## Torrance 'Solved' by Morningside

## **Rams** Praised By Coach Allen

Generally consigned by the experts to the division depths at the start of the season, the Rams, this week with an 8-5 record, stand at the threshold of their finest year since 1958, when they tied for second in the Western race

If head coach George Allen, in the league finale at the Coliseum Sunday, can take them past Green Bay and into the Playoff Bowl, he should merit consideration as the NFL's Coach of the Year.

Both Green Bay and Dallas the probable title contestants, have better records than the Rams, but both clubs were rated at the start of play to finish just about where they are. The Rams, on the other hand, having wound up last season with a 4-10 record, worst in the division, were expected by most dopesters to finish fifth or lower this year, and their dramatic leap forward must be credited largely to Allen's shrewd trades his expert handling of players and his unusual qualities as an inspiring leader.

Awaiting Sunday's climactic clash with the Packers, when a win will send them to Miami to settle runner-up honors with the Eastern candidate, coach Allen today looked back over the long campaign and admitted he was "very pleased."

"When I met with the squad for the first time at Chapman College last July, I told them our goal was a 9-5 record. I said that if we played alert football and didn't lose any key men through injuries, we had a chance to surprise everybody. I felt then that, with the conference strength so well balanced, 9-5 might even win the title.

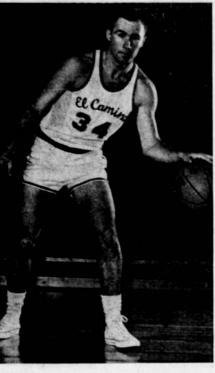
"My two biggest objectives were to improve the pass defense and to make the players believe they could win. I knew I had to build up the linebacking and secondary defense. On offense I wanted them to move the opposing front wall and not make mistakes. I knew we weren't going to be an explosive team, like Dallas, for example, so it was vital that we cut down errors and try to keep ball control. I hoped I could keep 11 men on offense and 11 on defense and allow them to

regain their pride, to have confidence they can handle Arena. Tip-off is 7:05 p.m

"Tm very gratified at the way we improved our pass defense. Last year the club was last in intercep-tions and percentage of passes completed against them. Today, with one game remaining, only Cleveland and Green Bay have intercepted more passes, and only St. Louis has a lower percentage of passes completed against them. Today is a lower percentage of passes completed more passes and only St. Louis has a lower percentage of passes completed against them. Today with one game remaining, only Cleveland and Green Bay have intercepted more passes, and only St. Louis has a lower percentage of passes completed against them. Tow

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Allen concedes that a lack of major injuries has figured in the Rams' resurgence. Only tight end Marlin McKeever and guard Don Chuy were out for extended periods. "Dick Bass told me at the start of th



DRIBBLER . . . Steve Wright of El Camino College led his team to a 131-101 win over Los Angeles City Cellege Friday. Ile scored 17 points in the game, El Camino has a 7-1 basketball record.

**PRO BASKETBALL** Lakers Take on **Boston Celtics** 

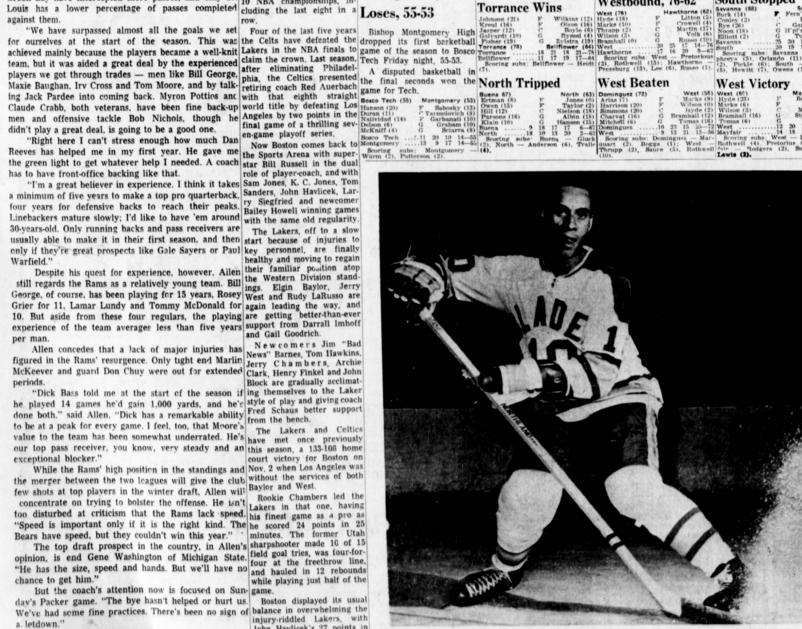
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Tartars Lose at Beverly

For the second time Morn ingside has beaten Torrance in the third round of a bas-ketball tournament. The Monarchs Friday night knocked the Tartars out of the championship running for the Bey erly Hills Tournament, 77-72. Morningside and Fl Segun

do were finalists in the event last night. In the Pacific Shores Tournament El Segundo beat Morningside for the championship, 62-56. In the PacShores Tourna-

In the PacShores Tourna-ment Morningside edged Tor-rance, 80-77. Stan Love scored 27 points in Friday night's outing. The Monarchs had a 22-14 second quarter for a 7-point halftime lead. Although the Tartars got within two points after three quarters, Morningside led by six with a minute and a half six with a minute and a half

to play. North defeated Santa Monica, 69-41, and went into the consolation finals against Redondo which downed Alhambra, 59-47. Torrance and Beverly Hills

were third place opponents. Beverly lost to El Segundo, 80-63, giving the Eagles their ninth straight victory. Long Beach Jordan and Do-

minguez were finalists in the Hawthorne Tournament. In Hawthorne Tournament. In consolation games West de-feated Hawthorne, 76-62, and South downed Lawndale, 68-55, Friday night. Too Much Love



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South Pasadena defeated Morningside, 28-13, Friday night for the CIF "AAA" football championship at Ar-cadia. The loss left Morningside, Sky League champion, with a 12-1 season record.

A week ago Morningside knocked Bishop Montgomery out of the semi-finals by a 37-27 score.

37-27 score, Jack Schultz scored three touchdowns for South Pasa-dena which lost one game during the regular season. The victors scored in each quarter and led 14-6 at half-time. time

time. El Rancho won the CIF "AAAA" championship at the Coliseum Friday by routing Anaheim, 35-14. Both teams had 12-0 records going into the game. A crowd of 25,000 was on hand. Rick Pope threw three touchdown passes and ran 52

Wingback Dale Hewitt was chosen the most valuable football player at South High School during its annual var-day. Hewitt was outstanding on defense and a leading nounced at the banquet by head coach Kenneth Swift. A most inspirational award went to Guard Bob Priestley. 21 in non-league games. Westbourd. 76.62 Notation of the State St

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South vs. Marina 98-Kauble (S) def. Dulaney (M). ird period. 106—Tamble (S) pinned Walezyk (M). 1:05. 112—Fernandes (S) and Saunders (M). 2:2 draw. 120—Thompson (S) and Gepart (M). 4:4 draw. (M), 4-4 draw. (b) and Gepart 127-Byrne (8) def. Halloway (3): 6-3. (3): 6-3. (3): 6-3. (3): 6-3. (3): 6-3. (3): 6-3. (3): 6-3. (3): 6-3. (4): 12-0. (4): 12-0. (5): 6-3. (5): 6-3. (5): 6-3. (6): 6-3. (6): 6-3. (7) (M), 1:40, 175—Arguello (S) and Crabtree (M), 2:2 draw, 191—Waller (M) pinned D'Armitt (S), 2:32. Vorano (M) pinned DeLong Final Score: South 33, Marina 21, South vs. Marina 21, 98 - Kauble (8) pinned Miller (H), 106 - Tamble (8) def. Burbage 112 - Fornandea (8) def. 106-Tambie (S) def. Burbage (H), 25-2 H) - Pernandes (S) def. D'Mico 120-Thompson (S) def. Si. Clair (H), 12-8 127-Byrne (S) pinned Homming (H), 0-22 H33-Matt Harris (S) def. Mar-(H), 12-8. 127-ENTRE (S) pinned Hemming (H), 0-23. 127-ENTRE (S) def. Mar-127-ENTRE (S) def. Mar-suet (H), 7-2. 135-Douglas (S) def. Hammaras (H), 7-2. 145-Marty Harris (S) 6pinned Terrey (H) 3-00. 1-56. - Arrival (H) pinned Roamell (H), 3-07. 175-Revins (H) def. Arguello (H), 0-13. Hwy-DeLong (S) pinned Reamey (H), 0-16. Hwy-DeLong (S) pinned Reamell (H), 0-35. Final Score: South 45, Harbor 5.

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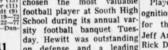
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**Top South Grid Player** 

named the most valuable player at the South High School athletic banquet Tuesday. Hewitt led the

team on defense with 11 interceptions and scored 60 points. (Press-Herald Photo)



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"Dick Bass told me at the start of the season if ing themselves to the Laker he played 14 games he'd gain 1,000 yards, and he's style of play and giving coach done both." said Allen. "Dick has a remarkable ability to be at a peak for every game. I feel, too, that Moore's The Labor and Colling value to the team has been somewhat underrated. He's our top pass receiver, you know, very steady and an exceptional blocker."

While the Rams' high position in the standings and the merger between the two leagues will give the club few shots at top players in the winter draft, Allen will Baylor and West. Chambers led the ew shots at top players in the winter draft, Allen will concentrate on trying to bolster the offense. He isn't Lakers in that one, having concentrate on trying to bolster the offense. He isn't too disturbed at criticism that the Rams lack speed. "Speed is important only if it is the right kind. The Bears have speed, but they couldn't win this year." The top draft prospect in the country, in Allen's opinion, is end Gene Washington of Michigan State. "He has the size, speed and hands. But we'll have no chance to get him."

But the coach's attention now is focused on Sun-game.

day's Packer game. "The bye hasn't helped or hurt us. Boston displayed its usual We've had some fine practices. There's been no sign of balance in overwhelming the

a letdown." After losing to Green Bay early in the season. 24-13, Allen said, "We'll beat 'em in L.A." He still feels Celts who scored in double that way, though the Packers are now division champs figures. Russell the coach

WHIZ ON ICE . . . Willie O'Ree, popular hockey player from the Los Angeles Blades, will be in action Tuesday at the Sports Arena when they battle

Victoria. The Blades dropped a 2-1 decision to team Friday night. O'Ree lives in the South Bay.