are at stake the attendance at all high school games will undoubtedly increase.

Some of the problems are:

Transportation at night is more hazardous than
daytime. The game is harder to officiate.
The crowd in the bleachers is harder to control.
The sale and collection of tickets is more of a
problem.

Guarding the fences is more difficult.

These problems will not solve themselves.

Schools should attempt to play a night football
game without careful planning to meet the
above problems and any others of a similar na-
ture that may arise.

The cooperation of the police force in the
town where the game is held is of the utmost im-
portance. The school may control the pupils and
patrons of the school, but it is the job of the
police to look after the home and the visiting
"rough necks". This responsibility should be
guarded by the police force.

The official may not call the ball on its
downward flight if it is evident that the ball
will hit either the rim or the basket. This
touching must be above the level of the ring
to be a violation.

Penalty: The basket is awarded and the
points credited to the player who attempted the
touch.

Note: All restrictions pertaining to the
basket cylinder are still in force.

The Official may now call the ball when it is
evident that a player has been injured. How-
ever, if a scoring play is imminent the Official
will withhold his whistle.

BASKETBALL RULE CHANGES
FOR 1944-1945

The Basketball Rule Books for 1944-1945 will
probably be available until about February
1, 1945. By that time the C.L.F., Southern Sec-
tion basketball season will be nearly over.

There have been a few changes in last season's
erules. Newspaper and magazine reports of these
changes vary considerably in the statement of
the changes.

In order to have all coaches and basketball
officials in the high schools of Southern Califor-
ia acquainted with the changes uniformly, Mr. Larry
Housten, Supervisor of Athletics for the Los An-
egles City high schools, and Mr. Seth F. Van
Patten, Secretary of the Southern Section, called a
meeting of basketball coaches and officials toget-
er on December 24 at Mr. Houston's Office in Los
Angeles. Those at the meeting in addition to
Mr. Housten and Mr. Van Patten were, E. Y.
Johnson, coach of Huntington Park High School;
Barb Garner, South Gate High School; Fred Bunting,
Hollywood High School; Merrill Green, South Pasadena
High School; James Kemp, Alhambra High School;
and James D. Squires, Beverly Hills High School.

After a careful review of the available news-
paper and magazine statements of the changes,
the group agreed unanimously to recommend to the
Los Angeles City high schools and to the
C.L.F., Southern Section high schools, the follow-
ing changes and the changes for our use for this year.

1. A player may use the game an unlimited
number of times.

The only restriction in the substitution rule
is that a play must intervene before a play-
er may reenter.

2. Five personal fouls now disqualify a player.

The 5th personal disqualifies regardless of
when it occurs. No extra personal foul al-
lowed for extra period of play.

3. A list of all players and substitutes must be
presented to the scorer at least two minutes
before game time.

It is recommended by the committee that
this list be presented at least 3 min. before
the game and that a standardized score
book be used.

4. The defense may not touch the ball on its
downward flight if it is evident that the ball
will hit either the rim or the basket. This
touching must be above the level of the ring
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THE 1944 CROSS COUNTRY SEASON

The Crosscountry Championship Meet will be
held at the Long Beach Recreation Park on Sat-
urday, December 9.

From reports that have reached the C.L.F.,
Southern Section Office, it looks as if we will have
enough schools competing to make it neces-
sary to run the contestants in two or more groups.

Schools that expect to enter teams in the De-

ember 9 event are asked to notify the Commis-
sioner of Athletics of that fact as soon as possible
after receiving the notice.

Entry blanks will be mailed out from the
C.L.F., Southern Section Office about Novem-
ber 23.

PATCHING MOLDED BASKETBALLS

We have been hearing that the rubber covering
on the molded basketball often pulls loose at the
place where the ends of segments of the cover
come together.

Mr. Bart Garner, of the South Gate High
School, voicing the following method of
patching the ball when the rubber pulls loose.

"Take a block of wood about 10" x 10" or
more. Hollow it out on one side so that a bas-
ketball will fit closely into the hollow. Stick
the loose cover back in place with some good
rubber cement. Fit the ball fully inflated into
the hollow in the block. Using a large clamp
press the ball into the hollow in such a way as
to reduce the pressure per square inch. When the cement is
dry the ball will be as good as new.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee met in the C.L.F.,
Southern Section Office, Tuesday, November 21,
1944 at 2:30 p.m. It reviewed the letter printed
below. Those present were:

Mr. Hamilton, Chairman
Mr. Bergstrom
Mr. Fischer
Mr. Hayhurst
Mr. Veender
Mr. Van Patten.

Letter from Superintendent Ford, of the Glend-
ade City Schools:

"Mr. Seth Van Patten
1935 Fremont Avenue
South Pasadena, California

Dear Mr. Van Patten:

Mr. Stanley Lowery, President of the Glendale
Junior Chamber of Commerce, has presented the
proposal for a second game between Glendale
and Hoover High Schools, as a means of stimu-
ling the sale of bonds for the Sixth War Loan.

The regularly scheduled game for these two
schools was played in the Rose Bowl, November 10. Because of the heavy rain during that period of
time, there was a very poor attendance. The game resulted in a 0-0 tie.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce for several
years has promoted the observance of Pearl
Harbor Day, December 7, by promoting the sale
of war bonds. They are now making plans for this year's observance and feel that a re-match of
our high school teams would be a very effective
means of encouraging the sale of bonds.

The proposal is to require as admission ticket
the evidence of the purchase of a war bond. Possibly the students would be required to pur-
chase war stamps or an in lieu of a bond. It has not
been determined how the expenses would be met;
however, these expenses would not be great under
the circumstances.

Inasmuch as both teams will complete their
regular schedule of seven games on November 21, will the C. J. F. grant their approval to the
playing of this additional game?

Sincerely yours,
Willard S. Ford, Superintendent"

The Executive Committee gave careful and de-
tailed consideration to all the questions and im-
plications raised by Supt. Ford's letter. The fol-
lowing reply to the request was drawn up and
unanimously approved by the Executive Commit-
tee:

"November 21, 1944

Dr. Willard S. Ford, Supt.,
411 East Wilson Avenue
Glendale 6, California

Dear Dr. Ford:

The Executive Committee of the C.L.F., South-
ern Section, must deny the request for sanction of
a post-season football game between Glendale and
Herbert Hoover high schools.

The limitation on the number of football games
in Southern California high schools has been in
accordance with agreement between the State
Council of the C.L.F., and the O.P.A. to con-
serve gasoline and transportation facilities for the
war effort. Any exception would seem inconsis-
tent with the support of the war effort by the
schools.

Further, no authority exists in the Ex-
ecutive Committee of the C.L.F., Southern Sec-
tion, to make such an exception to the rule.

The proposed game would violate also the rule
of long standing forbidding post-season games.
The latter rule is designed to prevent injury to high school boys from the strain of prolonged athletic sea-
sons. The Executive Committee neither has
authority nor does it approve such a prolonged extension of the football season.

In denying the request for this post-season game, the Executive Committee wishes to ex-
tend our thanks to the continued support of the high schools to the United States government in every wartime activity, in-
cluding the sale of War Bonds and Stamps. To
date the California schools have reported this year's sales and bonds to the amount of
$36.74 for every student enrolled in Califor-
nia schools. The total being in excess of forty-
seven million dollars.

Sincerely yours,
Seth F. Van Patten

Other Items of Business

Basket Ball Rules

Mr. Van Patten presented the changes to the
basketball rules as printed in the November Bu-
ilton with a recommendation that they be adopted
for all C.L.F., Southern Section basketball games
for the 1944-1945 season.

Moved by Mr. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Berg-
strom that the recommendations be approved.

Carried.
A Boy's Viewpoint

The following letter though mailed to Pomona, finally reached the C.I.F., Southern Section Office. If it weren't for the fact that we couldn't be there in person to get the letter and be told again how much football means to many high school boys.

We were sorry to have to rule Jim ineligible for athletics for the present semester, but we have tried to get the letter and be told how much Jim Payne, your son, means to the Monrovia High School athletic program.

We sent the letter to Principal Chamberlin, of Calipatria, and his comment is also given below.

"Calipatria, California October, 1944
California Intercollegiate Federation
Athletic Director
Pomona, California

Dear Sir:

Since this letter will no doubt be a surprise to you I shall make it clear here at the beginning the subject of:

If you will recall, a few days ago Mr. Chamberlin, of Calipatria Union High School, wrote to you asking if your student, Jim Payne, could participate in football. Your Rule No. 6 states that anyone who has been out of school the semester before is automatically disqualified for participation in that sport. In your prompt reply you made it very clear that there was to be no exception to that rule. Of course I didn't read the letter for I am only a student but I know the answer was no because our principal forbade him to play.

Rule No. 6—no school, no football, but that is your rule. Do you know why Jim Payne was out of school last year? No, you don't and furthermore you have no right to find out because it is not your business saying no. If he was the type of student who just quit school because he hated it and didn't want to go—it would all be different—but he didn't quit because of such reasons.

Some people, especially older ones, seem to think that the young people going to school today never have to work, never have anything to worry about. "After all", you say, "it's school free". Yes, schooling is free, but school boards don't hand out money for clothes, meals, rent and other expenses to feed and a mother whom he had to provide a living and home for. We aren't all rich and don't all get easy breaks. Yes, simply because Jim was poor and had to quit school and work for a year before he was able to return Rule No. 6 still holds.

— and that is America; the United States where rich or poor, white or black, all are equal.

This student works for everything he attempts to do. In down to earth Engs.

lub, he's a darn good football player. Not the type who knows all but he is in whole heartedly, always willing and ready to follow directions. If he hadn't been sixteen months different to finish school he would be lucky, very lucky.

When he does go he will be trained and sent and to me that's maybe so that you end millions of others may stay safely at home. Yet you can sit in your office and say, "Rule No. 6, I'm sorry.

Why? That boy lives football, that's in his heart so deep he'll never forget it. Playing football means more to him than any other boy in the entire school.

Let's glad that we had a football game with a neighboring city and I wish with all my heart you could have been here and seen it. Not only did we keep the game but also have seen that certain boy who couldn't play. One could look at him and tell that his heart moved with every move of every player on the field. I watched him closely and it was a pitiful sight, honestly pitiful. I saw him bite his lips trying to keep back tears because he wanted to play but could play only when he was eighteen year old who wants to play that bad—there isn't any joke about it. And yet he couldn't play so he was waterboy for who were play students regarding the case of James Payne who was declared ineligible under C.I.F. rules. Is it really quite a stirring appeal, isn't it?

I have agreed with the boys that this time the rule has been applied. I hope you will agree with us. It was not an easy decision to make. Discussion of this case among our boys has made them more conscious than before that rules of eligibility really mean something. Your stand on the matter has my heartfelt support.

Your truly,

C. W. Chamberlin
Principal

Basketball Schedules

A blank is enclosed for a list of your basketball games. We want a schedule of all your basketball games, both league games and practice games.

We need this information for a weekly news release during the season. At the end of the season we would like to give a report on the number of games played during the season.

A LOST ART

A few years ago Charlie Ehr, who quartered back for one of the late Andy Smith's Wonder Teams, wrote a book entitled, "The Lost Art of Kicking". Charlie tried to revolve the art of kicking field goals by sponsoring kicking contests among the junior high school boys of Los Angeles and vicinity. These kicking contests developed the art of punting, dropping, kicking, and place kicking to a considerable extent, but it did not cut into the interest of punting and place kicking among high school teams. In fact, the contest helped materially influence the outcome of the regular football games.

During the present season the Commissioner of Athletics has seen about fifteen football games and in those games he has seen no attempt made to kick a field goal.

Back in the gay nineties when a field goal counted the same as a touch down it was worth a coach's time to try to develop a player who showed promise as a drop or place kicker.

In 1899, in a famous game between Chicago and Wisconsin, the score was Chicago 15, Wisconsin 10. All points were scored by field goals. Clarence Hirscher made three place kicks for Chicago and Pat O'Dea made two drop kicks for Wisconsin. All five of these field goals were made from about the forty yard line. Kicking field goals at that time was an art.

In 1899 a field goal counted the same as a
touch down—five points. The chief advantage of the touchdown over a field goal was the possible conversion point after a touchdown. About the beginning of the nineteenth century there was a good deal of agitation for a change in the scoring value of the touchdown and the field goal. The present score of six for a touchdown and three for a field goal was written into the rule books about 1900 or 1907.

We believe that if field goals are ever to become a feature of American football again their scoring value will have to be boosted as compared with the touchdown. Now it requires three field goals to beat a touchdown and a conversion. Coaches all seem to be of the opinion that the good old conservative touchdown is the best bet.

If the field goal score were raised to four points, two field goals would be better than a touchdown and a conversion. With the four-point scoring value we believe there would be more interest in field goals. It would add variety to the score. But would it add gay haires, more rapidly, to the coaches' heads?

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MEN'S FOOTBALL RECORD

By defeating Santa Monica High School 31 to 7 in the last game of the season played at Redondo on November 29, 1944, Redondo High School set a record seldom equaled in any high school athletics.

The last time a Redondo Class A football team has been beaten was on October 3, 1942, when Loyola High School turned the trick 7-6. The two Calasan brothers of U.S.C. fame were on the Loyola team at that time.

Since the Loyola game Redondo has played and established the following scoring record:

1942
Redondo 26—Compton 6
0—Santa Monica 0
14—Leuzinger 12
14—Whittier 0
7—Beverly Hills 6
27—Woodrow Wilson 0
27—Inglewood 0
19—Pomona 13
21—Alhambra 14

1943
Redondo 40—Compton 13
13—Woodrow Wilson 6
14—Leuzinger 0
13—Beverly Hills 0
19—Inglewood 13
27—Santa Monica 13

1944
Redondo 19—Woodrow Wilson 7
27—Beverly Hills 0
14—Inglewood 0
12—Leuzinger 0
54—Hoover (S. D.) 0
51—Santa Monica 7

Harold Hatfield, who is now 17 years and 6 months old, has been the star of the team for two years. Hatfield is 6'1"1 and weighs 195 striped. He is a great basketball player as well as a football star. They grow them that way at Redondo.

ENCLOSURES

A copy of the minutes of the State Council meeting held in Fresno on December 2 is enclosed. The Board of Directors of the C.I.F. Athletic Protection Fund met on the same date. A brief account of the activities of the C.I.F. A.P.F. for the year 1943-1944 is also enclosed. A copy of a new edition of the Constitution and Rules of the C.I.F. P. with the Articles of Incorporation of the C.I.F.A.P.F. is enclosed. These enclosures are all of outstanding importance to each of our member schools.

CIF, SOUTHERN SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

President Berlin, of the Council, has directed the calling of the first Council meeting of this school year for Saturday, February 3, 1945, at 10:30 A.M. The meeting will be held at the Compton College, 601 South Arcadia Street, Compton.

Principals, Directors of Athletics, and coaches are always welcome to our Council meetings.

The chief items of business for the meeting will be:
(1) Football plans for next year. How many games will be allowed. Play-off plans, if any.
(2) Spring semester sports: Track, baseball, swimming, tennis, golf, wrestling and gymnastics.
(3) Physical Fitness Pentathlon plans.
(4) Reprint of our Constitution and Rules.
(5) Groups or Leagues for 1945-1946.
(6) Award regulations.

MARK KELLPEL HIGH SCHOOL ARRIVES

In February 1940 the Mark Keppel High School, in Alhambra, was opened.

During the 1940 football season the new high school had a football team composed largely of 10th and 11th grade boys. Each year Keppel's football team looked better than the year before. At the start of the 1944 season it began to be rumored that Keppel had good prospects in football. When Alhambra South Pasadena in the first game of the season 19 to 6, it was evident that the team had to be counted in when championship contenders were being considered.

Their schedule for the season with scores of the games follows:

Keppel—19 South Pasadena—6
19 Hoover—7
30 Montebello—0
24 Whittier—0
24 Monrovia—13
14 Alhambra—13
20 El Monte—7
19 Pasadena Jr. College (Lower Div.)—13

The game with Pasadena was a play-off game and was played in the Rose Bowl. Keppel played its best game of the season when it defeated Alhambra High School on Thanksgiving Day with 9,000 frenzied spectators in the stands.

Alhambra High School, "the big brother", for four years had assumed an indignant attitude when it met the "kid brother" Keppel. The "kid brother" has grown up and will have to be treated with respectful consideration from now on everybody.

The C.I.F., Southern Section, felicitates Mark Keppel High School on its first unbeaten season of football.

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FOOTBALL AT BONITA HIGH SCHOOL

We ran a brief story in our December issue giving the fine record of the Redondo High School in football for the past three years. It was soon called to our attention (not by Bonita High School) that Bonita High School had an unbroken string of twenty-five wins in football. Bonita's record for three years follows:

20-0-0 1940
21-0-0 1941
20-0-0 1942

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