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### APPROVED SANCTIONED EVENTS

The following is a supplemental list of approved sanctioned events since publishing of October Bulletin:

### BASKETBALL

- Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 2, 3, 1955—Long Beach Invitational
- Dec. 2, 3, 1955—6th Big Bear HS Basketball Tournament
- Dec. 15, 16, 17, 1955—2nd Annual Open Basketball Tournament @ Burbank HS
- Jan. 4, 5, 6, 7, 1956—Excelsior "B" Basketball Tournament
- Feb. 13-18, 1956—"C" Basketball Tournament @ Capistrano HS
- Mar. 2, 3, 1956—Santa Monica "B" Basketball Tournament

#### GOLF

Apr. 9, 1956—20th Annual Inglewood Tournament

#### SWIMMING

Feb. 3, 1956—1st Annual Invitational Swimming Relay @ Inglewood

#### **TENNIS**

- Feb. 11, 13, 1956—8th Annual Kelley El Monte Tennis Tourney
- Mar. 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1956—41st Annual Dudley Tennis Tournament @ Santa Monica

#### TRACK

- Mar. 2, 1956—2nd Annual Wilson Invitational Relays @ Long Beach
- Mar. 17, 1956-Pasadena Games @ Muir HS
- Mar. 24, 1956 @ 1:00 PM—Ventura HS 20-30 Club Relays (please note this is a change of date from Mar. 23 to Mar. 24)
- Apr. 7, 1956—Compton Cup Invitational Atascadero Memorial Track & Field Meet

#### WRESTLING

Jan. 21, 1956—Rancho del Campo Invitational @ Mt. Empire

### CHANGES IN SWIM RULES FOR 1956

At the swim coaches meeting held at Helms Hall on June 6, 1955, the following rules changes were voted upon to take effect with the 1956 season:

- 1. The hand touch in all freestyle events and in the freestyle relay is no longer required. The CIF rule shall in essence read, "Any part of the body may be allowed to touch the end of the pool on a free style turn." This means that a swimmer must still touch the end of the pool but it is no longer necessary that it be his hand. However, no new additional records will be accepted unless there is verification that the hand touch was made since it is still in the national rules.
- 2. The medley relay is now a 200 yard, fourman event with the scoring being identical with the 4-man freestyle relay. The order of swimmers will be: 50 yards backstroke, 50 yards orthodox breaststroke, 50 yards Butterfly (Dolphin kick allowed), and 50 yards of any stroke other than the first three (freestyle).
- 3. The 100 yards breatstroke event will be unchanged from this past year. A true breast-stroke kick is required. The dolphin is not allowed.
- 4. The individual medley event has been modified to allow the Dolphin kick in the breast-stroke leg of the event.
- 5. In the CIF Relays in February, any of the three breaststrokes will be allowed.
- 6. Changes 2, 3, and 4 above are National Rule changes and will appear in the new Swimming Guide.

We are indebted to Walt Anderson, swim coach at Redlands HS, for this fine summary of the rule changes.

# SAN DIEGO HS NEEDS FOOTBALL GAME

Because of a reorganization in the league setup in the San Diego area, San Diego HS is in dire need of opponents for the 1956 football season on the following dates—Sept. 28, Oct. 12, Nov. 2 and Nov. 9. Any of our Southern Section high schools who are looking for football games on the above dates are urged to contact Mr. Duane Maley, coach at San Diego HS at the earliest possible date.

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### TRACK CARDS NOW AVAILABLE

One of the many services available to member schools, at no cost, is the fulfilling of requests for Head Judge of finish cards, and Field Judge cards, which are used by officials in running track meets. The Head Judge of finish card is used for all track events. One card has been designed for use in the broad jump and shot put, while a third card is used for the high jump and pole vault.

A dual track meet in which the full CIF list of events if held for Classes A, B, and C requires 20 track event cards, 6 high jump and pole vault cards, 6 broad jump and shot put cards. When ordering please indicate the number of home dual meets.

The CIF Office is prepared to fill requests for these convenient record cards now. ORDER YOURS EARLY!

# COOPERATION OF COACHES REQUESTED

This year the Southern Section has revised the officials rating card in order to try and improve officiating in our Southern Section high school games. Many of our football coaches have sent rating cards to our office with the official marked preferred, satisfactory, or unsatisfactory, but with no written comment. We believe that whether the official did a good job, or a poor job, some sort of comment should be placed in the space provided. We are requesting our basketball coaches to complete the rating cards as fully as possible, noting the strong and weak points of the individual official. With your cooperation in this important matter we believe that it would be of great aid to the officials.

#### A BIT OF SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY WE MIGHT EMULATE

"Little things mean a lot" is the refrain of a popular romantic ballad. These words might be adopted as the slogan of the coaches and principals of our Southern Section high schools.

Little things mean a lot to the Officials who work our games. What a difference it makes to an official when he reports for the game if he is greeted cordially by a student host who has been assigned this duty by the coach or principal of the home school. And what a difference if the one who greets him shows him a clean dressing room that contains a chair or bench to sit on and a hook on which he can hang his clothing.

What a lift the official gets when he is advised by his student host that cold drink will be brought to the dressing room at half time if the night is a hot one, or if it is cold that a pot of hot coffee will be ready for the officials during their rest period.

There is something in all of us that responds to gracious and hospitable treatment. If our host thinks we are worth such treatment, it calls forth a desire on our part to be worthy of such consideration. Man is at his best in a host-guest situation—and what an opportunity our schools have been missing in not realizing this fact in connection with our athletic contests.

The best official is the man who feels a keen pride in the work he is doing, who gets a great joy out of his association with the boys who play the game, and who feels that the school men who are directing the sports program are fine fellows and that it is a privilege to count them as friends. If an official is treated like a hired hand, he tends to become concerned with the financial compensation he receives. If he is treated like an honored guest—one who is helping our schools to "make men out of boys"—he thinks less about the fee he receives and more and more about the satisfaction he derives from having a part in such work.

We say "Students learn by doing." Is there any better way for a boy to learn the importance of being a good host—one of the most important lessons in life—than to give him an opportunity to practice it? Why not assign a student host to look after your game officials at all contests.

-Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association News

# CORRECTION IN CIF DIRECTORY—

Since the CIF Directory was printed Long Beach phone numbers now have a prefix, therefore the following schools have new numbers:

L.B. Jordan-Garfield 31471

L.B. Poly-Hemlock 56321

St. Anthony HS-Hemlock 79425

L.B. Wilson-Hemlock 30481

Muir HS (Pasadena)—SYcamore 8-7881

Due to an error in printing the address of Torrance HS is shown incorrectly, and should be 2200 Carson Street, Torrance, Calif.

#### COMMITTEE HAS DIFFICULT ASSIGNMENT

Previous to last year, the Central Group football playoffs included only league champions. This made for many Byes in the first two rounds of competition which proved most unsatisfactory because certain teams did not desire a Bye date while other teams in the competition felt that when they had to play one or more games than their opponents they were placed at a distinct disadvantage. To alleviate this situation the Southern Section Council amended the regulations to permit the entrance of enough 2nd place teams, or free lance teams, to fill out a complete bracket of 16 entries.

To select the strongest second place teams for the playoffs, a committee is appointed each year by the President of the Council. This year the committee was composed of Ernest Payne, Principal of Chaffey HS; Mr. Robt. Heaman, Principal of Montebello HS; Mr. Lawrence Carr, Jr., Principal of San Diego HS; Father Shepherd, Director of Athletics, Loyola HS; Vern Weybright, Principal of Burroughs HS; and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics.

The task this year was a most difficult one because with the addition of Pioneer and Metropolitan leagues to the Central Group of leagues playoffs the total league champions eligible to enter was raised to 12, which permitted only 4 second place, or free lance teams, to be selected. When the committee started its deliberations there were 14 teams considered for the 4 vacancies. Many of these teams had exceptionally strong records, and the job of comparing these teams in order to try to select the 4 best was almost an impossible situation. Rumors have reached this office that certain members of the committee have been hung in effigy by certain schools who disagreed with the committee's selections. It is the belief of this office however, that the committee did an outstanding job on behalf of the Southern Section, and we would like to extend our thanks to them for the time and effort spent in this thankless assignment.

### RELEAGUING COMMITTEE HOLDS FIRST MEETING

On Monday, October 24, at El Monte High School the releaguing committee met in joint session with the Executive Committee, their first meeting of the 1955-56 school year. Under the chairmanship of Mr. B. L. Bergstrom of El Monte HS, the following members were in attendance: Mr. Glen Lewis, Fullerton HS; Mr. Robert Ashton, Excelsior HS; Mr. Keith Gunn, Victor Valley HS; Mr. Everett Braun, Oxnard HS; Mr. Floyd Johnson, San Diego Hoover HS; Mr. Kenneth Peters, Beverly Hills HS, and members of the Executive Committee.

Each member of the committee gave a detailed report concerning leaguing in his area and we are happy to report that the over-all picture for the coming year looks good. The addition of many new schools in the SS however, makes for problems in certain areas, and these specific situations will have to be studied further. The committee meeting together for the first time this year were appraised of conditions in other areas and they are now better prepared to go back and attack the problems that still remain.

From the report given by Mr. Ashton, it appears that a general reorganization of leagues in the Central area might be necessary. To assist in formulating plans that would satisfy all schools that might be affected the Executive Committee appointed the following sub-committee to work with Mr. Ashton: Mr. Gil Strother, Principal, Alhambra HS; Mr. Frank Williamson, Principal, Monrovia HS; Mr. B. F. Jamison, Principal, Centennial HS; Mr. Ernest Payne, Principal, Chaffey HS; Mr. Roger Weeks, Principal, El Rancho HS; and Mr. Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics.

Chairman Bergstrom is hopeful that a definite plan for releaguing in 1956 will be formulated and ready for presentation to the Council for action at their December meeting.

# RESPONSIBILITY FOR SPECTATOR MANAGEMENT

CROWD MANAGEMENT is a part of the administrator's job. High school athletics must be kept in proper proportion. The conduct of crowds, especially at football and basketball games, is often taken as an index to the degree of efficiency in school administration. Keeping it on a high educational level involves constant alertness and a continuing program in public behavior. Details and responsibilities will be delegated to those who are especially trained and employed for the given field, but final responsibility still rests with the administrator. If the program is good, he deserves part of the credit. If the program is defective, he deserves part of the blame and usually gets most of it.

-Secretary R. M. Walseth (South Dakota)

# MINUTES—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING—OCTOBER 24, 1955

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order by Chairman, B. L. Bergstrom of El Monte High School, Monday, October 24, at 9:00 A.M. Those present were Oliver Corbin, Covina HS; Frank O. Hopkins, Brea-Olinda HS; B. F. Jamison, Centennial HS; Floyd Johnson, San Diego Hoover HS; Winston Nelson, Pomona HS; Doug White, Santa Barbara HS; and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics.

- 1. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Minutes of the September meeting of the Executive Committee be approved as published in the October 1955 Bulletin.
- 2. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Executive Committee recommend to the CIF Council that the California School for the Deaf of Riverside, and Pacific HS of Los Angeles be accepted as regular members of the CIF, SS.
- 3. Football practice starting dates for 1956 were discussed. It was moved, seconded, and carried to establish September 3, 1956, as the authorized date for the starting of football practice in the SS.
- 4. Discussion was held concerning the matter of transportation for our SS track meet to the State Meet which is to be held in Chico, California on June 2, 1956. Although this is a matter for the individual schools to arrange for transportation of their boys north, it was felt that because of the great distance involved, the possibility of all schools joining together in securing air transportation would be feasible. Mr. Fagans was directed to call a meeting of representative track coaches to discuss the problem and come up with some recommendations to be presented at the December meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 5. A request was received from the Las Vegas Shrine Club for permission to use Southern California football officials for an All-Star football game to be played in Nevada in the summer of 1956, between two Nevada sections of high school boys who had graduated the previous June. As the CIF, SS has no jurisdiction over the Southern California Football Officials Association it was felt that the SS should not rule on this matter. Mr. Fagans was directed to send a letter to the manager of the proposed Shrine contest to inform him that as no high school boys were being used we would have no official connection whatsoever with this game.
- 6. For many years the Blue Book of the SS has been revised and published biennially. With the tremendous growth in the number of schools

in our section, and because of the many changes that occur in our regulations over a two-year period the need was expressed for the revising and printing of a new Blue Book each year. After some discussion it was moved, seconded, and carried that beginning with September, 1956, the Blue Book of the SS of the CIF should be brought up to date and printed annually. Four copies of the Blue Book are to be mailed so that they will reach the schools before the opening day of classes.

- 7. Because of the increase in the number of schools the present format of the SS Directory is not practical. The Commissioner was instructed to confer with the printer on the possibilities of changing the format so that the Directory might be put into booklet form.
- 8. California HS asked for an interpretation on an eligibility case involving a boy who had attended Cantwell HS for 3 years and then dropped out in June of 1955, to enlist in the Navy. After serving three months the boy was given an honorable discharge because of a severe asthmatic condition. He then entered California HS in September of 1955. It was moved, seconded, and carried that this boy would be immediately eligible for athletics at California HS because of a CIF rule which is found on page 51 of the Blue Book under "Eligibility on return from military service." The specific part of this rule that applies to this case is found in paragraph 2, which states "a boy is immediately eligible upon return from military service if he enrolls in the school in the district which his parents reside."
- 9. An interpretation was requested in the case of a boy who attended Loyola HS in 1954-55, and then transferred to St. Francis of Flintridge HS in September, 1955. In this case the residence of the mother had not changed, but the father, because of health reasons, was forced to change his legal residence to another school district. It was moved, seconded, and carried that this boy would be immediately eligible in the new school because the father had made a legal change of residence, which under our transfer rule permits the boy to attend a school in the new district.
- 10. It was moved, seconded, and carried that Mr. B. L. Bergstrom, and El Monte HS be thanked for hosting this meeting of the Executive Committee, and providing such an excellent luncheon.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Ken Fagans Executive Secretary