood but they lost their rabbits' feet somewhere midway of the game when Walt Morris's boys flung everything they had in the willow at Flannoy during the fourth and fifth to shove over seven runs.

The fans were immensely cheered when the Merchants tied the score in the fourth and let loose the old rebel yell when they followed it up in the fifth with three more hits and four runs.

Patalano, who relieved Eppley in the early stage of the game, kept the hits scattered and the score down until the eighth when successive drives put three men across with nobody out. Pat quit trying for whiffs at this stage and let the boys have balls they could hit high and wide where Palica and Correll could get under them and the rally died a sudden death.

Errors put over the Merchants' winning run in the seventh when Palica stole second and was hit in the eye by the ball which bounded away. Palica lit out for third where Flannoy muffed, up the throw from second and the pill rolled to the barrier with Palica foot-footing for home, in the comedy play of the afternoon.

Joe Venable had a perfect day at bat with three out of three. Matthews, who tried himself out at third and went to short when Dunn took the mound in the seventh, was the prima donna for the Giants, three out of five hits and three runs. Dunn ran second with three hits out of four and two runs. The seven other Giant boys were in there to complete the picture of a baseball troupe, and divided six hits and three runs among them. Next Sunday at 2 p. m. the

Montebello Merchants will play a return date, with hopes of a moral victory. About 700 fans were on hand for the Giants-Merchants game and attendance is holding up well every Sunday to Manager Morris's satisfaction. After his team won last Sunday Walt was presented with a fine cigar about the size of a young zeppelin and from all appearances will be smoking on it until some time next week unless he lays off from work.

Box score:

COLORED GIANTS				
	AB	R	H	E
Adams, 1b.	5	1	1	1
W. Nunley, lf.	5	1	1	0
Matthews, 3b-ss.	5	3	3	0
Dunn, ss-p.	4	2	3	0
Flannoy, p-3b.	4	1	2	0
Collins, cf.	4	0	0	0
E. Nunley, c.	4	0	0	0
McCowan, rf.	4	0	0	1
Davis, 2b.	4	0	1	0
Totals	39	8	12	

LOMITA

	AB	R	H	E
Rowe, 2b.	5	1	1	1
J. Venable, rf.	3	0	3	0
League, c.	4	0	1	0
S. Venable, 1b.	5	0	1	1
Weddle, ss.	5	1	2	0
Markham, 3b.	3	2	2	0
Correll, lf.	5	1	0	0
Eppley, p.	0	0	0	0
Palica, cf.	4	3	2	0
Patalano, p.	4	1	1	1
Totals	38	9	12	

Summary: Home runs—Matthews, Flannoy. Sacrifice hit—J. Venable. Stolen bases—Adams, Palica. Bases on balls—Off Dunn, 1; off Flannoy, 1. Struck out—By Dunn, 2; by Patalano, 2. Hits—Off Eppley, 3; off Patalano, 9; off Flannoy, 11; off Dunn, 2. Two-base hits—Rowe, Markham, Dunn 2.

Owl and Possum Fight
MONROVIA (U.P.)—Patients in a local sanatorium watched when an owl and possum met. It was a real fight until police appeared and the owl winged off in one direction and the possum trekked in the other.

Gauchos Meet University As City Title Race Begins

L. A. TEAM UNDEFEATED THIS YEAR; TORRANCE IS IN GOOD CONDITION

Kick-Off at 2:30; Coach Is Confident

Now comes the "interlocking playoffs" for the Los Angeles city schools' championship and two spectacular grid games for Torrance and Lomita fans tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock on the Wood and Griffin fields. By winning a drawing to see which team would get a chance at the pennant, Coach Bernard J. Donahue will fling his squad against the Western League champions, L. A. high's Romans, on the local gridiron, while Coach Ben Comrada's Narbonne Gauchos will entertain University high's Warriors.

Winner of the Torrance-L.A. game will probably play Roosevelt high on Friday, Nov. 20, while the high scorer of the Narbonne-University clash will tackle Washington—presuming that Washington tops Bell and that Roosevelt does the expected by dumping San Fernando out of the playoff.

Donahue's luck in winning toss-ups, draws or what-have-you to decide post-season issues persisted this week when he drew No. 1 of three slips representing Torrance, Leuzinger and San Pedro who ended the Marine schedule in a triple tie for second place honors. Leuzinger drew No. 2 and the right to enter the all-city fourth annual football carnival to be held Wednesday, Nov. 25, at the L. A. Coliseum. San Pedro is definitely out of the running although the Pirates may play post-season games at will until early in December.

Tartars' Big Chance
Last year Donahue won a toss that gave his Tartars, co-champs of the Marine circuit with Narbonne, a chance to play Bell, Pacific division title-holder. Torrance lost, 26-20.

The interlocking schedule of title playoff games, involving some 12 elevens, furnishes the Tartars a chance to go far toward the pennant and approximate their 1934 performance when they won the league championship—the best Torrance has ever done in football. That year's banner team beat South Gate in a playoff contest.

Coach Donahue is confident that his eleven will make a formidable showing against the L. A. high Romans, even though the invaders come bearing the reputation of being the biggest scoring machine in their league. Coached by Bert Laboucheie, former U. C. L. A. star, the Romans are certain to pull every trick in their basket to get over the local squad in the pennant race.

Have Weight Edge
The Romans' line averages 175 pounds and the backfield scales around 155 pounds, revealing a strong edge over the Tartars in this major comparison between the teams. The Romans' scores this year were: Defeated L. A. Poly, 21-0; crushed Hamilton, 33-6; swamped University, 37-0; won from Fairfax, 13-7; beat

They'll See Action For Title

Probable starting line-ups for the big game tomorrow afternoon that starts the playoffs for the city championship are as follows:

TORRANCE		L. A. HIGH
Jack Kent	LER	Strasser
Leonard Harris	LTR	Becker
Gerald Grubbs	LOR	Coykendall
Ray Richhart	C	Whitebook
Leo Rossett	RGL	Kerr
Frank Thompson	RTL	Olsen
Carl Gilbert	REL	Murphy
Louis Madore	G	Thompson
Jim Amman	LHR	Lanyon
Bob Trezise	RHL	Feris
Johnny Schmidt	F	Donnelly

Hollywood, 20-9, and humbled Venice, 20-0.

The Tartars are in splendid condition for the battle. Fortunately, they came out of their last game with El Segundo with only minor injuries which have healed during the past few days. While Donahue is not predicting any surprising margin of victory, he is certain that the intensive practice of the past few seasons has ironed out any rough spots remaining from a league season and that the Tartars are fit for anything that may happen tomorrow.

Torrance will be at a disadvantage in two vital departments—weight and reserves. Big L. A. high has a world of material and the variety boasts plenty of beef, as compared to the Tartars' average of 168 pounds on the line and 153 in the backfield with only fair reinforcements.

Gauchos Crippled
Down at Narbonne, Coach Comrada is bewailing the injuries his Gauchos suffered in the torrid San Pedro encounter. Arnold Hansen, leading candidate for all-league end, suffered a nose broken in three places in the Gardena game and is definitely out of any post-season play. Billy Briens, all-Marine tackle last year, 185 pounds, six-foot three-incher, is another casualty whose badly wrenched ankle and knee may hold him on the bench tomorrow.

Lloyd Powell, regular right end, another Narbonne candidate for the mythical all-league squad, took a beating in the Pedro game and his resultant charley-horse may cost him a place in the game with University. Comrada, therefore, is highly uncertain as to his starting line-up but opines it may be something like this:

Powell, if able, right end, and if he is still unfit, Bunge will try to hold that berth; Whitaker, a lightweight, for Hansen at left end; Cook, Briens or Savant, tackles; Hirata, Likens or Lovell, guards; Gardner or Moore, center; Haslam, the Gauchos' shining star this year, and Clayton, halves; Moyle, full, and Likens or Woods at quarter.

CITY CASABA PLAY STARTS ON TUESDAY
At the regular monthly meeting of the Torrance Athletic Club Monday night in the old city council room over the fire station, managers of the six basketball teams entered in the proposed tournament for the city championship mapped the series which will start Tuesday night, Nov. 17, at 7:30 o'clock in the high school gymnasium.

Two more teams are scheduled to enter the tourney and there is an opening for another quintet if they apply to Chairman Dale Riley before the Thursday night "deadline" Nov. 19. Four games are to be played each week, two each Tuesday and Thursday nights, and these will be open to the public without charge.

Badminton Is Free
Nearly every team enrolled for the city title has been equipped with snappy-looking play suits, colorfully inscribed with the name of the backers. The schedule is being completed now and will be announced next Thursday.

Leuzinger Gets Coliseum Bid
Howard Hudson was appointed by the club directorate as chairman of the Badminton club, affiliated with the athletic association. This fast sport will be played every Tuesday night in the municipal auditorium where the floor has been striped off for four courts. The games are free to players and spectators alike.

Leuzinger high will see action in the fourth annual football carnival to be held Nov. 25 at the L. A. Coliseum as the Marine League's representative in the game that will consist of six 20-minute periods, with two of the outstanding teams of the various leagues participating in each period.

Sport Shots

By Bob Lowellen

Marine League Season Over; City Playoff Now On
Torrance downed El Segundo last Friday, in a very impressive



LEONARD HARRIS
Tartar tackle, will be in there tomorrow against Los Angeles high school.

way, having the game well in hand from the opening kick-off until the final gun. Glen Smith, right tackle, and Augustine Puchret, halfback, were the stars for the Segundo Oilers. For the local lads, Leo Rossett, Jack Kent, Schmidt, Richhart and Jim Amman stole the show.

Tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Los Angeles high school and Torrance tangle on the local field in the first of a series of playoffs for the City Schools championship. Los Angeles high should win, after a terrific battle. This will be the first appearance of Los Angeles high in Torrance (in a regular game). A large crowd is expected, so you had better get there early.

FLASH—Forrest McHenry and Carl Gilbert, both injured ends, will see action tomorrow afternoon. These two boys have been on the sidelines for the past few games, but their injuries passed the doctor's examination yesterday, and they will be in there fighting to keep Torrance in the playoff schedule.

Fordham In The Rose Bowl; These Words Loom In Horizon
If the Fordham Rams win their next two games, they will play in the Rose Bowl, New Year's Day, against a team representing the Pacific Coast. Not the best team, however, as the greatest team on the coast to my way of thinking is none other than Santa Clara, but according to a "silly" ruling, a team must be a member of the Pacific Coast conference to play in the Rose Bowl Game. Yes they will advertise the team that represents the Coast, as the "Best in the West."

If Fordham represents the East in the annual game, it will be the second time that Jim Crowley, Ram coach, has been in the "Big Game." The first time in 1924 as a player on the Notre Dame team, a member of the great "Four Horsemen," and an All-American, and this year as the coach of the playing team. Certainly the ambition of many ex-players now coaches in this great nation.

How About Your Changes For the All-Time Torrance Team
Now that the Marine league football season is over, how about sending in your selections to "Sport Shots" on the All-Time All-Torrance team. That is providing you have any changes to make, otherwise the team will stand as picked last year.

A Few Sport Shots About Loyola University
Yesterday's game with Texas Tech was the third time these two teams have met on the gridiron, Loyola winning the two previous games. If Santa Clara defeats St. Mary's this week-end, there is some talk about moving the Loyola-Santa Clara tussle into the Coliseum, to handle the crowd. Prior to yesterday's game the Lions of Playa del Rey have rolled up 1,687 yards against their opponents' 709, and have made 77 first downs against their opponents' 35, yet have only scored 82 points against their opponents' 41. Loyola still holds the Coliseum game attendance record, as 62,000 fans witnessed the St. Mary's-Loyola game a few weeks ago.

Squirrel Bites Hunter
SHELBY, O. (U.P.)—When huntsman Byron Heck straddled a log across a ditch to fire at a squirrel, many things happened. The gun kicked and Byron fell face down in the mud below, but waiting at the foot of a tree was the squirrel.

TARTARS RIDE OVER OILERS TO EASY 18-7 LEAGUE WIN

Proving superior to El Segundo in every department of the game, Torrance high school Tartars closed their 1936 Marine League season last Friday on the Oilers' field with an 18-7 victory, which placed them in a three-way tie with Leuzinger and San Pedro for second place in the circuit.

'36 League Scores

Three wins, two defeats—that's the 1936 Marine league record of your Torrance Tartars. The scores were:
Leuzinger, 14; Torrance, 0.
Torrance, 7; San Pedro, 0.
Narbonne, 20; Torrance, 6.
Torrance, 12; Gardena, 0.
Torrance, 18; El Segundo, 7.

Merrill Faces Tough Casaba Assignment

Lack of Lettermen Noted at High School for Basketball

Without a single letterman upon which to build a varsity basketball squad, Coach Bert Merrill is forced this year to build his squad from the ground up at Torrance high school. For that reason he is expected to issue an early training call for the casaba games which get under way Dec. 10.

The Marine league schedule has not been completely worked out yet but that isn't worrying the coach, a graduate of the local school with the class of '31, who will direct the varsity for the first time. Coach Bernard J. Donahue will mentor the C and D squads.

Limit Participation
Merrill has some good material lined up in Bob Sleeth, Billy Keefer, David Powell, all from last year's B team, and Glenn Maupin, a transfer from Oklahoma, for forward candidates. To date only one prospect is in sight for center—Kenneth Hall, who held that position on the '35 team. For guards, Coach Merrill has Tony Nady and Wilbur Franklin, last year's Bees; Harold Massie and Hal Clemmer, newcomers.

Basketball has always been a difficult sport for the Tartars to handle because football men, by league ruling, cannot compete. Thus the schools with large enrollments gain the all-important edge of additional material. San Pedro holds this advantage and is expected to be the strongest competitor in the Marine division.

Although the El Segundo fracas was the final league engagement for the Tartars they have several more games to play in the new Los Angeles schools' system of round-robin post-season contests.

With a crowd of about 1,800 on the sidelines, including a delegation of some 800 from Torrance—students, residents and business people—the result of the final Marine game was never in doubt from the first play on. Receiving El Segundo's kick-off, Fullback Johnny Schmidt raced 40 yards through an open field and was only kept from an immediate score when he was tapped by an Oiler, slipped and fell. Torrance opened the first of its marches then, but lost the ball on downs.

Baffle Segundo
Segundo punted back after a couple of attempts through the Tartars' line and in the next three series of downs Schmidt broke away on a fullback spinner and reverse over his own left tackle to go 60 yards for the first Torrance touchdown. Capt. Bob Trezise's conversion kick was wide. The play was all Torrance the remainder of the opening quarter, the Tartars pushing the Oilers back at will. A few minutes before the gun Coach Bernard J. Donahue's men had the ball on the 6-yard line and Lethal Jim Amman, on a short right end around play, galloped over for the second score. Trezise's kick was low this time and the quarter ended, Torrance 12; El Segundo, 0.

The Tartars revived their yardage-yielding march in the second (Continued On Page 5-B)

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Freeman	6	265.50
Anderle	6	265.50
March	5	260.20
Boynton	6	258.20
Grant	2	260.50
Travioli	5	249.00
Peterson	1	241.00
Speheger	4	234.75
Ashton	1	232.00
Stroh	4	230.00
Calder	1	230.00
Dolton	5	225.00
Webb	4	223.75
Smith	2	221.50
Colburn	2	218.00
Stewart	3	226.33
Morgan, J.	8	213.13
Evans	1	201.00

Santa Anita Race Will Be Named For Torrance

Assurance that a handicap or special event race at the third annual Santa Anita park racing season that starts Christmas Day will be named in honor of this city was contained in a letter to the Herald this week from Fred A. Purner, director of public relations for the Los Angeles Turf Club.

Torrance was omitted from the list of honored cities in the first list published last week but Purner points out that this schedule was for the opening 12-day book. "We are going to have an event named in honor of Torrance as well as Lomita and all the organized cities in Southern California. I will duly notify you and publicize the fact when we reach Torrance and Lomita," he wrote.

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