

TARTARS IN REDONDO CAGE TOURNEY

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COACHES HUDDLE . . . Jess Hill, center, SC football mentor, exchanges grid secrets with Torrance coaches Cliff Graybehl, left, of North High, and Don Porter, of THS, after Lions Club luncheon Tuesday. Hill addressed Lions and senior members of two local prep teams at the annual affair. The former SC athletic great and major league ball player pointed out the importance of desire in the making of a great athlete.

Hill Says Desire Key to Athletics

"All of our boys and the coaches, too, will remember forever our recent 42-20 win over Notre Dame." So said SC Trojan grid chief Jess Hill, Tuesday, in remarks to the Torrance Lions Club, and senior members of Torrance and North High grid teams at the Lions' annual football luncheon.

Hill covered everything from bowl games to the importance of desire in an athlete. Referring to the Irish game, Hill prefaced his remarks by saying "from the minute we received the kick off—inside—we knew we could win." His special emphasis of the word "inside" referred to the UCLA game the week before SC-ND, when five Troy linemen were offside on the opening kick off as Jon Arnett pranced 97 yards to score.

"We had worked during the week on special cross blocking for kick off returns," Hill said of the offside incident. "and I was down around the 20 yard line to see how the blocking would go."

Knew Arnett Was Off
"After the first three men erased would-be Notre Dame tacklers, I knew Jon was gone. No one among that crowd was as surprised as I when I found out our team had been offside on the play," he said.

Hill, whose comments were directed toward the prep gridgers, spent some time on the advisability of being a good loser and a gracious winner. He pointed out, however, that win or lose, "I don't want boys who are satisfied to lose on my ball club."

In touching on desire and hard work he means for success in athletics, and in life, Hill said, "never be satisfied with what you are—I've never seen a natural born athlete."

Grid Seniors Present
Members of the Torrance High grid group present included Coaches Don Porter and

Jack Miller and players Skip Smith, Larry Lippincott, Dave Conry, Stan Wilson, Butch Hazel, Jerry Hughes, Charley Valencia, Tom Ho, Craig Edman, Ken Wheat and John Gomez.

THS BEATEN BY NEWPORT; IN TOURNEY

Falling behind in the final period, the Torrance Tartars dropped a 52-41 decision to Newport's cagers Tuesday afternoon on the local court.

It was the third loss of the season for the Tartars. They have won one.

Today, the Tartars are scheduled for duty in the Pacific Shores Tournament at Redondo. They went against Hawthorne yesterday afternoon in a first-round game. If the locals won yesterday, they will meet the winner of the Redondo-Chadwick game today; if they lost, they will enter the consolation bracket against the loser of that fray.

Hawks, Culver Favored
Redondo and Culver City are favored to take the tourney, although Centennial and Santa Monica have red-hot squads, too.

Other teams in the tournament, which concludes Saturday, are Leuzinger, Loyola, Oxnard, Beverly Hills, Paramount, El Segundo, Rosemead and Mira Costa.

North High's cagers meet Artesia tomorrow night there. Varsity and Jayvee teams will compete, with the first game slated at 6:45 p.m.

The absence of Guard Mike Kendall, who was out with a cold, hurt the Tartars in the Newport fray. The score was a close, 33-32, with Newport leading, going into the fourth period. But the winners poured in 18 points to Torrance's 10 in the fourth quarter.

Ruffell Hits 16
Rich Ruffell again carried the scoring load for THS. He had 16 markers. Mike Bertolet, just out from the Tartar grid team, had seven points at guard.

In the JV encounter, the locals topped Newport, 34-31. Tom Haase had 11 points to pace the Tartar Jayvees.

TORRANCE (42)			
	FG	FT	TP
Waller, f	2	8	7
Malone, f	3	2	8
Mathews, f	3	2	8
Jackson, f	0	2	15
Rubin, f	0	0	0
Usab, c	0	0	0
Edman, f	0	0	0
Ho, c	0	0	0
Bertolet, g	2	2	7
Venables, g	2	2	7
Mead, g	0	0	0
TOTAL	15	12	42

NEWPORT (51)			
	FG	FT	TP
Pope, f	8	1	17
Leuzinger, f	5	5	6
McBee, f	3	0	6
Hammond, c	3	0	7
Thomas, g	6	0	12
Green, g	0	0	0
TOTAL	22	7	51



SPORTS REUNION . . . Torrance's Erv Pallen, who hurls for the Baltimore Orioles, received a surprise visit last week end from a trio of nationally famous CBS sportscasters who handle the Orioles' television and radio announcing. They were here for the nationwide telecast of the Los Angeles Rams-Baltimore Colts grid tussle and while visiting with Glenn Pfeil, general manager of the HERALD, met with the slick right-hander. Pictured are, from left to right, Pallen, Chuck Thompson, Bailey Goss, Pfeil and Ernie Harwell, along with young Mark Pfeil.

Quarter Horses In Stakes Race

The West's top 2-year-old speedsters take over the turf spotlight at Los Alamitos Race Course with the running on Saturday of the \$5000 added Kindergarten Stakes.

The Kindergarten, a handicap, is at 350 yards and lined up for the event will be a field that includes Art Pollard's Arizona, S. M. Bethune's Do It For Me and the Western Stable entry of Club-Win and Do-Win.

All four of those already have been winners at the meeting, which runs six days a week through Dec. 17.

Arizona, who pushed the sensational Go Man Go to a neck victory in the \$15,000 Futurity at Pomona last summer, earned the role of favorite for the race with a smashing 18.1 seconds performance last Wednesday.

Single Cage Loop for City

Elmer Moon, city athletic director, said this week that limitations on use of the Torrance Hi gym have forced the Recreation department to abandon plans for all but one cage league this season.

Since North High's cagers have begun to use the gym for practice sessions, the city will only be able to acquire it on Tuesday nights.

He said that the gym will be open from 7 to 9:30 p.m. every Tuesday night until Jan. 3, when league play starts, for practice sessions. Teams and sponsors in the loop have not been announced as yet.

Groan Squad for NHS

School board members Tuesday night approved a request by North High athletic officials for a wrestling team.

Organization of the team will go ahead now, a NHS official said.

The squad will compete in Pioneer League meets.

Ruffell Gets Award as RHS Wins Tourney

Redondo's Seahawks held on desperately in the final seconds Saturday night to nudge Long Beach Wilson High, 57-56, and take the Long Beach Tournament at the Poly High gym.

Heads up play by Guard Bobby Combs and the fine point-making of Center Rex Hughes enabled the Redondans to remain undefeated. Hughes had 21 points in the wild fray.

Hughes, Combs and Sol Rockenmacher, all of Redondo, paced the all-tournament team, selected after completion of the final game. Torrance's Rich Ruffell, who tallied 27 points for the Tartars in a losing effort to Chaffey, also was chosen on the all-star team.

Others selected included Wesley Young, Long Beach Wilson; Tandy Gillis, Wilson; Ron Fairly, Long Beach Jordan; Jerry Snider, Chaffey; Steve Kemp, Alhambra; and Jerry Pimm, Montebello.

Each of the all-tourney players received a trophy. Redondo's Hughes received added distinction by being labeled Player of the Tournament.

Harriers Head For CIF Cross Country Finals

Tartar cross country runners will finish their season tomorrow when they travel to Pomona for the CIF Southern Section finals at Mt. San Antonio College.

Among the favorites to cop first place in the meet are Torrance's Len Ehlers, a highly regarded sophomore, and Jim Bevins, of nearby Mira Costa.

Coach Joe Stuart will take Ehlers, John Trenary, Myron Schmidt, Bill LaDuke, Tom Hammack, Sherwood Tierman and Don Mitchell along to represent Torrance.

The CIF meet is set to begin at 3 p.m. at Mt. SAC.

Hardy, Shopper, Hughes Take Grid Trophies

A football still contest, sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department last Saturday at El Retiro Park, brought out many future pig skin greats.

The contest was divided into three divisions: pee wee, midget and juniors.

John Hughes received the Gold Cup Award in the pee wee class with a total of 90 points.

Ribbons were awarded to Tom Jones, with 65 points, Lanny Ribbko, 35 points, Robbie Sodar, 30 points, and David Halloran, 25 points. Other boys participating were Allen Hale, Charles Traux, Carl Carroll, Mike Chambers, Harry Roman, Ed Holmes, Allen Olson, Tom Armstrong, Jeffrey Ham, Furtaday, and Ed Edward Elliott, Maganate, Jim Pinkney, George Fortado and Edward Elliott.

Ronnie Shopper took the Champions Award in the midget division with a total of 100 points. Ribbons were awarded to Terry Fuller, John Lyons, Mike Moberly, Bob Lush, Mack Timm and Gary Hale.

In the junior division, Nat Hardy, with 80 points, edged out Lee Day by only 5 points. Ribbons were awarded to Steve Dessau, Dickie Timm, Myron Calchuta, Jerry Shipper, Jim Sena and Jim Hawkins.

The Gold Cup Awards were donated by the H. M. Christopher Company of Gardena.

Tom Tibbener, playground director, stated that all Sports Day will be held in the near future.

The event was climaxed by a color film of the 1955 East-West game.

Mudhens, Elks Take Flag Wins

Mike Challis sparked the Torrance Elks flag football team to a 45-7 win over the Seasideers last Thursday night at WALTERIA Park. The Elks took a commanding lead in the first half, with Challis pitching passes.

The second half opened with the Seasideers recovering a loose ball in the end zone for two points. John Mewborn scooted 12 yards around end to score for the Elks. Challis hit Rick Gomez with a 10 yard pass for a teedee. Adcock and Klung also scored for the winners.

The second game of the night was a nip and tuck battle between the El Retiros and the WALTERIA Mudhens.

Cliff Roy lead the Mudhens attack with a 50 yard run for a touchdown.

El Retiro roared back with a score and converted to go out in front, 7-6.

The second half found Hess pushing over a score for the WALTERIANS.

Hardy caught Shopper with a 10 yard pass to put the El Retiro team in front by a score of 14 to 12. With only a few desperation pass to Ernie Iwata just as the gun sounded to win 18 to 14.

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