

Anderson Hits 23 in El Segundo Win Over Tartars, Tribe Stuns Bakersfield Cagers

The Fearless Spectator



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I feel unmasked, caught with my persona down. There came in the mail a letter from a former New Yorker doing time in a local ad agency and Living the Good Life in Suburbia, and he said:

"Boy, I'll bet dollars to Horn and Hardart doughnuts that I graduated from Fordham with a thousand guys like you. All of them tongue-in-cheek tough guys who knew the score since the time the nuns let them in the school doors wearing a red tie and knickers. Or maybe you went to a lace-curtain Irish grammar school where the dudes wore long pants."

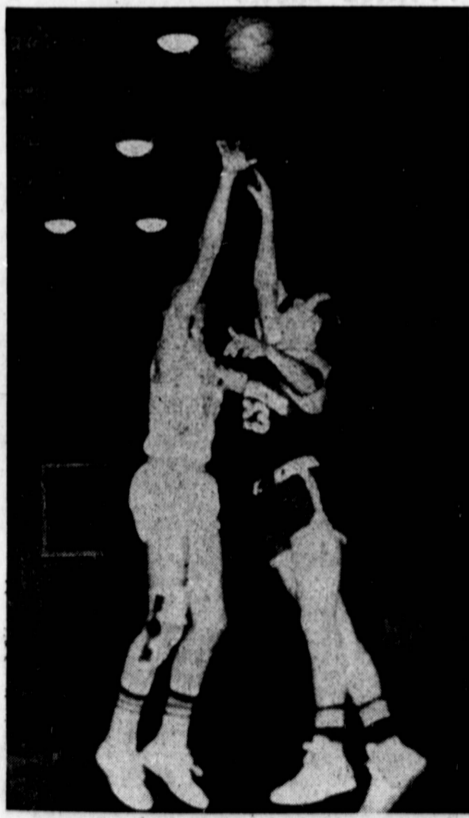
Except that it was Manhattan and not Fordham, my boy has me impaled and mounted like a dried butterfly. New York, as you doubtless know, is an island off the coast of America, which bears much the same relation to its neighboring country that England bore to the continent about the time of the Congress of Vienna. America is a huge, stubborn dependency of the subway elite, with a lot of places called Council Bluffs, and a population of clods wildly waiting to embrace the latest con. The con, needless to say, was dreamed up in the area bounded by Radio City and the Daily News Building.

The New Yorker seems almost to have been born knowing the score, who struck John, where the bodies are buried, and who killed Roger Ackroyd. Everyone he meets is a thief; but since the thief thinks he's a thief, a rough-hewn ground for commerce is established. The deepest indignity that can befall the sidewalk Arab is to be had. This is like losing virtue in a Spanish lady of quality, or honor in Ol' Miss.

A French novelist has said the disease of this century is *n'être pas dupe*, not to be duped. The real New Yorker might admit to bearing a social disease, or being cuckolded. But he will never grant that he "got took." Unless he is using the idea as a ploy to take someone else.

Yet since every action has its equal and opposite reaction, this has an odd effect on the Manhattanite as he grows older. When a kid, he knew Santa Claus was an old drunk smelling of garlic who was cynically moving merchandise for Macy's. As he grows longer in the tooth, however, he discovers that Santa has his perils. His Santa is a wise-guy Santa, but he nonetheless exists. For man cannot live knowing the score alone. Your neighbor may be a thief, but since we're all in the same boat, why not buy the bastard a drink once in a while? Thus do we all go full circle.

I knew a hod carrier who was about as fierce and uncommitted as they come. He lived by the New York ethic absolutely, and never spoke to his next-door neighbor for the 30 years he lived in the same railroad flat. One day his wife died. Next day he was so lonely that, like a bumpkin from Paducah, he went to his neighbor's door to borrow a cup of sugar. The act changed his life. A little. "They're no damned good," he said, "but I guess they are all right."



CASTING OFF . . . Unidentified North High cager goes up for shot against Morningside at Monarch follows him up in attempt to block effort. MHS walloped North 68 to 49 in Bay League contest on Friday.

EC Leads Metro Chase, Meets East LA Tuesday

Subduing Bakersfield on its home court for the first time since 1954, El Camino College staved off a frantic second half rally to whip the Renegades 56-54 Friday night and retain a tie for the Metropolitan Conference basketball lead.

Ahead 31-18 at halftime, the Warriors were forced to fight for their lives as the potent Renegades applied the pressure to almost pull out the win.

Center Keith Erickson plunked in 16 points as ECC remained undefeated against Metro opposition and held on to its tie with Valley College for the conference lead.

DAN KARAVAS with 14 points and Mike Schrader, 12 markers, helped boost the Tribe off to a rapid lead against the favored Bakersfield combo.

Stingy defensive play by Camino limited Bakersfield to only one player in double figures. Loren Thomsen hit 14 points to pace the stunned Renegades.

VICTORY broke a streak of nine consecutive losses at the hands of Bakersfield for El Camino.

Appearing in the friendly confines of their own gymnasium for the first time in more than a month, El Camino hoopers meet powerful East Los Angeles on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

East LA was picked by many experts to take the conference crown, but the Huskies have fared poorly so far this year against Metro foes. Friday against Long Beach City College, East LA was tripped 76-65 by a usually inept Viking five.

COVE (MSI-1) and CAPE (MSI-2), on duty with the Pacific Mine Force, are the only two inshore minesweepers in the U.S. Navy.



KEY MAN . . . Rugged El Camino freshman forward Ron Dinnel is set to go against East Los Angeles Tuesday in a crucial Metropolitan Conference tilt at EC.



GUNNER . . . Keith Erickson, El Camino center, pushed in 16 points to lead all scorers as the Warriors stunned conference favorite Bakersfield on Friday, 56 to 54.

Hawthorne Five Destroys Spartan Title Ambitions

Evenly balanced Hawthorne shoved four men into double figures and averaged 11 points per starter to throttle South High 66 to 48 in a Bay League contest Friday night.

South will host Leuzinger on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Besides an impressive offensive showing, the Cougars sparked defensively, slapping the shackles on South's usually high-scoring guard Phil de la Porte, allowing him only eight points.

RUNNING UP a 55-31 lead at the end of the third quarter, the Cougars began to shovel in the substitutes and South drew up a trifle in the final period.

It was just a story of Hawthorne being too hot to handle as the Cougars displayed a deadly shooting eye, while South was frigid in the gunnery department.

LEAPING OFF to a huge 19-11 first quarter lead, Hawthorne kept piling it on and walked off the floor at intermission with a more-than-comfortable 35-21 margin.

Paul Penn and Jim Graves each canned 13 points while Gary Mykkanen and Art Davis were kept busy banging home 10 points as the quartet shattered South's renown full-course press with accurate passing and a fast-moving offense.

HEARTBROKEN after a narrow defeat at the hands of Bay League leader Santa Monica on Wednesday, South just could not muster its customary determination and hustle.

With a chance to knock Santa Monica out of the league lead and possibly out of the championship while earning themselves the biggest upset of the season and a prominent place in the loop race, the Spartans were defeated by a referee's decision.

WITH ONLY seven seconds left and the score knotted at 52-52, South's Jim Harris was at the charity line with a one-and-one situation and a chance to win the game.

The referee handed the ball to Harris and stepped back to

count the 10 seconds in which Harris must shoot. As Harris began his motion, the referee stepped in and blew his whistle which automatically stops play, but Harris had already begun his motion and had to continue making the free shot.

Morningside Quintet Slaughters Saxons

Once considered a dark-horse contender for the Bay League basketball championship, North High dropped its fourth straight contest Friday night 68 to 49 at the hands of Morningside.

Clearly the superior quintet from the very beginning, MHS moved out to a 12-5 first quarter lead and then went on a second period rampage which brought them 21 points to go into a 33-17 halftime lead.

Working the ball slowly, Morningside took advantage of the deadly outside shooting of Herby Hinsche and Ron Lofgren to loosen up the North defense and allow George Metkovich to move inside for easy points.

METKOVICH canned 18 to wind up as high point man for the contest, while Hinsche, an All-Bay League returnee, dropped in 17 and Lofgren wound up the evening with 16 digits.

As usual, Sparkly Davidson was top gunner for the Saxons with 17 points, but the fine North center was overshadowed by the tremendous all-around play of a supposedly weak Monarch five.

LACKING the height to compete with the Monarchs on the boards, North was continually out-rebounded by the taller, speedy Morningside squad.

Next in line for the disappointed North aggregation will be league pace-setter Santa Monica Friday at 8 p.m. on the Saxon hardwood.

SANTA MONICA current/heads the pack in the race for

Harris had made the shot after the whistle had been blown, though, and the shot was nullified. Harris then missed the free throw and Santa Monica went to take a 53-52 victory in overtime on a free throw by Joe Donnelly.

SMCC NEXT Seahawks Nip San Diego For First Metro Victory

Well balanced Harbor averaged almost 15 points per starter as the Seahawks slipped to their initial Metropolitan Conference victory of the season, 65-64 over San Diego on Friday.

Even-even all the way, Harbor assumed a 31 to 28 lead at the half, the win broke a two-game losing streak for the Seahawks, and pushed their future outlook to a new high.

San Diego, recent conqueror of conference favorite Bakersfield, also boasted a well-rounded scoring attack with four men shooting in double figures.

ED BRISCOE canned 20 points to lead all scorers for the victorious Seahawks. Al Windfelt hit 17, Allan Ryan plunked in 11 and Charles Cambell bucketed 10 to back-up Briscoe in the scoring department.

It was Harbor's finest, most well balanced attack of the season.

After coming back with a mighty surge in the practice



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ANDERSON LEADS WIN

Eagle Five Knocks THS Out of Second Place Tie

Unable to hold down El Segundo's big center Andy Anderson, who dropped in 24 digits, Torrance High absorbed a 58-53 basketball loss Friday night at the hands of the high-flying Eagles.

Pouring on the offensive pressure against El Segundo's highly touted defense, Torrance jumped off to a big 17-9 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Paced by the deadly shooting of All-Pioneer League candidate Anderson, the Eagles came smoldering back to tie the contest at 29-29 going into intermission.

STILL sizzling as they took the floor in the third period, El Segundo ran up a 48-41 margin before the final period began and then held off the determined Tartars to earn the victory.

Torrance demonstrated good scoring balance as three men hit in double figures, but the Tartars just could not match the fantastic gunnery of Anderson.

STEVE WATERS pumped in

19. Lynn Archibald connected for 15, and outstanding junior starter Ernie Clayton banged home 10 points trying to keep up with Segundo's furious pace.

Defeat practically eliminated any hopes Torrance may have harbored about the loop championship. The loss evened the Tartar's league slate at 2-2, while Culver City coasts along with a 4-0 mark to lead the race.

AVIATION and El Segundo remain tied for the second slot with 3-1 marks. Beverly Hills and Torrance also were in the second place bracket before Friday night but Torrance's defeat and Culver City's win over

Beverly Hills knocked the two clubs into third place.

Torrance cagers will take a small vacation, missing their usual Tuesday afternoon game and waiting until Friday before assuming the hardwood against hot-and-cold Beverly Hills in a battle for third place in the Pioneer League.

WITH six letterman returning, Beverly Hills does not lack experience. Using a pattern-type offense, the Normans are gunning to improve their fifth place finish last year.

Big man for Beverly Hills is Ed Goldwasser. Against Culver City, Goldwasser kept his team in the running most of the game as he pumped in 30 points from his guard position.



SCRAMBLE SYSTEM . . . Leaping in the air attempting to grab a rebound, Morningside's Herb Hineche runs into competition from several North High players. North dropped the game to the Monarchs and runs into an even tougher foe on Friday when Santa Monica comes to town to try and maintain its Bay League lead.

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