

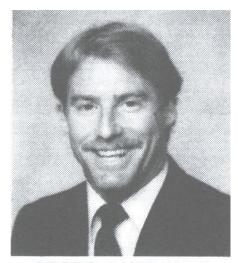
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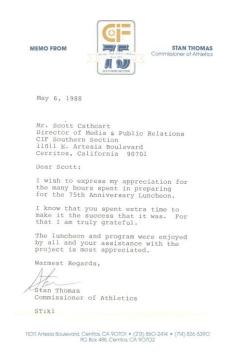
<u>75th YEAR CIF-SOUTHERN SECTION</u> <u>CELEBRATION</u>

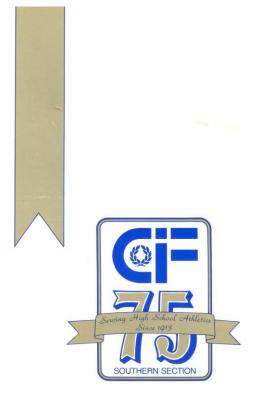
72ND historical "tidbit." Dr. John S. Dahlem

The CIF-SS did not celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the organization in any formal way. Under the outstanding leadership of Scott Cathcart, CIF-SS Media & Public Relations Director, a large celebration for the 75th Anniversary was planned. Scott, along with the office staff, had done an outstanding job in organizing much of the history of the CIF-SS and had keep copies of many of the pertinent documents and programs of the early years. A great deal of research was done on the early history to include a list of the early leaders and "Red Letter Dates." A 75-Year Anniversary Luncheon was held on May 5, 1988, at the Sequoia Athletic Club of Buena Park. A Special 75th Anniversary Edition of the "CIF-SS Bulletin" was produced and a special logo was created to celebration the 75th Anniversary.



SCOTT CATHCART
Director
Media & Public Relations





California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section

May 5, 1988 Sequoia Athletic Club of Buena Park

WELCOME

Mr. Stan Thomas CIF-SS Commissioner of Athletics

Mr. Jay Johnstone Master of Ceremonies

HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

Mr. Les Billinger CIF-SS 75-Year Anniversary Historian

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Mr. Tommy Hawkins Vice President-Communications, Los Angeles Dodgers

CIF SOUTHERN SECTION DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION AWARDS

Mrs. Barbara Wilson

...Presented by Mr. Tony Balsamo

Mr. Don H. Andersen

...Presented by Mr. Scott Cathcart

Mr. Chuck Benner

...Presented by Mr. Bill Shumard

Mr. Braven Dyer, Jr.

...Presented by Mr. Steve Montiel

Mr. Charlie Seaver

...Presented by Mr. Dean Crowley

Mr. Paul Zimmerman

...Presented by Mr. Scott Howard-Cooper

Mr. J. Kenneth Fagans

...Presented by Mr. Tom Byrnes

CLOSING REMARKS

Jay Johnstone

ALL-TIME CIF SOUTHERN SECTION ADMINISTRATIVE ROSTER

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John R. Taylor, (1957-68)

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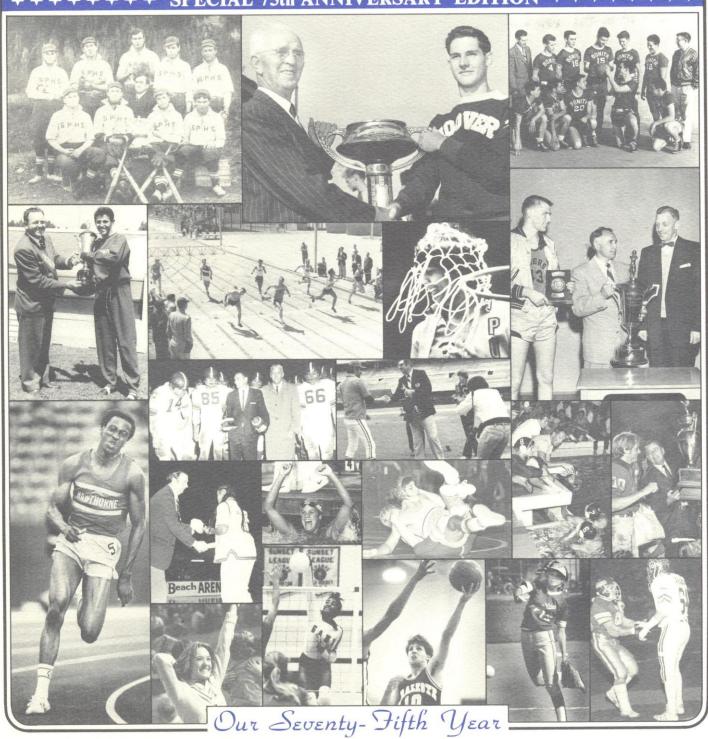
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CIF-SS BULLETIN







COMMISSIONER'S CORNER THE

FUTURE IS OURS

By Stan Thomas

Commissioner of Athletics
As the CIF Southern Section pauses or a look back at 75 years of progress, one has to wonder what lies ahead for our organization as a whole, for our member schools individually and for the thousands of coaches and student-

athletes for whom we serve.

Although we can't expect a prophecy, one thing is for sure, the basic concept on which this organization was conceived will never change that high school activities — such as athletice, are an intense component. that high school activities – such as athleties – are an intregal component of the total educational experience; that extracurricular programs are a major enhancement to academic success; and that well-rounded, productive citizens are the end product of the programs fostered by our organization.

The association bonding our memb-The association bonding our member schools for so many years has endured because of cooperation and the common goals of sportsmanship, fair play and providing the highest quality of interscholastic athletic competition. If cooperation between the member schools continues, and if the common goals remain in sight, then the sky truly is the limit for the future of the CIF Southern Section. Southern Section.

As we stand on the threshold of the final quarter of our first century, everyone involved – school principles, athletic directors, coaches, students, parletic directors, coaches, students, par-ents and support personnel of all types - need to have a basic understanding of the big picture. When a situation arises, will they act to suit their own interests, or will they maintain sight of the common goals and work to achieve cooperation?

Please keep in mind the importance

cooperation?

Please keep in mind the importance of what's at stake. School activities offer students a chance to excel at something of their own choosing. They provide the opportunity for young people to earn status and a sense of respect among their peers. Activities cultivate self respect and confidence. Moreover, rational surveys have proved national surveys have proven that

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CIF SOUTHERN SECTION: WHERE CHAMPIONS ARE BORN

By Scott Cathcart Director of Media & Public Relations

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national acclaim.
Want more? How's this for a baseball lineup: Hall of Famers Bob
Lemon of Long Beach Wilson, Ralph
Kiner of Alhambra, Jackie Robinson
of John Muir. Ed Mathews of Santa
Barbara and Duke Snyder of Compton. Current stars George Brett of El
Segundo, Jack Clark of Gladstone.
Tony Gwynn of Long Beach Poly,
Mike Witt of Servite and Mark
McGwire of Damien. McGwire of Damien

Football? How about Heisman Football? How about Heisman Trophy-winner John Huarte of Mater Dei and legends Frankie Albert of Glendale, "Alley-Oop" R.C. Owens of Santa Monica, Billy Kilmer of Chaffey, Gene Washington of Long Beach Poly. George Beuhler of Whittier, Pat Haden of Bishop Amat and Sam "Bam" Cunningham of Santa Barbara. Current NFL stars? Ronnie Lott of Eisenhower, Randy Cross of Crespi, Dennis Smith Randy Cross of Crespi, Dennis Smith

Randy Cross of Crespi, Dennis Smith of Santa Monica, Darrin Nelson of Pius X, Duane Bickett of Glendale, Randal Cunningham of Santa Barbara and Anthony Munoz of Chaffey.

In basketball, CIF-SS member schools can claim among their alumni standouts such as Paul Westphal of Aviation, Lynn Schackleford of Burbank Burroughs, Jamaal Wilkes of Santa Barbara and Cheryl Miller of Riverside Poly, Current NBA stars include David Greenwood of Verbum Dei, Bill Laimbeer of Palos Verdes and Byron Scott of Morningside.

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The CIF-SS has been well represented in the Olympics, too. In the 1984 Los Angleles games alone. Southern see CHAMPIONS page 22

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SPECIAL 75-VEAR ANNIVERSARY BULLETIN

Written and Edited by Scott Cathcart, CIF-SS Director of Media and Public Relations

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THE SETH VAN PATTEN YEARS



1913 -1950

Seth F. Van Patten

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When Mr. Seth F. Van Patten came
to Southern California as a member of
the Escondido High School faculty in
December of 1900, there existed some
beginnings of high school athletic leagues, formed for the purpose of
promoting football and baseball games
between area schools. These
leagues were more or less informal
organizations, with no constitutions or
by-laws. Eligibility rules had not been
heard of, and all too frequently, young
men and boys wound up playing in the
games of schools they were not attending.

ng. School administrators took no part School administrators took no part in the management of these contests. The lack of administration and organization under such a loose setup provided for a great many disputes, causing the average high school principal to give little attention to the cause of

give little attention to the cause or interscholastic athletics.

Two ill-fated attempts were made at organizing prep athletics – and most notably, a championship track meet – in Southern California prior to 1912.

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COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

Commissioners Corner
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students who participate in high school
activities are more likely to have higher
grades and a better attendance record
than those who don't.

The very essence of the CIF Southern Section is voluntary membership.
The organization's success or failure
depends soley upon the willingness of
its members to strive together for the
common goals. The future welfare of
interscholastic athletics in our area is
up to each of us. Only we, as involved
individuals representing our member
institutions, can control our mutual
destiny. How we handle this reponsibility will ultimately determine prosperity or demise. ty or demise.

RED LETTER DATES

75 YEARS OF PROGRESS

The following is a chronological listing of important events that have shaped the progress and growth of the 75-year history of the California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section.

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MAY 1914

The Southern California Interscholastic Athletic Council officially changed its name to CIF Southern Section.

Orange High School captures the first-ever CIF-SS baseball championship with an 8-4 win over Long Beach Poly. The game was played at Occidental College.

Whittier High School posts a 38-32 win over Covina in the first-ever CIF-SS championship basketball game, held at Manual Arts High in Los Angeles. Coached by John Wilson, the Cardinals go on to win the first three CIF-SS cage titles consecutively, with wins over Citrus in 1916 and Hollywood in 1917. FEB. 1915

Under the direction of Head Coach Duffy Sea, Pasadena High School wallops Whittier, 50-0, in the first-ever CIF-SS championship football game, held at Occidental College. However, Pasadena is the second member school to claim a CIF-S; grid title, as Santa Ana was declared the 1914 champion by virtue of its league record, which included no losses and one tie. The '14 Saints were coached NOV. 1915

by Walter Hall. by water rain.

The "Four Point" rating table (height, weight, age and grade) adopted for classification of high school boys for interscholastic competition.

Los Angeles High School captures the first-ever CIF-SS NOV. 1922

MAY 1926 swimming championship, in a meet held at Huntington Park High School.

Los Angeles Poly High School wins the first-ever CIF-SS NOV. 1926 Los Angeles Poly High School wins the Hist-ever CIF-3S Cross Country Championships, conducted at Griffith Park. Mr. Seth Fields Van Patter recommended for the position of first CIF Southern Section Commissioner of Athletics. Van Pattern had participated actively in CIF-SS affairs prior to this date as manager of track and field and secretary of the organization. MAY 1930

OCT, 1930 Seth F. Van Patten assumes post as first CIF-SS Commis sioner of Athletics

Los Angeles City Schools depart from the CIF-SS mem-bership to form the CIF Los Angeles City Section. MAY 1935 SEPT. 1935 CIF-SS Council passes a new "three-point" system for classification of lower level athletic competition.

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CIF SOUTHERN SECTION CELEBRATES

The list of legendary athletes spawned on the playing fields of high schools in Southern California — more specifically within the membership of the CIF Southern Section — is indeed impressive. From Walter Johnson of Fullerton to Frank Wycoff of Glendale. From Ted Williams of San Diego Hoover to Glenn Davis of Bonita. Through the years there have been hundreds.

Through the years there have been hundreds. Want more? How's this for a sampling: Baseball players Jackie Robinson of Muir, Bob Lemon of Long Beach Wilson, Ralph Kiner of Alhambra, Eddie Matthews of Santa Barbara and current stars George Brett of El Segundo, Tony Gwynn of Long Beach Poly and 1987 rookie-sensation Mark McGwire of Damien; Football legends Frankie Albert of Glendale, Billy Kilmer of Citrus, John Huarte of Mater Dei, Pat Haden of Bishop Amat and active NFL stars Ronnie Lott of Eisenbower, Dennis Smith of Santa Monica and Randy

Cross of Crespi; Basketball players Paul Westphal of Aviation, Lynn Schackle-ford of Burbank Burroughs, Jamaal Wilkes of Santa Barbara and Cheryl Miller of Riverside Poly; Track stars Earl McCullough of Long Beach Poly, Dwight Stones of Glendale, Jeanette Bolden of Compton; Golfers Al Geiberger of Santa Barbara and Billy Casper of Chula Vista; Swimmers Brian Goodell of Mission Viejo, Mike O'Brien of Newport Christian, Shirley Babashoff of Fountain Valley and

Tiffany Cohen of Mission Viejo; Volleyball champions Steve Timmons of Estancia, Karch Kiraly of Santa Barbara and Paula Weishoff of West Torrance.

The list could go on and on. Doubtless, many great names have been left off. But the point is, each of these nationally-known athletes — past and present — got their start in programs organized, authorized and administered by the California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section, which celebrates its 75th Anniversary in the 1987-88 school year.

The CIF Southern Section was born in the spring of 1913, the outgrowth of a track and field meet. The late Seth F. Van Patten, who was elected to manage the Southern California High School Track and Field Championships that year, was instrumental in bringing together administrators from area high schools for the purpose of determining policies and rules for the

competition. Recognized as the founding father of the CIF-SS, Van Patten remained in his post as manager of the track and field championships until he was officially named Secretary of the organization in 1928. He served as the CIF-SS's first Commissioner of Athletics until his retirement in 1950.

Over the 75-year history of the organization, the CIF Southern Section has been governed by representation provided by its membership. Simply stated, its purpose is to direct and control both boys' and girls' athletics in the secondary schools within its membership. It is not only the oldest, but the largest of 10 such sections in the state, with a membership of nearly 500 schools. Since its beginning, the CIF Southern Section has grown into one of the most progressive and respected organizations of its kind in the world.

Despite its long history, the CIF Southern Section lists

only six commissioners, with William W. Russell holding the position from 1950-54, followed by J. Kenneth Fagans from 1954. until his retirement in 1975, Thomas E. Byrnes from 1975-80, Ray J. Plutko from 1980-86 and current Commissioner Stan Thomas, who accepted the post in July of 1996.

During his term, Commissioner Russell developed committees to establish policies and procedures for championship events, was instrumental in forming the first league for CIF-SS

golf competition and restructured the CİF-SS track and field competition. Russell served as chairman of the National Track and Field Rules Committee beginning in 1956, and through his leadership, developed the first combined rule book for boys and girls competition. As executive secretary of the CIF protection fund (beginning in 1955) Russell was responsible for its eventual development into the largest school non-profit benefit and relief association in the United States. Russell left the Southern Section in 1954, when he was appointed as State CIF Commissioner, a position he held until his retirement in 1980.

Commissioner Fagans, affectionately known by his cotemporaries as "Kenny", brought the CIF-SS of age during his tenure. Under his leadership, the CIF-SS playoff system achieved a level second to none throughout the nation. The CIF-SS grew from a



SOUTHERN SECTION

75th ANNIVERSARY

membership of 258 schools to 458 in Fagans' term, even though San Diego County formed its own section in 1958.

Additionally, the number of sanctioned sports expanded from 11 for boys to 22 for both boys and girls. The advent of girls athletics in the Southern Section was due in large part to Commissioner Fagans' foresightness, influence and guidance.

Byrnes became the youngest CIF-SS Commissioner in 1975 and his five-year term has been viewed as one of the most eventful periods in the history of the section. Byrnes was instrumental in creating the highly successful conference format for football playoffs, enabling a greater number of member schools to participate in the largest crowd drawing of all high school spectator sports. He further stimulated the growth of girls' athletics, increased the CIF-SS Office services and saw the membership climb to 477 schools. In 1980, Commissioner Byrnes replaced Bill

Russell as State CIF Commissioner and remains in that position today.

In an administration spanning six years, Commissioner Plutko was a driving force behind the CIF Southern Section's highly in novative corporate sponsorship program. Plutko was also responsible for initiation of the popular CIF-SS Athletic Admini



Tom Byrnes, Ken Fagans, Bill Russell and Ray Plutko

strator's Symposium, a detailed written account of CIF-SS playoff pairings procedures and numerous guideline reports on various subjects to assist the section's coaches and administrators. Commissioner Plutko was active in several functions of the National Federation of State High School Associations and served as the organization's keynote speaker at its 1982 convention in Florida.

Current Commissioner Stan Thomas brings a highly suc-

Current Commissioner Stan Thomas brings a highly successful background as a high school coach, principal, and district administrator to the CIF Southern Section. Thomas guided Neff High School to nine league and two CIF-SS football titles between 1964 and 1974.

In 1975 he became the assistant principal at Neff, followed by a stint in the same position at Excelsior before being appointed principal at Santa Ana's Foothill High in 1980. Before accepting the CIF-SS post, Thomas spent two years as an administrator with the Tustin Unified School District.



Stan Thomas

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CIF SOUTHERN SECTION 75-YEAR ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON SEQUOIA ATHLETIC CLUB OF BUENA PARK THURSDAY, MAY 5, 1988

PROGRAM SCRIPT

12:30 P.M. - OPEN MIKE

CIF-SS ADMINISTRATOR LARRY ZUCKER WILL CALL THE LUNCHEON TO ORDER BY INTRODUCING CIF-SS COMMISSIONER OF ATHLETICS STAN THOMAS

FOLLOWING

STAN THOMAS WILL WELCOME ALL, THANK THEM FOR THEIR ATTENDANCE AND THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS. HE WILL ALSO GIVE A BREIF RECOGNITION OF THE 75TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY. STAN WILL CONCLUDE BY INTRODUCING THE HEAD TABLE AND THE FOLLOWING CIF-SS PERSONELL AS HONORED GUESTS:

FORMER COMMISSIONER BILL RUSSELL & WIFE DOROTHY (1950-54)
FORMER COMMISSIONER KEN FAGANS & WIFE NORMA (1954-75)
FORMER COMMISSIONER/STATE COMMISSIONER TOM BYRNES (1975-80)
REGRETS FOR FORMER COMMISSIONER RAY PLUTKO (1980-86)
COUNCIL PRESIDENT PAT MAUCH OF LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL
MARGARET DAVIS - ASSOCIATE STATE COMMISSIONER
KENDALL WEBB - FORMER CIF-SS ADMINISTRATOR AND COMMISSIONER OF
THE CIF SAN DIEGO SECTION

LOU JOSEPH - FORMER CIF-SS ADMINISTRATOR MIKE PECK - FORMER CIF-SS PUBLICIST MAGGI HELMS - FORMER CIF-SS PUBLICIST

MAGGI HELMS - FORMER CIF-SS PUBLICIST - DAROL ROUNDY - FORMER OFFICE ASSIGNER OF OFFICIALS

ASK CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO STAND ASK FORMER MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO STAND (These people are the heart of the organization)

SALUTE OUR CORPORATE SPONSORS

(Now in its eighth year, the CIF-SS corporate sponsorship program, one of the most innovative and progressive in the nation, has developed into a major ingredient to the continuing success of our organization.)

SALUTE THE MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA

(The CIF Southern Section deeply appreciates the continued support of the Southern California sports media, which for many years has provided fair and outstanding coverage of our events.)

ASSIGNTICS

SALUTE THE OFFICIALS ASSOCIATIONS AND THEIR MEMBERSHIP
(Without our dedicated officials and the organizations who
train and provide them for our member schools, the high
school athletic program such as we know it would not be
able to function.)

INTRODUCE CIF-SS STAFF (Dean, Bill, Karen, Larry, Scott and Secretaries as a whole)