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# Falcons Dump Eagles, 34-13, While Jesuit Edges Del Campo

By Jim Jenkins

It was early week, and Dick Sperbeck was in his office savoring the events of the previous 48 hours. And who could blame him?

His Christian Brothers High School Falcons had won their football opener, beating rugged El Camino 34-13. Defeating El Camino would be enough to make any coach ecstatic. Winning over the Eagles at season's start has never been commonplace, but whipping them in their own stadium is like defeating the Irish in Dublin on St. Patrick's Day.

## Enthusiasm Reigns

"I feel we were very fortunate to do as well as we did against El Camino," he said in complete modesty. "We just seemed to put our whole game together and our spirit was never higher."

Scoring 34 points would seem to indicate the Falcons had more than an abundance of enthusiasm, and Sperbeck saw it that way, too.

"Rick Cabral, our junior quarterback, is one of the finest in the area," Dick explained. "I think our opposition may be under-rating him this fall, for it looked as if El Camino was a bit surprised. Rick, you see, was behind a fine quarterback and athlete last year in Tom-

my Parilo. So, we used Rick at tailback. He got limited duty running the club, but there was no doubt about his best position. We put him in against Burbank last year for 15 minutes — just 15 minutes — and he completed 11 of 16 passes for 210 yards."

## Player Of Week

Sperbeck appraised Cabral's 43-yard touchdown pass to Joe Guterrez a minute before halftime as the play which broke the game open. It made the score 20-7 and provided the necessary momentum.

But, while Cabral was significant and sharp, he had nothing on halfback Everett McMillan, who today was acclaimed player of the week in the daily papers. McMillan scored three touchdowns, two on runs of 14 and 2 yards and another on a 19-yard pass from Cabral.

"Everett is another sleeper," said Sperbeck. "He was injured last year and went virtually unnoticed. He's one of our very best performers."

The Falcon coach had high regard for his linemen also, but said they can do better. "I especially liked the work of George Lee and Tim Clements, our linebackers and offensive guards. I'd like to put in a compliment for Greg

Dorr, too. He made most of our tackles."

Next on the agenda for Christian Brothers is a noon Saturday date with Placer at Auburn, a 19-7 loser to Folsom last week. The Falcons have a bye next week. The Auburn game was originally scheduled for Friday night, but was changed.

The Falcon sophomores also defeated El Camino, 9-0.

## OFFENSE

**SANDERSON** — One of Sup Cal's premier pass receivers ... only a junior. Sanderson grabbed 48 passes for 664 yards and 10 TDs ... averaged 21.5 yards a catch ... a top student who also plays basketball and baseball.

**SCHERER** — A rugged two-way performer who twice has earned all-Golden Empire League honors from his tackle spot ... voted GEL "lineman of the year" this season ... a top student and outstanding college prospect ... also plays basketball.

**VAN DYCK** — Another top offense and defense performer ... a hard hitter from either side of the line ... considered Mats' top blocker and pulling guard ... another honor student with bright college future ... also runs 440 in track.

**BYRNE** — Twice was named all-Sacramento area center while starring for father Jack ... also drew raves for defensive tackle role ... early season all-state selection ... a good student who plans a college football career ... also plays basketball.

**GREER** — An inspirational player who earned all-Sierra Foothill League honors from his guard spot ... tough to beat on one-on-one situations ... key blocker in run-oriented Oakland offense ... a good student with college future.

**LAMBERT** — Another in a long line of outstanding El Camino linemen called by coach Hal Athon "the finest lineman I have seen this year." ... an honor student who is eyeing a college career and business administration future.

**ORTIZ** — Capped season as Sacramento area's top receiver with 51 receptions for an amazing 1,029 yards and 14 TDs ... a four-monogram winner at the Herd campus ... a good student who should play college ball in spite of size.

**PENROSE** — A much-sought after college prospect who called the plays in the Wolves' 10-0 campaign ... completed 49 of 100 passes for 1,211 yards on run-oriented club ... threw 12 scoring passes ... outstanding basketball player.

**OSTROM** — A bruising runner called by one opposing coach "the best he seen this year" ... gained 1,114 yards, averaging 8.2 yards a carry, in only six games before leg injury ... scored an 15 TDs and 100 points in those contests ... a good student who definitely will play college ball ... also plays basketball.

**MONTOYA** — Joins Penrose as all-Sup Cal choice ... rushed for 897 yards and better than six yards a carry and 16 TDs ... scored 18 TDs in all and seven two-point conversions to notch area scoring crown with 122 points ... also participates in wrestling and track.

**POWERS** — An elusive running back who led Sacramento area rushers with 1,184 yards and 17 TDs ... averaged six yards a carry in 196 tries ... notched area's third leading scorer's spot with 112 points ... a 9.7 sprinter for La Sierra track team.

## DEFENSE

**SCHROETER** — One of the Sac area's top defensive linemen ... twice all-Capital Valley Conference choice ... strength is evident by best-ever bench press of 380 pounds ... a good student mapping a college future ... also wrestles and plays baseball.

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## Sup Cal Top Ten

1. Mira Loma (2-0)
2. Christian Brothers (2-0)
3. Sacramento (1-0-1)
4. J. F. Kennedy (2-0)
5. Woodland (2-0)
6. El Camino (1-1)
7. Grant (2-0)
8. Yuba City (2-0)
9. Hiram Johnson (1-1)
10. Galt (2-0)

# VIEWING THE Preps

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## Brothers 11 Impresses

**QUESTION:** Are the Christian Brothers High School Falcons for real?

**Answer:** "Yes, sir."

And the reply came from Hal Athon, who watched Brothers storm over his favored El Camino Eagles 34-13 last Saturday, so it carries some weight.

"They suprised us," Athon said. "We did a bad job executing some plays, but that isn't meant to take anything away from Brothers. They have great speed, some good ends and a lot of just plain talent."

Athon discounts any theory that overconfidence may have done his Eagles in. "We could have been a little fat," he said, "but it just boils down to one thing—we got whipped by a fine club."

Across town, there was satisfaction on the Brothers campus.



"Everyone's enthused," said Falcon mentor Dick Sperbeck, "but we have a lot of games left and, at the risk of sounding trite, they've gotta be played one at a time."

"Of course I was satisfied with our game, especially since we beat an excellent club. That (quarterback Bill) Schauer is a one-man gang and their split receiver (Rich Monroy) is another good one. El Camino has a fine club and will give everybody trouble."

## Fourth Last Season

**T**HE FALCONS, who retained that nickname when the school dropped the Bishop Armstrong title to reassume the Christian Brothers mantle, finished fourth in the Metropolitan League last year with a 2-4 record. They were 3-6 on the season.

"One big difference this year is experience," Sperbeck said. "We're small but we're awfully fast and our assets include speed, agility and spirit. There are no problems with this club."

Another difference is Everett McMillan, who scored three touchdowns against the Eagles. He broke his wrist in practice last season and was lost for the year.

"We had a lot of injuries last year," Sperbeck continued, "and that threw a heavy load on the remaining kids. Hopefully, it won't happen this year."

"We might be tremendously improved, but I don't see an easy game for us, or anyone else. This league has just too much talent, and even the clubs that are expected to have problems still have enough good boys to beat anybody. It should be an interesting year."

# Christian Brothers Upsets El Camino Eagles, 34-13

Sept 14 1968

By STEVE HEATH  
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Sports Writer

Unranked, un-noticed—but unbelievable, that's the Christian Brothers Falcons.

Dick Sperbeck's crew, overlooked by most in the pre-season league and section ratings, pulled a major upset Friday as they soundly trounced El Camino's highly-touted Eagles, 34-13, on the losers' field.

A crowd of more than 3,500 was on hand to watch the UNION's game of the week and Christian Brothers (formerly Bishop Armstrong) take command early, fall into a tie only once, and then lead comfortably the rest of the way.

And from the looks of that CB ball club, perhaps it really wasn't that much of an upset, despite the fact that Hal Athon's Eagles are rated the No. 6 team in the section.

Rick Cabral, Falcon quarterback, did an extremely creditable job. And halfback Everett McMillan has to be one of the most dangerous runners in the area. Give him an inch, and he'll take a dozen yards.

McMillan scored the Falcons' first and last touchdowns, on runs of 14 and two yards, and also came up with a 19 yard TD reception from Cabral to break that tie.

Christian Brothers went to the locker room at halftime sporting a 13-point bulge over El Camino.

Dick Sperbeck's Falcons scored on their first series of downs. Taking an on-sides kick on their own 46 yard line, the

Falcons went the distance in seven plays, with flashy senior halfback Everett McMillan packing the ball across on a 14-yard sweep around right end. Tim Clemons, son of Sacramento State football coach Ray Clemons, booted the extra point to make it 7-0 less than four minutes into the contest.

El Camino finally made the scoreboard later that same period, when Gary Wiese picked up a fumble at the Falcons' 21. Two plays later, Bill Schauer completed a pass to Rich Monroy for 16 yards and the score. Schauer's PAT kick was good to knot the score at 7-all.

But then it was Christian Brothers' turn again, and quarterback Rick Cabral, unnoticed in most pre-season ratings, engineered an 11-play, 76-yard drive that was climaxed by a 19-yard pass to McMillan for the score. Clemons' kick was wide to the left, leaving it 13-7, Falcons.

Then Sperbeck's crew scored "out of turn," again on a pass by Cabral.

After the Falcons finally halted an El Camino drive that wore through most of the second period, Christian Brothers moved 86 yards on four plays. Cabral to Joe Gutierrez — a beautifully timed toss — for 43 yards did the damage. Kelly O'Conner kicked the extra point, and it was 20-7 at the end of two.

George Bican's Kennedy Cougars socked it to visiting Armijo of Fairfield, 20-0, at Hughes Stadium. Last year the Cougars topped the Indians for

the new school's first varsity sports win, down in Fairfield.

Jesuit garnered two first-quarter touchdowns and made them stand as the Marauders dumped Del Campo's Cougars, 12-7, before 1,700 fans at San Juan's Mac Arthur Field.

Dave Rielli scored on an 27-yard jaunt, and Tim Walsh piled across from the seven to give the Marauders the win. Steve Gates scored the only Del Campo TD in the fourth quarter, on a 19-yard pass from Bob Baker. Rick Collier booted the extra point.

Christian Brothers	7	13	14	0-34
El Camino	7	0	6	0-13

Scoring:  
 C-McMillan, 14 run (Clemons kick).  
 E-Monroy, 16 pass from Schauer (Schauer kick).  
 C-McMillan, 19 pass from Cabral (kick wide).  
 C-Gutierrez, 43 pass from Cabral (O'Conner kick).  
 E-Wiese, 3 run (kick wide).  
 C-Cabral, 5 run (O'Conner kick).  
 C-McMillan, 2 run (O'Conner kick).  
 ATT—3,500.  
 Soph Score: 9-0, Christian Brothers.

## Prep of the Week



How do you stop Everett McMillan? no's Eagles Saturday on El Camino soil.

Ask anyone at El Camino High School, and the answer is likely to be, "You don't!"

McMillan, a 5-foot 11, 170-pound senior halfback, led his fellow Christian Brothers Falcons to a 34-13 rout of El Cami-

He rushed for 118 yards, caught a pass for 19 more yards and a touchdown, and scored three TD's in all. The other two came on runs of 14, and two yards.



## In Defense Of The Falcons

J. C. Ragster, second from left, anchor man of the Christian Brothers defensive unit and subject of Jim Jenkin's adjoining column, is shown above with his fellow defensive ends

on the Falcon grid team, from left to right, John Hennessey, Bruce Meita and Larry Greenhagen. They tangle with Burbank tonight in Hughes Stadium. Sirlin Photo



## id For Grid League Glory

# Ragster, McMillan Spark CBS Effort

By Jim Jenkins

Coach Dick Sperbeck can tell you quite a success story.

The Christian Brothers football coach uses it for inspiration.

It concerns two players, C. Ragster and Everett McMillan.

Both are doing their utmost to keep the Falcons at the thick of the Metropolitan League championship race, but how they got there is what's important.

### Initial Season

Ragster is the lion on the defensive team, quick at foot and 175 pounds but rugged. He's also playing his first year of football.

"That's right," Sperbeck tells disbelievers. "J. C. hasn't had a season of high school ball before this year. You'd never know it, would you?"

Indeed, you wouldn't.

It is hard enough to teach rookies to play one position, but Ragster has developed into Sperbeck's utility man.

"I think if J. C. had to do it he could play anywhere," says Sperbeck. "He's that versatile. He's a defensive end originally but before the McClatchy game last week he had to fill in for our middle guard, who came up injured. He's never played better than he did then. He looked even better in the game films."

Sperbeck says an athlete's attitude ranks high on his success list and Ragster's got it.

"J. C. will do anything you ask him," Dick reports. "It's just too bad we couldn't have had his talents for a longer period of time."

Sperbeck's other wonder boy is Everett McMillan, one of the school's best athletes ever.

"Everett has made quite a comeback," remarked Sperbeck. "He's had a long list of injuries. Last year, for example, he broke his wrist the second game of the season. It's tough having a player like that out."

McMillan has turned into the Falcons' top runner. He's scored most of their touchdowns, but picked up another injury against McClatchy. He received "an ankle" against the Lions.

Ragster, too, received

some bumps on the leg, but both J. C. and Everett should be ready for Burbank at 7:30 PM today in Hughes Stadium.

"Everett is our breakaway threat," Sperbeck went on. "He has that good lateral movement to keep opponents off balance. It adds to our offensive mobility."

### All 'Round Threat

McMillan is more than just a topflight footballer in spite of his hard-luck injuries. He's also a fine basketballer, third baseman in baseball and speedster in track.

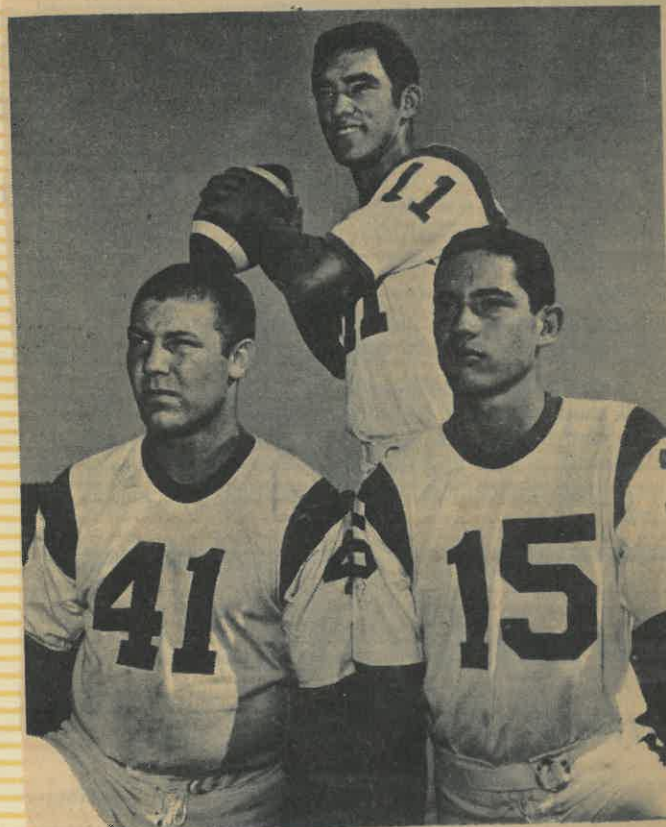
"Everett ran the half mile under two minutes on the freshman track team," Sperbeck recalled. "He has beautiful stride."

The battle against Burbank looms as a must for the Falcons, the way Sperbeck sees it.

"If we can beat Burbank and Woodland in Woodland in our next two games, we'll be playing Sacramento for the Metro championship that following week," Dick appraised. "As for Burbank, they've been up and down all season, but you never know when they're up. That's the trouble."

The Falcons handled McClatchy, 20 to 6, piling up a 13-0 lead in the first half. The Lions didn't score until the fourth quarter. A McMillan punt return of 43 yards helped set up CB's first touchdown, made on a Dave Page two-yard run. Quarterback Rick Cabral ran three

yards for the second TD and Bob Roach caught a 14-yard pass from Cabral for the third sixer. The Brothers sophomores prevailed again, 35 to 0.



### A Touchdown-Minded Trio

Favorite passing targets of Christian Brothers quarterback, Rick Cabral, center, are flanker Kelly O'Connor, left, and Joe Guterrez, split end, who also backs up Cabral at quarterback. The Falcons will seek win number three against Cordova High this Saturday.

Sirlin Photo

### Rankings

- 1—Christian Brothers (2-0).
- 2—Mira Loma (3-0).
- 3—Grant (3-0).
- 4—Woodland (3-0).
- 5—Sacramento (2-0-1).
- 6—La Sierra (3-0).
- 7—Delta (3-0).
- 8—Cordova (2-1).
- 9—Folsom (3-0).
- 10—James Marshall (3-0).

HOW THEY DID: Christian Brothers had a bye. Mira Loma beat Bella Vista, 14-13. Grant beat Foothill, 43-13. Woodland beat Wilson of San Francisco, 14-12. Sacramento beat Grace Davis of Modesto, 12-7. La Sierra beat Burbank, 32-13. Delta beat Amador, 34-0. Cordova beat Kennedy, 13-12. Folsom beat Roseville, 26-16. Marshall beat Fairfield, 21-20.

*after 4<sup>th</sup> week*

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1. Mira Loma	(4-0)
2. Christian Brothers	(3-0)
3. Sacramento	(3-0-1)
4. Yuba City	(3-0-1)
5. Grant	(4-0)
6. El Camino	(3-1)
7. Willows	(3-0)
8. Marysville	(2-1-1)
9. Woodland	(3-1)
10. Marshall	(4-0)

# Falcons Soar 22-6 In 2nd Half Surge

By Doug Ross

AUBURN — A second-half surge carried the Christian Brothers Falcons to their second win in as many outings yesterday afternoon. The Sacramento team spotted Placer High School of Auburn a 6-0 halftime lead, then cranked out 22 points in the second half for a 22-6 win in the nonleague game at Hillmen Stadium.

Placer took the lead with two minutes left in the first half when Gary Hodkins scored from the one. Greg Bradley's 42-yard pass to Doug Roby set up the TD.

The visiting Falcons came out for the second half with new offensive life. Three minutes into the third quarter Larry Greenhagen blocked a punt at the Placer 15 and Dave McGraw pounced upon the ball and carried it across for the score. After Kelly O'Connor planted the conversion kick for a 7-6 Falcon lead it was Christian Brothers all the way.

Greenhagen blocked another punt early in the fourth period to set up another score. Two plays later, Rick Cabral hit Everett McMillan with a 25-yard pass that made it 20-6. J. C. Ragster flattened Placer half-back Craig Lord in the end zone

on Placer's second play after the kickoff for the two points, completing the day's scoring.

## Sup Cal Top Ten

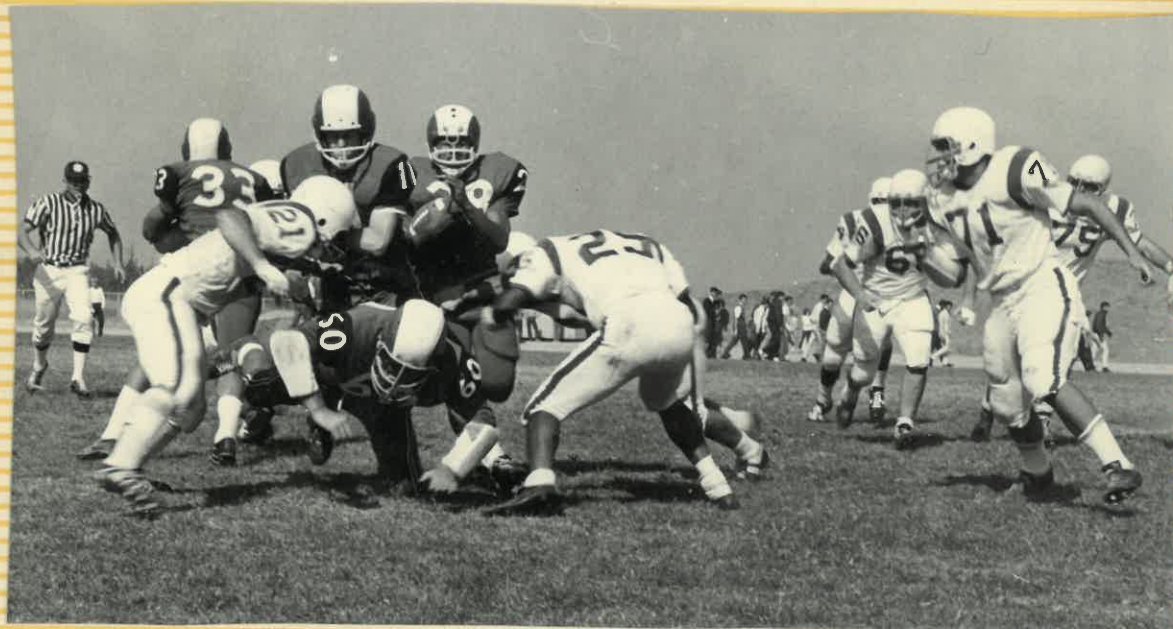
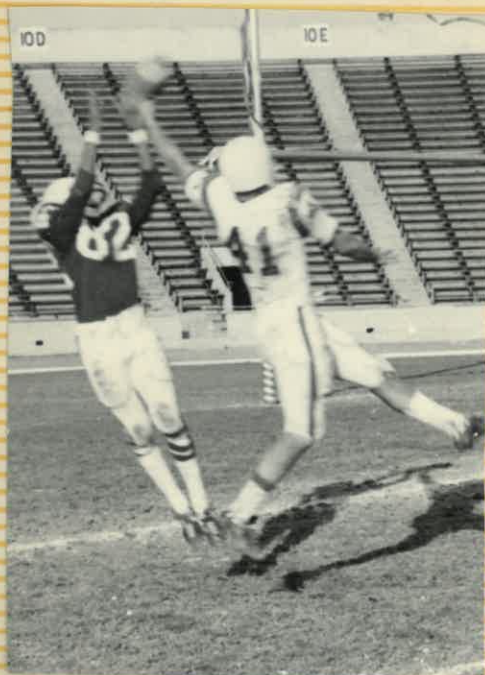
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10. Cordova ..... (2-1)



## Defenders Of A Speedster

Explosive halfback Everett McMillan, with ball, who romped for 118 yards and scored three touchdowns in Christian Brothers impressive inaugural win over El Camino last

Saturday, gets take-off protection from a trio of rugged Falcon offensive linemen. They are, left to right: Mike Dennis, Greg Dorr and Frank Cima. Sirlin Photo



Team Offense			
	rush.	pass.	total
Grant	740	643	1383
El Camino	759	692	1351
Christian Bros.	692	285	977
Kennedy	753	544	1297
La Sierra	552	700	1252
Bella Vista	1107	187	1194
Mira Loma	718	445	1163
Rio Americano	483	607	1090
Burbank	779	370	1049
McClatchy	593	454	1047
Sacramento	625	503	1128
Jesuit	797	219	1016
San Juan	608	396	1004
Foothill	617	284	901
Cordova	748	98	846
Encina	541	88	629
Elk Grove	489	327	816
Johnson	498	289	787
Rio Linda	411	365	776
Del Campo	379	324	703
Highlands	371	281	652
Norte Del Rio	474	82	556
Casa Roble	232	163	395
Team Defense			
Norte Del Rio	347	296	643
Mira Loma	295	372	667
Christian Bros.	309	210	519
Foothill	319	387	706
Jesuit	475	259	734
Kennedy	634	129	763
Grant	428	345	773
Johnson	514	263	777
Bella Vista	386	427	813
Highlands	666	149	815
Cordova	471	388	859
Sacramento	573	297	873
Elk Grove	632	273	905
Encina	343	342	685
Del Campo	639	280	919
Rio Americano	375	327	702
Rio Linda	760	263	1023
Burbank	625	431	1056
El Camino	815	281	1096
La Sierra	698	499	1197
McClatchy	1065	327	1392
Casa Roble	1202	211	1413
San Juan	791	651	1442
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			173.0
			176.5
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			203.7
			214.7
			218.3
			226.3
			228.1
			229.0
			232.3
			255.8
			264.0
			274.0
			299.3
			348.0
			353.2
			360.5

# Christian Brothers Gridders Have Top Rating To Defend

By Jim Jenkins

A famous football coach once said that the only time he wanted to be rated No. 1 was on the last day of the season.

"You can only enjoy it then," he declared. "The pressure to stay at the top is often too much."

Well, that may not be the feeling of coach Dick Sperbeck and his Christian Brothers Falcons, but they do admit the No. 1 position can make you nervous at times.

The Falcons, unbeaten in two games, were rated first in area prepdom by The Sacramento Union last week.

### Bit Of Controversy

There was some argument to make Mira Loma No. 1. The Matadors, unbeaten last year, have won one more than the Falcons, but the nod

went to Christian Brothers anyway.

"Anybody who can beat El Camino 34-13 deserves top billing," was the way one sideline explained it. "Mira Loma has been impressive, but they've always had a tough time against El Camino, and they've yet to play the Eagles. El Camino is nobody's pushover, but Brothers gave them one of their worst lickings. It's quite an achievement for Dick Sperbeck's gang."

The sideline mentioned here is a fellow journalist, who wishes to keep his name out of print.

"As soon as I open my mouth, something seems to go wrong. If Brothers blow one now, they'll all be pointing at me."

Which is where we came in. That No. 1 rating is, in-

deed, a special feeling. A downright curse for some teams. Ask Notre Dame.

So, Sperbeck can't be blamed if he plans for Saturday's game with Cordova with extra caution.

His team has had a week off due to a bye in the schedule, and that sometimes is cause for alarm.

"Your players tend to get dull when they're out of game combat," says Dick. "But, we've had good practices. Cordova will be a rough opponent. They won the Golden Empire League with a junior squad last year. Therefore, we're taking them on with championship seniors."

Cordova will take a 2-1 record into the 1:30 PM fray on the Lancers' spacious gridiron.

Cordova was a lopsided victor over Casa Roble — everybody's cakewalk — lost by two touchdowns to Sacramento and came back to nip Kennedy 13-12 last week. Kennedy was undefeated prior to that loss.



## High School Grid Roundup

# Falcons Slip Past Pesky Cordova, 6-0

By STEVE HEATH  
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Christian Brothers' No. 1-rated Falcons ran into a determined bunch of Cordova Lancers Saturday afternoon, but managed to make a second-quarter touchdown stand up for a 6-0 non-league football game in a contest at Cordova's stadium.

Dick Sperbeck's Falcons, who are now 3-0 on the season, just edged past Dewey Guerra's Lancers, the No. 8-ranked team going into the contest. Cordova now boasts a mark, but a couple of breaks the Lancers' way could have produced a completely different picture.

Early in the third quarter, Cordova got all the way to the Falcons' nine before the CB defense tightened to stop Scott

Loughridge for no gain on a four-and-one play.

Then in the fourth period, the Lancers drove all the way to the Falcons' three before Art Solis piled into a solid wall of Christian Brothers linemen on a fourth-and-two, and wound up with a two yard loss and the Falcons in possession.

After a scoreless first period, Christian Brothers finally broke the ice with 11:16 remaining in the half.

Everett McMillan, speedy Falcons halfback, burst over left guard from the four to score the only touchdown of the first half. His plunge climaxed a seven-play, 59-yard drive that began on the Christian Brothers 41 second prior to the end of the first quarter.

After a short gainer by McMillan, he took a pitch-out around left end for 33 yards to

set the Falcons up on the Lancers' 22. An illegal procedure penalty against Cordova and another McMillan short gainer brought the ball to the 13 at the end of the period.

Then after the teams switched ends of the field, McMillan slipped up trying to go around right end and wound up with a five-yard loss. But on the next play quarterback Rick Cabral connected with Kelly O'Conner for 14 yards and a first-and-goal on the Lancers' four.

McMillan did the rest of the damage on the next play. O'Conner's extra point kick was blocked by Alan O'Brien and Scott Loughridge to leave it 6-0, Falcons.



## Ranked Christian Brothers Gets Past Cordova 6-0

By Bill Medlock

Superior California's second ranked team, Christian Brothers, continued its winning ways by sneaking by the Cordova High School Lancers 6-0 in a nonleague contest yesterday on the losers field.

It was the Falcon's fourth straight victory. The loss dropped Cordova to 2-2.

A near-capacity crowd saw both teams fail to move the ball until late in the first period, when the Falcons started a drive on their 41. Everett McMillan led the attack with runs of four and 34 yards which brought the ball to the Lancer 23. After a penalty and an incomplete pass, quarterback Rick Cabral hit flankerback Kelly O'Connor with a 13-yard pass to put the ball on the two. Halfback McMillan then took a hand off from Cabral and plunged over left guard for the score.

The Falcon defense, which held the Lancers to 130 yards, sparkled. With only five minutes left to play in the game, Cordova drove deep into Falcon territory with the help of the steady ground game of John Sticca and Arthur Solis. With the ball resting on the three on fourth down, Cordova tried for the TD on a give to Solis. But

Dave Page threw the speedy halfback for a loss to preserve the Falcon win.

## Prep Grid Scene

# Falcons, Marauders Open League Play

By Jim Jenkins

Coach Dick Sperbeck must have wondered if the so-called experts knew something he didn't when a pre-season football analysis listed his Christian Brothers High School team the sixth best club in the Metropolitan League.

There are only seven teams in the Metro, so you can understand his worry, or curiosity.

But the tables have suddenly turned, and it is now the "experts" who are puzzled.

### Reassessment

How could they have had such low regard for a prep team which has won three straight and, until this week, was ranked No. 1 in the Sacramento area?

Here are some theories:

First, opponents have overlooked the consistently-good sophomore teams at Christian Brothers.

Secondly, they're probably unaware of a sound physical fitness program Sperbeck has his athletes on, even during the off-season.

Thirdly, but not lastly, they've completely overlooked the importance of leadership on high school teams—

namely quarterbacks like Rick Cabral. This is Rick's third year as a varsity man, making him one of the most experienced signal-callers in local prepdom.

### First Metro Contest

Of course, Sperbeck and team have a long way to go before they prove pre-season predictions wrong because, despite their three wins, the Falcons won't open their quest for the Metro title until tonight when they collide with defending champion Hiram Johnson, No. 1 and unbeaten last year. Game time at Hughes Stadium is 7:30 PM.

Curiously, Johnson coach Burt Delavan is the only man in the Metro to get wind of Christian Brothers' qualifications for a championship. He picked them second best behind Sacramento.

Johnson will bring a 2-2 record into the contest, much in contrast to its whirlwind success in 1967. The Warriors clobbered San Juan in their season-opener, but lost close decisions to Marysville and Yuba City before edging Woodland, 9-7, last week.

Brothers will be coming off a 6-0 win over Cordova, hardly an impressive effort. The Lancers are 1967 Golden Empire League champions, but

recalling the Falcons' 34-13 smasher of rugged El Camino, they figured to be no match for the Sacramento Boulevard eleven.

Cordova didn't turn out that way, though, and cost the Falcons the No. 1 ranking. Mira Loma, also unbeaten — in four games — was No. 2 last week, but the Matadors easily rolled over previously undefeated La Sierra to move up to the top spot.

The only score against Cordova and the only touchdown of the game occurred in the second quarter for the Falcons. Halfback Everett McMillian climaxed a 59-yard drive with a four-yard TD run. Key plays were a long-gainer by McMillian and a pass from Cabral to Kelly O'Connor.

The Lancers made two serious threats late in the contest, marching to the Falcon 9 in the third quarter and to their 3 in the final period, but each time the CB defense held firm.

The Brothers sophomores also won, 7-6.

Meanwhile, Jesuit marked up its third victory in four tries by outclassing St. Mary's of Stockton, 26-7.

## Sup Cal Top Ten

1. Mira Loma	(5-0)
2. Sacramento	(4-0-1)
3. Yuba City	(5-0)
4. Willows	(4-0)
5. El Camino	(4-1)
6. Marysville	(3-1-1)
7. Christian Brothers	(3-1)
8. Grant	(4-1)
9. Hiram Johnson	(3-2)
10. James Marshall	(5-0)

## Area Statistics

### Rankings

- 1—Mira Loma (4-0)
- 2—Christian Brothers (3-0)
- 3—Grant (4-0)
- 4—Sacramento (3-0-1)
- 5—El Camino (3-1)
- 6—La Sierra (3-1)
- 7—Woodland (3-1)
- 8—Foothill (3-1)
- 9—James Marshall (4-0)
- 10—Folsom (4-0)

**HOW THEY DID**—Mira Loma beat La Sierra, 26-7; Christian Brothers beat Cordova, 6-0; Grant beat Elk Grove, 39-13; Sacramento beat Kennedy, 19-7; El Camino beat Bella Vista, 28-0; La Sierra lost to Mira Loma; Woodland lost to Johnson, 9-7; Foothill beat Rio Linda, 38-0; Marshall beat Armijo, 39-13; Folsom beat Del Oro, 19-14.

### Offense

	G	PF	AVG.
1—James Marshall (4-0)	4	134	33.5
2—Grant (4-0)	4	124	31.0
3—Bella Vista (2-2)	4	109	27.3
4—El Camino (3-1)	4	108	27.0
5—McClatchy (2-2)	4	96	24.0
6—Mira Loma (4-0)	4	92	23.0
7—Galt (2-1-1)	4	87	21.8
8—La Sierra (3-1)	4	85	21.3
9—Foothill (3-1)	4	84	21.0
10—Christian Brothers (3-0)	3	62	20.7
11—Folsom (4-0)	4	80	20.0
12—Woodland (3-1)	4	74	18.5
13—Kennedy (2-2)	4	71	17.8
14—Jesuit (3-1)	4	70	17.5
15—Rio Americano (3-1)	4	70	17.5
16—Burbank (2-2)	4	69	17.3
17—Delta (3-1)	4	67	16.8
18—Sacramento (3-0-1)	4	63	15.8
19—Cordova (2-2)	4	59	14.8
20—Encina (1-2)	3	44	14.7
21—Hiram Johnson (2-2)	4	57	14.3
22—Del Campo (1-3)	4	47	11.8
23—Washington (1-3)	4	45	11.3
24—Elk Grove (0-3-1)	4	39	9.8
25—San Juan (0-4)	4	39	9.8
26—Highlands (1-3)	4	38	9.5
27—Rio Linda (0-2-2)	4	34	8.5
28—Norte Del Rio (2-1-1)	4	27	6.8
29—Casa Roble (0-4)	4	13	3.3

### Defense

	G	PA	AVG
1—Delta	4	13	3.3
2—Norte Del Rio	4	19	4.3
3—Christian Brothers	3	19	6.3
4—Mira Loma	4	32	8.0
5—Sacramento	4	33	8.3
6—Cordova	4	37	9.3
7—Folsom	4	37	9.3
8—Grant	4	39	9.8
9—Rio Americano	4	39	9.8
10—Woodland	4	41	10.3
11—Foothill	4	50	12.5
12—Kennedy	4	51	12.8
13—La Sierra	4	51	12.8
14—Encina	3	39	13.0
15—Jesuit	4	52	13.0
16—Highlands	4	53	13.3
17—Johnson	4	54	13.5
18—Marshall	4	54	13.5
19—Del Campo	4	59	14.8
20—El Camino	4	59	14.8
21—Galt	4	61	15.3
22—Washington	4	64	16.0
23—Bella Vista	4	73	18.3
24—Elk Grove	4	84	21.0
25—Burbank	4	90	22.5
26—Rio Linda	4	101	25.3
27—McClatchy	4	107	26.8
28—San Juan	4	122	30.5
29—Casa Roble	4	155	36.3

# Christian Brothers Trips McClatchy Eleven 20-6

By Doug Ross

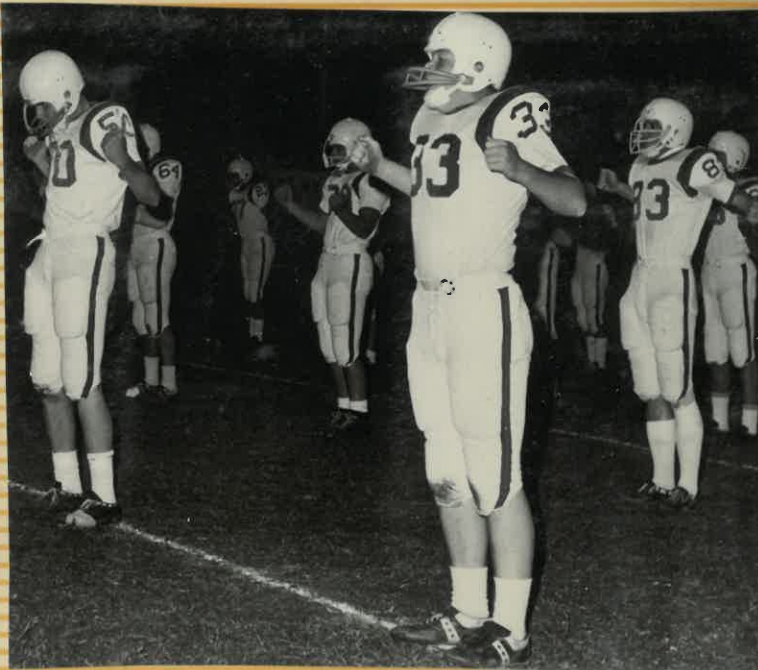
The Christian Brothers Falcons knocked off the C. K. McClatchy High School Lions 20-6 last night, after chalking up a 10-0 lead by the early stages of the third period. A Lion homecoming crowd of about 2,500 at

Hughes Stadium for the Metropolitan League contest watched as John Babich passed for 132 yards in the second half, but it was not enough to surmount the early Falcon lead.

Falcon fullback Dave Page broke a scoreless tie with a one-yard run with 7:36 left in

the first half. Quarterback Rick Cabral of Christian Brothers, who rushed for 82 net yards, boosted the Falcon halftime lead to 13-0 with a two-yard run, with Kelly O'Connor booting the conversion.

Cabral tossed a 14-yard touchdown pass to Bob Roach, then kicked the conversion himself, to give Brothers a 20-0 lead early in the third period. Rick Lathe's one-yard run late in the fourth period was the only Lion tally.



## Sup Cal Top Ten

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|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. Mira Loma          | (6-0)   |
| 2. Sacramento         | (5-0-1) |
| 3. Yuba City          | (6-0)   |
| 4. El Camino          | (5-1)   |
| 5. Marysville         | (4-1-1) |
| 6. Willows            | (4-1)   |
| 7. Christian Brothers | (4-1)   |
| 8. Grant              | (4-1)   |
| 9. La Sierra          | (5-1)   |
| 10. James Marshall    | (5-1)   |

## Area Statistics

### Rankings

- 1—Mira Loma (5-0)
  - 2—Sacramento (4-0-1)
  - 3—El Camino (5-1)
  - 4—Grant (4-1)
  - 5—Christian Brothers (3-1)
  - 6—La Sierra (4-1)
  - 7—Hiram Johnson (3-2)
  - 8—Woodland (3-2)
  - 9—Foothill (4-1)
  - 10—James Marshall (5-0)
- HOW THEY DID: Mira Loma beat Encina, 20-6; Sacramento beat Woodland, 19-6; El Camino beat Del Campo, 20-0; Grant lost to Norte Del Rio, 20-19; Christian Brothers lost to Hiram Johnson, 17-7; La Sierra beat Casa Roble, 31-0; Hiram Johnson beat Christian Brothers, 17-7; Woodland lost to Sacramento, 19-6; Foothill beat Elk Grove, 20-6; James Marshall beat Davis, 13-12.

### Offense

	G	PF	Avg.
Grant (4-1)	5	157	31.4
Marshall (5-0)	5	147	29.4
Bella Vista (3-2)	5	139	27.8
El Camino (4-1)	5	128	25.6
La Sierra (4-1)	5	116	23.2
McClatchy (2-3)	5	116	23.2
Galt (3-1-1)	5	115	23.0
Mira Loma (5-0)	5	112	22.4
Delta (4-1)	5	105	21.0
Foothill (4-1)	5	104	20.8
Kennedy (3-2)	5	104	20.8
Burbank (3-2)	5	102	20.4
Jesuit (4-1)	5	90	18.0
Folsom (4-1)	5	87	17.4
Christian Bro. (3-1)	4	69	17.3
Sacramento (4-0-1)	5	82	16.4
Woodland (3-2)	5	80	16.0
Hiram Johnson (3-2)	5	74	14.8
Cordova (3-2)	5	72	14.4
Rio Americano (3-2)	5	70	14.0
Encina (1-3)	4	50	12.5
Highlands (2-3)	5	58	11.6
Washington (1-4)	5	52	10.4
Del Campo (1-4)	5	47	9.4
Norte Del Rio (3-1-1)	5	47	9.4
Rio Linda (0-3-2)	5	46	9.2
San Juan (0-5)	5	46	9.2
Elk Grove (0-4-1)	5	45	9.0
Casa Roble (0-5)	5	13	2.6

### Defense

	G	PA	Avg.
Delta	5	13	2.6
Mira Loma	5	38	7.6
Norte Del Rio	5	39	7.8
Sacramento	5	39	7.8
Cordova	5	44	8.8
Christian Bro.	4	38	9.5
La Sierra	5	51	10.2
Jesuit	5	52	10.4
Folsom	5	56	11.2
Foothill	5	56	11.2
El Camino	5	59	11.8
Grant	5	59	11.8
Woodland	5	60	12.0
Johnson	5	61	12.2
Highlands	5	65	13.0
Marshall	5	66	13.2
Galt	5	68	13.6
Kennedy	5	71	14.2
Rio Americano	5	72	14.4
Encina	4	59	14.8
Del Campo	5	79	15.8
Bella Vista	5	80	16.0
Burbank	5	90	18.0
Washington	5	92	18.4
Elk Grove	5	104	20.8
Rio Linda	5	121	24.2
McClatchy	5	150	30.0
San Juan	5	152	30.4
Casa Roble	5	186	37.2





# Area Statistics

## Rankings

- 1—Mira Loma (6-0).
- 2—Sacramento (5-0-1).
- 3—El Camino (5-1).
- 4—Grant (5-1).
- 5—Christian Brothers (4-1).
- 6—La Sierra (5-1).
- 7—Hiram Johnson (3-3).
- 8—Woodland (4-2).
- 9—Foothill (5-1).
- 10—Cordova (4-2).

**HOW THEY DID:** Mira Loma beat Kennedy, 26-6; Sacramento beat Hiram Johnson, 19-8; El Camino beat Casa Roble, 34-0; Grant beat Highlands, 39-14; Christian Brothers beat McClatchy, 20-6; La Sierra beat Encina, 26-13; Hiram Johnson lost to Sacramento; Woodland beat Burbank, 16-0; Foothill beat Norte Del Rio, 9-0; Cordova beat Jesuit, 27-6.

## Offense

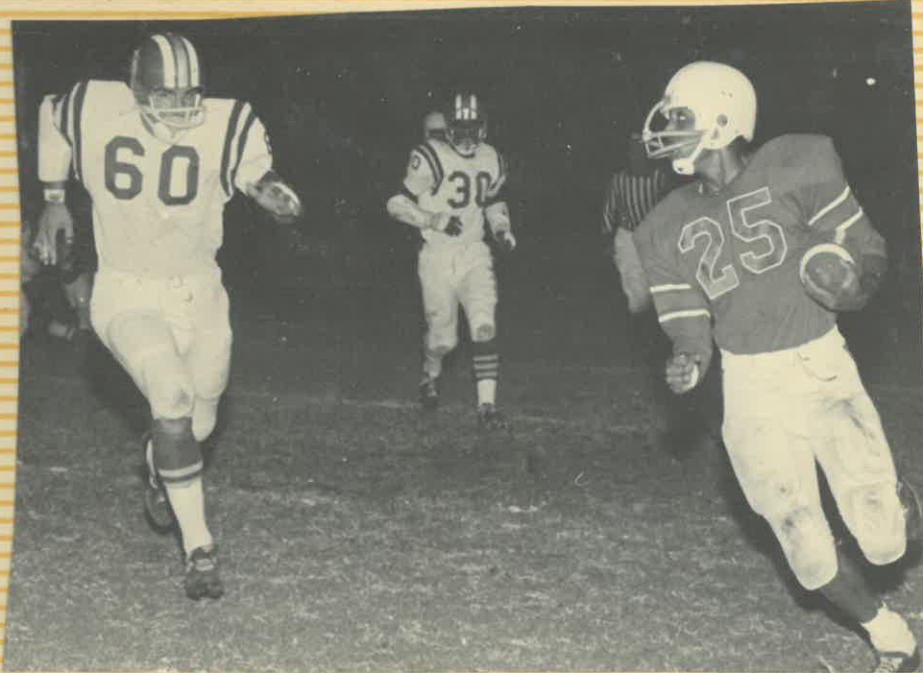
	G	PF	AVG.
1—Grant (5-1)	6	196	32.7
2—Bella Vista (4-2)	6	173	28.8
3—El Camino (5-1)	6	162	27.0
4—Marshall (5-1)	6	154	25.7
5—La Sierra (5-1)	6	142	23.7
6—Galt (4-1)	6	141	23.5
7—Mira Loma (6-0)	6	138	23.0
8—McClatchy (2-4)	6	122	20.3
9—Christian Brothers (4-1)	5	89	19.8
10—Foothill (5-1)	6	113	18.8
11—Kennedy (3-3)	6	110	18.3
12—Delta (4-2)	6	105	17.5
13—Burbank (3-3)	6	102	17.0
14—Folsom (5-1)	6	101	16.8
15—Sacramento (5-0-1)	6	101	16.8
16—Cordova (4-2)	6	99	16.5
17—Jesuit (4-2)	6	96	16.0
18—Woodland (4-2)	6	96	16.0
19—Rio Americano (3-3)	6	95	15.8
20—Del Campo (2-4)	6	92	15.3
21—Johnson (3-3)	6	82	13.7
22—Encina (1-4)	6	63	12.6
23—Highlands (2-4)	6	72	12.0
24—San Juan (0-6)	6	59	9.8
25—Washington (1-5)	6	52	8.7
26—Elk Grove (1-4-1)	6	51	8.5
27—Norte Del Rio (3-2-1)	6	47	7.8
28—Rio Linda (0-4-2)	6	46	7.7
29—Casa Roble (0-6)	6	13	2.2

## Defense

1—Delta	6	19	3.2
2—Mira Loma	6	44	7.3
3—Sacramento	6	47	7.8
4—Norte Del Rio	6	48	8.0
5—Cordova	6	50	8.3
6—Christian Brothers	5	44	8.8
7—Folsom	6	56	9.3
8—Foothill	6	56	9.3
9—El Camino	6	59	9.8
10—Woodland	6	60	10.0
11—La Sierra	6	64	10.7
12—Galt	6	68	11.3
13—Grant	6	73	12.1
14—Jesuit	6	79	13.1
15—Johnson	6	80	13.3
16—Marshall	6	85	14.1
17—Del Campo	6	93	15.3
18—Kennedy	6	97	16.1
19—Encina	5	85	17.0
20—Elk Grove	6	104	17.3
21—Highlands	6	104	17.3
22—Bella Vista	6	105	17.3
23—Burbank	6	106	17.7
24—Rio Americano	6	106	17.7
25—Washington	6	118	19.7
26—Rio Linda	6	127	21.1
27—McClatchy	6	170	28.3
28—San Juan	6	197	32.8
29—Casa Roble	6	220	36.7

## Sup Cal Top Ten

1. Mira Loma ..... (7-0)
2. El Camino ..... (6-1)
3. Yuba City ..... (7-0)
4. Sacramento ..... (5-1-1)
5. Marysville ..... (5-1-1)
6. Christian Brothers .. (5-1)
7. La Sierra ..... (6-1)
8. Grant ..... (4-1-1)
9. James Marshall ..... (6-1)
10. Trinity ..... (6-2)



# Fumbles Assist Falcons In 31-13 Win Over Titans

By Ben Bodding

Christian Brothers High School combined four fumble recoveries, a stubborn defense and the fine running of halfback Dave Page to defeat Luther Burbank 31-13 at Hughes Stadium last night before a crowd of more than 6,000 in a Metropolitan League football game.

The Falcons, now 5-1 for the year and 2-1 in Metro play, turned the fumble recoveries into touchdowns, while a tough defense, anchored by Tim Clemons, Frank Cima and George Lee, held the Titans to only 156 yards.

Page ran for 146 yards in 29 attempts for three touchdowns. The hard-running Falcon back accounted for the first score of the game on a two-yard run. The first period tally came seven plays, after Cima recovered a fumbled punt on the Titans' 27.

### Stretch Lead

The Falcons increased the count to 13-0 with 4:28 left in the half. Manuel Felix recovered a Burbank fumble on the Titans' 49 and it took substitute quarterback Joe Gutierrez only eight plays to move the Falcons to a score. Kelly O'Connor tallied the six points on a nine-yard jaunt. O'Connor also booted the conversion.

Burbank cut the margin to 13-7 with 59 seconds left in the half. The Titans marched 60 yards in eight plays with a 27-yard run by Wally Beatty, on a fake double-reverse, putting Burbank on the scoreboard.

A fumble recovery by Cima on the third play of the third period put the Falcons in business again. A nine-yard run by Page, a three-yard burst by fullback Dennis Bertacchi, and a seven-yard effort by Page ate up the 19-yards to paydirt.

Burbank roared back to cut the gap to 19-13 with a seven-yard pass from Pete Scorza to Wade Demes capping a 60-yard drive.

The Falcons started another scoring drive late in the fourth quarter which put the game on ice. The winners went 55 yards on the ground with Page going the final two yards for the score.

### Final Thrust

Brothers added insult to injury with a 16-yard scoring pass from Gutierrez to Bob Roach as the gun sounded to end the contest. Mike Dennis' fumble recovery set up the score.

The Falcons played without two of their top players. Quarterback Rick Cabral was hurt on the second play of the game, while halfback Everett McMillan did not make an appearance.

## INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING

	pc	yds
Parks, LS	27	622
Lossner, ML	28	490
Willetz, G	22	475
Monroy, EC	29	403
Bruno, EC	22	332
Parker, S	13	273
Gutierrez, CB	14	251
Lathe, McC	20	249
Lemmon, RA	22	241
Kambouris, McC	17	228

## TOTAL OFFENSE

	Rush	Pass	Total
Garcia, G	357	972	1329
Schauer, EC	339	990	1329
Rasmussen, LS	—7	1269	1262
Mesple, RA	—47	1079	1032
McKenzie, RL	270	632	902
Bilont, McC	270	790	962
Orr, K	95	651	746
Rieff, J	742	0	742
Scorza, LS	235	469	704
Wallace, K	678	0	678

## TEAM OFFENSE

	Rush	Pass	Total	Ave
La Sierra	1157	1344	2501	357.6
Grant	1377	1092	2467	352.4
El Camino	1228	1075	2303	329.0
Mira Loma	1455	811	2266	323.7
Bella Vista	1655	333	1988	284.0
Kennedy	1234	738	1972	281.7
Burbank	1487	482	1969	281.3
Christian Brothers	1069	536	1605	267.5
Rio Americano	688	1080	1768	252.5
Jesuit	1401	365	1766	252.3
McClatchy	860	892	1752	250.3
Sacramento	934	778	1712	244.5
San Juan	983	649	1632	233.1
Rio Linda	819	790	1609	229.8
Cordova	1206	358	1564	223.4
Foothill	1167	348	1515	216.4
Johnson	854	522	1376	196.5
Elk Grove	995	501	1496	213.5
Highlands	788	480	1268	181.1
Encina	807	266	1073	158.8
Norte Del Rio	789	192	981	141.4
Del Campo	584	415	999	142.7
Casa Roble	345	197	542	90.3

## TEAM DEFENSE

	Rush	Pass	Total	Ave
Foothill	618	537	1155	165.0
Bella Vista	532	651	1183	169.0
Christian Brothers	654	424	1078	179.7
Jesuit	754	514	1268	181.1
Sacramento	871	441	1312	187.4
Mira Loma	665	654	1319	188.4
Elk Grove	931	394	1225	189.3
Norte Del Rio	939	394	1333	190.4
Del Campo	945	418	1363	194.7
Kennedy	913	463	1376	196.5
Cordova	675	704	1379	197.0
Johnson	769	680	1449	207.0
Grant	972	551	1523	219.0
Highlands	1328	272	1600	228.5
La Sierra	961	659	1620	231.4

# Sac Faces Last Big Hurdle in Falcons

By **STEVE HEATH**  
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Sports Writer

Plenty will be riding on the line Saturday afternoon when Sacramento High School's Dragons tangle with Christian Brothers' Falcons at Hughes Stadium.

For all intents and purposes, Dick Sperbeck's No. 5-ranked Falcons represent the last big hurdle for Gordon Leavitt's No. 2-rated Dragons in seeking their first Metropolitan League football championship since 1965.

The Dragons are 6-1-1 for the year, with their lone loss by a 4-7 count to El Camino's Eagles, who are also rated No. 2 in the area. The tie came in the season-opener when the Dragons and Lodi Flames ground to 13-13 deadlock.

But in league action, Sac is unbeaten, with a 4-0 mark. Hiram Johnson's Warriors are right behind, though, with a 4-1 league record, while Christian Brothers and Kennedy are tied with 2-2 marks.

Should the Falcons be able to upset favored Sacramento in the 2 p.m. contest Saturday, the Dragons would fall into a tie with Johnson, since the Warriors take on a non-conference foe in Bella Vista this week.

And the win would also leave the Falcons within striking distance of a tie for the title, with just one week to go. But that's pretty far-fetched since it would not only take a Chris-

## Rankings

- 1—Mira Loma (8-0)
- 2—(tie) El Camino (7-1) and Sacramento (6-1-1)
- 4—Hiram Johnson (5-3)
- 5—Christian Brothers (5-2)
- 6—Foothill (7-1)
- 7—La Sierra (7-1)
- 8—Grant (5-2-1)
- 9—Cordova (6-2)
- 10—Bella Vista (5-3)

**HOW THEY DID:** Mira Loma beat Del Campo, 13-6. El Camino beat Rio Americano, 48-6. Sacramento beat Burbank, 14-7. Hiram Johnson beat Kennedy, 32-13. Christian Brothers lost to Woodland, 34-13. Foothill beat Grant, 47-13. La Sierra beat Bella Vista, 20-14. Grant lost to Foothill. Cordova beat Folsom, 26-0. Bella Vista lost to La Sierra.

tian Brothers win over Kennedy in the final contest of the year, but Sacramento would have to lose to McClatchy, and Burbank would have to upset Hiram Johnson.

Still, playing the game of comparative scores, the Falcons on paper look like they have a good chance.

After all, Christian Brothers is the only team to beat El Camino this year, and the Falcons did it convincingly in the season lid-lifter, 34-13. But the Falcons have also lost to Hiram Johnson and Woodland, and both those schools have lost to Sacramento.

Yet, El Camino beat the Dragons by seven points. So much for comparative scores?

The key to Saturday's contest will rest on the health of a pair of key Sacramento players, and at least one top Christian Brothers gridder.

Tom Lippi, a junior quarterback and the Dragons' top signal-caller, did not play in the 14-7 loss to El Camino. That hurt the Dragons, since a change in quarterbacks generally throws backfield timing off just a little.

Both boys have bad ankles. Christian Brothers will have at least one major personnel problem Saturday in the person of Dave Page, their leading ground gainer and a top defensive player. He, too, has a bad ankle and may not see action.

But the Falcons have a good attack anyway, with Rick Cabral at quarterback and former Prep of the Week Everett McMillan at halfback. Then, too, they're no slouches on defense with George Lee, Page, and Tim Clemons, son of Sacramento State College coach Ray Clemons, all waiting to blitz the opposition.

Should be interesting to see just how much effect a few bad ankles will have. Remember the old story, -- "For want of a shoe, the horse was lost . . . ?"

Keep that adhesive tape handy.

And in the prep **GAME OF THE WEEK**, Sacramento over Christian Brothers by six.

Record Last Week: 17- 6- 2--.739

**OVERALL RECORD:** 152-53-12--.741

Score CB 26 Sac 24

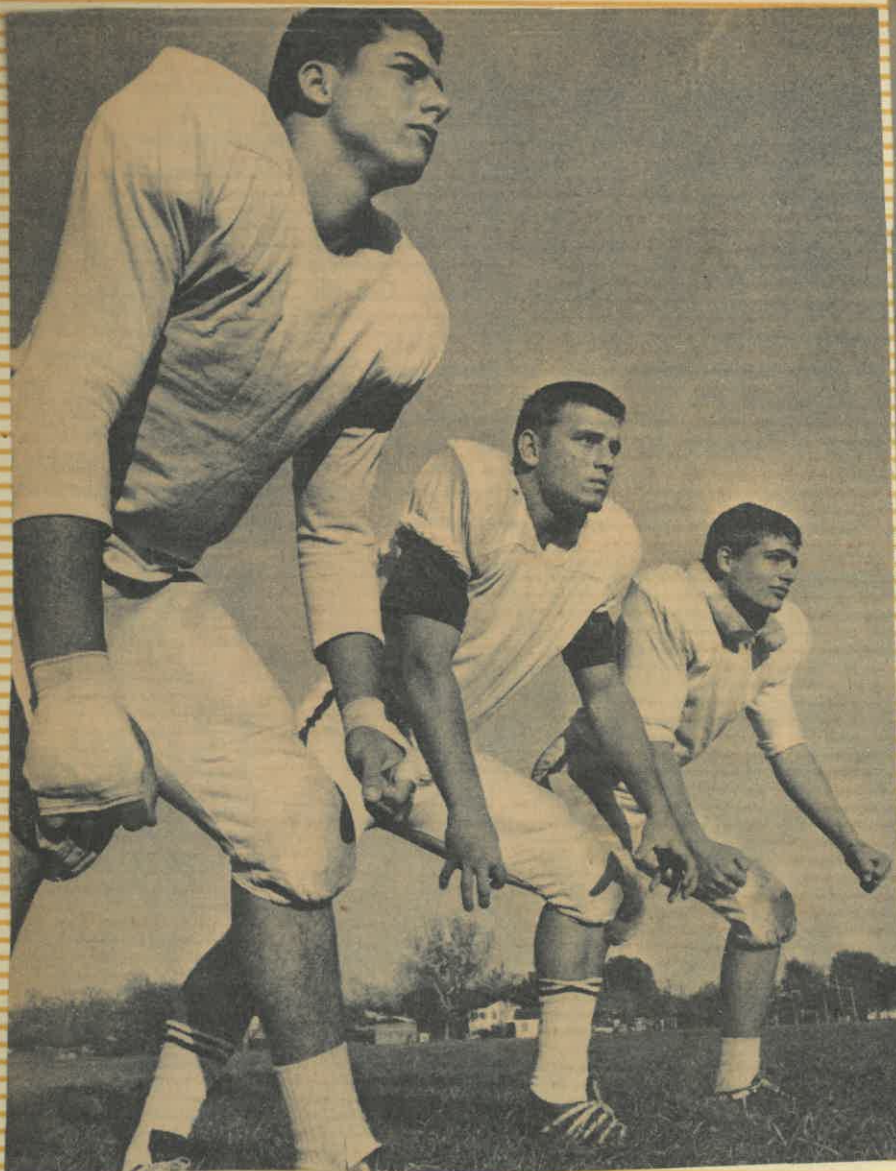


**THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS FALCONS** are looking to these players to provide some of the line punch against the league-leading Sacramento Dragons Saturday afternoon at Hughes Stadium. The trio, from the left, includes tight end Bruce Maita, tackle Frank Cima and guard Dennis Silva. Sac and Brothers will meet at 2 p.m. at Hughes Stadium. Bee Photo by Harlin Smith

## Rugged Foursome Of Linebackers

The above quartet from the Christian Brothers grid team will be manning the linebacking posts this Saturday afternoon at Hughes Stadium

when the Falcons meet Sacramento High. They are, left to right: Tim Clemons, George Lee, Dave McGraw and David Page. Sirlin Photo



Squared off against each other in prep Game of the Week Saturday will be Christian Brothers' tight defense and Sacramento High's tough offense. Falcon de-

fenders, left to right, are George Lee, Dave Page and Tim Clemons. They'll have to try to stop Sac's potent scoring combination, shown right. Handing off to half-

back Herb Williams is quarterback Tom Lippi, while end Art Parker sets a block. (Staff Photo by Jerry Rainbolt).

## Dragons Could Clinch Tie For Title With Triumph

The Dragons of Sacramento High School can assure themselves of at least a tie for the Metropolitan League football title Saturday afternoon at Hughes Stadium by beating the tough Christian Brothers Falcons. Game time will be 2 p.m.

Sacramento has a 4-0 record and after Saturday will be idle

until Thanksgiving Day. Hiram Johnson is running second with a 4-1 record but to stay alive, should the Dragons win, will have to top Luther Burbank next week. Johnson has this weekend off.

Christian Brothers, before falling to Woodland a week ago, has played some outstanding football on the way to a 5-2

record. The Falcons stand at 2-1 in the Metro. Their title hopes are just about gone, although a Saturday victory would brighten them.

Sac's Gordie Leavitt reports his team at full physical strength for the first time in two weeks, with quarterback Tom Lippi and leading ground-gainer Herb Williams all set.

"Luppi and Williams should be 100 per cent," he said, "and everyone else is fine. Our line is ready to go and we want to win this one badly."

Coach Dick Sperbeck of Brothers also wants a victory, but admits his is an uphill job because of injuries.

"Our quarterback (Rick Cabral) is doubtful so we'll probably start Joe Gutierrez there. He's been our leading pass receiver, so Cabral's (ankle) injury hurts us at two spots. David Page, fullback, has some bruised ribs and split end Pat McAuliffe has a torn ligament in his finger. Center Mike Lobue is out, too. One good thing is that we'll have halfback Everett McMillan back for the first time in almost two games."

Sacramento and Brothers both have small but fast and agile linemen, and both coaches predict a good ground game.

"Mud probably won't bother either one of us that much," Sperbeck said, "although Hughes is in bad shape. I really expect a close game, although Sac has some fine talent."

While Leavitt said the Dragons may pass more because of Hughes' sloppy condition, Sperbeck said his outfit probably will stay on the ground.

# Sac High Upset by 26-24

By STEVE HEATH  
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Sports Writer

A word of advice to Christian Brothers place kicking specialist Kelly O'Connor: Keep your shoes on, kid, or someone might just try to have that golden toe of yours bronzed. Saturday afternoon, O'Connor booted 'em when they counted to give the Falcons a 26-24 upset victory over the Sacramento High School Dragons in the prep Game of the Week at Hughes Stadium.

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O'Connor, a flanker who isn't used at carrying the ball either, missed his first two PAT tries — once when his kick was blocked by Sac's John Seppi — but when the chips were down in the final two quarters, O'Connor made the second two-point count and stand up for the win.

Dick Sperbeck's Falcons, the area's No. 5 prep team, dumped the Dragons into a first place tie in the Metropolitan League, handing Sac its first conference setback.

Overall, the Falcons are now 3-2, and 3-2 in Metro action. Sac is now 6-2-1 overall, and 4-1 in Metro play, tied with idle Hiram Johnson for the lead with one game to go.

But it took some doing for O'Connor and the Falcons.

After a 12-12 tie at the half, Sacramento took the lead, 18-12, in the late third period on a 15-yard pass from John DuCray

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# Sac High...

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to Art Parker. But Doug Salo's extra point kick was blocked by Dave Page — the second block of the afternoon for the blitzing Falcon defender — to leave the gap at six points.

Then on the first play of the fourth period, Page scored on a two-yard plunge to knot the score at 18-all.

O'Connor kicked the extra point through, but the Falcons were called for holding and marched back fifteen yards. This time, from the 27, O'Connor again booted it through to put Christian Brothers out in front, 19-18.

Sac came right back to march 75 yards in seven plays to score on a 28-yard reverse around right end by Herb Williams — his second long scoring jaunt of the day. And again the extra point try failed for Sac with a bad snap forcing Tom Lippi, who was supposed to hold the ball for Salo's kick, to have to run with the ball. He was stopped short for a 24-19 margin in favor of the Dragons.

End Bruce Maita gave the Falcons their winning TD when he hauled in his second scoring pass of the afternoon, a 40-yarder from Rick Cabral, with just 3:27 remaining in the contest.

O'Connor's kick was true, and the game was the Falcons'.

The Falcons scored with no time left on the clock at the end of the first half to gain a 12-12 halfti

Just before the end of the first period, Sacramento took a turn at scoring, taking advantage of a fumble recovery at the Dragons' 31. Jerry Royster took it to the 33, and from there Williams sprinted past everyone for 67 yards and a 6-6 deadlock.

Then the Dragons pushed out ahead in the second period on a one-yard plunge by Mike Thomas. His effort climaxed a 72-yard, 12-play drive. Dave Page blocked Doug Salo's extra point try to leave the score at 12-6, Dragons.

Christian Brothers finally got the ball again with about a minute to go in the half on a fumble recovery at the Sac 27.

Three Cabral passes failed before the Falcon quarterback found Maita open in the end zone for the score with no time left on the clock.

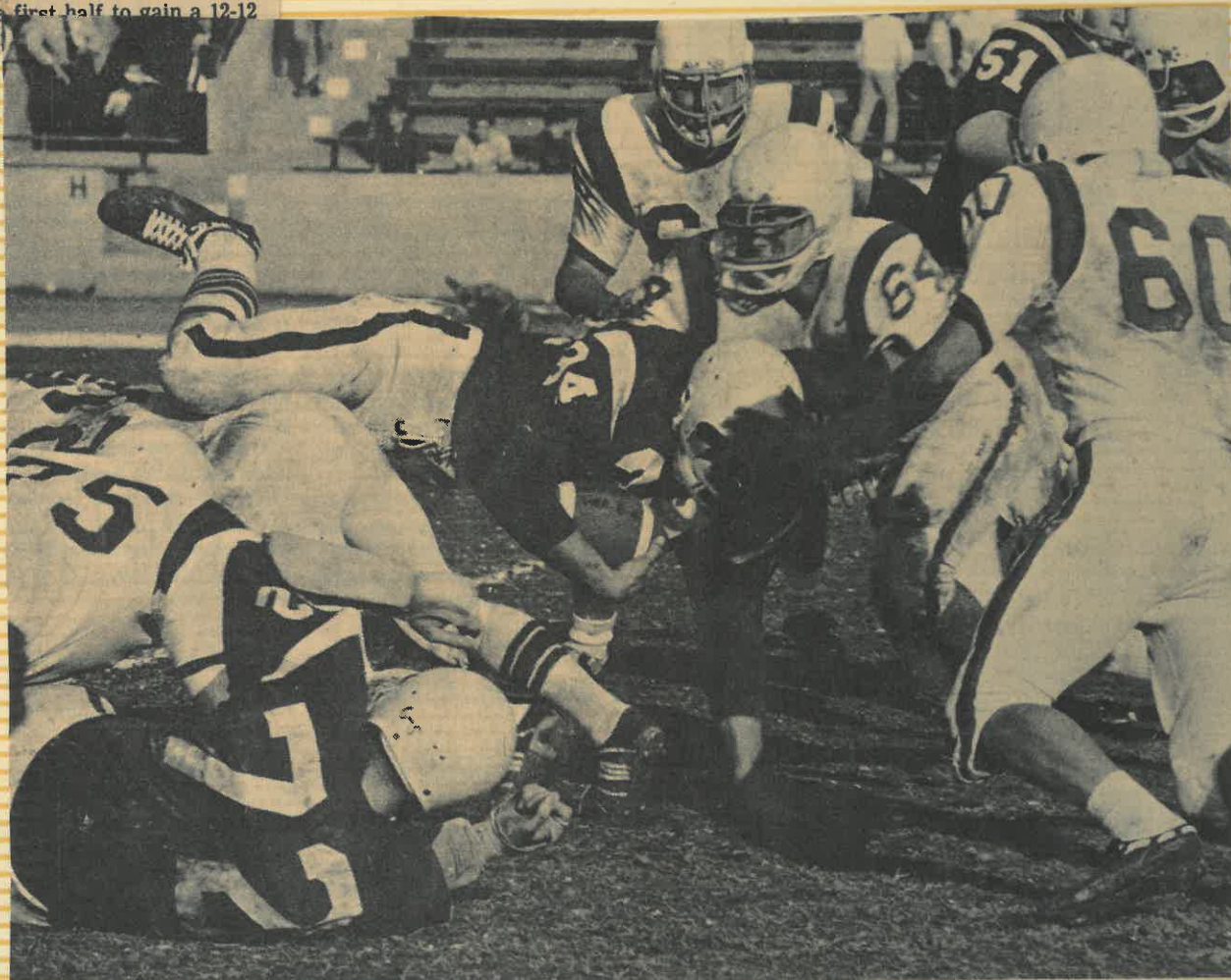
On the extra point try, O'Connor faked the kick try, Cabral picked up the ball and tried for a pass, but Art Parker intercepted for Sac to leave the score tied at 12-all.

Christian Brothers ..... 6 6 0 14-26  
Sacramento ..... 6 6 6 6-24  
C—McMillan, 12 run (kick blocked).  
S—Williams, 67 run (kick wide).  
S—Thomas, 1 run (kick blocked).  
C—Maita, 27 pass from Cabral (pass failed).  
S—Parker, 15 pass from DuCray (kick blocked).  
C—Page 2 run (O'Connor kick).  
S—Williams, 28 run (run failed).  
C—Maita, 40 pass from Cabral (O'Connor kick).  
ATT—3,300.  
Soph Score: 13-6, Sacramento.

## Rankings

- 1—Mira Loma (9-0)
- 2—El Camino (8-1)
- 3—Sacramento (6-2-1)
- 4—Christian Brothers (6-2)
- 5—Hiram Johnson (5-3)
- 6—Foothill (8-1)
- 7—La Sierra (7-2)
- 8—Grant (6-2-1)
- 9—Cordova (7-2)
- 10—Jesuit (7-2)

HOW THEY DID: Mira Loma beat San Juan, 53-0; El Camino beat La Sierra, 34-0; Sacramento lost to Christian Brothers, 26-24; Hiram Johnson was idle; Foothill beat Rio Linda, 25-13; Las Sierra lost to El Camino; Grant beat Elk Grove, 41-20; Cordova beat South Tahoe, 28-0; Jesuit beat El Dorado, 38-14.



Sacramento High fullback Mike Thomas runs head-on into three immovable objects in Christian Brothers defenders Tim Clemons (60), George Lee (64) and Paul

Pane (66) during prep Game of the Week at Hughes Stadium. Falcons won, 26-24. (Staff Photo by Jerry Rainbolt).

# Area Statistics Rankings

- 1-Mira Loma (7-0)
- 2-(tie) El Camino (6-1)  
and Sacramento (5-1-1)
- 4-Christian Brothers (5-1)
- 5-Hiram Johnson (4-3)
- 6-La Sierra (6-1)
- 7-Grant (5-1-1)
- 8-Foothill (6-1)
- 9-Bella Vista (5-2)
- 10-Cordova (5-2)

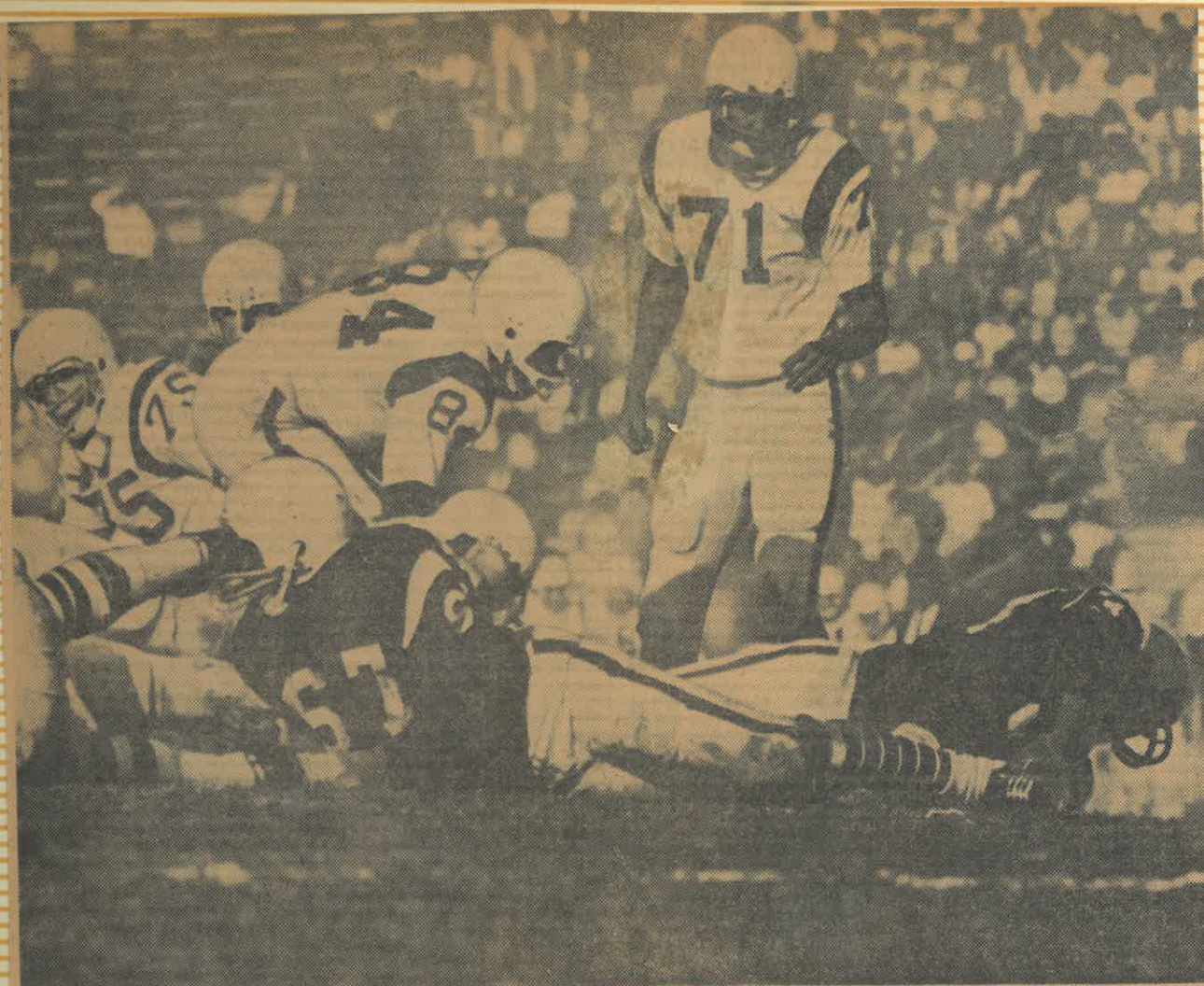
**HOW THEY DID:** Mira Loma beat Casa Roble, 48-0; El Camino beat Sacramento, 14-7; Chirstian Brothers beat Burbank, 31-13; Hiram Johnson beat McClatchy, 33-13; La Sierra beat Rio Americano, 18-12; Grant tied Rio Linda, 28-28; Foothill beat Highlands, 20-0; Bella Vista beat Del Campo, 41-7; Cordova beat El Dorado, 20,0

## Offense

	G	PF	AVG.
1-Grant (5-1-1)	7	224	32.0
2-Bella Vista (5-2)	7	214	30.6
3-Mira Loma (7-0)	7	186	26.6
4-Marshall (6-1)	7	180	25.7
5-El Camino (6-1)	7	176	25.1
6-La Sierra (6-1)	7	160	22.9
7-Galt (4-2-1)	7	147	21.0
8-Chirstian Brothers (5-1)	6	120	20.0
9-McClatchy (2-5)	7	135	19.3
10-Foothill (6-1)	7	133	19.0
11-Delta (5-2)	7	131	18.7
12-Kennedy (4-3)	7	129	18.4
13-Cordova (5-2)	7	119	17.0
14-Burbank (3-4)	7	115	16.4
15-Johnson (4-3)	7	115	16.4
16-Jesuit (5-2)	7	109	15.6
17-Folsom (5-1-1)	7	108	15.4
18-Sacramento (5-1-1)	7	108	15.4
19-Rio Americano (3-4)	7	107	15.3
20-Woodland (4-3)	7	103	14.7
21-Del Campo (2-5)	7	99	14.1
22-San Juan (1-6)	7	87	12.4
23-Encina (1-5)	6	69	11.5
24-Rio Linda (0-4-3)	7	74	10.6
25-Highlands (2-5)	7	72	10.3
26-Washington (1-6)	7	59	8.4
27-Elk Grove (2-4-2)	7	58	8.3
28-Norte Del Rio (3-3-1)	7	49	7.0
29-Casa Roble (0-7)	7	13	1.9

## Defense

	G	PA	AVG.
1-Delta	7	19	2.7
2-Mira Loma	7	44	6.3
3-Cordova	7	50	7.1
4-Norte Del Rio	7	55	7.9
5-Foothill	7	56	8.0
6-Sacramento	7	61	8.7
7-El Camino	7	66	9.4
8-Chirstian Brothers	6	57	9.5
9-Folsom	7	69	9.9
10-La Sierra	7	76	10.9
11-Woodland	7	79	11.3
12-Jesuit	7	86	12.3
13-Marshall	7	91	13.0
14-Johnson	7	93	13.3
15-Galt	7	94	13.4
16-Grant	7	101	14.4
17-Kennedy	7	104	14.9
18-Elk Grove	7	106	15.1
19-Bella Vista	7	112	16.0
20-Highlands	7	124	17.7
21-Rio Americano	7	124	17.7
22-Encina	6	113	18.8
23-Del Campo	7	134	19.1
24-Burbank	7	137	19.6
25-Washington	7	153	21.9
26-Rio Linda	7	155	22.1
27-McClatchy	7	203	29.0
28-San Juan	7	203	29.0
29-Casa Roble	7	268	38.3



A PAIR OF Christian Brothers Falcons, J. C. Ragster, No. 84, and Mike Dennis, No. 71, eye Sacramento's Mike Thomas as he flops into the end zone with his team's second touchdown. On the ground, facing the opposite way, is Dragon Johnny Walker, No. 67. Bee Photo by Erhardt Krause

## Brothers Pin First Metro League Loss On Sacramento In 26-24 Cliff-Hanger

By Bob Crane

It was a bad day for Dragons yesterday in Hughes Stadium.

The Sacramento High School Dragons met their match in the Falcons of Christian Brothers High and went down to defeat 26-24 in a thriller which was not decided until the final three minutes. It was Sacramento's first Metropolitan League loss.

After a see-saw battle over the first three quarters which saw the Falcons move out in front 19-18, Brothers suffered through a 27-yard scoring run by halfback Herb Williams and then put together an eight-play touchdown drive, climaxed by a 39-yard bomb from Rick Cabral to end Bruce Maita. Kelly O'Connor's kick was good for the final victory margin.

### Sew Things Up

Coach Dick Sperbeck's crew then wrapped up the game with 2:39 showing on the clock, re-

covering a Dragon fumble and thwarting a final effort by the Dragons to score.

Both teams started slowly and the contest's first score did not come until after nine minutes of play. A crowd of about 2,700 watched as the Falcons blocked a Dragon punt in waning minutes of the first quarter half-back Everett McMillan going over the touchdown from 12 yards out.

Sacramento rallied as the gun ended the first period with a 79-yard scoring run by Williams to even it up at 6-6. Williams, who gained 188 yards in 15 carries, took the pitch-out from quarterback John DuCray and broke around right end for the score.

### SHS Takes Lead

Fullback Mike Thomas then gave Sacramento the lead with a one-yard plunge in the second period, capping a 72-yard drive.

However, the Falcons pushed the equalizer across as time ran out in the half on a 27-yard pass play from Cabral to Maita.

The lead shifted in the third and fourth periods, each team scoring twice. McMillan led the Brothers' attack with 152 yards on 20 carries, while the Falcons' signal-caller, Cabral, complete three of 12 passes for 108 yards.

The loss dropped the Dragons' record to 4-1 and left them in a first-place tie with Hiram Johnson. Brothers now sports a 3-2 league mark.

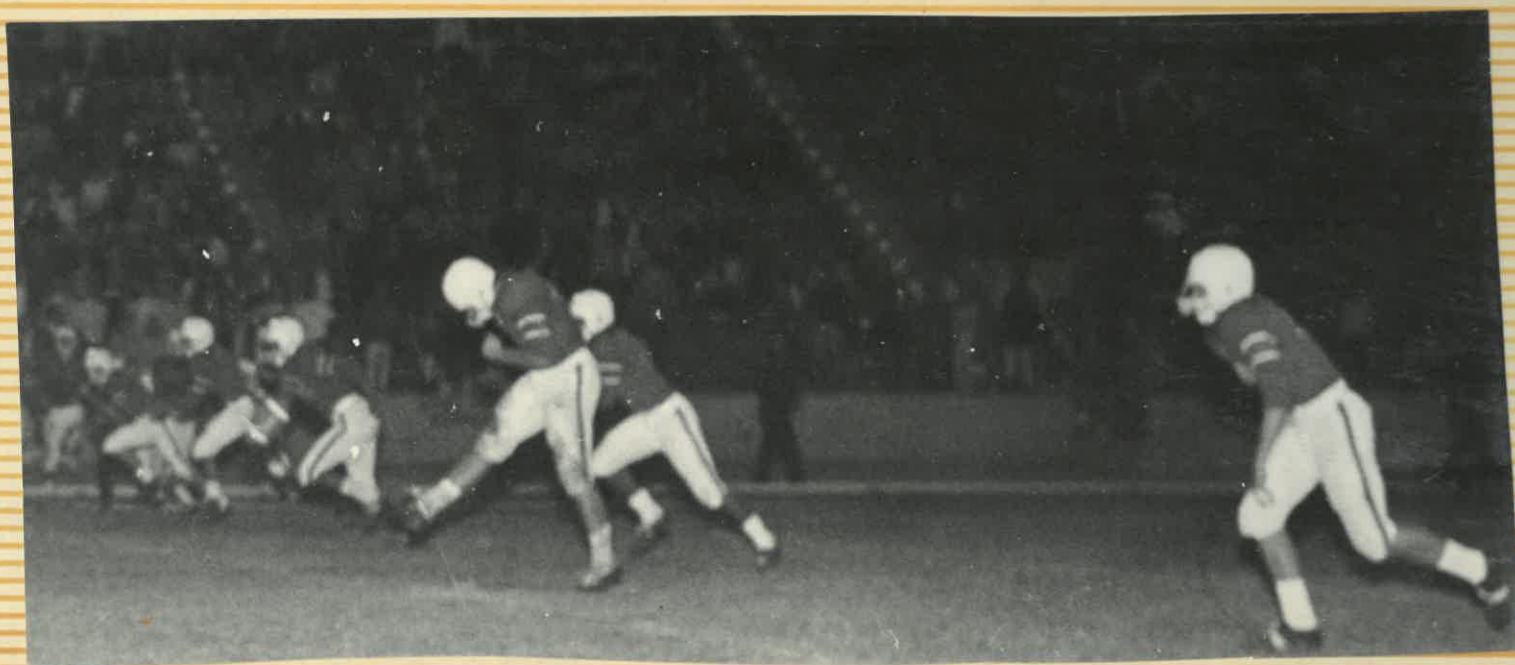




INDIVIDUAL PASSING			
	pa	pc	yds.
Rasmussen, LS	156	87	1399
Mesole, RA	172	77	1151
Schauer, EC	148	80	1128
Garcia, G	125	62	1044
McKenzie, RL	152	69	848
Orr, K	101	40	671
Blight, McC	83	47	632
Weske, AAL	92	42	628
Cabral, CB	79	35	521
Scorza, LB	78	26	491
INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING			
	pc	yds.	
Parks, LS	32	737	
Willett, G	22	475	
Monrov, EC	30	435	
Lassner, ML	30	404	
Bruno, EC	23	340	
Parker, S	13	273	
Gutierrez, CB	14	251	
Lathe, McC	20	249	
Lemmon, RA	23	246	
Stevens, F	11	234	

### Sup Cal Top Ten

1. Mira Loma (9-0)
2. El Camino (8-1)
3. Paradise (8-0)
4. Yuba City (8-1)
5. Foothill (8-1)
6. Marysville (6-2-1)
7. Christian Bros. (6-2)
8. Sacramento (6-2-1)
9. Trinity (8-2)
10. Anderson (6-3)



# Falcons Cool Kennedy Cougars, 28-0

By STEVE HEATH  
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Somehow Thursday night's prep football game at Hughes Stadium seemed a little unnecessary. Ridiculous at best.

Barely 300 persons showed up — including football players, hot dog sellers and one of the high school bands.

The Hughes Stadium turf was a sea of mud, dotted with islands of green.

It was so cold that everybody's breath was frosting — even those people inside the press box. And it was much warmer there than outside.

And speaking of outside, a steady wind blew in the open end of Hughes Stadium, carrying the driving rain horizontally across the field.

A hint of a bad night to come was an extra point try in the second period that flew a couple of yards into the wind, and

then 10 yards behind the kicker.

But somehow, they got the thing started, and when the mud had cleared at the end of four quarters, Christian Brothers' Falcons had come up with a 28-0 Metropolitan League football win over Kennedy

High's Cougars.

For Dick Sperbeck's mud-ders, the win boosted Christian Brothers' league record to 4-2, just one-half game behind the two loop leaders, Johnson and Sacramento — and still gives the Falcons a remote hope of a three-way championship tie.

But in order to gain a tie for the title, the Falcons would have to get some help from Burbank and McClatchy. The Titans would have to upset Johnson, and then even unlikely, McClatchy would have to win the Turkey Day game.

So much for day dreaming.

## Falcons Cool

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Two Kennedy plays later, the Falcons picked up a Cougar fumble at the Kennedy 43, and scored in eight tries. Page again took it across, this time from the seven. Cabral ran for the extra point, and it was 20-0, Falcons.

The Falcons added two more points after a touchdown drive was halted a yard short of the goal. Kennedy had to try to work out of the hole, and O'Connor boomed in to tackle an unidentified Cougar in the end zone for a safety.

But by then, it was all over anyway.

And a good many of the 300 persons who were on hand — including the 75 to 80 that jammed into the lower two rooms of the press box — wondered whether or not it was worth it to jeopardize the health of high school students for a football game that could easily have been postponed to a drier evening.

Then there's the question of the Hughes Stadium turf. Four more teams plowed through it last night, with another four scheduled for tonight.

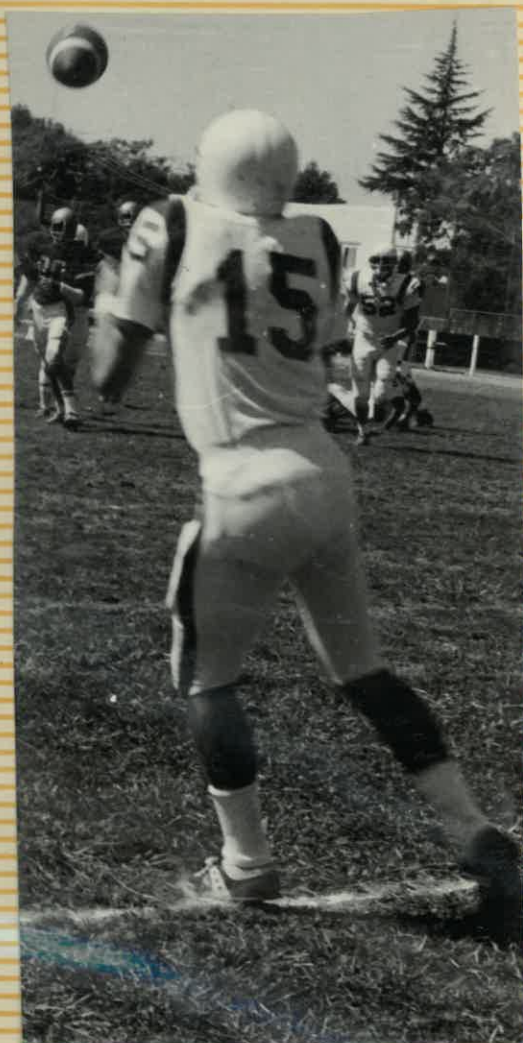
Christian Brothers opened up a 20-point halftime lead, and never relinquished it.

The Falcons struck first with just 29 seconds remaining in the first period when quarterback Rick Cabral went over from the one on a sneak. Kelly O'Connor, with the wind at his back, booted the extra point home for a 7-0 lead.

Then early in the second quarter, Dave Page scored on another one-yarder for a 13-0 lead. But this time O'Connor had to try to kick into the wind — and the ball wound up behind him.

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Kennedy ..... 0 0 0 0-0  
Christian Brothers ..... 7 13 2 6-28  
C—Cabral, 1 run (O'Connor kick).  
C—Page, 1 run (kick failed).  
C—Page, 7 run (Cabral run).  
C—Safety.  
C—O'Connor, 39 run (run failed).  
Att—300.  
Soph Score: 33-0, Falcons.



## Brothers Gets 'Mud Bowl' Win, Swamps JFK 28-0

By Bill Medlock

Christian Brothers High School slid to a 28-0 lashing of the visiting John F. Kennedy Cougars last night in a rain-soaked Metropolitan League football game at muddy Hughes Stadium.

Playing conditions, to put it mildly, were the worst. A sparse crowd of 200 (players and cheerleaders included) braved the 40 miles-per-hour

wind and continuous downpour to see the Falcons rack up their fourth league victory of the season against two losses. The loss knocked Kennedy's record to 3-3 in both teams 1968 finale.

Christian Brothers used three Cougar fumbles to its advantage for a 20-0 halftime lead.

The first JFK miscue came in the opening minute of play when a rushing Falcon defensive line smothered a would-be pitch out on the Cougar 37. A

run apiece by Everett McMillan and Dave Page set the ball down on the 26. Halfback Kelley O'Connor then rolled around left end, picked up two blocks and finally was stopped three yards short of the goal. Quarterback Rick Cabral gained two more yards before sneaking over the center spot for the Falcon's first score.

In the second quarter, a ball hiked over the Cougar punters' head gave Christian Brothers possession on the JFK three — with Page crossing the goal line for the touchdown two plays later.

The Falcon defense later recovered a fumble on the Kennedy 43, after which a steady ground game brought the ball to the seven. Page tallied Brothers' third TD by taking a hand-off and breaking through the JFK line.

O'Connor accounted for all of the Falcons' second half scoring with a safety (recovered punt in end zone) and a 39-yard scamper around right end which was good for the final six-pointer.

# Area Prep Statistics

Most of the prep football statistics are final, but four more teams still have games remaining: Elk Grove, Galt, McClatchy and Sacramento. Elk Grove and Galt play each other Friday, and Sac and McClatchy get together Thanksgiving. Rankings will not be final until after the Thanksgiving Day game.

## Rankings

- 1—Mira Loma (10-0)
- 2—El Camino (8-2)
- 3—Christian Brothers (7-2)
- 4—Sacramento (6-2-1)
- 5—Hiram Johnson (6-3)
- 6—Foothill (8-2)
- 7—La Sierra (8-2)
- 8—Grant (7-2-1)
- 9—Cordova (7-2)
- 10—tie Jesuit (7-2)

**HOW THEY DID**—Mira Loma beat El Camino, 21-7; Christian Brothers beat Kennedy, 28-0; Sacramento had a bye; Hiram Johnson beat Luther Burbank, 32-0; Foothill lost to Elk Grove, 20-0; La Sierra beat Del Campo, 20-13; Grant beat Norte Del Rio 25-19; Cordova, Jesuit and Marshall had already completed their seasons.

## Offense

	G	PF	AVG.
1—Grant (7-2-1)	10	303	30.3
2—Bella Vista (6-3)	9	256	28.7
3—Mira Loma (10-0)	10	273	27.3
4—El Camino (8-2)	10	265	26.5
5—Delta (7-2)	9	221	24.6
6—Marshall (7-2)	9	202	22.5
7—Galt (6-2-1)	9	195	21.7
8—Christ. Bros. (7-2)	9	187	20.8
9—Foothill (8-2)	10	205	20.5
10—Woodland (6-3)	9	183	20.3
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12—Jesuit (7-2)	9	179	19.9
13—Johnson (6-3)	9	179	19.9
14—Cordova (7-2)	9	173	19.2
15—McClatchy (2-6)	8	148	18.5
16—Rio Americano (5-5)	10	166	16.6
17—Kennedy (5-5)	10	162	16.2
18—Sacramento (6-2-1)	9	146	16.2
19—Folsom (5-4)	9	128	14.2
20—Del Campo (3-7)	10	132	13.2
21—Burbank (3-7)	10	129	12.9
22—Encina (2-7)	9	114	12.7
23—Elk Grove (4-5-1)	10	124	12.4
24—San Juan (2-8)	10	120	12.0
25—Rio Linda (1-6-3)	10	119	11.9
26—Norte Del Rio (5-4-1)	10	103	10.3
27—Highlands (2-8)	10	85	8.5
28—Washington (1-8)	9	66	7.3
29—Casa Roble (0-9)	9	26	2.9

## Defense

	G	PA	AVG.
1—Delta	9	19	2.1
2—Cordova	9	50	5.6
3—Mira Loma	10	57	5.7
4—Norte Del Rio	10	92	9.2
5—El Camino	10	93	9.3
6—Foothill	10	102	10.2
7—Sacramento	9	94	10.4
8—Woodland	9	105	11.7
9—Johnson	9	106	11.8
10—Jesuit	9	107	11.9
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24—Burbank	10	203	20.3
25—Highlands	10	207	20.7
26—Washington	9	187	20.8
27—San Juan	10	283	28.3
28—McClatchy	8	249	31.1
29—Casa Roble	9	327	36.3

## Standings

CAPITAL VALLEY CONFERENCE					
Final					
	W	L	T	PCT.	GB
Mira Loma	8	0	0	1.000	—
El Camino	7	1	0	.875	1
La Sierra	6	2	0	.750	2
Bella Vista	5	3	0	.625	3
Rio Americano	4	4	0	.500	4
Del Campo	3	5	0	.375	5
San Juan	2	6	0	.250	6
Encina	1	7	0	.125	7
Casa Roble	0	8	0	.000	8

DELTA LEAGUE					
Final					
	W	L	T	PCT.	GB
Vacaville	6	0	1	1.000	—
Marshall	5	2	0	.714	1½
Galt	4	2	1	.667	2
Vanden	4	2	1	.667	2
Davis	3	3	1	.500	3
Fairfield	2	3	2	.400	3½
Washington	1	6	0	.143	5½
Armijo	0	7	0	.000	6½

GOLDEN EMPIRE LEAGUE					
Final					
	L	T	PCT.	GB	
Cordova	5	0	0	1.000	—
Jesuit	4	1	0	.800	1
Ponderosa	3	2	0	.600	2
El Dorado	1	4	0	.200	4
Folsom	1	4	0	.200	4
South Tahoe	1	4	0	.200	4

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE					
Final					
	W	L	T	PCT.	GB
x-Johnson	5	1	0	.833	—
Sacramento	4	1	0	.800	½
Christ. Bros.	4	2	0	.667	1
Kennedy	3	3	0	.500	2
Woodland	3	3	0	.500	2
Burbank	1	5	0	.167	4
McClatchy	0	5	0	.000	4½

x-Clinched tie for championship.

## Area Rankings

- FINAL**
- 1—Mira Loma (10-0)
  - 2—El Camino (8-2)
  - 3—Christian Brothers (7-2)
  - 4—Sacramento (7-2-1)
  - 5—Hiram Johnson (6-3)
  - 6—Foothill (8-2)
  - 7—La Sierra (8-2)
  - 8—Grant (7-2-1)
  - 9—Cordova (7-2)
  - 10—Galt (7-2-1)

## Section Rankings

- 1—Mira Loma (10-0)
- 2—Edison (Stockton) (9-1)
- 3—Tracy (10-0)
- 4—Ceres (10-0)
- 5—Yuba City (9-1)
- 6—El Camino (8-2)
- 7—Downey (Modesto) (8-2)
- 8—Sacramento (7-2-1)
- 9—Johnson (6-3-0)
- 10—Christian Brothers (7-2-0)

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	G	TP
Grea Jackson, BV	8	93
Claude Stevens, F	9	82
Jim Crum, ML	9	72
Jim Wallace, JFK	9	69
Dave Rielli, J	8	67
Bill Schauer, EC	9	65
Bruce Baldwin, J	9	61
Joe Blight, C.K. Mc	5	61
Mike Mayer, LS	9	55
Ron Bruno, EC	9	54
Richard Metz, SJ	9	49
Everett McMillan, CBS	9	48
Jim Boras, EG	9	48
Mike Thomas, Sac	9	48
Seaborn Bowens, JFK	9	45
Otis Smith, G	9	43
Rich Monroy, EC	9	42
Doug Hodel, RL	9	42
Herb Williams, Sac	9	42
Jack Lassner, ML	9	42
Hank Wiese, EC	9	37
Mike Anderson, RA	9	36
Wally Beatty, LB	9	36
Bob Trice, LB	9	36
Chris Moorey, EG	9	36
Alan Sticca, C	9	36

# McMillan, Page Of Falcons Garner All-Area Grid Honors

Linebacker Dave Page and Everett McMillan, an all-round backfielder, represented Christian Brothers on The Sacramento Union all-area high school football team published this week.

Twenty-two players were named to the star-studded club. Jesuit failed to gain a

representative, but running back Dave Rielli received heavy consideration. Rielli broke his ankle and missed the latter part of the season. CBS' George Lee also was accorded all-star praise, but came up a little shy in the voting.

McMillan was named to the

defensive unit along with Page, but Everett, as complete an athlete as you would want to find, is equal to any offensive task and so proved it during the 1968 campaign.

Neither Page nor McMillan have tipped their hand as to where they will play college football. It is just possible they've been given suggestions by college scouts as have several other CBS and Jesuit players.

Page is only 5-foot-8. He weighs a mere 155 pounds.

A dynamite cap is even smaller than that.

McMillan measures 6-1 and 175.

Coach Dick Sperbeck has got to miss them in 1969.

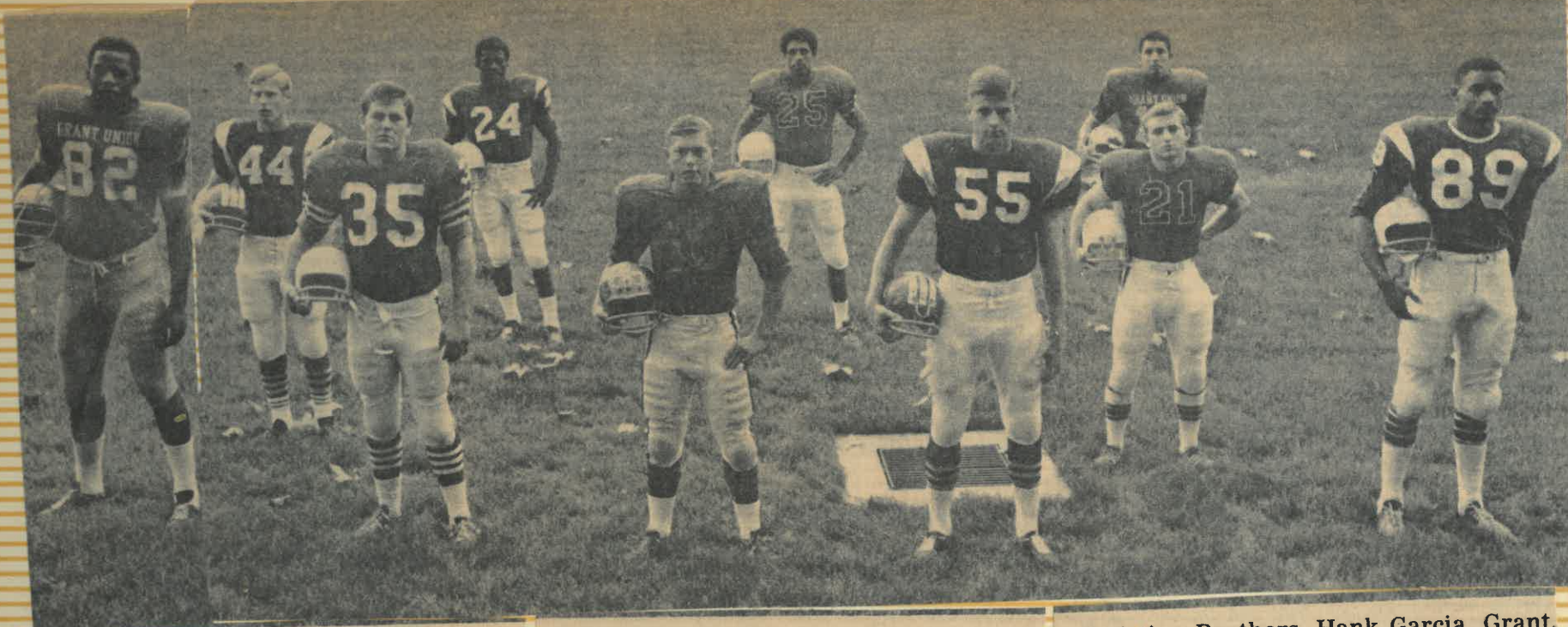
Christian Brothers garnered 10th place in the final Sacramento area rankings.

by Cal-Prep Magazine. The Falcons posted a 7-2 record, the same as Jesuit's Marauders.

The Sacramento Bee is expected to announce its all-star team later this week.

Christian Brothers was given a No. 3 rating in the Sacramento area rankings. —By JJ.





All-Metropolitan Area 1968 defensive squad, front row left to right: Walt Pepper, Grant; Gary Wiese, El Camino; Jim Boras, Elk Grove; Steve Heffelfinger,

Hiram Johnson; Art Parker, Sacramento. Back row: Dave Upton, Hiram Johnson; Herb Williams, Sacramento; Everett McMillan, Christian Brothers; Dave Page,

Christian Brothers, Hank Garcia, Grant. Not pictured, Bob Trice of Luther Burbank. (Staff Photo by Gary Gillis).

## All-Metro Area Stars

### OFFENSE

Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.
Jack Lassner, Mira Loma	E	Sr	6-3	210
Bill Parks, La Sierra	E	Sr	5-10	145
Fred Stewart, Woodland	T	Sr	6-2	230
John Seppi, Sacramento	T	Sr	6-3	205
Tom Domasky, Jms Mrshll	G	Sr	6-1	195
Ray Ingrsil, Foothill	G	Sr	5-10	200
Jim Russell, Cordova	C	Sr	6-2	205
Bill Schauer, El Camino	QB	Sr	5-11	185
Jim Crum, Mira Loma	HB	Jr	5-11	178
Milt Erich, Galt	HB	Sr	5-10	150
Jim Wallace, John F. Kennedy	FB	Sr	6-1	200

### DEFENSE

Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.
Walter Pepper, Grant	E	Sr	6-5	220
Art Parker, Sacramento	E	Jr	6-5	205
Steve Hfflfngr, H. Jhnsn	T	Sr	6-4	205
Gary Wiese, El Camino	T	Sr	6-1	205
Jim Boras, Elk Grove	G	Sr	5-10	190
Bob Trice, Lthr Brbnk	LB	Sr	5-11	195
Dave Upton, H. Jhnsn	LB	Sr	6-1	195
Dave Page, Christian Bros.	LB	Sr	5-8	155
Herb Williams, Sacramento	B	Sr	5-10	180
Hank Garcia, Grant	B	Sr	5-11	165
Everett McMillan, Christian Bros.	B	Sr	6-1	175

## Best Season

# Sperbeck Named Coach Of Year

Two more honors have been bestowed on Christian Brothers and Jesuit High School footballers.

Christian Brothers' Dick Sperbeck was named Sacramento County high school coach of the year by KXTV-Channel 10.

And Jesuit landed all-around back Dave Rielli on The Sacramento Bee's all-area team. Rielli, who had a strong grip on the area rushing title only to let it slip away with a broken ankle two games from the

season's end, made The Bee squad as a defensive safety.

Last week, CBS' Everett McMillan and Dave Page were listed on The Sacramento Union's area all-star club. McMillan also made The Bee team.

Sperbeck, who made the switch from baseball coaching to the gridiron several years ago, enjoyed his finest season in 1968, directing the Falcons to a 7-2 mark. The seven wins included a 34-13 triumph over El Camino and 26-24 verdict over Sacramento High.

Both were highly rated elevens all campaign long, with El Camino being edged out for the Capital Valley Conference championship and SHS ending up in a tie for the Metropolitan League crown. CBS was ranked 10th in the final Sac-Joaquin Section poll and third in the area poll.

EVERETT McMILLAN — Christian Brothers High . . . 6'-1", 175 pounds . . . former Union Prep of the Week . . . one of the most explosive ball-carriers around . . . helped Dick Sperbeck's Falcons to 7-2 season and No. 3 rating in area . . . also an outstanding defensive back . . . gained more than 500 yards rushing . . . gave El Camino and a couple of other teams fits.

DAVE PAGE — Christian Brothers High . . . 5'-8", 155 pounds . . . shortest man on team . . . but Sperbeck called him "backbone" of Christian Brothers team . . . led Falcons in tackles, and was hardest hitter on team . . . played "monster man" on defense . . . also an excellent ball carrier . . . a near unanimous choice for the team.

# C.B.S. Takes Number-Two In Metro League --- Spirit Is Number One

It's been six long years since Christian Brothers did so well, and that was at a time when we weren't involved in league play. Christian Brothers has been in league play since 1965, and the best record then was 5-4-1, giving the school a fourth place. It's possible that spirit has never been so high at Christian Brothers as it is this year.

To pin down the reasons for our success is difficult. Whether it was just talent, spirit, coaching, or a specific combination is hard to say. Coach Brooks, when confronted with this question, indicated that the spirit and unity in the team were major factors in the determination of the total team effort. Coach Stone of El Camino High feels that Christian Brothers has a definite emotional advantage over the other schools in the area. He also felt that the feeder system, that is, the elementary Catholic schools which feed students into C.B., is another advantage, since most of the schools have excellent coaching themselves, thus feeding good players into C.B. From talking with some of the players, one can detect a strong team spirit. Dave Page and George Lee, with whom this staff-writer spoke, were good examples of this spirit. Both radiated a general optimism and desire to win, but with a true sense of humility. Another factor was the school spirit. The team knew exactly what they were fighting for with a good school spirit to back them up. Coach Sperbeck took special note of this school spirit. He mentioned the spontaneous rallies which shook the school many times. The efforts of such people as Kevin Chrossland, who was the school cheerleader, infected many people with the desire to demonstrate their support of the team. Many home-rooms found time to create signs which were distributed throughout the campus during the season to build the spirit in the school.

On the team itself, the talents of many excellent players built an effort that was hard to overcome. Coach Brooks said that he felt that Dave Page could be given the title of "Mr. Spirit." Of course, one of the players who received city-wide acclaim was Everett MacMillan. Maybe Everett will be one person to watch in the future. Coach Sperbeck and Coach Brooks felt that the whole team worked as a unit and did an outstanding job throughout the season.

One of the varsity players, John Hennessey, summed up the major accomplishments of the season in four points: 1, We beat Sacramento High, No. 1 in the Metro League; 2, We beat Burbank, which is something we've never done before; 3, We beat El Camino, which was rated No. 1 in Superior California ratings; and 4, We won more games than we ever have before in league play.

Thursday, November 14, saw the last game of the year for the Fearless Falcons of Christian Brothers High. The game was played on a rain-soaked field with a bitter-cold wind sweeping through the stadium. Attendance was low on both sides, but the game reflected the story of this past season of football: a rousing success.

With the season now ended, the evidence of the C.B.S. success in many areas can be seen. Not only did C.B.S. turn in a phenomenal second place, but the increased spirit will affect many other areas of school activity. The achievements made by C.B.S. have added immensely to the prestige and popularity of the school both in Sacramento and the surrounding area.

Coach Sperbeck and Coach Brooks viewed the season as a total success. Perhaps attaining the position of number one in the Metro League would have been much more assuring, however, if number-two Avis can try harder, so can we. And, next year, who knows?

Christian Brothers has had to fight with quite a few disadvantages. The first and foremost of these is our comparatively small student body. C.B.S. has a total student body of only 660, and when compared to 2800 for Sacramento High, that figure doesn't seem too convincing. The number of good players is also affected by the school attendance. In the Woodland game, six first-string men were out due to injuries, thus hard-pressing their replacements. We lost that game, but we might have won were it not for the injuries. When we look at the final standings in relation to our disadvantages, it can be seen how truly well Christian Brothers did.

The story does not stop there. The future should hold more of the same for our Falcons. The junior-varsity team accumulated an impressive record also, and should prove to be another source of varsity victory in the near future.

There's just one more point to consider in our evaluation of the season: spirit. One of the main purposes of football in schools, whether the team should win or lose, is to create spirit in the student body. It should make the students aware of their school, create concern among the students for their school, and finally to build pride among the students for their school. If these conditions are met, the pay-off from school sports becomes vastly more important than the prestige a school gains from a good season. Have we succeeded? The answer to this would have to be "yes." Brother Haig, when asked about this new spirit, replied, "The attitude and spirit of the student body is very wholesome and demonstrates the continual development of the students at Christian Brothers." When the spirit can produce people who care enough to give of themselves in any way they can, then the true purpose of spirit has developed. We have succeeded in many ways, but this does not mean that we can give up and forget all that we've learned. We must use this to further our development. Then, despite ratings or games won and lost, we can truly say that in every respect C.B.S. IS NO. 1!

INDIVIDUAL PASSING			
	pa	pc	yds
Rasmussen, LS	177	97	1467
Schauer, TC	190	103	1372
Garcia, G	76	74	1257
Mesple, RA	190	88	1246
McKenzie, RL	185	82	976
Weske, ML	112	50	804
Orr, K	127	47	773
Blight, McC	83	47	632
Cabral, CB	93	38	629
Rau, EG	101	45	604

INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING			
	pc	yds	
Parks, LS	38	785	
Monroy, EC	31	566	
Lassner, ML	35	511	
Willett, G	22	475	
Bruno, EC	32	395	
Lathe, McC	24	253	
Parker, S	15	217	
Stevens, F	13	302	
Gutierrez, CB	16	302	
Watson, McC	19	247	

TOTAL OFFENSE			
	rush	pass	total
Schauer, EC	633	1372	2005
Garcia, G	574	1257	1826
Rasmussen, LS	26	1467	1493
McKenzie, RL	403	986	1379
Mesple, RA	39	1248	1287
Boras, EG	1059	0	1059
Crum, ML	933	0	933
Wallace, K	919	0	919
Blight, McC	270	632	902
Perrin, H	351	501	852

TEAM OFFENSE				
	rush	pass	total	ave
Mira Loma	2273	1069	3342	334.2
Grant	1955	1372	3327	332.7
La Sierra	1711	1542	3253	325.3
El Camino	1738	1504	3242	324.2
Bella Vista	2200	432	2632	263.2
Jesuit	2105	416	2521	252.1
Sacramento	1477	943	2420	242.0
Christian Bros.	1575	752	2327	232.7
Kennedy	1660	860	2520	252.0
McClatchy	948	1027	1975	197.5
Elk Grove	1739	725	2464	246.4
Burbank	1800	539	2339	233.9
Rio Americano	1073	1250	2323	232.3
Rio Linda	1335	976	2311	231.1
Foothill	1784	522	2306	230.6
San Juan	1341	817	2158	215.8
Encina	1054	386	1440	144.0
Johnson	1402	575	1977	197.7
Highlands	1080	568	1648	164.8
Del Campo	1010	626	1636	163.6
Norte Del Rio	1233	365	1598	159.8
Casa Roble	485	380	865	86.5

TEAM DEFENSE				
	rush	pass	total	ave
Mira Loma	867	880	1747	174.7
Elk Grove	1237	518	1755	175.5
Johnson	913	723	1636	163.6
Jesuit	882	755	1637	163.7
Foothill	1146	730	1876	187.6
El Camino	1305	604	1909	190.9
Sacramento	1225	579	1804	180.4
Bella Vista	892	931	1823	182.3
Norte Del Rio	1546	571	2117	211.7
Del Campo	1593	325	1918	191.8
Kennedy	1642	482	2124	212.4
Christian Bros.	1370	650	1920	192.0
Rio Linda	1343	839	2182	218.2
Burbank	1637	797	2434	243.4
Rio Americana	1608	865	2473	247.3
La Sierra	1565	992	2557	255.7
Grant	1875	692	2567	256.7
Encina	1472	820	2292	229.2
San Juan	1710	1175	2885	288.5
Highlands	2434	461	2895	289.5
McClatchy	1826	644	2470	247.0
Casa Roble	1987	784	2771	277.1

## Sup Cal Top Ten

1. Mira Loma .....(10-0)
2. El Camino .....(8-2)
3. Yuba City .....(9-1)
4. Paradise .....(9-0)
5. Christian Bros .....(7-2)
6. Sacramento .....(6-2-1)
7. Anderson .....(7-3)
8. Marysville .....(6-3-1)
9. Johnson .....(6-3)
10. Trinity .....(8-2)



**DEFENSE** — These 11 defensive gems would be hard to move the ball against, let alone score on. In front, from the left, are Walt Pepper, Tom Domasky, Gary Wiese, Jim Boras, Jim Burris and Steve Warner. In the middle row are Gary Turner, left, and Herb Williams, while at the rear, from the left, are Everett McMillan, Art. T. Parker and Dave Rielli. Bee Photos by Dick Fleming

