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APPROVED SANCTIONED EVENTS

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

BASEBALL

Mar. 31, Apr. 1-2—9th Annual La Puente Invitational Baseball Tournament

Mar. 31, Apr. 1, 2—Pomona 20-30 Club Baseball Tournament @ Pomona HS

BASKETBALL

Dec. 6, 7, 14—Invitational Basketball Tournament at Victor Valley HS

Dec. 11, 12, 13, 14—19th Annual Mount Carmel Invitational Basketball Tournament

Dec. 26-30—Edgewood Active Club Basketball Tournament @ Baldwin Park HS and Covina HS

Dec. 26, 27, 28, 30—Annual Christmas Invitational Tournament @ Banning HS

Jan. 8, 9, 10, 11—Beverly Hills Invitational Basketball Tournament

Jan. 8, 9, 10, 11—7th Annual "B" Tournament @ Excelsior

Feb. 28, Mar. 1—13th Annual Santa Monica HS "B" Tournament

CROSS COUNTRY

Nov. 9—Pacific HS Invitational Cross Country Meet @ Perris Hill

Nov. 16—Invitational Cross Country Meet @ Desert HS

GYMNASTICS

Mar. 22—El Rancho Gymnastics Invitational

Mar. 7—San Gabriel Invitational Gymnastic Meet

TENNIS

Dec. 14, 21—Tennis Tournament @ Arroyo HS, El Monte

Feb. 15-20—Orange County Invitational Tennis Tournament

Feb. 12, 13—10th Annual H. A. Keeley El Monte Tennis Tournament

Mar. 8, 15, 22, 29—Ink Tennis Tournament @ Hoover HS, San Diego

Mar. 31, Apr. 1-5—43rd Annual Dudley Cup Tennis Tournament @ Santa Monica

TRACK

Mar. 7—Wm. S. Hart Invitational @ Hart HS

Mar. 14, 15—Laguna Beach Trophy Meet (schools under 700 enrollment)

Mar. 15—Pasadena Games @ Muir HS

Mar. 22—Apple Valley Relays @ Victor Valley HS

BISHOP HIGH SCHOOL CAPTURES SMALL SCHOOL FOOTBALL CROWN

The first small school football championship playoff in the history of the Southern Section was held this year, with Bishop HS winning the title by defeating Ramona HS by the convincing score of 33 to 0, in a game played on the losers field. With the champions from four leagues entering the competition, only two weeks were required to complete the playoffs, and all entrants expressed their satisfaction with the opportunity to meet winners of other leagues on an equal basis.

Coach Ike Schiotz's Bronchos completed their most successful season in history when they won eleven games without suffering a defeat. In the final game Bishop took only a couple of minutes to get warmed up before Jess Paco fielded a punt on his own twenty yard line and raced 80 yards to a touchdown. This set the pace for the contest, and with Paco and fullback Wayne Maples tearing huge holes in the Ramona line, the outcome was never in doubt.

Bishop qualified for entrance into the playoffs by capturing the Desert-Inyo title without a setback. Their first round game pitted them against Santa Barbara Catholic HS, whom they defeated 19 to 7 to advance to the final round. Ramona, champions of the Southern League opened with a strong Needles HS eleven, and with the aid of a couple of breaks, emerged victorious by the close score of 20 to 18, to set the stage for the championship encounter.

With this years playoffs a success despite the great distances involved, we are looking forward to an even greater series of games in 1958. Congratulations to Principal Jerry Ogborn, Coach Schiotz, members of the Bishop football team, and all those who contributed so much to making this such an outstanding year for this little school located at the extreme northern tip of the Southern Section.

Mar. 28—Burroughs Invitational Relays @ China Lake

Apr. 8 & 10th—Laguna Beach Easter Meet

Apr. 25—Vista Relays

Apr. 26—Tri-State Invitational Track Meet @ Blythe

WRESTLING

Jan. 14—Novice Wrestling Tourney @ Redlands HS

Jan. 18—Arroyo Grande Wrestling Tourney @ Cal Poly

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MINUTES OF TRACK COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting of the Track Committee of the Southern Section was called to order by Mr. Ernie Payne, Chairman, and Principal of Chaffey HS, at Arroyo HS, on Monday, October 7, 1957, at 9:00 A.M. Members of the committee who were in attendance included Mr. Gene Weiniger, Principal of Sierra HS, and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics. Guests included Mr. George Phelps, Principal of Arroyo HS and Mr. Gene Patz, Director of Student Activities at Arroyo HS.

1. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Minutes of the April 11, 1957 meeting of the Track Committee be approved as read.

2. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the following regulations governing the 1957 CIF, Southern Section Cross Country program be adopted.

a. All schools with an enrollment of 1500 or over shall enter the Large School Cross Country Championship Meet and all schools with an enrollment of 1499 or under shall enter the Small School Division.

b. There shall be four preliminary meets held in the San Diego, San Bernardino, Huntington Beach, and Bay area. From each preliminary there will be the two fastest teams and the two fastest boys on non-winning teams qualified from each division into the Championship meet.

c. The 1957 Championship Meet shall be held on a flat course in the metropolitan Los Angeles area. The 1958 meet shall be conducted on a hilly course with future meets alternating between hilly and flat courses.

d. A Junior Varsity meet will be conducted at the same time and place as the two varsity meets.

e. To enter the junior varsity competition a school must also enter a team in the varsity race.

f. No athlete who competed on the varsity cross country team in the final cross country championship meet, or in more than half of the league meets in the varsity division, shall be allowed to compete in the junior varsity championship race.

3. After an inspection of the track and facilities at Arroyo HS, it was moved, seconded, and carried to award the 1958 CIF, SS Championship Track and Field Meet to Arroyo High School.

4. It was moved, seconded, and carried to conduct the 1958 CIF, SS Track program similar to previous years whereby four preliminary and two semi-final meets would be held to qualify boys into the Championship meet. The semi-final meets were awarded to Huntington Beach and Compton High Schools and the Commissioner was empowered to select site for the four preliminary meets.

5. The committee grouped leagues into the four preliminary meets based on geography and strength of leagues. These groupings will be sent to all schools early in the spring when a track informational bulletin will be released.

6. A letter from the Southern California Track Officials' Association, making recommendations which they thought would improve the overall track program in the Southern Section, was read to the committee. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that a publication of the suggested recommendations was in order, and it was moved, seconded, and carried that the Commissioner should reproduce the letter and send it to all school with the Track Informational Bulletin.

7. A communication from Burroughs HS in Burbank, suggesting that the CIF, SS adopt a rule prohibiting boys from changing from one classification to another during a season of sport, was presented to the committee for their consideration. This item was discussed at length but it was the opinion of the majority that such legislation should be considered and adopted if desired, on the league level. When boys enter CIF competition or playoffs they cannot change classification.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
KEN FAGANS
Secretary

MINUTES OF WRESTLING COACHES MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the CIF, SS Wrestling Coaches was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Joe Incorvia of Whittier HS, at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, November 2, 1957, in the teacher's lounge at Whittier HS. Wrestling coaches from 21 high schools of the SS were in attendance.

1. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Minutes of the wrestling coaches meeting held on Saturday, November 3, 1956, be approved as read.

2. Mr. Mike Burley, wrestling coach at Redondo HS, presented a regulation that was recently adopted by the Bay League, for consideration as a possible rule that should be adopted by the SS. This regulation read as follows:

Beginning with the first wrestling meet after the resumption of school following Christmas Vacation, each wrestler must weigh in and record his weight. Thereafter the wrestler may not wrestle below said weight recorded. If the wrestler should wrestle in a higher bracket at any time, he may not go below the new weight for the remainder of the season.

The Bay League regulation, along with the Nebraska Weight Control Plan, was thoroughly discussed by the coaches present. It was moved by Pat Hange of Montebello HS and seconded by Ted Flint of Bellflower HS that on a temporary basis for this year only, while an appointed coaches committee studies the problem further, the following regulation be adopted by the wrestling coaches, and that it be recommended to the CIF Council for adoption in the SS:

Beginning with the first wrestling meet after the resumption of school following Christmas Vacation, each wrestler must weigh in and record his weight. Thereafter the wrestler may not wrestle below said weight recorded. He may wrestle in a higher weight bracket, but must make weight each time in his intended weight class. (Note: this deletes the last sentence in the Bay League Regulation, and adds one of more flexibility for both large and small schools.)

The above motion was carried by a majority vote.

3. It was moved by Ivan Olsen of Snyder HS, San Diego and seconded by Walt Romanowsky of Mission Bay HS, to amend the weight control motion by permitting a wrestler to drop one weight class, but not to exceed a loss of more than 5 lbs. of body weight. The motion failed to carry.

4. It was further moved by Walt Romanowsky of Mission Bay, and seconded by Dick Robinson of Chula Vista to change the loss of 5 lbs. of

body weight to 5% of body weight. The motion failed to carry.

5. It was moved, seconded, and carried to request the CIF, SS Council to appoint a committee of one to work with the wrestling coaches committee on the weight problem.

6. It was moved, seconded, and carried that Chairman Joe Incorvia be authorized to appoint one coach from each wrestling league in the SS to serve on a wrestling coaches committee to study the weight problem, and other wrestling matters of the SS, CIF schools. Mr. Incorvia appointed the following coaches to serve on this committee: Mr. Lee Bogle, Kearny HS, San Diego City League; Mr. Otto Plum, Hawthorne HS, Pioneer League; Mr. Mike Burley, Redondo HS, Bay League; Mr. Lou Borg, California HS, San Gabriel Valley League; Mr. Dick Robinson, Chula Vista HS, Metropolitan League; Mr. Howard Tillotson, Rancho del Campo, Southern League; and Joe Incorvia, Whittier HS, and Free Lance Schools.

7. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the wrestling coaches committee study the problem of setting up the 1958 CIF, SS wrestling tournaments and come up with a recommendation to be presented to the Council for approval.

8. It was the recommendation of the group that it be suggested to the Commissioner of Athletics that the following changes be made in the Blue Book:

Article XXV

Sec. 1—the word "may" be deleted and enter "shall"

Sec. 3—add "with the following exceptions"

Sec. 4—become 3a "figure four on trunk"

Sec. 5—become 3b (wording remaining as is)

Sec. 6—become 3c. It was also moved, seconded, and passed that weight allowances be given as prescribed in the NCAA rule book to all weights. These recommendations were unanimously carried.

9. It was requested that the CIF Commissioner issue a directive which would clarify the position of a high school wrestler who participates at any time as an unattached athlete.

10. A letter from Ivan Olson, Chairman of the Physical Fitness Committee of the Pacific-Southwest Association of the AAU, calling attention to the part that wrestling could play in the National Fitness program was distributed to all coaches.

11. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the next meeting of SS, CIF wrestling coaches be held at 10:00 A.M. at Whittier HS on the first Saturday in November, 1958.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Regenfuss
Recording Secretary

WHITTIER AND EL SEGUNDO DOMINATE WATER POLO PLAYOFFS

The 1957 CIF, Southern Section Water Polo Playoffs were held before a capacity crowd of cheering spectators in the beautiful Long Beach Wilson pool, on Wednesday, November 27, with Whittier and El Segundo teams walking off with most of the honors. Whittier captured the Class B and C titles, while El Segundo retained their championship in the Varsity division by nipping Whittier in a hard fought contest 5-4.

The teams from Whittier and El Segundo High Schools that met in the finals of the Varsity competition brought together two of the finest high school water polo teams ever developed in Southern California. Coach "Whitney" Saari, the veteran El Segundo mentor, and Frank Poucher, who has developed so many fine teams at Whittier, are to be congratulated on the excellent job of coaching they turned in this year. Both teams displayed outstanding team work and the outcome was in doubt until the final gun ended the bitter battle.

Excitement was high as Referee Rube Wolf's whistle got play under way, and the tension mounted as both of these teams, with never more than one point separating them, battled down to the end of this thrilling contest. The winning goal was scored by Jack Hamilton, with less than one minute left to play, but El Segundo had to hold on grimly as Whittier led by their Captain and great all around player, Bill Harlan, fought back and came within inches of tying the score on a last second desperation shot that would have sent the game into overtime. El Segundo displayed all around team strength with Jack Hamilton spearheading the scoring.

The nights activities opened with Downey and Whittier meeting to decide the championship in the Class C division. Whittier took the title 5-3, but the issue was never in doubt as Downey managed to score twice in the waning moments of the contest against the Whittier second team. Whittier also won the Championship in the Class B division by the narrow margin of one goal 5-4, over a fine team from El Segundo. Bob Bassett and Bob Siler, high scoring forwards, led the Whittier team to their well-deserved victory.

With the increase in the number of teams entered in this years playoffs it was necessary to hold first round games and semi-finals in both the Long Beach Wilson and Poly pools. The CIF office and the competing schools are deeply appreciative of the outstanding job turned in by Coaches Howard Thayer of Poly, and Pete Archer of Wilson, who managed the events

SMALL SCHOOL PHENOMENA

One of the most interesting sports stories to reach the CIF Office in quite sometime concerns the tackle football team that represented Randsburg High School during the season just concluded. Randsburg is a small desert high school, boasting an enrollment of 36 students, of which 18 of those enrolled are boys. When the first call for football practice was issued in September by Coach Charles Cookson, 13 of the 18 boys enrolled in school appeared on the practice field. With only 13 boys available it was impossible to scrimmage, and a less ambitious coach might have thrown in the towel, and ended the season before it had started.

With a schedule of 6 games facing the team, enthusiasm was high and the little squad and their coach were determined to carry on. Even though injuries reduced their already thin squad to 12, then to 11 players, Randsburg played every game to a successful conclusion and won more games than they lost. Much credit should go to Coach Cookson who so ably conditioned his team that they were able to overcome all obstacles. Sometimes when coaches from the metropolitan area think they have troubles they should stop and reflect on some of the problems encountered by coaches of school in our outlying areas. Our hats are off to all of these coaches who are doing so much with so few.

held in their pools. The results of all contests played follow:

CLASS A

- 1st Round—
El Segundo 14, Huntington Beach 4
Downey 4, California 2
Fullerton 10, LB Poly 6
Whittier 13, Inglewood 1
- 2nd Round—
El Segundo 16, Downey 0
Whittier 12, Fullerton 7
- Championship—
El Segundo 5, Whittier 4

CLASS B

- 1st Round—
El Segundo 19, California 10
- 2nd Round—
Whittier 10, Fullerton 3
El Segundo 8, Downey 6
- Championship—
Whittier 5, El Segundo 4

CLASS C

- 1st Round—
California 6, Fullerton 1
- 2nd Round—
Downey 8, El Segundo 3
Whittier 5, California 2
- Championship—
Whittier 5, Downey 3