

# Battered Warriors Smash Ventura

## RUNS BY SMITH, BURNS GIVE THIS WIN OVER CHULA VISTA

### Locals Collect 13-6 Victory In '54 Opener

Several thousand loyal football rooters got a Cinemascope size picture into the 1954 pigskin future at a "major studio preview," of the Torrance High Tartars, Saturday night.

They watched the local eleven push past a powerful Chula Vista grid squad 13 to 6 in the season's first clash at the high school stadium.

Big Skip Smith and tricky Jerry Burns were the two tallies for the home side, each crashing through with stupendous runs for the counters.

Smith scored on the opening play of the second quarter on a 51-yard gallop through the center of the visitors' line. He cut to the sidelines after knocking through the primary, and outdistanced all comers to tally standing up.

The TD was set up four plays earlier when Torrance took over on downs, after bogging down the Vista offense. Sonny Steele, on first down, lost a yard, placing the ball on the Tartar 36. Smith then punched through guard for 9, then picked up a first down putting the ball on the Torrance 40. Next down he was off for 6 points.

The second, and final, home score also came in the second frame, this time on a 50-yard punt return through the entire Chula Vista crew.

After trying a pair of unsuccessful aerials, Vista fullback Don Schmutz recovered about 30 yards, to put the ball on the 28. With a fourth down situation, the invaders booted, right into the waiting arms of Burns, standing on the 50.

Over for 1-D He fell in behind his blockers then zig-zagged to his right and raced over for the tally. Gus Sanchez led the point after touchdown.

Scoring for the Chula Vistas was set up by quarterback Bob Franklin, who snarled in a Torrance 46 late in the third quarter.

Eleven plays later, and on the locals' 19-yard line, Franklin pitched out to Schmutz, who leveled back and tossed to end Larry Armstrong, who nabbed it on the 4, and stepped over for the 6 points.

The Tartar machine didn't start to click until late in the second period, perhaps until after the opening score. Chula Vista controlled the ball more than half the 60 game, but stumbled into superior defensive play by the locals when the chips were down.

Carlos Skags and Manuel Oloque looked good, as did Jim Donnette, Al Rainwater, and Don Frattolare.

Remarkable Push Offensively, the Tartars still were suffering first-game jitters, but showed remarkable push when it came down to punches. The local passing attack failed to materialize, with but 2 completions for 9 yards. Two tosses also were intercepted by the foes.

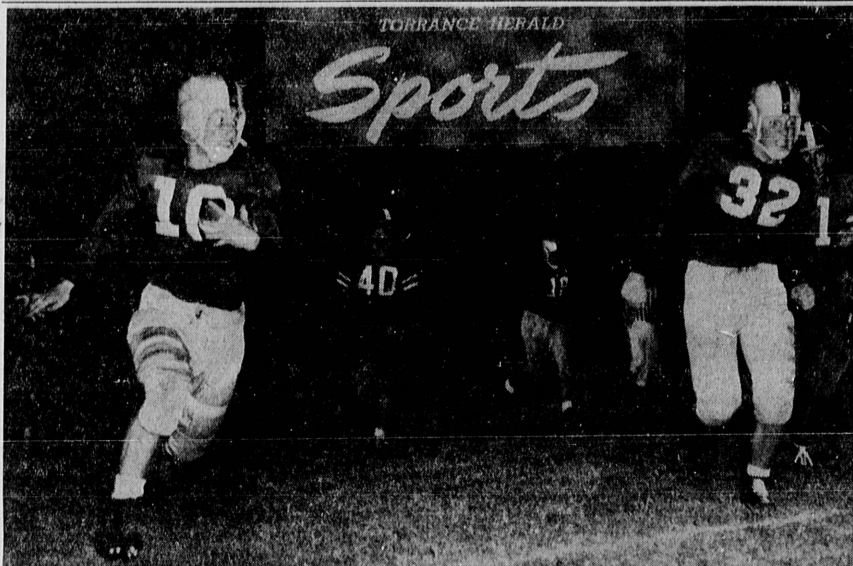
Bob Hanks fourth-down punting too gave the Torrance griders tremendous breaks on several last down plays. One boot, when the Tartars had just been set back to the Vista 40 on a 16-yard penalty, rolled dead on the 1-foot mark.

It was this break, combined with hard defensive play for three downs to hold the Vistas in tight, which preceded the Tartars' second TD. On fourth down, the foes kicked, and Burns scooted the return for the points.

Score By Quarters  
Torrance.....0 13 0 0-13  
Chula Vista.....0 0 0 6-6  
Scoring: Torrance—Smith, Burns; PAT—Sanchez, Chula Vista—Armbrust.

### Mail Stolen from Box

Two letters were taken from the mail box in front of the apartment, Mrs. Anna G. Heron, of 430 Palos Verdes Blvd., reported to police Friday. She said one contained a check for \$50.



**TOUCHDOWN PAIR . . .** Tartar halfback Jerry Burns roars down the sidelines after taking a Chula Vista punt on the 50-yard line. Burns, who is letting big Skip Smith clear

the way, slithered all the way for the second Tartar score of the night. Earlier, Smith galloped 51 yards for 6 points. The locals dominated Chula Vista 13-6 in their opening game of the 1954 season, Saturday night.

## CONTESTABLE UNVEILS PITCHING ARM AS ECC ROMPS TO BIG 32-0 VICTORY OVER VENTURA JC

El Camino's battered Warriors bounced back with a resounding 32 to 0 win over a visiting Ventura JC eleven, Saturday night, apparently remorseful after being shut-out by the Alumni griders in the opener a week ago.

And local fans got their first chance to see Joe Contestable, a highly-touted ball handler who came as a ray of sunshine to a gloomy Camino club early in the year. Contestable has suffered injuries which kept him benched until this time.

Many injuries have plagued the club this season, with Ken Cornell, Norm Engen and a host of others hurt in pre-game play. But it looked like the hospital list was tossed out, Saturday, as the Caminians pulled together to show their stuff.

Tally Early in Game  
The Caminians jumped right into the thick of it, with Don Greco tallying on a 16-yard jaunt as a climax to a sustained 79-yard drive by teammates, in the first period. Bill Pierce kicked the PAT for a 7-0 lead.

Then late in the initial period, Coach Norm Verry sent in Contestable, who still was on the injured roster and wasn't counted on to perform.

Contestable connected for 6 completed passes out of as many tries, giving the rooters something to root about. Then, after punching to the 1-yard line, Contestable held the ball and jumped over for the points.

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### Who Won?

Mt. Carmel, 7; Inglewood, 6. Leuzinger, 14; Huntington Beach, 13. East LAJC, 39; Chaffey, 7. Harbor JC, 19; Orange Coast, 0. Redondo, 16; Santa Paula, 7. Centennial, 18; Mary Star, 0. Torrance, 13; Chula Vista, 6. San Diego, 7; Lynwood, 2. El Camino, 32; Ventura, 0. Bakersfield, 44; Stockton, 6.

### Leuzinger Wins; Inglewood Hit By Carmel Crew

Proverbially potent Inglewood High School of the Bay League lost their first game of the season, Friday night, as Mt. Carmel handed them a 7-6 waxing in a non-conference match.

John Zinda tallied for the victors on a crowd-raising 80-yard gallop in the second half, and PAT gave the Crusaders the winning margin. Paul Pedigo scored for Inglewood after recovering a fumble on the Carmel 6.

Leuzinger's talented toe-boys, Don Christian and Norm Gold, each accounted for a conversion and it gave Leuzinger a 14-13 win over Huntington Beach in another non-conference classic. Quarterback Christian and Bill Bender pushed over the tee-dees for the winners.

### Harbor Wins

In junior college ball, Harbor Junior College of the Metropolitan Loop rocked a 19-0 win over Orange Coast for the second shut-out for the Harbor crew. They whipped their alumni last weekend.

And East Los Angeles J.C. griders pounded the stuffings out of Chaffey College, in a 39-7 mauling. Tackle Tom Avery started the scoring when he intercepted a pitch out in the initial stanza and scooted 6 yards for the points.

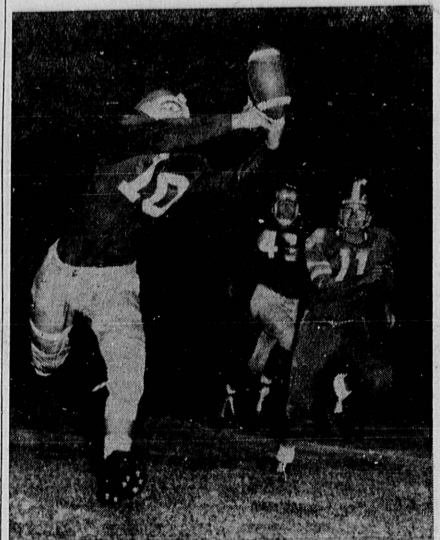
### GOP Rally Slated at PV School

A pre-election rally conducted by the Peninsula Branch of the 46th District Republican Assembly will be held in the Malaga Cove School, Palos Verdes Estates, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Speakers will include Dr. Nolan Frizzelle, of Pasadena, and Robert H. Finch, GOP candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District.

Dr. Frizzelle will discuss the accomplishments of the 83rd Congress and its relation to the coming election.

The rally will initiate a drive to enlist the aid of all friends of the present administration, a spokesman said. The meeting is open to the general public. Richard Hight is acting chairman of the peninsula GOP branch.



REACH!!! . . . Torrance's Jerry Burns stretches out to gather in a toss from Billy Meecham during the Tartar-Chula Vista game Saturday night. Burns and Skip Smith later tallied to give the locals a 13-6 victory in their first game of the year.

### Davisons Set Bowling Mark In League Alley Contests

Mike Davison and his bowling wife, Gertie, rolled a couple of top scores in league bowling last week at the Torrance Bowl. The Davisons topped the high game mark, of the week, in their Wednesday Mixed Fivesome loop, and Mr. Davison was high man for the entire circuit.

SAFEBAY LEAGUE: Team Standings—Team 1, 100; Team 2, 95; Team 3, 90; Team 4, 85; Team 5, 80; Team 6, 75; Team 7, 70; Team 8, 65; Team 9, 60; Team 10, 55; Team 11, 50; Team 12, 45; Team 13, 40; Team 14, 35; Team 15, 30; Team 16, 25; Team 17, 20; Team 18, 15; Team 19, 10; Team 20, 5.

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### Polio Rises; Coughers Top Disease List

Whooping cough continued to head the disease list in the Torrance Health District during the week ending Sept. 18, according to a report from the County Health Department.

Thirteen cases of the disease—one of them in Torrance—were reported, compared with 15 last week.

Polio claimed nine victims, including one Torrance, compared with five the previous week. Manhattan Beach had four polio victims, while Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Torrance, and county areas each reported one.

Two cases of mumps, and one each of scarlet fever, whooping cough, polio, and meningitis were reported in Torrance.

The health district reported four cases of measles and food poisoning, two of scarlet fever, chickenpox, and mumps, and one each of infectious hepatitis, German measles.

### Wyoming Meet Slated

Former residents of Wyoming will gather in Sycamore Grove Park in Los Angeles Sunday for a reunion. Coffee and watermelon will be served at the all-day gathering, with registers and badges available.

### Culver City Oval Locks Up Thursday

Culver City Stadium, only remaining speedway in the Los Angeles area, closes its doors Thursday following the big AMA motorcycle Grand Prix.

Originally built for dog racing in the early 'thirties, the stadium remained dormant until 1946, when it was converted for auto racing.

After this week's races, the stadium will be razed by the Douglas Aircraft Corp. and eventually will be used as a subassembly plant.

Racing Director Bill McKay has announced plans for the 1955 season and expects to run the big bikes on a weekly schedule starting next May. Location of the event will depend upon contemplated construction by auto racing promoters in the Greater Los Angeles area.

### City Building Has Slow Week

Torrance builders had a slow week last week, as only \$149,299 in permits was issued, according to Senior Clerk Walter Bradford of the City Engineer's office, announced.

The city has already piled up record totals for new building this year, surpassing last year's \$29,315,365 total in early September.

Biggest item in last week's permits was a \$50,000 permit to build an office and warehouse at 24801 Crenshaw Blvd.

### Card Party Planned

The first in a series of nine card parties featuring pinocle, omanista, bridge, and 500 will be held in the Gardena Community Center Thursday evening, sponsored by the Gardena Oddfellows and Rebekahs.

### Plans Formed For 'Y' Good Neighbor Day

Committees are being formed and plans made for the annual YMCA Good Neighbor Breakfast to be held Saturday, Oct. 23, at the Civic Auditorium.

D. M. Sowle, chairman, said today that plans are being made for fine entertainment, including music furnished by the Torrance Area Youth Band. Good Neighbor of the Year award also will be made.

Proceeds from the breakfast go to the local YMCA. Tickets may be purchased at all service clubs and from most merchants in the Torrance shopping area.

### Fish Fry Slated By Rod-Gunners

White sea bass and yellowtail, fried to a golden brown, by the best frippers in the National Rod and Gun Club, will be served at the American Legion Hall, Oct. 8, starting at 6:30. It's the local annual fish fry.

Dinner tickets may be purchased from any club member for \$1.50 for adults, or 95 cents for the kids, and also at the Legion Hall.

Further information can be obtained from Andy Hahn, FA 8-7118.

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