

TARTARS FALL TO GAUCHO THINCLADS

Gardena Trips THS, Homecoming Coming

Boot in Eighth Ruins Hakanson Bid; Tartars Return to Torrance Tuesday

An unearned run in the last of the eighth gave Gardena a narrow 2-1 win over the Torrance Tartars Thursday afternoon, spoiling a well-pitched game by Southpaw Gary Hakanson who is due to get the starting call in the Tartars' Bay League opener, Thursday against Santa Monica, Coach Dick Leech said Friday.

Local fans should begin basting the fatted calf today in preparation for the homecoming of the Tartar Ramblers. They will cross willows with Centennial Tuesday at Torrance Ball Park in their first home game after eight long, hard affairs on the road.

Feats Impress
Several of the wanderers have covered themselves with glory during the extended tour. Eminent coaches have been forced to admit thatatcher Manuel Oloque is not a man to be trifled with on the basepaths. Oloque's gun-like right arm cut down two foolhardy Gardenas Thursday and, but for dropped pegs, would have added several more to the toll in the El Segundo and Culver City games.

Some coaches have been so moved by Oloque's accuracy that they have proclaimed him the best high school catcher they've seen this season.

Outfielder Barrett Lee, a rangy tenth grader, has shown promise of amazing feats of batmanship in the practice games in which he has appeared. The youth has straightened out the smokiest slants that rival chuckers have offered him. He banged a single and a double against El Segundo, and in the Gardena game, his line smash up the middle was the Tartars' most solid blow of the day. Added to Old Faithful Burt "Sluggo" Smith, Oloque and versatile Ron Anderson, Lee gives the locals an array of sluggers without parallel.

Triple-Threat Found
Concerning Anderson, Leech says he wishes the lad were a pitcher.

Stockers to Rush Today at Carrel

Laymen will watch their new cars perform under rough and rugged conditions today at 2:30 p.m. at Carrel Speedway in Gardena where an AAA 100-lap stock car race, featuring all makes of autos, will be held.

Top drivers from all over the Southland will be there including 1953 champ Frank Mundy, 1952 winner Marshall Teague, Mexican Road Race winners Chuck Stevenson and Johnny Mantz and the world's largest race driver, Troy Ruffman.

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Signup Dates Set for 'Babe Ruth' League

Now Hear This—Boys, ages 13 through 15, report to Torrance Ballpark Saturday, March 20 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Object—baseball.

The call went out this week for boys who have graduated from the Little League but would like to continue their diamond careers in a brand new loop—the National Babe Ruth League—which will open play here this summer.

Registration of players will begin Saturday at Torrance Park and continue for two additional Saturdays, according to Howard Miller, league organizer. All players must bring their birth certificate, preferably a copy of the original, to registration so that it may be filed at Babe Ruth Headquarters. Parents should accompany the boys if possible, Miller said.

At a meeting of the new league's organizers, held last week at the YMCA, by-laws were accepted and W. F. Pearsey was named Player's Agent, to handle registration of all players and supervise handling of equipment.

All fathers of boys in the 13-15 age bracket are invited to the next regular meeting of the group to be held Thursday night at the YMCA. Information can be obtained by calling Miller at FA 8-1961, Pearsey at FR 5-2362 or President Bill Deasy at ME 4-0166.

Deadline for registration of players is April 10, and practice will begin shortly thereafter, Miller stated. During practice sessions, players will be assigned a number so that no prejudice will enter into managers' selections of boys and so that they can be graded strictly on merit.

Managers will watch the workouts then will bid on the players they want for their teams in a manner similar to Little League team formation. Each manager will have a certain number of points to bid with at the player auction, Miller explained, and can borrow points if he runs out.

Managers, coaches and umpires are needed for the new league, which will operate under national baseball rules on regular-size hardball diamonds.

To keep an age balance, teams are not allowed to have any more than five players of 15 years of age, nor less than five who are 13. At the end of the season, an All-Star team will be chosen to compete in the District playoffs. District champ will go to the national competitions.

Braves Drop Metro Opener

Jerry Siegert received cruel and unusual punishment from the San Diego Knights Friday afternoon in the Border City as El Camino dropped its first Metro Conference baseball game to the Knights 11-5 and Siegert was bombed for seven runs in the three frames he tolled.

He was replaced by Ralph Wilkerson in the fourth.

Poly vs. Carmel For CIF Laurels

It was Mt. Carmel vs. Long Beach Poly last night for the CIF basketball championship after the Beach leads rudely upset unbeaten Ventura 60-55 on Friday eve and Carmel topped Fillmore 52-40. Poly ended Ventura's 27 game win streak.

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TORRANCE HERALD Sports

Mallard, Cooke On Injury List

Unbeaten Hurdler Misses Duel With Gaucho Whiz Craig Chudy

Crippled by an injury to triple winner Clayton Mallard, the Torrance track squad suffered its first defeat Friday at the hands of Narbonne by a 57 5/8 to 46 1/8 score.

Mallard, who has not been beaten in the hurdles or the pole vault all year, came up with a blood clot in his leg that will probably prevent him from running until Friday, when Torrance travels to Santa Monica for a dual meet. This will definitely hurt the locals tomorrow when they match spikes with potent Loyola at Banning High School.

Gary Cooke, the Tartars' top sprinter, also was out of the Narbonne meet with a blood clot and probably will be sidelined until Friday.

Craig Blazes
Even if uninjured, however, Mallard would have been hard-pressed to beat Narbonne's Craig (Superman) Chudy, who breezed over the 120-high hurdles in the phenomenal time of 14.8, one-tenth of a second over the local school record, and then hurdled the 120 lows in a blazing 13.6.

Bouncing Dennis Hester grabbed two of Torrance's three first places by performing his one-man variety act—the 880 and the high jump—in sterling style. His 2:04.7 and 5 ft. 7 in. were good for firsts.

Sonny Steele and Don Forth tied at 11 ft. 6 in. in the pole vault, making up for the absence of Mallard.

The remainder of the locals' point pile-uppage came via second and third places. Torrance snagged six seconds and a tie for a seventh, and seventh thirds, and a tie for an eighth.

Griddler Joe Lafferty showed up on the sprinters' roster for the first time this season and took second in the 100 and the 220.

The Tartars swacked the Gaucho Juniors 64-1 2/3 to 30-2 2/3.

TEST CARS . . . Shown in the 1954 Mobilgas Economy Run

Impound area in Pasadena, the three cars above will join 20 other brand new autos in the Sun Valley Run starting April 5. In background, technicians "seal" the cars to make sure they retain their strictly stock status.

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Powell Invited To Shrine Hi Football Game

Ed Powell, Torrance's All-CIF tackle, has been invited to participate in the 1954 Shrine Hi Football game to be played in the Los Angeles Coliseum on Wednesday evening, July 21, the Helms Athletic Foundation announced Friday.

Invitations have been sent to 25 All-CIF and All-City gridlers to play in the Shrine game. On the list are five Bay Leaguers—Powell, End Dick Dorsey from Santa Monica, Center Dan Peterson from Santa Monica, Halfback Doug Dick from Redondo, and Fullback Barry Billington, Inglewood.

The fabulous Ocean-side scorer, C. R. Roberts, will be there, as will that passin' fool, Joe Contestabile from Hawthorne, and All-CIF player of the year Ernie Zampese, quarterback from Santa Barbara.

Powell, alternate captain of the Tartars, is the first player from Torrance ever to be named to the first-string All-CIF squad.

Torrance Cage Squads To Enter So. Cal. Playoffs

Three Torrance cage contingents will join basketball teams from 60 Southern California districts in the Southern California Athletic Federation playoffs, which begin Friday in the Lynwood Community Building, according to Red Moon, city athletic director.

Allen's Burgers, Wednesday League champ here, and the Redondo Eagles, who will play off for the Tuesday loop crown, will enter the playoffs against teams from cities as far north as Berkeley and Ventura, and as far south as San Diego.

A total of 36-winners or runner-up teams from these cities will vie for the Southern California championship.

On March 22, the County Sports Division Industrial team playoffs will begin, Moon said, and the local Harvey Machine Co. has shown interest in entering a team in this affair.

Records Fall In ECC Win

El Camino's spikesters got into the win column Friday by trouncing Ventura 75 1/2 to 55 1/2 and setting new school records in the shot put and discus.

The Warriors were to participate in the Junior College Relays yesterday at East Los Angeles J.C. Next event on the slate is the East LA Relays on Friday.

100—Griffin (EC) 10.8 200—Brown (V) 23.2 400—Yarson (EC) 51.0 800—McClelland (EC) 4:39 Two mile—McClelland (EC) 16:44 1200 High Hurdles—Peterson (EC) 15.3 150 Low Hurdles—Peterson (V) 12.4 Shot-put—Abram (EC) 44 ft. 6 in. (new school record) High Jump—Applund (E) 5 ft. 3 in. Discus—Peterson (EC) 21 ft. 4 in. In Discus—Peterson (EC) 123 ft. 1 in. (new school record) Milt Helms—Arlington, Ackerman, Thurston and Broadus (EC) 3:46.9.

Warrior Netmen Open '54 Season, 10 Matches Set

Netmen of El Camino College opened the 1954 tennis season against Long Beach Friday and Bakersfield on Saturday. Both matches were played on local courts.

In Metropolitan Conference play this season, the Caminites will appear in 10 matches, two each with teams representing Long Beach, East Los Angeles, Valley, Santa Monica, and Bakersfield.

Playing first singles for El Camino in the first two league encounters will be Bill Lewis of Redondo Beach.

City Casaba Title On Block Wednesday

Burgers to Face Winner of Redondo Vs. Fenwick's Shoes Playoff Tuesday Night

A single playoff game for the championship of the city basketball league will be held Wednesday night at 8 p.m. in the Torrance High Boy's gym with one protagonist—Allen's Burgers—rarin' to go and the other league winner to be decided Tuesday eve in a playoff between Fenwick's Shoes and the Redondo Eagles.

Allen's marched through the season without a defeat to claim the Wednesday league laurels. The Burgers capped their season by cracking their own league scoring record in a 91-27 rout of the City Workers Local #1135 Wednesday night. The previous record—82 points—was set by Allen's against the Harbor Hornets in the first round of play.

Fenwick's Backs in
Fenwick's backed into a tie for first place in the Tuesday league when Linch Motor Sales forfeited because of lack of five eligible players. The Redondo Eagles will meet the Shoe team Tuesday night at 8 o'clock to settle things.

The winner of this fray will meet Allen's for the Torrance city title, immediately following the game, members of the winning team in each league will receive engraved individual trophies and team trophies will go to their sponsors.

The Torrance perpetual trophy will go to the city champs. Fenwick's has won this trophy for four out of the seven years that it has been offered.

When the city wars are through, three of Torrance's top teams will enter the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation casaba playoffs, which begin Friday in Lynwood. The Redondo Eagles, Allen's, and possibly Fenwick's will enter these playoffs. (See story this page)

Banner Gets Third
Banner Drugs clinched third place in the Tuesday league when the Big Five forfeited. Following the forfeit, Bill Baron, All-Metro conference star from El Camino and conference scoring champ, stepped in to help the Big Five and potted 24 points in a thriller won by Banner 55-55.

Bob Welles, Stan Becker and Coy Smith led the Druggers with 16, 11 and 10 points. In an exhibition game, the San Pedro Dolphins smashed the first place Redondo Eagles, 72-54, no doubt making the Eagles glad it was only an exhibition game. Long John Kincaannon roped 18 markers to pace the Eagles.

Scoring Mark Set
Center Brian McBride was hot from any spot and potted 29 points in Allen's record-breaking 91-27 win over the Workers. USC star Aramis Dandoy added 14 to the total and Ivan Keys entwined in the Burgers may be tough to beat, come Wednesday, if they stay this warm.

Standings

(34 Final)
TUESDAY LEAGUE

Fenwick's Shoes	9	1
Redondo Eagles	9	1
Banner Drugs	6	4
Big Five	3	7
Linch Auto Sales	3	7
Treasures Men's Shop	0	10

WEDNESDAY LEAGUE

Allen's Burgers	10	0
Harvey Canteen	7	3
AI's Knolls Drugs	5	5
Torrance Teachers	5	5
Harbor Hornets	2	8
Local #1135	1	9

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