ECC Wins 20 of 42 Second Season Basketball Games

With a record of twenty wins and twenty-two losses, Coach John Morrow's El Camino College Warriors turned in the best season in the schools short record. The Warriors who finished in second place in the Metropolitan Conference placed with six wins and two losses.

They were dropped from the Western Junior College Conference tournament at Compton following two straight losses—the first to Compton by a score of 84-53 and the second to Fullerton whom the Warriors had perviously defeated by a score of 74-62.

In the tournament efforts, the Warriors were hampered by the loss of Clarence Witt, their All-Conference Center, who withdrew from school and by the illness of Ed Kennedy, Warrior stalwart who was selected on the second team of the All-Metropolitan Conference team.

A summary of El Camino College games, together with the high point man for each game:

El Camino		Opponent	Hi Pt Man
64	L.B. Proctors	51	Jacobs 15
54	Long Beach C.C	66	Mount 15
62	Glendale C.C.	41	Espinosa 12
46	Long Beach C.	C71	Acosta 15
48	Ventura J.C.	41	Mount 15
44	Chaffey	28	Acosta 15
47	Pasadena	73	Corrigan 13
58	Glendale	62	Corrigan 14
59	Compton College	79	Acosta 20
52	Compton College	55	Acosta 13
43	Grant Tech	52	Corrigan 7
53	Napa	30	Acosta 13

Cee Trackmeet

GEE SUMMARY

100—Seidenberg (SP), Minaura (T and Layba (SP) ;10.6.

440—Downing (T), Aspeztia (SP and Leyba (SP), 1:36.5.

Lit—Stock (T), tied for second Hansen (SP) and Mimurd (T) ;14.9

Shot—Walker (T), Dandoy (T) and Babjko; (SP), 44ft 3½in.

Broad jump—Hansen (SP), Castanda (SP) and Kelly (T), 20ft.

High jump—Dandoy (T), Hansen (SP) and tied for third, Kelly (T), and Giatris (T), 5ft 2in.

Pole vault—Marino (SP), tied for second, Maes (SP), Hansen (SP) and O'Cain (T), 9ft 6in.

440 relay—Torrance, 49.8.

Final score: Torrance, 43; San Pedro 34.

Snafu Situation Forces National Out of Tourney

Due to a misunderstanding of the tournament rules, the National Supply cage five dropped out of the Whittier Municipal Tourney last week after splitting two contests.

An official announced previous to the tournament that two former high school players were eligible to play for the Nat squad. The tournament manager later repudiated this statement and declared the questioned players ineligible for further play. The weakened local outfit decided not to remain in the consolation round.

Columbia Wins 'Sudden Death' Thriller and Minor Loop Title

By GEORGE WHITING

Hershel Dean bucketed a 40-foot field after eight long minutes had elapsed in the second overtime period to give Columbia a slight 32-30 victory over the Crenshaws and possession of the second round minor division title in a titanic tussle last Thursday evening on the high school hardwoods. The marathon-like contest was not only the longest tilt of the current season, but was by far the most thrilling.

The action was sensational from start to finish. Columbia exploded early in the opening quarter and racked up a large 13-0 lead before their opponents could dent the scoreboard. The winners maintained their terrific pace and held a 19-6 advantage at the intermission period.

Going into the fourth period with an apparently safe 26-16 lead, the Columbia outfit looked like heavy favorites to win easily. However, Don Hovda and the rest of the Crenshaws retaliated with an uphill comeback. Hovda connected for eight digits in the final minutes and smashed in the tieing field goal with but seven seconds remaining in the battle.

The game then entered a three minute overtime session. Frank Merrell of the Crenshaws fouled out with five fouls, with one minute remaining. Meanwhile, both quints had failed to score. Since Bill Kantsky and Maurice Ford of the opposing fives also had been booted from the tilt earlier in the fourth quarter, both teams were undermanned and Earl Terry came from the grandstands to enter the Crenshaw lineup in his street clothes.

Bill Borgelt gave Columbia a 30-28 advantage with 30 seconds to go while William Heston quickly evened up things five seconds later.

Following the regulation three minute overtime, the fans and players both grew tense as a second "sudden death" overtime got underway, in which the first field goal for either team would mean victory.

With only 30 seconds gone in the sudden death period, Borgelt fouled out and Columbia was left with but four players.

The four-man Columbia outfit fought desperately as both teams struggled back and forth as the minutes ticked on. The spectators went wild as shot after shot rolled in and out as the win-hungry opponents fought for control of the melon.

Dean cast off his important shot after 51 minutes and five seconds had been counted off and the near-exhausted titleholders stumbled from the court.

Accuracy at the free-throw line was responsible for the Columbia margin of victory. The winners connected on eight out of 16 attempts while the defeated hit on only three out of 16.

National Appliance downed Walteria, 48-22, and Reeds smothered Palos Verdes, 47-13, in the other cage contests. The two victors along with the Crenshaws, ended the round in a three-way tie for second place.

LINE UPS

Columbia (32)		Crenshaws (30)
Bell (4)	F	(8) Hovda
Dean (7)	F	(2) Heston
Ford (1)	C	(2) Wolford
Ban	G	(4) Kantsky
Goetsch (7)	G	(14) Merrell

Half time: Columbia, 19; Crenshaws, 6.

Scoring subs: Columbia—Borgelt 11, Hull 2.

Nat'l Appliance (48)		Walteria (22)
L. Chambers (9)	F	Kerkruff
B. Chambers (15)	F	(5) R. Croshaw
Smith (14)	F	(1) Hansen
Foreman (7)	G	(4) Walters
Farrell (3)	G	(4) Barrett

Half time: Walteria, 9; National, 30.

Scoring subs: Walteria—D. Harline 4, G. Harline 4.

Reeds (47)		Palos Verdes (13)
Goldring (8)	F	(9) McAuliffe
J. Clark (9)	F	Brace
B. Clark (13)	C	(4) Everts
Schwenk (9)	G	Hone
McMahon (5)	G	Keefe

Half time: Reeds, 19; Palos Verdes, 6.

Scoring subs: Reeds—Sheffner 4.

MINOR LEAGUE STANDINGS
(Second Round Final)

	W	L	P	OP
Columbia	5	0	174	130
National Appliance	3	2	206	152
Reeds	3	2	194	160
Crenshaws	3	2	185	130
Walteria	1	4	110	195
Palos Verdes	0	5	77	145

IT'S COLOSSAL

The fusilage volume of the Navy's 190-passenger transport plane, Constitution, is larger than the largest pullman car, biggest box car, largest flat car and passenger bus combined.

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Rascals Win Major League Crown In Razzle-Dazzle 1-point Finale

Eddie Cole, Torrance High coach, sank a vital free throw with two seconds remaining to give Ragsdale's Rascals a hard earned 49-48 decision over the National Supply Company and the City league major division basketball championship last Monday night on the local courts.

Sharp and rough action dominated the play which was viewed before a large throng.

The score was tied on nine different occasions.

Both squads concluded the tilt with but four players. Fifty-seven personal fouls were called in the cage thriller and four men from both outfits were removed via the whistle.

Mickey Colmer throttled the champs with a 17-point scoring total — 11 of them came in a third quarter spurt. Fran Munsterman and Bob Fersenius both garnered an unlucky 13 for the Nats.

Seventy-five field goals were attempted by each outfit with the winners collecting 18 and the losers 14. National led in the free throw department. The Nats connected on 20 out of 33 attempts and the Rascals hit 13 of their 36 tries.

After a 7-7 deadlock at the end of the opening quarter, Buzz Hunter, Rascal forward, bucketed a gift shot to give his teammates a 8-7 lead. Fersenius momentarily gave the losers possesion of a 14-12 advantage midway in the second quarter as he plucked the strings for five quick digits.

Howard Huizing and Hunter quickly responded with two charity tosses apiece and the Ragsdale five coasted to a 21-17 lead at halftime.

Colmer went to town following the rest period and the victors took a decisive 34-22 advantage. However, the determined Nationalities rallied and deadlocked the count at 36-all, with eight minutes remaining in the contest, when Fran Munsterman dumped in a two-pointer.

Tony Prodan, although playing with an infected foot, swished the nets for a field goal and the Rascals captured a 38-36 lead. Liegh Harline and Fersenius retaliated and both drove home two-pointers to shove the Nats two tallies in front. Hunter responded with another free throw while Duke Kollmeyer sank two one-pointers and the losers went ahead, 42-39.

Ed Cole banged in a charity throw followed by Hunter's three markers and the Rascals regained a 43-42, lead. The battle reached fever pitch at this point. Prodan bucketed a shot to extend the margin to three counters but Leo Morris fought back with a field goal and Kollmeyer added a digit and the score stood at 45-45.

With one minute and twenty seconds remaining to play Bill Dietlin stepped to the free throw line and proceeded to drop in two throws but Cole evened the count with a two-pointer. Fran Munsterman put National in the lead for the final time with a gift shot, Prodan tied the count, and Cole added his winning tally.

Mr. William Lightenberg of the Torrance Hardware Company presented a trophy to Cole, who is player-manager of the Rascals.

LINE UPS

Rags Rascals (49)		Nat'l Supply (48)
Cole (8)	F	(3) Olson
Hunter (10)	F	(13) F. M'sterman
Colmer (17)	C	(13) Fersenius
Huizing (5)	G	(7) Harline
Ragsdale (4)	G	(2) A. M'sterman

Scoring subs: Rascals—Prodan 5. National—Morris 2, Kollmeyer 5, Dietlin 3.

Half time: Rascals, 21; National, 17.

Tartar Nine Opens Season Against LBJ

Raising the curtain on the 1949 Bay League season, the Torrance High varsity nine journeys to Long Beach Jordan this afternoon to meet the Panthers. The host school is favored over the locals.

This year's play finds the circuit teams playing only one round so anything can happen.

Because of a schedule switch, Coach Bob Cosby of the Tartars only yesterday learned of today's contest. A little surprised at this advanced opening date, he will have to make some rapid squad cutting and settle on the doubtful starting position.

Cosby yesterday stated, "Win or lose, the Torrance outfit promises their opponents they will know they have been in a ball game."

Right-fielder Max Robinson will miss the Jordan battle because of a death in his family. Otherwise, the home town gang is ready and willing to overcome their enemies.

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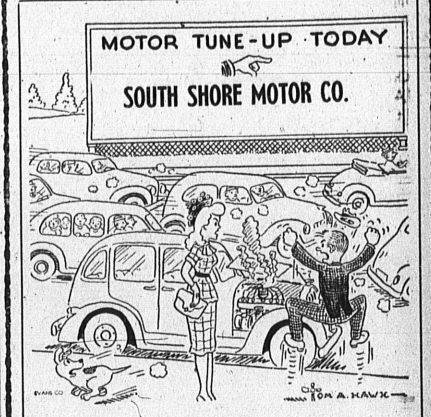

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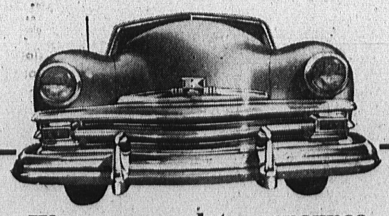

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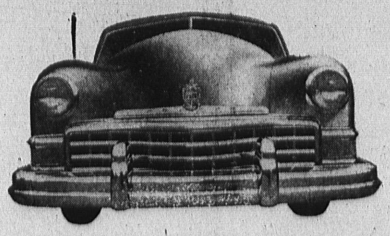

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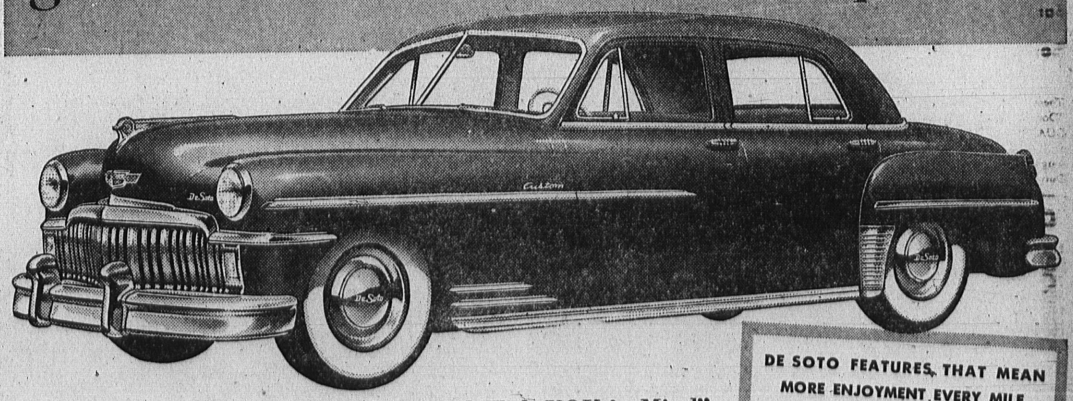

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