# \* \* \* \* It Happened! Knights Beat Lasuen

### LASUEN YIELDS **Barrier Broken** By Montgomery

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A small band of student musicians, playing at the Bishop Montgomery - Fermin Lasuen football game Friday night, had to pump for every breath to make it through the National Anthem.

But the echoes of the tunes will ring through the hearts of a Montgomery football team that serenaded its loyal admirers with a 14-6 win over Fermin Lasuen

Beating Bishop Montgomery had become a custom for Fermin Lasuen in the past. A lot of people thought it would be repeated this year. Montgomery had never even had a close game with Lasuen, a team that has been in the CIF playoffs almost every year since the school's inception.

Montgomery High opened its doors in 1958 with nothing more than a small campus that flanked the Torrance Drive-In Theater on Torrance

Even today there are a few more than a thousand students on campus, but the Black and Gold Knights of Bishop Montgomery are on their way to becoming a high school to be reckoned with.

Beating Fermin Lasuen in a varsity football game advanced the Knights a big notch Friday night

Like Center Dan Gillespie said after the game in the locker room, "Winning the first one from a school like Fermin is always tough, but now it should be easier for the guys next year."

The game meant a great deal to everybody. Losing meant a lot to the losing Padres too. With 20 seconds to play in the game, one of the Lasuen guards took off slugging and kicking every gold shirt in sight. Losing comes hard sometimes, but each of the six years in which the Knights lost to Fermin Lasuen, there was a feeling someday it would be their turn.

Guard Mike Wood said, "It's so great to beat these guys, I know it won't be the last time." Coach George Swade was congratulated by

everybody approaching him as he left the field to congratulate the team. He told his well-wishers the kids played the game and deserved all the credit.

Before he could say anything to his varsity squad, the players hoisted him into the shower room for a steaming bath. Drenched, he told the players, "If you guys play like this every week you can dunk me all you want!'

One thing about the Montgomery team, it has leadership. Head man is Quarterback Danny Graham, a junior. Out of uniform he doesn't look 150 pounds and he is no bigger than I am at  $5\cdot6\frac{1}{2}$ ! But it's amazing what he does on a football field. He ran a rollout for the first touchdown and threw a fourth down 28-yard pass for the clincher.

Graham was more than jubilant. "We deserve a chance to get into the CIF playoffs," he exclaimed. Halfback Chuck Bongard, also a junior, said

Graham has to be the best quarterback in the area. Bongard did not carry the ball Friday. He has been hobbling on a bad knee since Tuesday. Chuck

was used as a decoy and Fermin keyed on him. So the only statistics for Bongard during the entire evening was a honey of a flat pass he caught from Graham

Ed Gilles, still a third starting junior back, kept the Lasuen defense honest with his bull runs.

End Mike Leamy, a prime example of how well a 170-pounder can do the job on offense and defense, said. "We played a crummy first half, but after halftime we realized it wasn't so tough and we really went out there to play."

Throughout the locker room session players kept chanting, "WE BEAT FERMIN, WE BEAT FERMIN!"

It was a kind of a night in which every player



TOM HANSON . . . Senior end from Bishop Mont-gomery caught a 23-yard touchdown pass and played an outstanding defensive game as the Knights won their first game from Fermin Lasuen Friday night, 14-6. (Press-Herald Photo)

IN BAY LEAGUE

It took three whacks of 16

yards each for the score. They were runs by Pat Ham-man twice and Harry Wolverton for the touchdown. South came back with a 60-yard drive that was halted on the Hawthorne 25.

## Graham Leads Victory

When kicker Irl Davis un-leashed the second of two high-winding placements with 6:49 remaining on the clock, a crowd of 3,000 suspected an era had ended. In a few moments Fermin Lasuen would no longer be all-conquering against its Ca-mino Real rival — Bishop Montgomery. The Knights used two touchdowns and two vital conversions for a 14-6 victory over Fermin They overcame a 6-0 halftime deficit and a threat of a sec-ond Lasuen touchdown that for det the theorem that

West High's cross country failed at the 1-foot line just before the half ended. West High's cross country team was handed its first dual meet loss of the season

tailed at the 1-foot line just before the half ended. Halfback Dave Moseley fell on the fumble by Quarter-back Phil Smyth attempting a sneak run. Fermin pretty well domin nated the first half, surging for a 66-yard scoring drive in its second series of plays. Key third down gains for first downs kept the Padres on the go. Ernie Booker and Smyth handled the ball the most, but it was Joe Echa varia who scored from the 5-yard line. The kick was wide. Fermin soon was on its way again, moving from its own the 1-yard line when he fumbled this time. The momentum went the other way in the second half, but it was 't convincing until Ray Vida blocked and re covered a Smyth punt. Seven yards away from pay dirt, Danny Graham rolled out to

covered a Smyth punt. Seven yards away from pay dirt, Danny Graham rolled out to the foot line and then ran nela Park course. South is in it straight in. Davis' kick was the Bay League, while West good for a 7-6 lead with two competes in the Pioneer minutes left in the third peo League. Results.

The kickoff went to 18 where Lasuen was unable to move the ball. The Padres punted. Montgomery pro-liced to go 45 yards for the insurance score. The big play Junior Varsity: South 23, West 31, Varsity: South 23, West 33, Varsity: South 23, West 34, Varsity: South 26, Wes

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PA coming Friday <sup>13</sup> <sup>39</sup> <sup>39</sup> North Stadium. <sup>35</sup> <sup>45</sup> <sup>45</sup> The Viking <sup>191</sup> fifth straight The Vikings won their fifth straight league game. They have blanked South, Re-dondo and North and have given up a total of three touchdowns to Inglewood and Mira Costa

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17 yards in the process. After Santa Monica rolled up a 19-0 lead at the end of the quarter, the Vikes got three touchdowns that seemed to come easy in the fourth period.

The game was broken open in the third quarter when Nick Larez picked off a Jerry Ball pass at the North 30-yard line and galloped in. 32445

would like to talk about, but as each coach got his soaking and the heat fogged my glasses, it became difficult to recognize anyone

Tom Hanson, who was spectacular on the second touchdown catch, was lost in the crowd.

Coach Swade said all the players-like Mike McClain, Bill Kristufek, Gary Nesenson, and Dave Moseley who recovered a Fermin fumble on the 1-

foot line on the final play of the first half—have to be commended, for they never gave up when things looked rough. Speed Show Announced Mickey Thompson, well-known race car builder and driver, has announced his sixth annual Auto-Boat and Speed Show will be held chine texn gain te third period on a sixth annual Auto-Boat and chine texn going 65 yards in six Western Exhibit C enter, play during the four day Santa Ana Freeway at Atlan-Thompson has gathered the cream of the nation's auto-mobile and boat racing ma-SOCCEP STREET

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The drive merely pro-longed the time between Hawthorne touchdowns. The Cougars went into the second quarter before scor-ing again. Pat Hamman cul-

minated a lengthy march with a 1-yard touchdown.

SLANTING OFF TACKLE . . . Terry Tiedeman (20) of Torrance slices his way for a 14-yard gain against Rolling Hills in their Sky League game Friday afternoon. Making the tackle are Bob Wood

(44) and Jerry Ryerson (87). The Titans of Rolling Hills won the game, 14-7. Read story on next page.



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