



Wrestling Has Become One of High School's Top Athletic Activities As Evidenced by Yesterday's Championship Meet Between South and Mira Costa.

### Culver City Beats West In Overtime

Culver City High won a double overtime 60-76 non-league basketball game from West yesterday in the loser's gym. West led, 76-73 with eight seconds to play, but a foul and three-point play by Brad Colonna in the final two seconds tied the game. Two centers won it with two points in the second three-minute overtime period. Colonna, the hero, had 11 field goals and 11 free throws for 33 points. Dave LaRoche was high scorer for West with 34. He had 17 in each half and 16 of 20 free throws.

Technical fouls—none.

### Samohi Routed By North High

Winning their third straight Bay League basketball game, North High's Saxons plowed Santa Monica under with a 74-56 score in the Samohi gym. Coach Skip Enger's club started off with an 18-0 lead and coasted the rest of the way. Craig Wennstrom was the top scorer with 16 points. The Saxons had a nine-point second quarter and a 32-10 bulge at intermission. They pulled away in the third period with 24 points. Santa Monica suffered its fourth straight loss and meets Inglewood Friday night. North has a non-league game Friday against Plus X at home. In the fourth quarter of the North-Santa Monica game, five technical fouls were called against the Vikings. Jim Nielson was the first Saxon to get a "gift" shot, and he missed it. The next four, however, were good by Wennstrom, Bob Becker, Bill Albin, and Charley Richardson.

### Little League Meeting Set

A meeting of 32 Little League district administrators from Southern California will take place Saturday and Sunday at the Plush Horse Motor Hotel in Redondo Beach. In charge of the meeting is Edward Martins, California state director for Little League. He is a corporation attorney from Hayward. Attending the meeting will be Albert E. Houghton, regional director. He will relate information pertinent to the Little League International Tournament.

### Cougars Lose To Inglewood

Inglewood won its first of three Bay League basketball games yesterday by defeating Hawthorne, 65-50, at Hawthorne High. Inglewood (65) defeated Hawthorne (50) 65-50. Inglewood scorers: (8) Kammerer 15, (7) Grossman 10, (12) Rohrer 10, (20) Bentley 10, (1) Buellet 10. Hawthorne scorers: (1) Lee 10, (10) Russo 10, (15) Hobart 10, (11) Littler 10, (1) Buellet 10.

## Mira Costa Champ in Wrestling

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It was brutal. Wrestling was never more punishing than the agonizing 38-8 beating South High took from Mira Costa yesterday afternoon at MCHS. Both teams went into the meet unbeaten in dual competition, but South salvaged only a draw and two decisions. Mira Costa won the 115-pound bout by default and the only fall was by Tony Edwards in the 143-pound weight. He conquered Dave Omgstead with eight seconds remaining in the second period. The Spartans were courageous, toughing hard muscle-stretching in repeated lip-sided bouts. The feature match was in the 168-lb. class in which Ralph Gambin, the ex-Spartan, outpointed Jeff Arrieta, 5-1. Gambin had a 2-point takedown in the first 2-minute period, but Arrieta got an escape for one point. In the second period Gambin got a quick escape for a 3-1 lead and turned it into another takedown. There was no scoring in the third period. Gambin, whose streak of victories is nearing 50, spotted Arrieta about 13 pounds, having switched his normal 157-pound weight to the higher bracket. Gambin moving up, Alan Cohen was able to take over the 157-pound weight and scored an easy 11-1 win over Jeff Ginroz. In the 194-pound division Mike Fairless also had an easy 11-0 win over Scott Christinsson. In a hard fought 175 lb. bout, Steve Verry edged Jim Kauble, 5-4, while Joe Olivarado (136) topped Snapper Douglas, 4-2. South's victories were by Matthew Harris (130) over Dave Harrison, 6-3, and Jim McGrath, heavyweight, over Greg Simpson, 6-2. The crowd of 400 which watched the onslaught outnumbered the spectators at the varsity basketball game in the adjoining gym. Its Mira Costa team, by its overwhelming victory, gave evidence this may be the greatest high school wrestling team in the history of the sport.

## South Basketball Team Falls From Ranks, 62-40

Coach Jim Hanny of South yesterday and bottled up South's three veterans—Steve Kuchenbecker, Ed Holmes and Chuck Fernandez convincingly. Kick Turton topped Kuchenbecker in rebounds, 19-3. The scoring was not spectacular, although Micohl Guard Tom Eger got 19 free throws among his 11 points. South has Hawthorne, Redondo and Inglewood remaining on the first leg of the round robin season. The Hanny man, runner-up to Redondo with a 10-2 record this year, beat Mira Costa in a pair of upsets at the time with ball control. The Mustangs, however, dominated the rebounding

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### High School Wrestlers To Perform at Camino

Nineteen schools from the Bay League, Sky League, and Pioneer League will participate in the 12th annual high school wrestling tournament at El Camino College Saturday in the men's gym. "This will be the largest tournament of its kind in the history of the competition," El Camino wrestling coach Dave Hengstler said. More than 200 wrestlers will compete. Last year's championship team, Aviation High School, will have two defending champs Mike Cline and Mike Higgins in action. Mira Costa High School, favored to win the title, was winner of the high school classic for three consecutive years before Aviation took the strangle hold on the title last year. The Mustangs won the championship in 1962, 1963, and 1964. Mira Costa will also have two defending champs Ralph Gambin and John Norris competing.

### League Standings Bay League

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Mira Costa	3	0	182	126
Redondo	2	0	230	201
North	2	1	249	217
South	2	2	176	200
Inglewood	2	2	162	204
Hawthorne	1	3	214	254
Santa Monica	0	4	258	219

### Camino Real

Team	W	L	PF	PA
St. Bernard's	2	0	119	90
Ran Murphy	2	0	117	90
St. Monica's	2	0	118	85
Montgomery	0	2	93	123
Creepi	0	2	106	130
Fernan Lason	0	2	87	107

### Pioneer League

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Palos Verdes	2	0	148	75
West High	2	0	115	99
Lanwilde	0	2	112	144
Lennox	0	2	87	131

### Sky League

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Torrance	1	1	127	120
Beverly Hills	1	1	125	134
Rolling Hills	1	1	123	131
Leuninger	1	1	129	179
Rolling Hills 64	0	2	112	124

## Time for Baseball Signups

Preparations for the 1966 youth baseball program are being launched with player registration. Each league is governed by a board of directors which establishes its own sign up dates, tryouts, and playing schedules. Each league has specific boundaries from which players are drawn. Announcements of registration are made known through a canvas of the residents, notices given through schools, and newspaper publicity. Little League eligibility requires a boy to be 8-years-old on or before July 31, and 13-years-old Aug. 1 or later. There are nine Little Leagues in Torrance, including North Torrance West, North Torrance East, Torrance Central, Torrance National, Torrance American, Pacific Coast, Riviera, Southwood and Torondo League. There are also baseball programs for older boys served by West Torrance Pony League, Pacific-Riviera Pony League, North Torrance Pony League, Central Torrance Pony League, Knolthe Pony League, North Torrance Babe Ruth League, Pacific-American Babe Ruth League, and Inglewood Babe Ruth League. Publicity information used by the Press-Herald must be received by noon of Tuesday and Friday

the league should be accompanied by at least one parent. He should bring \$2 registration fee and his birth certificate.

In addition to their regular team schedule, 13-year-olds players may attend a special Saturday morning baseball clinic to develop their skills and playing abilities. Managers and coaches will devote their time for more individual attention.

For information concerning registration in the North Torrance Babe Ruth League, contact Players Agent Bob Ruth at 324-4842.

### North Torrance Babe Ruth

The North Torrance Babe Ruth League will hold registrations and a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, Jan. 23 from 9 to 4 p.m. in the Higgins Brick Yard Patio, 2217 Artesia Blvd.

The dinner is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. The dinner is open to the public. A second registration date will be Saturday, Jan. 29 at Melrose Park, 3824 West Artesia Blvd. from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Boys between the ages of 13 and 15 are eligible for League, Knolthe Pony League, North Torrance Babe Ruth League. They must live within the boundaries of can Babe Ruth League, Inglewood Babe Ruth League, and Inglewood Babe Ruth League.

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Signups will be Feb. 6 and 9 and residents of league officials.

Tryouts will be March 5 and 12 at Felker Field. Team announcements will be March 16.

### Harbor City Little League

Sign ups for the Harbor City Little League will be held Feb. 5 and 12 at Perry Field, 26000 Frampton Ave., Harbor City.

Boys registering must be accompanied by one parent, be 8 to 12 years of age and have verification of date of birth.

Registration fee will be \$2 per boy and \$5.00 for each additional boy in the family. League boundaries are: North, 223rd Street; South, Palos Verdes Drive; East, Vermont Ave.; West, Western Ave.

Tryouts are scheduled for Feb. 19 and 26, at Perry Field. Don Tousseau, president for the 1966 season, announced there are a few positions open for managers. Anyone interested in managing a team may call DA 6-4770.

Assisting Tousseau this season will be Darel Stark, first vice president; Larry Grant, second vice president; Ethel Witly, secretary; Dedie Tousseau, treasurer; Del Thompson, player agent; Dee Miller

and Velma Costa, ways and means; Joann Thompson, snack-bar; Chris Wuethrick, safety officer; Lionel Bushling, equipment manager; Georgene Beber, publicity.

### Torrance Babe Ruth

Torrance Babe Ruth League will hold a registration meeting for the 1966 baseball season Monday, Jan. 24, at 8 p.m. at Steel Workers Hall, 1316 Bolder Ave.

Tryouts and opening day will be announced at the meeting. Secretary Ruay Carter reports.

Technical fouls—none.