

Tartars Break Jinx, Topple Redondo 73-64

El Camino Smashes Long Beach 94-77, Takes Lead

94 Points Sets Scoring Record, Herring Nets 33

Herring Holds 18.7 Average To Lead El Camino Hoopsters

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El Camino—84, Long Beach—77. The score stands a record in El Camino basketball history now, but the fans who packed the Warrior gym Tuesday night to witness the affair will be talking about the game for many years to come.

El Camino Basketball Record Wins 19 - Lost 3

Team	FG	FTA	FTM	FT%	PF	Tot. Pts.	Game Ave.
El Camino	458	485	302	62.25	270	1218	67.8
Opponents	401	426	243	57.16	310	1045	58.0

Name	Pos.	G	FG	FTA	FTM	PF	Total	Ave.
Allen Herring	F	17	110	145	75	50	319	18.7
Bill Baron	G	18	100	122	81	43	241	13.3
Ron Heuser	G	18	58	63	37	29	153	8.5
John Nelbert	G	18	54	61	38	25	146	8.1
Tommy Strawn	C	16	44	42	33	25	121	7.5
Chuck Baker	C	7	6	6	2	11	28	4.0
Bob Hester	F	11	22	19	10	12	55	5.0
Tommy Strawn	C	14	18	17	6	11	55	3.9
Bob Hester	F	15	19	26	12	4	50	3.3
Norm Becker	G	6	4	4	2	5	10	1.66
Bill Baron	G	5	2	2	0	4	4	0.8
Bob Hester	F	5	2	2	0	4	4	0.8
Dave Small	F	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Paul Myers	F	11	3	6	2	11	8	0.72

Name	FG	FTA	FTM	PF	Total	Ave.
Allen Herring	25	36	19	10	69	23.0
Bill Baron	15	18	8	8	30	10.0
Ron Heuser	13	18	11	11	37	12.3
John Nelbert	8	9	6	7	22	7.1
Tommy Strawn	9	9	6	7	22	7.1
Chuck Baker	3	11	5	4	16	5.3
Bob Hester	3	5	4	3	10	3.3
Norm Becker	0	0	0	3	3	1.0
Bill Baron	0	0	0	3	3	1.0

Van Bellehem, City Departments Work to Rebuild Baseball Park

Once upon a time, the name of Torrance was renowned in Southern baseball circles as the home of one of the best semi-pro tournaments in the state.

The home of this tournament, Torrance Baseball Park, gained the reputation of being one of the top diamonds for the semi-pro sport in the area. But the tourney died because of apathy, and the ball park festered and scabbled like an old sore.

Due to the efforts of the City Recreation Department and Harry Van Bellehem, its director, Torrance baseball park is coming back to life. Its scarred and pitted face has been rejuvenated with 150 truckloads of topsoil, which have made it, once again, one of the smoothest fields in Southern California.

This topsoil was trucked to the park by Ralph Perkins, head of the City Street Department, and his men. Perkins also supervised the leveling and grading of the field. The City Park Department, under Casper Clementer, park superintendent, is presently installing a new spring-irrigation system and planting out-field grass.

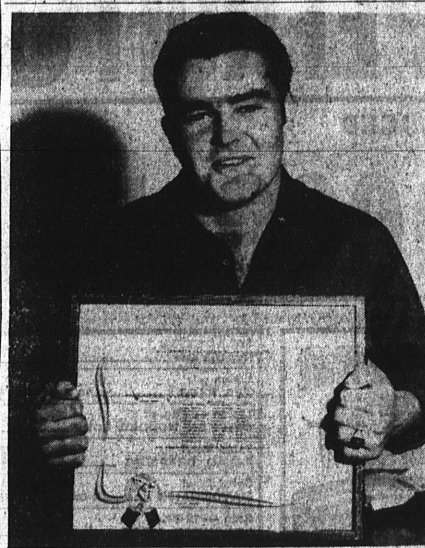
Council Asked for \$5
Van Bellehem has asked the City Council for \$3075 to build a backstop and fence at the park to replace the old, wooden affair, which was condemned and had to be torn down. Hopes are high that the council will allocate the money.

Although work is proceeding as rapidly as possible, Van Bellehem says that it doesn't look like it will be finished in time for Torrance High School to begin baseball practice on the diamond.

The recreation director hopes that the diamond will be ready for some of the Tartars' league games, later in the season. The Tartars' first practice game will be held on Feb. 15 against Paramount High School.

Need Bleachers
If and when the backstop and fences are erected, there still remains the problem of providing bleachers at the field. "It may be necessary to bring some stands in from one of the other areas in town this year," Van Bellehem said. "But we'll get stands in there somehow."

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HE WON IT... Ed Powell, first Tartar to be named to the first-string All-CIF football team, gazes happily over the framed scroll presented to him Saturday at the Helms Athletic Foundation Banquet, which he attended with Coach Cliff Graybehl.

Lack of Diamond May Plague THS Baseball

For lack of a nail, the kingdom was lost, and for lack of a diamond, baseball, high school variety, may be lost to Torrance sports fans this year.

Tartar Coach Dick Leech, who has drafted a schedule for the Tartar baseball team, but if Torrance baseball park is not ready for occupancy by Feb. 16, date of the first practice trial, the list will have to be drastically revised and the Tartars will have to take an extended road trip and play every game away from home.

Bellehem Works

Harry Van Bellehem, city recreation director, is working like a Spartan to prepare the field for play in time and has asked the City Council to allocate money to replace the backstop and fence that were recently torn down because of dry rot. The outfield has been filled with dirt, graded and rolled, and the grass will be planted soon, Van Bellehem has said.

But it is extremely doubtful whether the field will be ready by the time the Tartars open practice on Feb. 1. So the THS diamondmen may be forced to practice for the first few weeks on the miniature girls soccer field at the high school, which is so small that practically every ball that isn't bunted in batting practice will clear the fence, Leech says.

Lettermen Back

Anyway, the Tartars have eight returning lettermen, including fireballer Manuel Oloque, who was a sensation as a frosh pitching star, but was ineligible last year.

Oloque will be joined by outfielder Burt Smith, a long ball hitting artist, who rapped .235 after a slow start last year and laid the ash to several balls that may be ascending still.

Letties Return

Two southpaw chukkers, Gary Hakanson, who has control and Tom Vanderpool, who hasn't, fill out the mound staff. Hakanson, a junior, won three and lost four last year, and Vanderpool, plagued by wildness, won one and lost two.

Second sacker Jim Moulton will be back at the keystone spot this year—he bombed .368 in league play last season—and Leech plans to work Jim Hawthorn, an outfielder last year, into the short patch, to finish the combination. Also back are lanky Bob Boss, a first baseman, and Walt McHenry, cagy centerfielder, who tapped a solid .261 last year.

Other players from last year, who didn't letter, include Tom Mills, pitcher; Dave Draszowski, and Ken Wheat, catcher-outfielder.

Guerra Jumps To Second Place In Tartar Scoring; Moon Way Ahead

Bob Guerra's 24 points in the first two Bay League games for Torrance High School pushed his average up to second place behind Bob Moon, with Jerry Farrar a close third this week.

Farrar collected 19 points against Leuzinger and Santa Monica, and Moon got 19 against Leuzinger but was unable to score against Samohi because of a sprained ankle that benched him in the first quarter and his average dropped from 18 to 16.4.

Following are the point totals for the first 10 games of the season, not including the Redondo game, held Tuesday afternoon.

NAME	G.	FG	FTA	FTM	TP	Ave.
Bob Moon	10	55	73	54	164	16.4
Bob Guerra	6	29	23	18	76	12.7
Jerry Farrar	9	43	24	19	105	11.7
Bob Boss	8	10	34	13	33	4.1
Don Forth	8	10	21	12	32	4.0
Dennis Hester	5	5	15	13	23	2.5
Tom Vanderpool	9	2	16	6	10	1.1

Legend: G—Games; FG—field goals; FTA—free throws attempted; FTM—free throws made; AVE—average points per game.

Huge Signup Bodes Well for THS Track

With 25 varsity and bee lettermen returning, and 135 potential lineups signed up for practice, Track Coach Vern Wolfe of Torrance High School was looking forward to the opening of the track season on Feb. 1 with a twinkle in both eyes.

Wolfe has until Feb. 24 to prepare the squad for the first meet against Lynwood there at 3 p.m. The Tartars will meet powerful Santa Monica in the Bay League opener on March 19.

Meet Beverly

Torrance took a 20-15 first quarter lead and was never headed, leading 33-25 at the half and 52-47 at the third quarter mark in the high scoring game. Bob Goldstone paced the losers with 20 points.

The Tartars are to meet Beverly Hills in their next league game tomorrow night at 8:15 p.m. at Beverly Hills. Redondo topped Beverly by two points in their meeting, so things look good for the locals.

The JVs had little trouble conquering the Seawalk Juniors 46-33, with Ron Petrilli and Bill Meacham splitting high point honors with 12 apiece. The Bee team suffered a close 36-34 loss and Coes were beaten 36-25. Don Iwata led the Bees with 14 markers.

Standings

Team	W	L
Santa Monica	3	1
Beverly Hills	2	2
Inglewood	2	2
Redondo	1	3
Leuzinger	1	3
Tuesday night: Beverly Hills 55, Inglewood 42, Santa Monica 70, Leuzinger 29.		

Team	W	L
Torrance (73)	3	1
Guerra (12)	F	(20) Goldstone
Farrar (12)	F	(7) Hughes
Boss (8)	C	(8) Sorenson
Moon (30)	G	(2) Trimbly
Hester (5)	G	(0) McMasters

Scoring subs: (0) McCasters; Forth, 3; Ruffell, 3; Redondo—Sturges, 7; Marshall, 5; Sanke, 14.

Guil Bennett Team Gets New Sponsor

A new sponsor has stepped into the city basketball leagues, according to Red Moon, city athletic director.

Guil Bennett's team in the Wednesday League has been taken over by the City Workers, CIO Local 1135, and will be so designated from hence, Moon said.

Legion Groups

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