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## Coach Suspended Without Pay for Removing Team from the Field

One of the most serious breaches of good sportsmanship in sports occurs when a coach removes his team from the field, court, or diamond prior to the normal conclusion of a contest.

In most cases the coach will resort to this action when his team is hopelessly behind or when he is dissatisfied with the officiating. He rationalizes his move with "the situation was potentially dangerous and I didn't want the kids getting hurt."

Seldom do coaches consider conferring with the officials or opposing coaches in attempts to correct the existing problem. But, without considering the consequence, he removes his team.

Because of the serious nature of such action, it has been a practice to have the coach involved, and his principal, appear before the CIF Executive Committee; the coach to explain his reasons for removing the team and the principal to explain steps he is or has taken to see that a similar incident will not happen again.

It seems that each year, at least one case of this nature, is brought to our attention. And it has happened again.

The Lynwood High School junior varsity football coach removed his team from the field on November 6 in a game with Compton High with just over three minutes remaining to be played. He was unhappy with the officiating.

Upon learning of the situation, the principal of Lynwood High took immediate action and, after a review of the case, suspended the coach from his position and ordered that the coach forfeit his coaching pay for a period of one week.

The principal's action is to be commended and it is assumed that while the Executive Committee will review the case, no further disciplinary action will be necessary.

Coaches are urged to consider the consequences before removing any athletic team from the field prior to the conclusion of the contest. Regardless of the reasons a coach might have in mind, such action is rarely justified and always results in strained relations between schools, loss of respect for the coach and an example of poor sportsmanship for the impressionable youngsters on both teams.



(Photo Courtesy Santa Ana Register)

**LIFETIME PASS AWARDED**—CIF Commissioner Ken Fagans (left) presents Reverend Donald Montrose with a lifetime pass to all interscholastic athletic activities at which Mater Dei is the home team. Rev. Montrose was honored at halftime of the recent Mater Dei vs. Pomona Catholic football game. He was formerly principal at Mater Dei and is now Superintendent of Catholic Schools in Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

## Father Donald Montrose Honored during Halftime Ceremonies at Mater Dei's Last Game

Halftime ceremonies at the Mater Dei vs. Pomona Catholic game of November 19 were dedicated to Father Donald Montrose, former athletic director and principal at Mater Dei, who is now the superintendent of the Catholic Schools in Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

"Father Montrose Night" attracted a crowd of 6,000 to Santa Ana's new Municipal Stadium as students, faculty, and many dignitaries participated in the evening's program. And for good measure, Mater Dei won the game, 13-0, — the Monarchs' seventh shutout of the season.

CIF Commissioner Ken Fagans participated in the ceremonies by presenting Father Montrose with a gold lifetime pass to all Mater Dei home athletic events. Others partaking in the halftime program included representatives of the Santa Ana City Council; Clarke Stone, principal of Santa Ana High School, representing

the Santa Ana Lions Club; Eddie West, long-time sports editor of the Santa Ana Register, and members of the Mater Dei Boosters Club.

Father Montrose was born in Denver, Colorado. He attended Holy Family School in Glendale, Los Angeles Junior Seminary and St. John's Seminary in Camarillo and was ordained in 1949. He joined the teaching staff of Mater Dei in 1950 as a charter member of the faculty.

While at Mater Dei he served as director of athletics and for five years as principal, prior to his accepting the duties of the superintendent.

Father Montrose initiated much of the foundation of the Monarchs' excellent record in interscholastic athletics and his determination and extra efforts guided Mater Dei to recognition as an outstanding institute of Catholic education.

Father Montrose has also played active roles in the CIF, having served as the Angelus League representative on the CIF Council and as a member of the important Relegating Committee.



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### Commissioner's Corner

#### Expulsion Equals Ineligibility!

By J. Kenneth Fagans

At the November 4 meeting of the CIF, SS, Executive Committee a thorough discussion on the subject of whether or not a boy should be declared ineligible if he is suspended or expelled from one school and subsequently moves and transfers to another school was undertaken by members of the committee.

It was the consensus of the members present that if a boy commits an act serious enough to warrant expulsion from school he has undoubtedly lost the right to participate in athletics by violating the "good sportsmanship" phase of our philosophy which permits him to compete in the first place.

In the CIF's General Philosophy Statement which was prepared by C. Carson Conrad, California State Department of Education, the following appears: "Athletics which are regulated to meet educational objectives can provide a major contribution to fitness of the participant through . . . learning the "give and take" essential to environmental adjustment, and appreciating the values of sportsmanship and co-operation in good citizenship . . ."

The problem, however, goes further than simply declaring the boy ineligible for a certain period.

The problem is this: A boy commits an act that calls for expulsion from School A . . . and he is expelled. The boy's parents, thinking it is his right

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### DECEMBER

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| 11 | Football Semi-finals (4-A and 3-A)           | 8 p.m. |
| 11 | Football Finals (2-A, 1-A, Small Schools)    | 8 p.m. |
| 18 | Executive Committee Meeting, CIF, SS, Office |        |
| 18 | Football Finals (4-A and 3-A)                | 8 p.m. |

#### Soccer League Opens Second Season; Salesian to Defend

Seven CIF, SS, member schools and one school outside the CIF's jurisdiction have joined together to form a free lance soccer league which kicks off a six-game league schedule on December 12 at four locations.

Salesian High won the league's first championship last year with a 5-0-1 record and is favored to repeat.

Play will be conducted during the regular season in two divisions with the champions slated for inter-divisional play-offs during the last two weeks in February. Divisions are as follows:

<b>EAST</b>	<b>WEST</b>
Bosco Tech	Salesian
St. John Bosco	San Gabriel Mission
Citrus Laboratory	St. Bernard
Pomona Catholic	Pater Noster

Practice began for these schools on October first and each school engaged in practice games with the schools in the division opposite its own during November.

James C. Georgeou, principal, Citrus Laboratory High in Azusa has been elected president of the league while Father John Jakub, S. B. D., principal, St. John Bosco Junior High, one of the league's founders serves as secretary. Both men have expressed hopes that the league could be expanded in future years and any schools interested in membership should contact either Mr. Georgeou or Father Jakub.

A 43-inch perpetual trophy has been purchased by the league and is awarded to the winner of the league title.

to participate and not considering the fact that it is deemed a privilege to play interscholastic athletics, move into another school district so that the boy can attend School B and participate in interscholastic athletics. In some cases the move is legal, in some cases it is just temporarily into an apartment for eligibility purposes.

The problem would be solved, from the standpoint of eligibility if the administration at School B would merely declare the boy ineligible because he

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### SOUTHERN SECTION NOTEBOOK

By Don H. Andersen

Don Swartz, 1963 CIF "Player of the Year" while performing for Loyola High, has been named the Most Valuable Player on the freshman team at Stanford University. Swartz's teammates also honored him by electing him team captain.

While in his last two years at Loyola, Swartz played on teams which compiled a record of 24-0, his fortunes at Stanford were less fortunate. The Papooses were 1-3 on the year.

Sidelight: When Stanford played USC's frosh in the season's finale Swartz must have had mixed emotions when he looked across the line from his tackle spot. He was head-to-head with the Trojans' Mike Curtis, Don's old buddy and strong-side guard at Loyola.

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Mater Dei High's home football game with Salesian on November 14 had originally been scheduled for 2:00 p.m. in the Santa Ana Bowl. The Saturday afternoon contest was set back to 2:30 p.m. so that all loyal Mater Dei fans would have time to get to the stadium after watching NBC's collegiate game of the week—Notre Dame vs. Michigan State.

You see, Notre Dame's All-American and Heisman Trophy winner, quarterback Johnny Huarte is a Mater Dei grad and the local fans follow him every move for the Fighting Irish.

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Cumberland City (Tenn.) High School, which lost 71 basketball games in a row, defeated Dover (Tenn.) 49-42 recently. It was the first victory for Cumberland City since it defeated Charlotte in December, of 1960.

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Jefferson City (Mo.) High School's football team won its 57th straight recently while St. Helena (California) in the North Coast Section has won 43 straight.

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Competition between Los Angeles City and Southern Section schools is always intense as the football prestige of the two sections is always a topic of conversation where football experts gather.

This season 18 inter-sectional games were played with City rivals and the Southern Section won 11 for a .611 winning percentage.

### MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING — NOVEMBER 4, 1964

The meeting of the CIF, SS, Executive Committee was called to order by Chairman Robert D. Ashton on November 4, 1964 at 1:30 p.m. in the CIF, SS, office. The following members were in attendance: Chairman Ashton, assistant superintendent, Excelsior School District; Frank O. Hopkins, superintendent, Brea-Olinda Unified School District; Harold Wetzler, principal, Hawthorne High School; Marion C. Hays, vice principal, Harvard School; Charles M. Ronin, vice principal, Redlands High School; Harry L. Bigger, principal, Fillmore High School; Clair Franklin, principal, Trona High School; Arthur H. North, assistant superintendent, Azusa Unified School District; Steve Miletich, vice principal, Beverly Hills High School; and Commissioner Kenneth Fagans.

**1. APPROVE MINUTES** — It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of September 19, 1964, as published in the October, 1964, Monthly Bulletin.

**2. CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP**—It was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the Council that the following schools be admitted to regular membership in the CIF, SS.

- St. Joseph HS of Santa Maria
- North HS of Riverside
- Estancia HS of the Newport Harbor District
- Gahr HS of the Excelsior District
- Cabrillo HS of the Lompoc District

f. San Geronio of San Bernardino  
It was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the Council that Coombs Junior High School of Banning be admitted to associate membership in the CIF, SS.

**3. EVALUATE BASKETBALL SCHEDULES OF BOSCO TECH AND CHAMINADE**—After a review of the basketball schedule of Bosco Tech, it was moved, seconded and carried that in order to qualify for the 1965 CIF, SS, basketball play-offs, Bosco Tech may not lose more than two of the following ten games: Jan. 2, San Gabriel Mission; Jan. 5, Edgewood; Jan. 8, St. Francis; Jan. 9, Bellarmine-Jefferson; Jan. 15, Verbum Dei; Jan. 22, St. Paul; Jan. 23, Bellarmine-Jefferson; Feb. 6, Servite; Feb. 11, Verbum Dei and Feb. 13, Santa Clara.

After a review of the basketball schedule of Chaminade Prep, it was

moved, seconded and carried that in order to qualify for the CIF, SS, basketball playoffs, Chaminade Prep may not lose more than two of the following ten games: Dec. 1, Harvard; Dec. 18, Black Foxe; Jan. 5, Brethren; Jan. 19, St. Genevieve; Jan. 29, Northridge; Feb. 2, Brentwood; Feb. 5; Buckley; Feb. 9, Northridge; Feb. 12, Rancho; Feb. 16, St. Genevieve.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY CASES—

a. Montclair HS — It was moved, seconded and carried to waive the previous semester rule in the case of David Sterling of Montclair High School. David was forced to leave school last spring due to illness. The Executive Committee is able to waive the previous semester rule in this type of case provided the boy was eligible under all rules at the time of his forced withdrawal and that he is charged with a semester of competition for the period of his absence.

b. California HS — It was moved, seconded and carried to waive the transfer rule in the case of Gilbert Salas who transferred from Sierra to California without change of address on the part of his parents. Since the move was approved by the principals of both schools and because Gilbert's reason for transfer was valid, the Executive Committee waived the rule in his case to make him eligible.

c. Camarillo HS — The Executive Committee instructed the Commissioner to investigate further the request for waiver of the transfer rule due to a hardship case and take appropriate action at that time.

**5. BARSTOW WRESTLING REQUEST**—Due to scheduling difficulties caused by great travel distances, Barstow High has requested permission to schedule 10 dual and three invitational wrestling meets rather than the 11 dual and two invitationals as prescribed in the Blue Book. It was moved, seconded, and carried to waive the 11 dual and two invitational rule for Barstow for one year.

**6. CONSIDER ANNUAL MEETING FOR ALL SCHOOLS**—Commissioner Fagans introduced to the Committee for discussion the possibility of having an annual General Meeting to which representatives of each member school would be invited. He pointed out that such a meeting could be tied in with an orientation program where Blue Book changes for the year could be discussed; play-off policies could be outlined; and many CIF bulletins, directives and other supplies, such as Blue Books, directories, track

cards, press books, eligibility forms, etc. could be distributed.

In informal discussion it was the feeling of the Executive Committee that such a General Meeting could have merit. The Commissioner was instructed to obtain meeting agendas from other state associations where such meetings are held and to place the item on the agenda of the next Executive Committee meeting.

**7. REVIEW OF WATER POLO BY-LAWS**—It has been brought to the attention of the CIF office that in several water polo tournaments, a team has been required to play as many as three games in a single day. It was felt by the Executive Committee that the advisability of this should be studied further and the commissioner was instructed to meet with a committee of water polo coaches to discuss the matter and report back to the next meeting. Another problem, that of a boy moving up and down in classification on several occasions during the season, will also be discussed with the coaches.

**8. COURTESY CARDS FOR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS** — Several requests from the offices of assistant superintendents for CIF Courtesy Cards have been received since the opening of school. Since the number of Courtesy Cards issued is already high, it was the feeling of the Executive Committee that assistant superintendents could easily obtain league passes and would not necessarily need CIF Courtesy Cards.

**9. CHANGE IN CROSS COUNTRY BY-LAWS**—It was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the Council that Article XXXII, Section 3 of the CIF, SS, By-Laws be changed to permit cross country teams to enter "11 contests during a season." The rule now specifies that a school may not enter more than nine dual and two invitational meets during a year. It was felt that it was not necessary to limit competition to a certain number of dual or invitational meets as long as the boy did not run more than 11 meets during a given season.

**10. REPORT OF GOLF COACHES COMMITTEE** — Commissioner Fagans reported to the Executive Committee that a meeting of representative CIF, SS, golf coaches had been held for the purpose of clearing up conflicting rules and to plan the conduct of the CIF Team and Individual Tournaments.

a. It is the recommendation of the Golf Committee that for the CIF Team Tournament, only league champions automatically qualify to compete and that outstanding second place



teams must petition the CIF office to be considered. The committee also is recommending that for the Individual Tournament entries be allotted to the league, similar to the way our track championships are conducted.

b. The golf coaches came up with three possible solutions to the outside competition problem during the season of the sport. After discussion of the three different proposals, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Committee recommend that the Council approve the following for inclusion in the By-Laws in place of the present Article XXXVI. Section 5: "During the high school season of the sport of golf, no boy who is a member of a high school golf team may compete in outside competition with professionals or where the awards are in violation of the CIF, SS, Awards Rule." (Article XV).

**11. REPORT OF COMMITTEE STUDYING OFF-SEASON PRACTICE** — Steve Miletich, representing the committee which is presently studying off-season practice in football, basketball and swimming reported to the Executive Committee on the activities of his group. He pointed out that among other things the committee is studying the advisability of switching the swimming and water polo seasons, making swimming a fall sport and water polo a winter sport. The committee has scheduled another meeting for November 10 at which time the final recommendations of the committee will be transcribed and forwarded to all principals.

**12. REPORT OF RELEAGUING COMMITTEE** — Chairman Ashton, who is also chairman of the Releaguings Committee, reported on the activities and final recommendations of his committee. He reported that in addition to the final report as submitted to the schools, Cabrillo High of Lompoc would probably be assigned to the San Luis Obispo League and San Geronio of San Bernardino would become a member of the Ivy League.

It was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the Council that the Releaguings Committee's report be approved and adopted for the 1965-66 school year.

**13. QUESTION OF ELIGIBILITY UPON EXPULSION FROM SCHOOL** — It was pointed out that at the present time our By-Laws do not contain provisions calling for a boy to be either eligible or ineligible if he is suspended or expelled from one school and subsequently moves and transfers to another school.

It was moved, seconded and carried

to recommend to the Council that the By-Laws be amended to provide that if a boy is expelled from one school and legally transfers to another school that he shall be ineligible for interscholastic athletics for a period of one year from the date of expulsion or enrollment in the second school.

**14. REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE** — Chairman Ashton reported that he had met with representatives of the State School House Planning Board in Los Angeles on November 3 and that it was his feeling that it would not be advisable for the CIF, SS, to attempt to purchase the necessary property on the Gahr High School campus on which to build a new office to house the CIF, SS, headquarters. It was the feeling of Mr. Ashton and Mr. Walter Wending of the architect's office that it would be better to attempt to lease the needed land.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Committee go on record as expressing a desire to lease property on the Gahr High School campus from the Excelsior School District for the purpose of re-locating the CIF, SS, office on that site.

Mr. Ashton was instructed to follow through on this motion and together with representatives of the Excelsior District to work with the Excelsior District School Board in an attempt to complete the desired transaction.

**15. PUBLIC RELATIONS RECOMMENDATION** — It was moved, seconded and carried that the Commissioner and Director of Public Information draw up some guide lines for leagues regarding the releasing of stories to the press dealing with league action on violations and other related matters.

This action was taken after several complaints were received at the CIF office from members of the press who had been unable to get needed information from league officers after league meetings had taken place during which violations and subsequent disciplinary action had been discussed and taken.

**16. UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT OVERLOOKED BY MEMBER SCHOOL** — An unsportsmanlike foul, called by many members of the Executive Committee "the worst such foul they had ever seen" went undisciplined by Paramount High School after one of its players fouled a Lynwood player in a recent football game between the two schools.

Inasmuch as the game officials had not called the play, which resulted in the boy suffering a concussion and re-

quiring hospitalization, Lynwood reported the foul and its consequences to the CIF office.

Upon review of the game films it was the unanimous opinion of the Executive Committee that the boy who committed the foul be suspended from further competition until a meeting of the Coast League could be held and a review of the entire case conducted.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Committee instruct the Commissioner to inform the Paramount principal that the boy in question be held out of future games pending a review of the case and action by the Coast League; that the league review the case at the earliest possible date and notify the CIF office of its action; and that upon completion of the action the Executive Committee again review the circumstances of the case.

There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Kenneth Fagans  
Commissioner of Athletics

## COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

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had not earned the privilege to participate.

But sometimes winning becomes too important. And boys who have the right to engage in interscholastic athletic competition are given the opportunity to play and keep someone else who has earned the privilege of playing on the bench.

After discussing the matter at great length the Executive Committee felt that if schools were not taking sufficient action when expelled students transfer into their schools, perhaps the Council should add a period of ineligibility into the CIF By-Laws. It was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the Council that the By-Laws be amended to provide that if a boy is expelled from one school and legally or illegally transfers to another school he shall be ineligible for interscholastic competition for a period of one year from the date of expulsion or enrollment in the second school.

The Executive Committee is going to continue its study, but it is hoped that school administrators will take lightly the seriousness of the actions which cause a boy to be expelled from one school, in the first place, and that they will immediately declare ineligible anyone who has been expelled and who has not shown that he deserves to participate.