

# C. I. F., SOUTHERN SECTION MONTHLY BULLETIN

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee met at the Compton College, Saturday, February 3, 1945, at 9:30 A. M. Members present:

Mr. B. L. Bergstrom  
Mr. Ernest W. Fischer  
Mr. Normal Hayhurst  
Mr. Seth F. Van Patten

Mr. H. A. Berlin, President of the Council, was also present and took part in the discussions.

Mr. Hayhurst, Vice President of the Executive Committee, presided.

### Laguna Beach Boy

Mr. Bronson Buxton, Principal at Laguna Beach High School, sent the following letter to the C. I. F. Office:

"Dear Mr. Van Patten:

I have another question regarding eligibility with which I would like your help.

The facts are these:

1. Richard Stover, a Laguna Beach High School letterman, wishes to attend Pasadena Junior College next semester in order to study a music course not available here.
2. Mrs. Stover expects to move to Pasadena, but Mr. Stover will maintain his residence here and spend week ends in Pasadena.
3. Richard expects to return to Laguna Beach High School next year, September 1945.

My questions are these:

1. Will Richard be eligible in Pasadena if Mrs. Stover lives with him?
2. If Mrs. Stover does not move to Pasadena, will Richard be eligible to play football for Laguna Beach High School next year?

(Signed) Bronson Buxton  
District Superintendent"

The Executive Committee ruled "No" to both questions. The parents will not have changed residence in the meaning of the C. I. F. rule if the father stays in Laguna during the week.

It is proposed to change Rule 4, Page 17 to have it apply to boarding school pupils only. This will come up at the May meeting of the Council. If this is done then the answer to question two will be "No."

### Bonita Boy

Dr. George H. Bell, of Bonita High School, wrote the following letter to the C. I. F. Office:

January 31, 1945

"Mr. Seth F. Van Patten  
California Interscholastic Federation  
1955 Fremont Avenue  
South Pasadena, California

Dear Sir:

We are in doubt about the eligibility of a boy who has just been released from service in the Army, with a medical discharge.

He will be nineteen on the 14th day of March. He has been out of school since the close of the first semester of last year, at which time he would have been eligible to compete. Before his induction into the Army he served one enlistment with the Merchant Marines.

He entered school as of the beginning of our second semester this year, and is now carrying at least three units of new work. He has actually been in school seven semesters to date (not including this present semester).

When will he be eligible for competition?

Very truly yours,  
Dr. George H. Bell, Superintendent"

The Executive Committee ruled, and the Council approved that any honorably discharged service man is eligible to compete if he enters school when discharged, though not in school the previous semester and not eligible when he enlisted. The nineteen year age rule is not waived.

### Santa Ana Boy

Fred Timm, a boy in the Santa Ana High School, left school officially on May 6, 1943. Fourteen weeks of the semester had elapsed, but the boy had been absent thirty days. Would that semester count as one of the eight allowed for competition.

The Executive Committee ruled that the semester had to be counted. The boy was a member of the Santa Ana High School until he officially withdrew.

### Newport Harbor High School Request

The Principal at Newport Harbor High School wrote the following letter to the C. I. F. Office:

January 10, 1945

"Dear Sir:

Herewith is the question of eligibility discussed with you on the telephone today.

Dick Scott, age 16, of Santa Ana High School, is desirous of transferring to this school. His residence address was given as the home of his grandmother, 1328 West Washington St., Santa Ana. His parents have been living since last



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President of the Council

### Executive Committee

Kinter Hamilton, Principal Harvard School,  
President.  
B. L. Bergstrom, Principal El Monte High School  
Ernest W. Fischer, Principal Chaffey High School  
Normal C. Hayhurst, Principal Herbert Hoover  
High School (Glendale)  
A. R. Veenker, Vice-Principal, Santa Monica  
High School  
Seth F. Van Patten, Commissioner of Athletics

April at 501 East Bay Front, Balboa, in this school district. Dick is a junior and a letter man having played football at Santa Ana during the first semester of this school year.

C. I. F. eligibility residence requirements (3) and (4) offer two entirely conflicting interpretations as to the boy's eligibility. However I am inclined to feel that since number (4) follows directly after (3) and was added to the rules at a more recent date, the fact that the boy is returning to the home of his parents is the essential fact and that under this ruling the boy will become eligible when he transfers here at the end of this semester.

Naturally the boys wants to be sure about his eligibility before transferring. I have discussed the matter with Mr. Lynn Crawford of Santa Ana and I can assure you that there is no controversy between schools involved. Mr. Crawford feels that it is for the best interest of the boy for him to live and attend school in the district in which his parents reside, and I heartily concur. Dick's brother Don, has been in attendance here during the entire current school year.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Sidney H. Davidson"

This case was carried to the Council for a clarification of Rule 4, Page 17 of our 1940 Blue Book.

It was moved by Mr. Moore, and seconded by Mr. Lewis S. Smith, that it is the intent of Rule 4, page 17 that a boy who has established his residence in District A although his parents reside in District B, may not transfer to district B and become eligible. Carried unanimously.

The Executive Committee adjourned at 10:35.

### COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Council met in the Board of Education Room of the Compton College at 10:40 A. M., Saturday, February 3, 1945.

Roll call showed the following League Representatives present:

Bay League—Arthur H. Badenoch, Inglewood  
Citrus Belt League—Donald H. McIntosh,  
Colton  
Desert League—Vincent Claypool, Barstow  
East Riverside League—  
Foothill League—Leon Catlin, Woodrow Wilson  
Imperial League—Lewis S. Smith, Calexico  
Inyo League—Robert H. Blee, Bishop  
Metropolitan League—  
Orange League—  
Pasadena Jr. Hi. League—  
Preparatory League—Kinter Hamilton, Harvard  
Riverside League—Zafon A. Hartman, Elsinore  
San Gabriel League—B. L. Bergstrom, El Monte  
San Luis Obispo League—  
Southern League—Donovan F. Cartwright,  
San Dieguito

Sunset League—A. Haven Smith, Orange  
Tri County League—Earl Thompson, Claremont  
Ventura Major League—H. A. Berlin, Oxnard  
Ventura Minor League—

Victory League—Frank M. Chase, Jr.,  
Sweetwater

State Representative—Harry J. Moore,  
Woodrow Wilson

State Representative—S. Chester McIntosh,  
Puente

Commissioner of Athletics—Seth F. Van Patten,  
South Pasadena

State Office of Education—Verne S. Landreth,  
Los Angeles

Executive Committee—Ernest W. Fischer,  
Chaffey

Executive Committee—Normal Hayhurst,  
Hoover (Glendale)

Coaches and Principals present included:  
James Carpenter, Principal, South Pasadena  
Merrill Green, Coach, South Pasadena  
Frank Williamson, Coach, South Pasadena  
Earle Holmes, Director of Athletics, Compton  
College

Earnest Hartman, Coach, Compton College  
Roland Davis, Director of Physical Education,  
Woodrow Wilson

Hobart Uhls, Director of Physical Education,  
Redondo

Jack O'Brien, Director of Physical Education,  
Antelope Valley

Lee Williams, Director of Physical Education,  
Downey

The meeting was called to order by President  
Berlin.

### Minutes Approved

The minutes of the May 1944 meeting of the Council were approved as printed in the June 1944 Bulletin.

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board as printed in the September, October and December 1944 numbers of the Bulletins were approved as printed.

The minutes of the Executive Committee meet-

ing of February 3, 1945, were approved as printed above.

### Financial Report

Mr. Van Patten presented the financial report printed below.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Hartman that the report be approved and printed in the Bulletin. Carried

### FINANCIAL REPORT

February 3, 1945

Balance, October 5, 1944:	
In savings account	\$1,000.00
In checking account	880.79
Total	\$1,880.79
Receipts:	
Dues	\$2,749.60
Crosscountry entry fees	21.00
Track	23.00
Swimming	24.00
Weighing in boys	85.00
Football play-off games	2,173.62
Interest on savings	22.50
Total	\$5,098.72
	\$6,679.51

Expenses:	
Marie Frank (salary)	\$ 173.95
Seth F. Van Patten (salary)	872.20
Internal revenue (salary tax)	188.10
Telephone	117.74
Postage	74.45
Mileage (S.F.V.P.)	20.35
Printing & supplies (L. C. Mock)	206.55
Football instructional material	25.00
Anderson Typewriter Co. (Stencils, ink, etc.)	11.48
State C. I. F. Dues	50.00
Total	\$1,739.32
Balance, Feb. 3, 1945	\$5,239.69
In savings account	\$2,500.00
In checking account	2,739.69
	\$5,239.69

\$1,500 transferred from checking account to savings account, Oct. 31, 1944	
Seth F. Van Patten Commissioner of Athletics C. I. F., Southern Section	

### League and Groups for the year 1945-1946

It was moved by Mr. Catlin and seconded by Mr. Chase that the Leagues and Groups for the 1945-1946 school year remain the same as for the present school year. Carried.

Mr. Lee Williams, of the Downey High School, was present and asked that Downey be returned to its place in the Tri County League.

It was moved by Mr. A. Haven Smith, and

seconded by Mr. Thompson that the placing of Downey High School in a league or group be left to the Executive Committee with power to act. Carried.

### Football Regulations for 1945

Mr. Van Patten reported that he had discussed with many coaches and administrators the question of the number of football games to be allowed to each school for the 1945 season. He stated that a strong majority favored an eight game schedule. The eight games to include interschool scrimmages and practice games.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis S. Smith and seconded by Mr. Hartman, that the number of interscholastic football games and scrimmages be limited to eight for the 1945 season and that any League or Group winner be allowed one play-off game. Carried.

Mr. Badenoch suggested that the groups or leagues be matched for play-off contests and announced at the May meeting of the Council. Mr. Van Patten was informally directed to present such a matching for consideration by the Council at its May meeting.

### Spring Semester Sports

Baseball: Mr. Van Patten recommended that there be no play-off in baseball this season to determine a C. I. F. Southern Section championship. It was moved by Mr. Catlin and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that each league or group winner be allowed one play-off game as in football. Carried.

Mr. Van Patten recommended that this semester the following arrangements for championships be carried out:

Golf—18 hole medal play tournament, Friday, June 1, at Montebello Golf Club.

Gymnastics—at Mark Keppel High School, Wednesday, April 25.

Swimming—Finals at Beverly Hills Pool, Saturday, May 12.

Tennis—Finals at Mark Keppel High School—B and C, April 14; A, June 2.

There being no objections the Chairman ruled that the recommendations were approved.

It was moved by Mr. Badenoch, seconded by Mr. Moore, that in qualifying meets in swimming all swimmers be timed and the qualifiers for the final meet on May 12 be picked on times made in preliminary meets. Carried.

Track—Five divisional track meets on May 19 to be held as follows:

One at San Diego State College; one at Chaffey or Riverside; one at Huntington Beach or Woodrow Wilson; one at Hoover (G) or Inglewood one at Oxnard for the North if entries warrant.

Moved by Mr. Bergstrom, seconded by Mr. Blee that the question of Divisional Track meets be referred to the track committee made up of Mr. Badenoch, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hayhurst and Mr. Van Patten, with power to act. Carried.



Moved by Mr. Badenoch, seconded by Mr. Chase that the Final Track Meet be held on May 26 at some C. I. F., Southern Section school. Carried.

Moved by Mr. S. Chester McIntosh and seconded by Mr. Bergstrom that the Final Track Meet be held at Chaffey. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Catlin that all entries to the Final Meet be qualified on time or performance at Divisional Meets, except the sprinters and hurdlers where the winner at each Divisional Meet be qualified and the others picked on time. Carried.

#### Physical Fitness Pentathlon for 1945

Mr. Van Patten asked for a discussion of the Physical Fitness Pentathlon as carried out in 1944. He stated that eight schools carried on the activity in 1944 and that an estimated 4000 boys took the tests.

Mr. Hayhurst and Mr. Thompson, whose schools carried out the program in 1944, spoke with enthusiasm regarding the activity and favored its continuation.

Mr. Landreth stated that the C. I. F., Southern Section, had done more of the Physical Fitness Pentathlon work than any other section of the State. He urged strongly that the work be continued and developed as an activity supplemental to our interscholastic athletic program.

There being no objection the Chairman ruled that the activity be carried on this season along the same lines as last year and that a vigorous effort be made to get more schools to take part.

#### Fees for Game Officials

Moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Hartman that the maximum fee for officiating a football game, a baseball game, or a double header (Classes A and B) basketball game, be \$8.50 and that leagues be permitted to add to this maximum fee a reasonable travel allowance. Donald McIntosh voted "No." Carried.

#### Award Regulations

The letter of Mr. Verle Murray, of Monrovia High School, regarding awards to athletes printed in the January Bulletin was brought to the attention of the Council.

Mr. Bergstrom reported on meetings held and work carried on among schools of Groups 4 and 5. He offered no recommendations.

Mr. Badenoch stated that the Bay League had regulations governing the giving of awards and that the plan was satisfactory to all the schools of that league.

It was moved by Mr. Donald McIntosh and seconded by Mr. Lewis Smith that the Chairman appoint a committee of three to bring a plan for awards to the Council for consideration at its May meeting. Carried.

The Chairman appointed Mr. Bergstrom as Chairman of the committee, with authority to

select his two associates on the committee. Mr. Bergstrom announced Mr. Badenoch, of Inglewood High School, and Mr. E. E. Hildreth, Principal of Glendale High School, as the other members of the committee.

Mr. Verle Murray, of the Monrovia High School, and Mr. Bruce Lawson, of the Mark Keppel High School are being asked by Mr. Bergstrom to serve as advisory members of the award committee.

Mr. Murray and Mr. Lawson have given much thought and study to the question of athletic awards to high school pupils.

#### Reprint of Our Constitution and Rules

Mr. Van Patten called attention to the fact that the supply of the 1940 edition of our Constitution and Rules is nearly exhausted. He asked for suggestions as to change of the size and shape of the booklet. It seemed to be the unanimous opinion that the present postcard size is entirely satisfactory.

There being no objection the Chairman ruled that the Constitution and Rules be brought up to date and reprinted following the May meeting of the Council.

#### Medal and Trophy Situation

Mr. Van Patten reported that he had conferred with several medal and trophy dealers and that one firm (The Hollywood Trophy Company) had on hand from old stock, enough Class B and C medals to take care of our track and swimming needs, but all Class A medals for tennis, track, swimming, gymnastics and wrestling would have to be made by putting plating on a sterling silver base. The cost of the medals with the sterling silver base will be nearly double what has been paid for medals in past years.

It was moved by Mr. Badenoch and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that the entry fees this year for gymnastics, swimming, track and wrestling be \$.50 per boy, per event, and that medals be given as in past years. Carried.

#### Athlete's Creed

Mr. Van Patten recommended the advisability of the C. I. F., Southern Section adopting an **Athlete's Creed** to be printed and furnished to all member schools for posting on bulletin boards, in boys' locker rooms and wherever boys congregate about our high schools.

As an illustration of what he had in mind he distributed typed copies of the two creeds given below:

He suggested that the C. I. F., Southern Section offer a \$10.00 prize for the best **Athlete's Creed** to be presented by anyone connected with any C. I. F., Southern Section school.

It was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Hartman that two \$10.00 prizes be offered by the C. I. F., Southern Section, one for an **Athlete's Creed** and one for a **Spectator's Creed**. Carried.

#### THE ATHLETE'S CREED

##### I BELIEVE:

- My high school offers priceless opportunity for those who are wise enough to recognize it.
- It is a great privilege to play on my school team.
- Adherence to training rules is a duty of each member of the squad.
- Self-control is one of a player's greatest assets.
- A player's habits and actions at all times should be such as to reflect credit on his school.
- The greatest satisfaction comes from giving one's best through the season of preparation and during the game and that the highest type of enjoyment comes from working in a worthy cause.
- Development in personality and in mind and muscle coordination are the most valuable results of participation in athletics.
- Contests should engender good will between schools, and that it is the duty of each player to promote this feeling.
- The advantages offered by a school are so great that no athlete has a right to expect gifts or special privilege as a reward for his athletic efforts.
- The proper question for the athlete is "What can I do for the school?" instead of "What will the school give me if I win?"
- The success of a team, school, or nation depends on the adherence of its members to its laws.
- The making and retaining of friends on faculty, in the student body, among fans and on opposing teams are among the most valuable of life's experiences.
- From "Illinois High School Athlete" Reprinted in the "Kentucky High School Athlete"—January, 1945.

##### MY CREED

- I will play the game today,
- I will play it **hard**;
- I will play it **clean**;
- I will play it as a member of the **team**.
- If I should lose the game today,
- I will **take** it like a man;
- I will **fight** to the very end;
- I will meet the best my opponent has to send.
- If I should win the game today,
- I will **share** the glory,
- I will neither **shout** nor boast;
- I will make **good sportsmanship** my toast.
- I will play the game today,
- I will play to win;
- But win or lose,
- I will give my best today.

—Suggested by a friend of the C. I. F.

##### Mr. Landreth's Remarks

Mr. Verne S. Landreth, Chief of the Division of Physical and Health Education, addressed the Council on two timely and important topics.

The subject of transportation of high school athletic teams has been with us since our nation entered the war. Mr. Landreth said that there were reported instances of school districts evading the restrictions of the O. D. T. on the use of school busses for any purpose but transporting pupils and teachers to and from schools.

This practice arouses discontent and suspicion among other schools and makes the busses so used liable to freezing and thus being cut off from any use.

He expressed the belief that there was little hope of any change in the O. D. T. regulations before the end of this school year. He expressed the belief that a movement in cooperation with the National Federation of High School Athletic Association, and the National Recreation Association if started possibly in June would have some chance of easing the present restrictions.

Moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Chase that we pledge our support to Mr. Landreth and his transportation committee in any effort they undertake. Carried.

Mr. Landreth also spoke at length regarding bills now before the Legislature in Sacramento. He spoke in particular of three bills.

They are: Assembly Bill 800  
Assembly Bill 449  
Assembly Bill 1369

Assembly Bill 800 is a measure supported by Governor Warren and by union labor providing for socialized medical aid.

Assembly Bill 449 is a bill supported by the California Medical Association to give public aid in broadening medical care for those unable to provide it for themselves.

Assembly Bill 1369 is a bill to enlarge the scope of publicly supported recreation.

Mr. Landreth urged all school men to get copies of the three bills from their Assemblymen and read and study the bills carefully and discuss them with the assemblymen and senators before the Legislature convenes again March 1.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 P. M.

The men who came from as far away as Bishop, Calexico, National City and some nearer points gave much in time, effort and thought to the cause of high school athletics. We are all indebted to them.

At 12:30 the meeting recessed for 45 minutes for a fine lunch served in the Cafeteria of the Compton College.

In closing the meeting President Berlin expressed the thanks of the C. I. F., Southern Section to the Compton College for the use of the fine rooms in which we met and also for the splendid lunch served.

#### LEUZINGER BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

The Leuzinger High School will stage an invitational baseball tournament during the Easter vacation. Mr. George Thompson, of Leuzinger,



will be in charge of the event. The Bay League schools and the Compton-Long Beach Group have been invited. It is planned to stage the affair in two days of play.

### FIRST TRACK EVENT OF THIS SEASON

Mr. S. S. (Shorty) Smith, of Brea-Olinda High School, has announced their annual relay meet for Friday, March 2, at 3:00 P. M.

We hope "Shorty" and the weather man have cleared with Jupiter Pluvius as you cannot run on the Brea-Olinda track when it is raining.

### BEVERLY HILLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Beverly Hills High School will stage its annual basketball tournament February 23, and 24. This tournament was started with the idea of bringing the schools of the "Big Seventeen" together in basketball.

Sixteen schools have been invited each year but not every time have there been sixteen starters. This year the following sixteen schools have entered teams: Beverly Hills, Burbank, Compton, Hoover (Glendale), Hoover (San Diego), Inglewood, Long Beach Poly, Leuzinger, Montebello, Pasadena, Redondo, Santa Barbara, Santa Monica, South Pasadena, Whittier, W. Wilson.

The winner of this tournament will be the champion over four of the big Groups in Los Angeles County. From Group 4, Hoover and South Pasadena are the two top teams. From Group 5, Montebello and Whittier are at the top. From the Compton-Long Beach Group, Compton, Poly and Wilson are all taking part. From the Bay League all five schools are entering teams. We have no official reports on Hoover (S.D.) and Santa Barbara, but they always have good teams.

### FLOOR CLEANER DELUXE

Mr. Horace E. (Shorty) Gillette of the Wilson Sporting Goods Company, a good friend of the C. I. F., Southern Section, sent us the following letter:

January 22, 1945

"Mr. Seth Van Patten  
California Inter-Scholastic Fed.  
1714 Fletcher Ave.,  
South Pasadena, California

Dear Van:

I recently saw one of the Army camps clean up their gym floor in a very effective, easy and pleasant manner. I thought it might be interesting to you and perhaps to all the schools who have gym floors and basketball floors that are continually being badly marked by the synthetic rubber basketball shoes that are now on the market.

This particular camp has a very fine basketball court and that floor all week long is very badly marked with these synthetic soles. At the end of each week they have a dance on that floor; before the dance they sprinkle a little sawdust on it—not a great deal—just enough so that it is picked up on the soles of the shoes of the dancers.

After the dance they sweep the floor thoroughly and it's as clean as a whistle. Maybe some of your people have already discovered this but if they haven't they might be very glad to try it out.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) H. E. Gillette  
Pacific Coast Manager  
Wilson Sporting Goods Co.

### C. I. F., SOUTHERN SECTION BENEFITS

A small free lance school recently asked the C. I. F. Office—"What do we receive for the annual dues to the C. I. F., Southern Section?"

We replied:

"You get all the bulletins and notices that go out from this Office which include the minutes of the meeting of our Executive Committee and our Council. Our bulletins and notices keep you informed of our activities, and of important and interesting developments in high school athletics, both nationally and in Southern California.

Your school is privileged to enter into any and all competition among the one hundred and forty member schools of the C.I.F., Southern Section.

Your boys may enter any of the activities leading to individual championships, such as track, swimming, tennis, golf, gymnastics, wrestling, etc. Your school is furnished with the necessary forms for carrying on athletic competition such as eligibility blanks and track field cards.

The advantages of the C.I.F. Athletic Protection Fund, and the C.I.F. Pupil Protection Fund are open to the pupils of your school by virtue of your membership in the C.I.F., Southern Section. These two organizations now have a reserve fund which is ample to guarantee protection from all accidents while in school and taking part in athletics. The cost is nominal. The organization is strictly non-profit. The Board of Directors give a good deal of time to the work of the organization for which they receive no compensation. A circular of information is enclosed.

Your membership in a stable, well-ordered organization such as the C.I.F., Southern Section, whose rules and regulations have been worked out by the high school Principals of Southern California over a period of more than thirty years, tends toward good Americanism we believe.

Our rules and regulations are based on ideals of good citizenship, good sportsmanship, and fair play which are fundamental in the American way of life."