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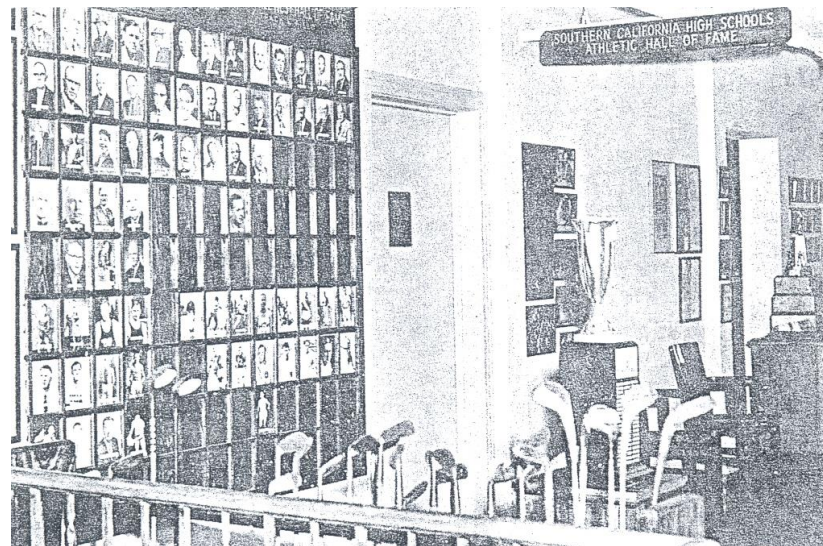
CIF-SS Office - 1945

Oneonta School
 South Pasadena

98th historical “tidbit.”
 Dr. John S. Dahlem

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PREP SCHOOL
 HALL OF FAME
 1942**

The CIF-SS created their first athlete Hall of Fame in 1942. It was called the **Helms Athletic Foundation Southern California Prep School Hall of Fame**. The initial Hall of Fame was often referred to as the Silverwood Prep Hall of Fame because it was originally housed in the Silverwood Department Store at 6th & Broadway in downtown Los Angeles. The first athletes named to the Hall of Fame were those high school stars who were named Helms All-CIF Players of the Year in football, basketball, baseball and track & field. The name of these athletes appeared on the Paul H. Helms trophy now housed in the CIF-SS archives.



**Helms Southern California High Schools Athletic Hall of Fame
 Note Trophy on the right hand side of the photo**

In 1945, Silverwood Department Store needed the space for development and the Hall of Fame was moved to the Oneonta School in South Pasadena which housed

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THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PREP SCHOOL HALL OF FAME

October 17, 1942 the Helms Athletic Foundation established the Southern California Prep School Hall of Fame. It was located on the fourth floor of the Silverwood Store, at Sixth Street and Broadway, in Los Angeles. In February 1945 the Silverwood management found it necessary to use the space devoted to the Hall of Fame and the Helms Athletic Foundation offered to place the exhibit in the C. I. F., Southern Section Office and leave the selection of records, pictures, trophies, etc., in the hands of the Executive Committee of the C. I. F., Southern Section.

At its meeting on June 18, 1945, the Executive Committee of the C. I. F., Southern Section appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hayhurst and Mr. Van Patten to negotiate with the Helms Athletic Foundation regarding the proposal to locate the Hall of Fame in the C. I. F., Southern Section Office. The committee was given power to act.

Early in July the committee met at breakfast at the home of Mr. W. R. (Bill) Schroeder, Managing Director of the Helms Athletic Foundation.



Frank Albert

DYNAMIC DYNAMITER

Capt. Frankie Albert, who will lead the Glendale Dynamiters against Santa Barbara High in the Southland C.I.F. championship game at the Channel City today, boots the ball from the port side.

Times photo

It was agreed, if possible, to get the approval of the South Pasadena school authorities to locate the exhibit in the present office quarters. Mr. Schroeder agreed to try to persuade the Silverwood Company to provide suitable decorations for the placing of records, pictures, etc. Mr. Schroeder, for the Helms Athletic Foundation, approved having the exhibit under the control of the Executive Committee of the C. I. F., Southern Section. It was agreed that Mr. Schroeder would act as coordinator between the Helms Athletics Foundation and the C. I. F., Southern Section in directing future developments of the Hall of Fame.

The South Pasadena school authorities approved having the exhibit placed in the present C. I. F., Southern Section Office. The Silverwood Store agreed to furnish the setting and lettering for the exhibit as well as material for some needed curtains for the room. Some painting and carpenter work was done in the room and by August 15 the set-up was ready for the records and pictures.

We will not attempt to give you a word picture of the room except to say—The north side of the room is window space; the east side is

to be devoted to Hall of Fame Athletes, records and pictures; the south side of the room will be taken up by pictures and records of championship teams; and the west side will be given over to officials and coaches who have given meritorious service to Southern California Prep Schools.

The best way to get an accurate picture of the set-up is to pay the C. I. F. Office a visit. Principals, coaches and boys are urged to visit us. You will be made welcome.

We hope the more attractive surrounding of the C. I. F. headquarters will be an inspiration to all those who come in contact with the new arrangements, and that finer athletic performance will result.



The CIF-SS felt strongly that those great high school athletes prior to the formation of the Prep School Hall of Fame (1945) should also be included in the Hall of Fame. Ten of these athletes would later be named among the top 100 Athletes of the first 100 years of CIF-SS... **Albert, Davis, Drury, Houser, Cornelius Johnson, Walter Johnson, Kramer, Paddock, Wykoff and Zamperini.** (It is interesting to note that the following athletes who made the greatest athletes in the history of the CIF-SS list prior to 1945 were not on this November, 1945 list: Lillian Copeland, Ralph Kiner, Bob Lemon, Bobby Riggs, Jackie Robinson, Duke Snider, Earl Thomson, Arky Vaughn and Ted Williams)

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Prep School Hall of Fame Nominees

Mr. Schroeder and Mr. Van Patten, as a committee, presented a list of former Southern California high school star athletes as candidates to be posted in the Southern California Prep School Hall of Fame. The following forty-six names were approved for the honor list.

1. Frank Albert, Glendale High School, Football
2. Louis Almada, Los Angeles High School, Football and Baseball
3. Lee Barnes, Hollywood High School, Track and Field
4. William Blewett, Manual Arts High School, Football, Baseball, Basketball and Track
5. Walter Brown, Canoga Park High School, Football
6. Robert D. Carrothers, Coronado High School, Tennis
7. Austin Clapp, Hollywood High School, Swimming
8. Murray Cuddeback, Polytechnic High School, Los Angeles, Baseball and Football
9. Glen Davis, Bonita High School, La Verne, Basketball, Football, Baseball, and Track and Field
10. Eugene Dorsey, Hollywood High School, Basketball, Football, Baseball, Track and Field
11. Morley Drury, Long Beach High School, Football
12. Howard Emhke, Glendale High School, Baseball
13. Robert Falkenburg, Fairfax High School, Tennis
14. Ronald Frazier, Van Nuys High School, Football and Track and Field
15. Merle Gillette, El Centro High School, Track and Field
16. Harold Hatfield, Redondo High School, Basketball, Football, and Baseball
17. Floyd Herman, Glendale High School, Football and Baseball
18. Clarence Houser, Oxnard High School, Track and Field
19. Cornelius Johnson, Los Angeles High School, Track and Field
20. Walter Johnson, Fullerton High School, Baseball
21. Leroy Kirkpatrick, El Centro High School, Track and Field
22. John Kramer, Montebello High School, Tennis
23. Gilbert La Cava, Beverly Hills High School, Track and Field
24. Harry Lampport, Manual Arts High School, Football, Track and Field, Water Polo
25. Baylor Maynard, Belmont High School, Track and Field, Football
26. Standish Mitchell, Los Angeles High School, Football, Baseball
27. Orville Mohler, Alhambra High School, Football and Baseball
28. Eddie Morris, Huntington Beach High School, Track and Field
29. Harold Muller, San Diego High School, Football and Track and Field
30. Ross Nichols, Huntington Beach High School, Track and Field
31. Charles Olewine, Santa Monica High School, Tennis
32. Victor Orsatti, Manual Arts High School, Football, Baseball and Basketball
33. Charles Paddock, Pasadena High School, Track and Field
34. John Petrovich, Alhambra High School, Football
35. Charles Richardson, Santa Paula High School, Track and Field, Baseball
36. William Sefton, Polytechnic High School, Los Angeles, Track and Field
37. Frank Shellenback, Hollywood High School, Baseball
38. William Smith, Belmont High School, Los Angeles, Track and Field
39. William Stewart, Torrance High School, Track and Field
40. Arthur Teachout, Franklin High School, Baseball and Football
41. Fay Thomas, Owensmouth High School, Football and Baseball
42. Delos Thurber, Glendale High School, Track and Field
43. Kenneth Washington, Lincoln High School, Football and Baseball
44. Herbert Whitted, Citrus High School, Basketball, Track and Field, Baseball
45. Frank Wykoff, Glendale High School, Track and Field
46. Louis Zamperini, Torrance High School, Track and Field

A number of other names submitted by Mr. Schroeder and Mr. Van Patten were referred back to the committee for further study.

The Executive Committee has not closed the list of great athletes of past years to be posted in the Prep School Hall of Fame. Each Principal is urged to submit the records of boys from his high school whom he thinks may merit consideration by the Executive Committee.



Glenn Davis



Morley Drury



Bud Houser



Cornelius Johnson

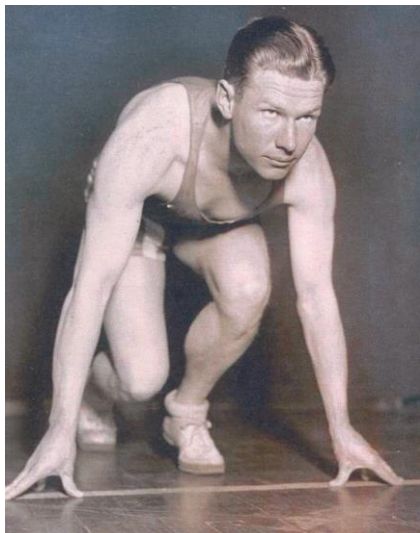


Walter Johnson



Jack Kramer

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