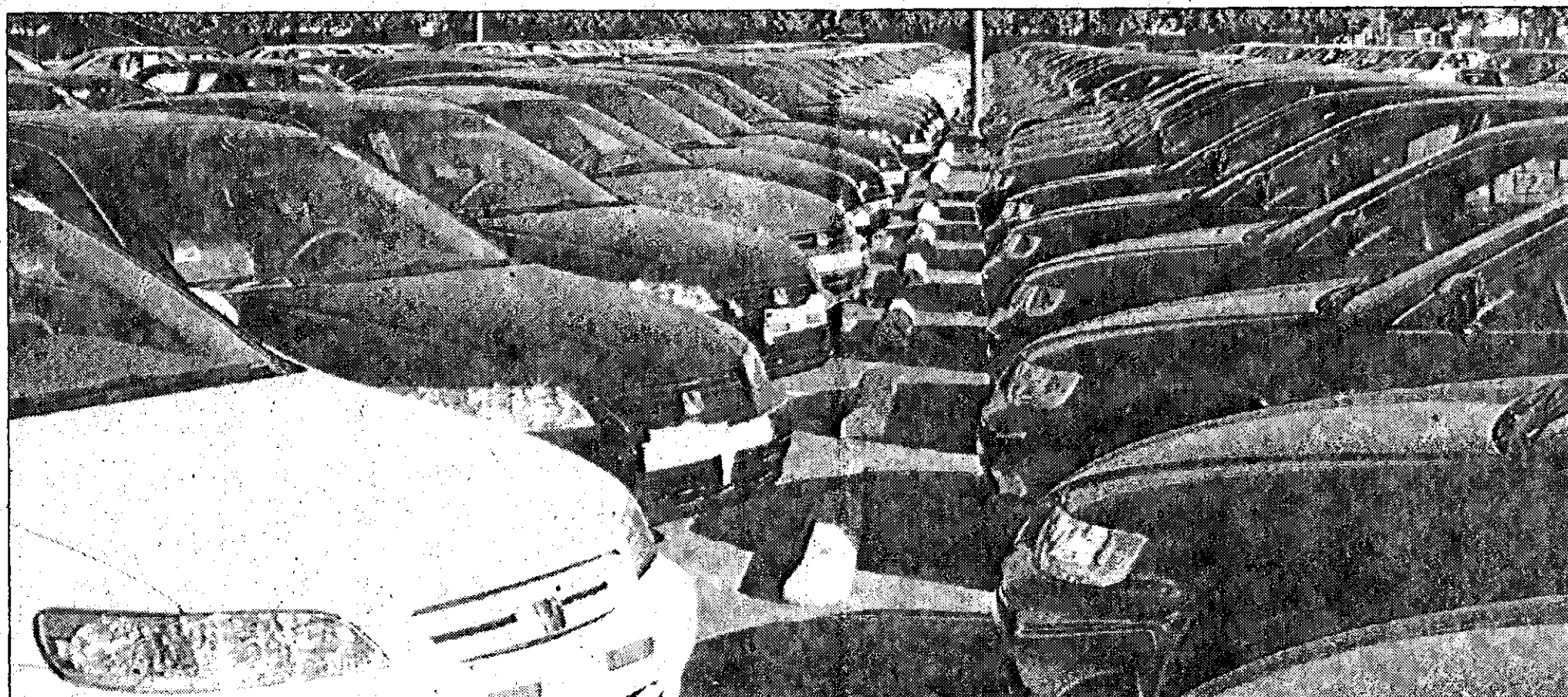


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ART EXHIBIT: Fingernails, eyebrows and other similar materials used in current art exhibit.

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BASKETBALL: Men and women BOTH beat El Camino.



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Honda overflow uses parking lot

BY CARMEN ALVIZURES

TALON MARKS STAFF

About 200 new cars have been parked in Lot C-10 since the beginning of January.

The cars, according to their license plates, are all from Norm Reeves Honda Superstore, a local dealership within Cerritos Auto Square.

Lot C-10 is located to the south of the campus and is next to the Department of Automotive Technology as well as to the central offices of the campus police.

According to Peter Hardash, vice president of Business

Services on campus, Cerritos College received a panic call from Michael Gilligan, general manager of Norm Reeves Honda Superstore. He was in need of an area that could accommodate about 200 new cars, and he was hoping Cerritos College could help.

Hardash stated that while keeping students in mind the campus agreed to house the cars in an area where student parking would not be affected. Within Lot C-10, a parking lot considerably large in size, an area was designated for the new Hondas that help the dealership with the space shortage and,

apparently, make it possible for students to park as they always have within the lot.

The campus is being paid by the dealership for the space provided, Hardash said. The amount, as of now, remains undisclosed. Norm Reeves Honda Superstore is also providing its own security and as time goes by, the cars will be diminishing in number since the dealership will be transferring them to the dealer as needed.

The new Hondas will be on campus for at least 60 days.

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Student leadership conference

BY CLAUDIA VALDEZ

TALON MARKS STAFF

The 2001 Leadership Conference was held at the Catamaran Resort Hotel in San Diego this past Jan. 3 to Jan. 5. This yearly conference is offered to about 70 students who are looking for ways to improve their leadership skills and want to learn to network with others as well.

There was a variety of workshops that were offered to the students, from "How to be a Leader in 30 Days" to "Cultural Diversity."

One of the workshops offered was held by Dean Ackland, and Wayne Nunnery, Cerritos college employees and alumna Holly Bogdanovich of Rancho Santiago Community College, they emphasized the importance of working as a team and being involved in school activities.

"The guest speakers are leaders in their own areas so they can share their knowledge with the rest of us," said Evgeny O. Li, a Political Science major. Instructors Max Freifield and Hy Finkelstein were also speakers. Evgeny would recommend that students attend the conference because, "when you know how to speak to others you know how to work together and make things happen."

Liberal Studies major Maria Jacobson enjoyed the workshop on ethics presented by instructor Carlos Arce. "Ethics wasn't something I would think about on a daily basis until Mr. Arce told us to figure out who we really are ethically," said Maria.

She also enjoyed the activities for the students that Arce provided at the conference. "The activity that showed the different types of personalities got me to figure out my personality and it allowed me to understand why my friends do some of the things they do."

Those who are interested in attending next year's conference, can pick up applications in the Student Activities Office. Students should be interested in leadership.

Board to name president soon

Presidential search down to final two

BY ALLYN MATTOX

TALON MARKS STAFF

The search for a new Cerritos College president has now been narrowed to two candidates. The Cerritos College Board of Trustees plans to make a selection by mid-February.

The remaining candidates are Dr. James Middleton, current President of the College of Marin, Calif., and Dr. Jane Harmon, who is currently on leave as President of Adirondack Community College in Queensbury, N.Y.

The selection of the new president was to have been completed by early February, but the decision is now expected to be delayed by approximately two weeks.

Representatives from Cerritos Community College traveled to College of Marin in Northern California Tuesday and will travel to Adirondack College on Feb. 14.

The visit to Adirondack College was originally scheduled for next week; however, this is the start of the spring semester for the college so the date of the visit has been changed.

The trip to the colleges will be taken by Cheryl A. Epple, Dr. Ted Edmiston, and John Moore, three members of the Board of Trustees; Constantin Rosenbauer, student member of the Board of Trustees; Bob Chester, president of the Faculty Senate; and Steven Helfgot, presidential search liaison.

The committee will spend one day in Marin, and one day in Queensbury, interviewing between 40 and 50 members of the

community and governing boards of the colleges to establish a "feel" for the candidates, according to Helfgot.

The three trustees will report to the Board of Trustees, probably in a closed session. Then a decision will be made.

"I think what is interesting is we hope to get this process finished sometime before the semester is out," Helfgot said.

"We would like to have someone who has been here this semester."

Middleton has previously taught high school English in Mundelein, Ill., and taught English in the West Indies.

He was the Writing Center Coordinator at Dundalk Community College in Maryland from 1976 to 1982.

In 1982 he commenced his administrative career as the Division Director of Humanities, Social Sciences and Communications at Williamsport Area Community College in Williamsport, Penn.

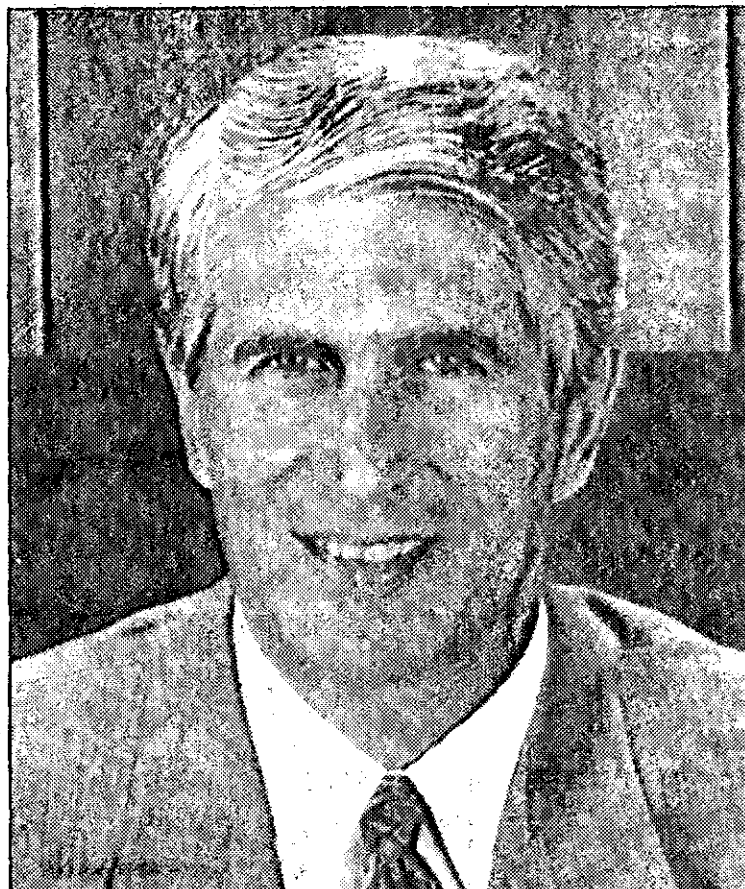
In 1984 he became the dean and vice-president of Academic Affairs at Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport.

In 1993 he became President/Supervisor of the Marin Community College District, the position he currently holds.

Middleton has a bachelor of arts degree in European Literature and Thought from the University of Iowa, a master of arts degree in English Literature from the University of Leeds in England, and a second master of arts degree in English, with a Specialty in Teaching in Community Colleges, from the University of Iowa.

He also earned a doctor of arts degree in English Language and Literature from the University of Michigan.

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DR. JAMES MIDDLETON



DR. JANE HARMON

College caught in energy crunch

BY CARMEN ALVIZURES

TALON MARKS STAFF

The electricity crisis that is affecting California is also having an impact on Cerritos College.

While the college has not experienced rolling blackouts yet, it has seen its power bills soar during the crisis.

So much so that the Board of Trustees will be holding a special meeting this Wednesday to discuss the energy crisis and its impact on the campus.

Currently, the energy crisis has made the headline news almost every day.

Just recently, for example, communities have experienced blackouts in northern and central California, and all eyes look toward Sacramento, where Governor Davis is being widely criticized for his inability, as some would say, to solve California's power crisis.

In a more local level, Cerritos College, an institution dedicated to education, is not exempt from the energy crisis, that is certain, but how we are affected as a campus and our response to a situation like this depends very much on our preparation.

According to Peter Hardash, vice president of Business Services, the campus is prepared for every stage alert and is not planning to shut down in spite of the side effects that the energy crisis may bring.

"We have had meetings, we have coordinated [an emergency plan] with our campus police and all [of] our staff [on] how we would escort staff and students out, making sure they are safe and secure."

To understand our current situation, it is important to know that Cerritos College is an "interruptible customer." Back in 1994-1995, Cerritos College applied for an interruptible rate of nine cents an hour on average with Southern California Edison.

Being an interruptible customer, a rate meant a 20 percent discount. Before 1996, when deregulation came into effect, interruptions to energy service were extremely infrequent and a 20 percent discount seemed like a good idea.

More than four years later, Cerritos College was interrupted not infrequently, but repeatedly. During the summer of 2000, if the college used any electricity during an interruption, there was a penalty charge of \$9.30 an hour.

If before the penalties the college was spending \$288 an hour,

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IN CASE OF A BLACKOUT



DAY CLASSES

In most cases classes will continue using ambient light. Blackouts should last only about an hour.

NIGHT CLASSES

Some light should be available in all buildings from emergency generators. Evacuate buildings as classes are cancelled. There should also be some light in parking lots.

Student Center recreation hub

BY ALLYN MATTOX
TALON MARKS STAFF

If you are a new or returning student at Cerritos Community College, you may be wondering where to look for information for on-campus activities and services.

One of the places you may look is the Game Room and I.D. Center. This room is open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays.

Inside the Game Room there are three pool tables, a ping-pong table, ten video machines, a change machine, four televisions and plenty of seating.

Something new to the Game Room is the College Television Network, which is shown on four television screens.

According to Melissa Swank, Student Center manager, "This satellite system is provided to the college free of charge and broadcasts a variety of music, news, sports and commercial messages."

Swank is also excited about some of the upcoming events on campus such as the Pepsi One College Invasion, which will be held on Jan. 29 and 30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pepsi will be on campus providing a variety of Pepsi products, music and prizes.

In February two bands are scheduled to play. "Naked Eye" will perform on Feb. 8 and Tim Ramirez and the Wildcats will play on Feb. 20. There is also a chess tournament planned for Feb. 22 and 27.

"We're excited about having sports nights planned where a projection unit will show major sporting events in the Student Center,"

Swank said.

Housed in the back of the Game Room is the I.D. Photo Center. The room is set up with two cameras and student pictures are taken for their photo identification cards. A current printout verifying enrollment must be shown before your picture will be taken. It takes approximately five minutes to receive your photo identification card.

Next to the Game Room is the Student Center, which is home to four fast food-type restaurants, Frantone's Pizza and Spaghetti Villa, Chicago Harv's, Taco Bell, and Imperial Mandarin Palace. These restaurants serve a variety of different types of foods at reasonable prices.

There are three televisions in this somewhat noisy area, but if you go to the lounge located next to the restaurant, you will find a much quieter, comfortable environment.

This area of the Student Center has restrooms, big comfortable couches, book shelves containing paperback novels, and large tables and chairs where students can eat and/or study.

To the north of the Student Center is the Student Activities Office, which is located next to the campus bookstore. This is the office of Phillip Houseman, who oversees the Student Activities Office. Dean Ackland is the coordinator of Student Activities, who organizes events. There is a huge calendar posted outside his office showing all the events for the upcoming month.

Also in the Activities Office Patrick Callahan, the judicial coordinator handles discipline problems, between teachers and students.



IT'S GOTTA BE THE HAIR - Catera Milton from cosmetology helps her client look awesome.

Program offers haircuts

BY CLAUDIA VALDEZ
TALON MARKS

The Cosmetology department is offering services to students, faculty, and the general public at a low cost.

You can get a haircut, a manicure, a pedicure, a scalp treatment, a style, and even a facial between classes or after school.

The services are done by junior and senior cosmetology students, with the instructor's supervision.

Appointments are not required unless you want a specific student.

The department also offers hair and skin products at low prices.

This Thursday you can get a haircut or a manicure for \$2 during Club Info Day in the Quad.

"The services are done in a professional manner," said Hethy Trujillo, Spanish major, who took advantage of their services during last semester's Club Info Day. She also liked that they took their time and were very careful while doing her manicure.

During January students will receive a ten percent discount on services with a valid college I.D.

The Cosmetology department is located on the second floor of the Health Science building.

Services are offered during the day Monday and Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday noon to 3:30 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and evenings Wednesday and Thursday 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information call (562) 860-2451, x2960.



GOT THE STUFF - Hugo Zavala enjoys seeing the wonderful art at the art show in the art gallery.

Fingernails, eyebrows, hair artists' tools in new exhibit

BY K.C. CARTER
TALON MARKS STAFF

"Popular culture leads us to believe that if an artist can render the face and figure in complete detail he or she will have captured the very soul of the model," said Jeff Allen, coordinator of the Cerritos College Art Gallery.

From fingernails, eyes, facial hair, belly buttons, and very unique

abstract art, "Skin Deep" lays it all out there for the viewer to behold. Though the exhibit opened a couple of weeks ago, it still is not receiving its recognition it rightfully deserves, Cindy Seo, one of the gallery patrons said.

The exhibit opened Jan. 9 and the premiere was last week. "Skin Deep" will remain open in the Art

Gallery until Feb. 2.

Since it opened not many people have had a chance to see the exhibit because many people do not know there is an exhibit to see.

"I wish Cerritos College would promote the Art Gallery more; there is some terrific art here in the Gallery," Seo says.

Lori McCarthy, who has been at Cerritos College for two years now, says, "I'm not surprised that many people do not know about the exhibit. Most of the arts here are forgotten. Now that I know about 'Skin Deep' I'm going to check it out."

Daniel Meneses, who has already seen "Skin Deep," was fairly impressed with the exhibit. "The designs catch a person's eye. From a distance you are not able to tell what is. But once you come close to the art you see other things, such as fingernails and eyebrows," says Daniel Meneses.

usually parks in Lot C-10, since the parking lots around her department are full. Phan, as many other students, saw the new Hondas since the first day of classes Jan. 8.

"The first thing I thought was 'wow'... I thought these were all student [cars], but then I looked closer and they were all from the dealership."

Looking at the area where the new Hondas are, Phan added, "a lot of the students don't park in that end of the parking lot anyway."

A lot of cars in parking lot

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Hardash says, but if necessary, the days the cars will remain on campus can reach 90.

Hardash emphasized that the presence of the cars will not interfere with student parking. However, if at any time the students who park in Lot C-10 are affected, the campus and the dealership are in agreement that the cars will be removed promptly.

Tina Phan, a second year student in the Department of Nursing,

College woes electrifying

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using 3,200 kilowatt-hour at a charge of nine cents per hour, the penalty charge of \$9.30 would mean that the college would be charged \$29,760 an hour for those same 3,200 kilowatt-hours.

The penalty charges given to interruptible customers during stage two alerts are damaging, Hardash states "Stage Two is what really hurts us [financially]." As of early December, the amount of money consumed in penalty charges was \$300,000. It is now estimated that as of now, those charges have exceeded \$500,000.

Still, Cerritos College managed to stay open during the summer of 2000 although campuses like Pomona College, Long Beach College, Citrus College, and Cypress College had to shut down during July and August due to the side affects of stage two alerts.

Thus, during a Stage Two alert, conserving energy is a priority. Michael Sebak, director of the Physical Plant, stated that although "we have no control of the energy coming in into the campus," during a stage two alert there is a goal of managing the energy available while at the same time maintaining

the instruction on campus.

The types of equipment that would be shut off during a stage two alert without impacting instruction include hallway lights, classroom computers, and air conditioning.

While Stage Two alerts give 30-minute warnings before an interruption, Stage Three alerts give a 10-minute notice (at most). Sometimes, however, a call during a Stage Three alert many not come in enough time. This is when order and calmness should be practiced.

In case of an emergency such as a blackout, there are "emergency generators in many, many of our buildings," Hardash said. "However, they are primarily for the emergency lighting system."

Even so, access to nearby exits will not be obstructed since the emergency lights will provide enough light.

In case a blackout occurs during evening classes, when daylight is diminishing or altogether gone, Hardash stated that "practically all of our buildings have some type of a lighting system." "Custodians, grounds people... they will [all] assist students to their cars."

Furthermore, in order to avoid

gridlocks, such as the ones that happened in northern and central California, students are reminded to remain calm. Hardash emphasized that the emergency plan is detailed; information such as areas and locations of first aid kits, campus staff responsibilities, and evacuation plans are among those items included.

As point of reference as well as future guide, Michael Sebak, director of the Physical Plant, offered the following information regarding each stage alert:

Stage 1 Alert- General warning. No considerable effect on campus.

Stage 2 Alert- 30-minute notice. Conservation of energy in effect. Equipment that is not directly linked with instruction is turned off.

Stage 3 Alert- 10-minute notice (at most). Power is off for about an hour.

If you are interested in knowing more about the energy crisis and its impact on Cerritos College, there will be a Board of Trustees meeting this Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Board Room which is located between the Vice President's Suite and the President's Office.

Search narrowed to two

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As to why Middleton wants to change schools, Helfgot stated, "He has been there [College of Marin] a number of years and has done what he can do there. Cerritos is a larger school with a different potential."

Helfgot also added, "The college in Marin County is half our size. It is a very wealthy area with an older population and not a lot of growth potential."

Harmon began her career as a teacher and owner on an outdoor education business. In 1979 she became the Academic Director of the Upward Bound Project at Bemidji State University in Minnesota.

From 1983 to 1993 she served

as the Coordinator and Instructor of Developmental Education at Lakeview Community College in Minnesota and from 1990 to 1991 also served as the Director of Classroom Research Projects for the Minnesota Community College System.

In 1993 she worked at Hibbing Community College in Hibbing, Minn., first as dean of the college until 1996, when she became vice-president of Academic Affairs.

In 1998 she became president of Adirondack Community College in Queensbury and is currently on leave from that position.

As to why Harmon is on a leave of absence at Adirondack College, Helfgot offered only: "Dr. Harmon

and her board have agreed to part company, as sometimes happens in these jobs."

At the Board of Trustees meeting last week, Board President Epple stated that at the board meeting on Feb. 21, all of the site visits would be completed.

She would like the committee to discuss whether either candidate is one to pursue and would like the committee to make its recommendation to the board at that meeting.

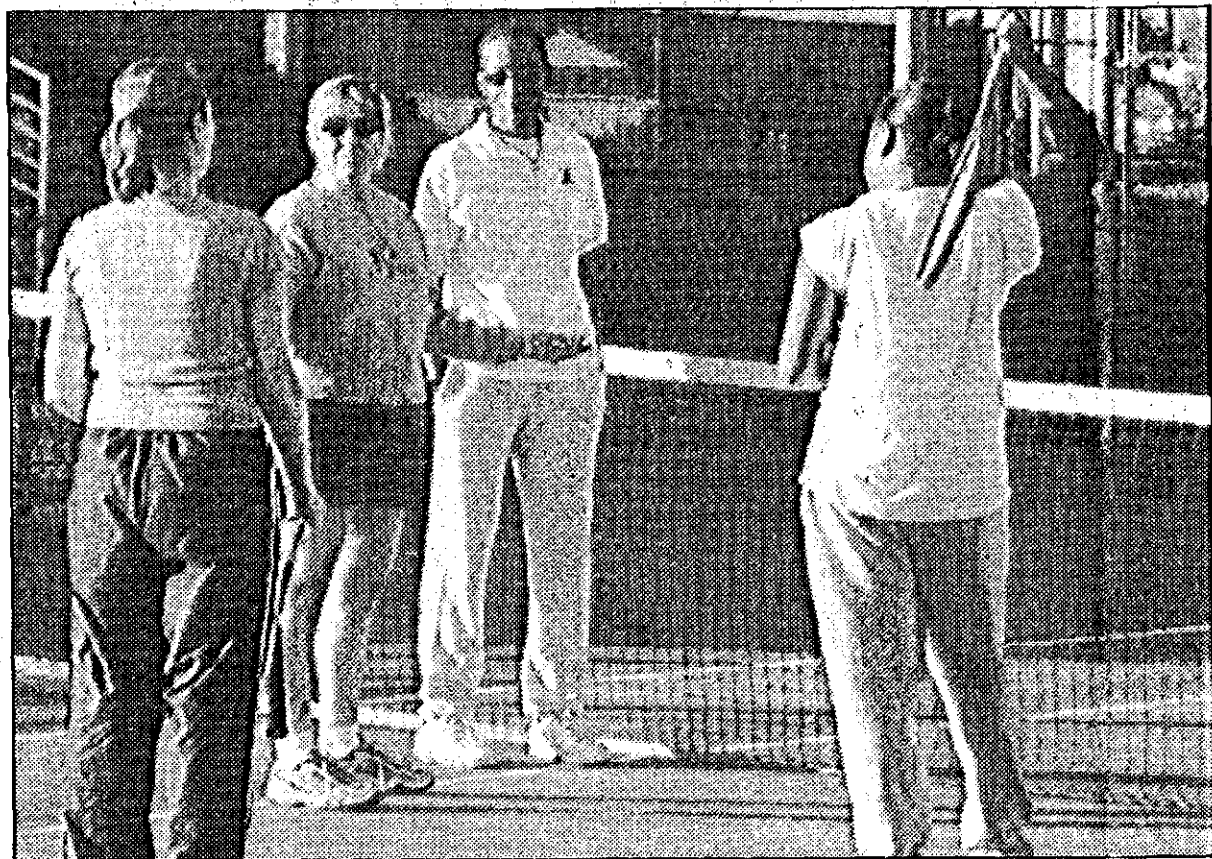
The board can then commence contract negotiations with the candidate, and an announcement will be made at the end of the February meeting if an agreement is reached.

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TRAINING FOR THE SEASON - Cerritos women's tennis coach Terri Button gives instruction to Kowani Collins and Jennifer Herzog. The team opens the season Feb. 6 at Mt. San Antonio.

MEN'S TENNIS

Cerritos ready for tough season

BY DAVID AMEZCUA
STAFF WRITER

This season in men's tennis is all about watching your back. If you don't watch your back, you don't know when the Falcons are going to strike. They just might surprise you.

Coach Gerry Ellis said, "El Camino and Marymount are the toughest teams in the conference. It's a strong conference for tennis."

"We are fighting every match we go to. This year I want get more wins than last year."

Mike Moore said, "I don't know yet how the team is going this season, but everything so far is good. I think the team is great."

"If we work hard, I think the team can do good."

Luz Orejel said, "All I know about last season is that last season was a bad season."

Hector Collazo said about the beginning of the season, "We will be all right."

"I think the team is ready for the season. We just need to practice more."

Carlos Vazquez said that the season looks pretty good. "We have a better team than people think. We might surprise some people."

Ellis said that he wants to make the players' stay at Cerritos "a very positive time" in their lives.

"I want to improve the players."

"I want the student-athletes to enjoy their athletic career and their academic career, and get the most out of both."

Sports Schedule

MEN'S TENNIS

Thursday - 2 p.m.
Home vs. Glendale
Tuesday - 2 p.m.
Home vs. Fullerton
Feb. 1 - 2 p.m.
At Orange Coast
Feb. 6 - 2 p.m.
At Southwestern

SOFTBALL

Saturday - 1 p.m.
At Bakersfield
Saturday - 3 p.m.
Vs. Taft
At Bakersfield
Jan. 31 - 3 p.m.
Home vs. Santa Ana
Feb. 1 - 3 p.m.
At I.A. Valley
Feb. 3 and 4 - All Day
at College of the Desert
Tournament
Feb. 6 - 3 p.m.
At College of the Canyons

GOLF

Monday - 7 a.m.
Vs. Saddleback
At Tejas Creek CC
Feb. 6 - 11 a.m.
Vs. Mt. San Antonio
At El Prado CC

BASEBALL

Feb. 2 - 2 p.m.
Home vs. Cuesta
Feb. 3 - 10 a.m.
Home vs. L.A. Valley
Feb. 3 - 2 p.m.
Home vs. Canyon
Feb. 4 - 12 p.m.
Home vs. Glendale

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Feb. 6 - 2 p.m.
At Mt. San Antonio

Lady Falcons win at Compton

BY ARMANDO BROWN
STAFF WRITER

With a 20-3 record, the Cerritos College women's basketball team is ranked third in Southern California and fourth in the state.

With conference play starting last week, the defending South Coast Conference champion Falcons hope to repeat as champions this year.

During the course of conference play, they also hope to improve their ranking before the start of the post season.

Conference play is where the Falcons will meet their traditional rivals.

Forward Nicole Bryant said, "Our rivalry is Long Beach, but I think we were worried about El Camino and Southwest. They're pretty strong. They're good teams."

However, upon short reflection Bryant said, "Not worried about them, but we know they're going to give us a good run."

Los Angeles Southwest College is a team Cerritos won't take lightly.

They're one of the teams that at the beginning of the season coach Karen Welliver predicted would be "real competitive."

Welliver will probably also remind the team that Southwest is

one of only five teams that beat them last year.

On Friday, the Falcons travel to face their long-time rival Long Beach City College.

The Vikings will be looking to avenge their two losses to Cerritos last year, especially one particularly painful loss where the Falcons dropped 100 points on them.

Bragging rights are important to these two schools, and Long Beach will definitely bring their best fight.

Bryant, on why this rivalry is so fierce, said, "I guess it's always been like that. It's always been us and Long Beach, even with the other sports. It's always been like that."

FALCONS DEFEAT TARTARS

Last Wednesday the Falcons opened conference play with a 63-45 win at Compton College.

The win came exactly one week after they lost to then-number-three-ranked Mt. San Antonio, which subsequently cost them their then-number-one state ranking.

With only three losses on the season the Falcons aren't used to losing, and they came out with a fury against Compton.

After trailing 6-2 in the first few minutes of the game, soph-

omore guard Victoria Stewart—who also had a game high six assists—scored seven of her nine points during a 10-point run, and the Falcons never looked back.

At one point in the first half, the Falcons held Compton without a basket for almost five minutes while they reeled off 13 points and took a 16-point lead.

Led by Monet Andrews, the Falcon defense was stifling.

All nine of her rebounds came on defense, and she also had two blocked shots and four steals.

During the last couple of minutes of the first half, the Falcon's superior conditioning and athleticism was becoming more evident as they really began to run on Compton's Tartars.

Cerritos seemed to be doing everything right, and the exclamation to that came during those last minutes.

After making an easy layup, reserve guard Regina Kelly ran back down court pointing to Bryant, who contributed one of her five assists to Kelly on the play.

Kelly said "The play is called 'One.' I don't know how to explain it, but I got the layup. I got the pass from Nicole, made the basket just like the play was called."

The second half only got

worse for Compton.

Andrews' two blocked shots came within one minute of each other, and the Cerritos crowd went nuts.

With 4:52 to play, the Falcons had built a 28-point lead before finally going on to win by 18.

It was a very balanced attack, and everyone logged playing time against the Tartars.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Falcons are a very confident bunch.

On if there were any particular teams on the remaining schedule that the Falcons might be concerned about, freshman forward Monique Harian said, "We don't feel we have to worry about any team."

"Teams have to worry about us. We're one of the top teams."

On if she might be a little overconfident Harian said, "Well no. They can't help but respect us."

"We beat some teams we weren't supposed to beat, and we lost to some teams we were supposed to beat."

"We know we'll have to face the tough teams in the playoffs, but we're not going to practice any differently for any one team."

"There's not one team that we feel we have to get up for any more than any other."

Falcons give their all but Compton wins

BY ARMANDO BROWN
STAFF WRITER

If you're on the Cerritos College men's basketball team, there are two teams you have to beat: Long Beach City and Compton.

So far this season, the Falcons have lost close contests to both of these teams.

Of course, close doesn't count in the final standings, and with a .500 winning percentage, the men now literally have to beat these teams if they hope to make it to the post-season.

The loss to Long Beach was heartbreaking. It was a 68-66 loss at the beginning of the season at the Saddleback Tournament.

The 68-63 loss at Compton last Wednesday night was a little more painful.

Riding a three-game winning streak, another win would have finally put their record in the black. But they tripped.

"We've always been rivals with Long Beach. It's just a school tradition," said Richie Sutton, sophomore guard.

"With Compton, it's always been either we're in first place or they're in first place in league, and we always fight for first and second in league."

"Those are big games for us."

Those are the top teams."

"We didn't play our best. We should have won the game, but we move on. We keep going with the season, and when they come here to the house we'll just beat 'em then."

COMPETITIVE FIRST HALF

The game started out pretty even with the two teams exchanging leads during the first few minutes.

With about five minutes gone in the first half, Aaron Hamilton scored five straight points, including a thunderous dunk that drew loud cheers from the already loud Cerritos side of the gym.

The momentum seemed to be leaning towards the Falcons.

A couple of possessions later, however, forward Miguel Bennett was fouled hard and knocked to the floor.

He made his two free throws, but the momentum swayed back to Compton's side.

SECOND HALF

Although the rest of the first half remained close, the Falcons would never get a lead again.

After Hamilton's five straight points in the first half seemed to spark Cerritos, he had another flurry of five straight points with

about nine minutes left to play that seemed to spark his own teammates.

Sutton said, "Everybody knew Aaron was on his game. He had one of the best games we've ever seen him play."

"He was rebounding, he was scoring, he was defending."

"He was doing everything right, so we knew who to get the ball to."

Tim Nichols added, "Aaron brought his 'A' game."

After Cerritos' spark was ignited, people in the gym had to hold on for dear life because the rest of the game was like a wild ride. The Falcons staged a furious comeback that shortened Compton's lead from 10 points to two with just 2:33 to play.

Over the next minute and 23 seconds, however, Compton reeled off six straight points to build their lead back up to eight with only one minute left.

Guard Marcus Harvey and center Antoine Smith led the first charge, and with one minute left in the game they led a second thunderous charge that narrowed the deficit back down to two.

With 13 seconds left, freshman guard Curtis Williams drained a three-pointer.

With the Falcons forced to

intentionally foul, Compton's Leroy Mosley made his first free throw attempt.

He missed his second attempt, but got his own rebound, and was promptly fouled again. This time he made both free throw attempts.

With the lead back up to five, time ran out on Cerritos.

Hamilton finished with a game high 18 points and four assists. He also had three steals.

Antoine Smith had a game-high 12 rebounds. He also dropped in 14 points.

REMATCH IS FEB. 2

If the feelings the Falcons had after the loss is any indication of things to come, then the rematch should be another wild one.

Perkins said, "We were a little down because we felt we could have won the game. We played bad and we still had a chance to win at the end."

Hamilton added, "I've got a history with them, and I hate to lose to them. I really don't like to lose."

"I kind of have a couple friends on that team. I worked out with them for a second, and things didn't go right so I came here."

On the upcoming rematch against Compton, Hamilton said, "Oh, at the house? I can't wait."

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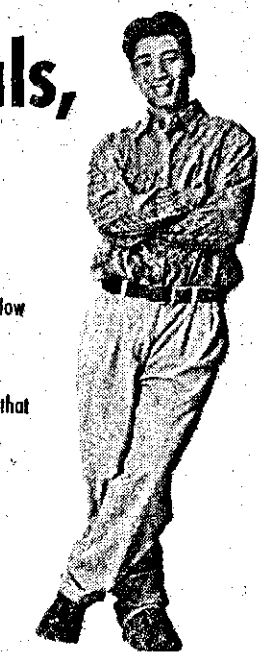
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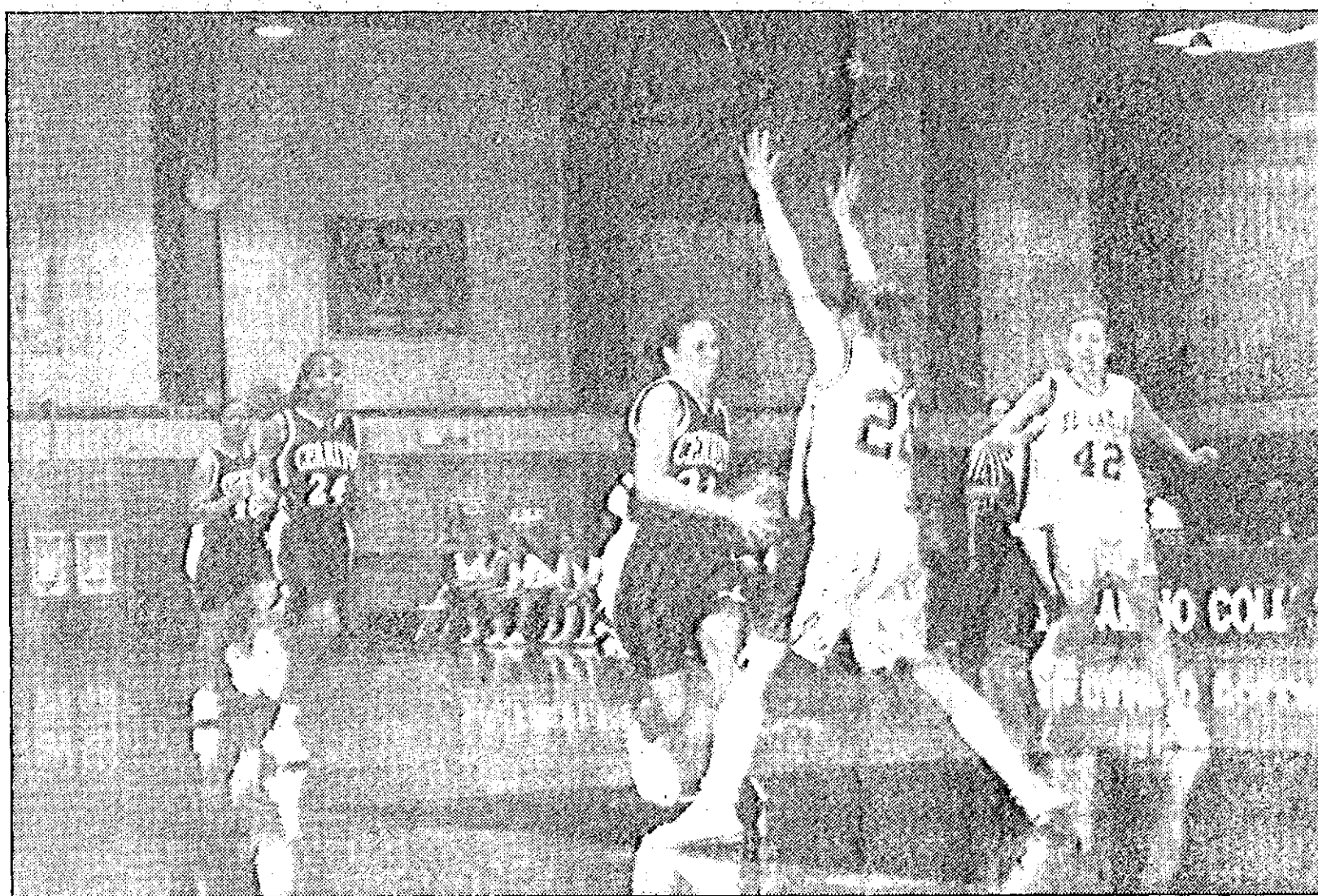
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TAKING IT TO THE HOOP - Victoria Stewart of Cerritos drives to the basket in an attempt to score against El Camino as Camille Singleton (24) and Eterel Wong (40) look on. However, Stewart was called for charging on the play.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Falcons win at El Camino

BY JOHN KITANO
SPORTS EDITOR

Falcons' guard Monet Andrews scored 19 points to lead the Cerritos College women's basketball team to a hard fought 69-55 win over El Camino Friday in the Warrior's gym.

The Falcons (20-3) raised their record to 2-0 in the South Coast Conference Southern Division, allowing the Warriors to make only 37 percent of their shots from the field.

Andrews scored 17 of her points in the second half, including a trio of 3-point baskets, one of them with nine and one-half minutes remaining after the El Camino tied the score at 40.

That basket ignited an 11-2 rally by the Falcons.

A pair of three-point baskets by Warriors' guard Crystal Cawdrey cut the Cerritos lead to 56-50, but the Falcons scored eight unanswered points on baskets by Andrews, Nicole Bryant and Brenda Ortiz, plus two free throws, to put the game away.

Andrews also grabbed 10 rebounds (seven on offense).

Bryant, who scored 18 points and grabbed six offensive rebounds (nine overall), said that the team "came out ready to play" and the "offense hit their shots." She added that "We kept our composure" as El Camino was getting back into the game.

Ortiz called it a "good game" by the team, who "played real hard on offense and defense."

Monique Harian added 11 points and three boards.

Eterel Wong recorded seven rebounds, as the Falcons won the battle of the boards, 38-31.

Falcons easily defeat Compton, Page 3

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Balanced attack leads Falcons over Warriors

BY JOHN KITANO
SPORTS EDITOR

The Cerritos College men's basketball team opened the second half with a 12-2 run en route to an 83-71 win at El Camino College Friday.

Leading by one at the half, the Falcons (11-11, 1-1 in the South Coast Conference Southern Division) ran out to a 50-39 lead.

El Camino pulled to within five points three times, but the Falcons sealed the game by sinking 15 of 17 free throw attempts over the final 7:21.

Miguel Bennett led the Falcons with 16 points and grabbed eight of the team's 44 rebounds.

He was one of six Falcons who scored in double figures.

James Perkins scored 14 points and led the Falcons with nine rebounds.

He said that the team looked "alright" and needs to "play as a team."

Marcus Harvey added 11 points.

Tony Booker and Aaron Hamilton scored 13 points each, and pulled down seven and six boards, respectively.

Curtis Williams, who scored 10 points, including two three-point baskets, said that the Falcons hope to be conference champions, and "look forward" to playing Compton and Long Beach.

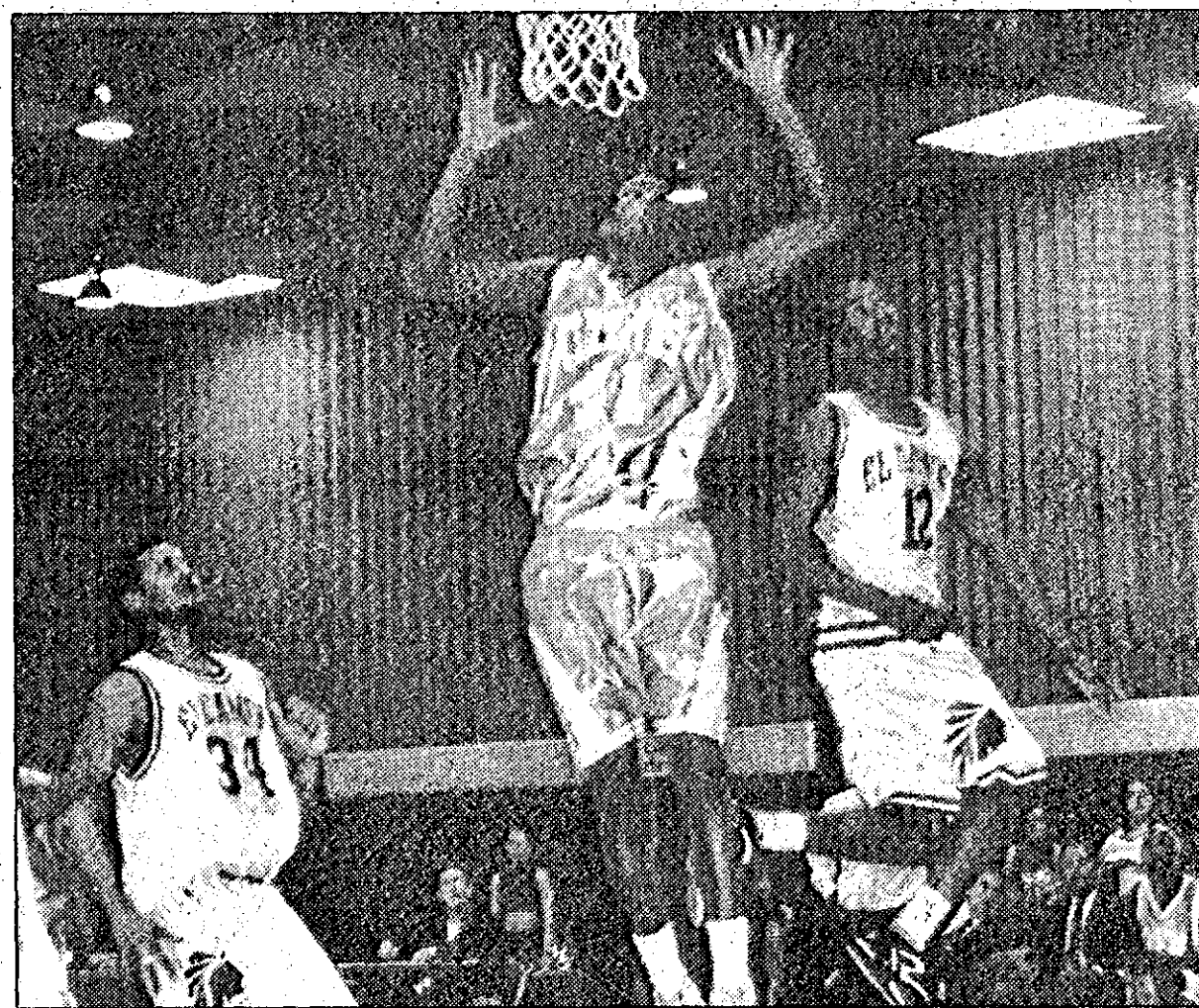
The Falcons play L.A. Southwest College Wednesday night, and visit Long Beach City on Friday.

NOTES

Cerritos made 30 out of 38 free throw attempts, and outshot the Warriors from the field, 45 to 38 percent.

The Warriors had two players foul out, and four more finished the game with four personal fouls.

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SCORE THE BASKET - James Perkins of Cerritos scores the lay-in after receiving an assist from Marques Harris.

Upcoming basketball games

Wednesday: Home vs. L.A. Southwest
Friday: At Long Beach
Jan. 31: Home vs. L.A. Harbor

Feb. 2: Home vs. Compton
Feb. 7: Home vs. El Camino
Feb. 9: At L.A. Southwest
Feb. 14: Home vs. Long Beach

Feb. 16: At L.A. Harbor

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