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NEW LEAGUES ORGANIZING

On December 8, 1956, the Council of the Southern Section took official action, and approved the recommendations of the releguing committee, for the formation of eight new leagues for the 1957-58 school year. Since that time there have been many meetings of administrators and coaches representing schools in the new leagues for the purpose of writing constitutions, drawing up athletic schedules, adopting names, and setting up procedures so that each league may properly function in the C.I.F.

The Southern Section office has been in touch with the men responsible for organizing the leagues, and we are happy to report that in all cases rapid strides have been made towards the above objectives. One of the interesting developments has been the selection of appropriate names for the various leagues. In the north the students from Camarillo HS, Carpinteria HS, Fillmore HS, Hart HS, Lompoc HS, and Nordhoff HS held a contest to select a name for their new league. A student at Nordhoff HS will receive a life-pass to all league athletic events for submitting the name FRONTIER LEAGUE which was the winning entry.

H-I-HO LEAGUE was the name chosen by another group of schools in the north, because some of their member schools were located down in Death Valley, Kerns and Owens Valley, while others were high in the mountains at Big Pine, Randsburg, and Mono County. Five new schools in the Bay area—Lennox, So. Torrance, Aviation, Dominguez, and Earl Warren selected **CRESCENT LEAGUE** as the name by which they wanted to be known in the future. Barstow, Burroughs of China Lake, Palmdale, and Victor Valley were schools who broke away from the old Desert-Inyo League, and will in the future be known as the **GOLDEN LEAGUE**. Two new leagues were formed along the foothills of the Sierra-Nevada Mts. and have chosen names appropriate to their location—Baldwin Park, Chaffey, Covina, Pomona, Puente, and West Covina will be known as the **MONTVIEW LEAGUE**. The other league in that area which includes Arroyo, Azusa, Citrus, Rosemead, San Gabriel, and Sierra HS of Whittier have adopted the name **SIERRA LEAGUE**. The five new schools in the Long Beach area who are now banded together as a league have not definitely decided on the name they will officially adopt.

It will take a little time for all of us to become familiar with the make-up and names of these new leagues. We are confident however, that after the representatives of these new leagues appear in our football playoffs, they will

STATE CIF OFFICE SEEKING ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

The CIF, Protection Fund Board of Directors, at their meeting November 30, took official action which will create a new position as Assistant Executive Secretary in the State CIF Office. The Committee discussed steps to be taken to fulfill the position, and outlined the following qualifications necessary:

- Minimum age—40 years
- Ten years broad school administrative experience.
- Office location—Berkeley, California
- Must be willing to travel in the Central and Northern California areas.
- Salary \$7,200 to start.
- Social security retirement benefit.
- Must be available to begin work July 1, 1957
- Deadline for written applications March 1, 1957
- Applications may be sent to the Executive Secretary of the CIFPF.

CIF, SS PLAYOFF DATES, 1957-58

To assist schools and leagues in setting up their 1957-58 schedules, the playoff dates for next year, as approved by the Council are as follows:

FOOTBALL.....	Nov. 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13
CROSS COUNTRY.....	Nov. 27, Dec. 6
WATER POLO.....	Nov. 27, Dec. 3, 6
WRESTLING.....	Feb. 21, 28
BASKETBALL.....	Feb. 25, 28, March 4, 7, 8
GYMNASTICS.....	April 18 25 11 + 18
TRACK.....	May 10, 17, 24, 31
BASEBALL.....	May 20, 23, 27, 30, June 6
TENNIS—	
B & C Tourney.....	May 3 10
"A" Tourney.....	June 7
Playoffs.....	May 20, 23, 27, June 2
SWIMMING—Invitational Swim Relays:	
Prelims — February 25	
Finals — February 28	
Championship Swimming Meet:	
Free Lance Meet.....	April 25
Prelims.....	May 2
Semi-Finals.....	May 6
Diving Prelims.....	May 7 30
Championship Meet.....	May 9 1

properly publicize their new leagues throughout the Southland. We wish each of them the best of luck, and we in the CIF Office stand ready to assist in any problems that might confront these groups during the organizational period.

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COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

An undisciplined contest involving the physical prowess of individuals or groups of individuals would soon degenerate into a brawl or possibly a struggle for survival. Such a contest under the discipline of a system of rules governing conduct and actions of the participants becomes a game. In a game every rule can be observed to the letter, yet may not qualify as a sporting event. To elevate a game to the level of a sport there must be the added self-imposed discipline of observing the high ideals of sportsmanship. When one is out in front and the breaks have been going one's way, and victory seems assured, it is easy to display respect and a friendly spirit towards opponents and game officials.

The test as to whether one can discipline one's self comes when the breaks are going the other way, and possibly an opponent has taken an unfair advantage. If one can "take it" and not retaliate, or become resentful, one has applied the discipline that elevates a contest into the realm of sport, and above all one's character has become ennobled and strengthened.

This introduction leads up to the fact that recently three Southern Section basketball coaches violated the accepted code of good sportsmanship, by removing their teams from the court prior to the conclusion of a scheduled game, because of dissatisfaction with the officiating. We realize that there may be extenuating circumstances connected with such drastic action, but such lack of self discipline brings discredit upon our interscholastic athletic program and cannot be condoned by those in charge.

When a school enters a tournament, or schedules a practice game with another school, it is understood that the home team assumes the responsibility of securing the game officials. It is to be expected that the home management will secure competent, qualified men either by their

own device, or through the assistance of the CIF Office. Regardless of how the officials are secured however, they assume charge of the game when the opening whistle blows, and both the coaches and the players should accept any decisions made by the officials during the course of the contest.

No one is in a more strategic position than the coach, to influence the character and development of boys. He is entrusted with the responsibility of teaching his young charges respect for law and authority. When he removes his team from the floor because he is dissatisfied with, or disagrees with, constituted authority, then he is setting the wrong kind of example for the boys on his team.

We are hopeful that in the future all coaches handling Southern Section teams, will place winning, secondary to the real purpose for which they are employed, and always conduct themselves in such a manner that they will not bring discredit upon the CIF, their school, or themselves.

MINUTES OF CIF, SOUTHERN SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting of the CIF, SS Council was held in the patio of Helms Hall on Saturday morning, February 2, 1957. The meeting was called to order by President Frank Williamson, Principal of Monrovia-Duarte HS. Representatives from all leagues were in attendance with the exception of Arrowhead, Citrus Belt, Imperial Valley, Pasadena Jr. High, and San Diego City leagues.

1. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Minutes of the Council meeting held on December 8, 1956, be approved as published in the January, 1957, Monthly Bulletin.

2. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held in the CIF Office at 9:00 A.M., Saturday, February 2, 1957, be approved as read with the exception that the item referring to the Southern Section Fraternity regulations be deleted.

3. It was moved, seconded, and carried unanimously that the proposed change in the SS Constitution, relative to the election and term of office of members of the Executive Committee, be adopted and become effective with the election of members to the Executive Committee for the 1957-58 school year. (A bulletin outlining this constitutional change in detail, was delivered to each school through their league representative.)

4. It was moved, seconded, and carried that Section VIII, Paragraph 4, page 18, in the Blue Book, be changed to read as follows: "In the matter of the transfer of a boy to or from the status of a full time resident at a twenty-four hour boarding school the boy will be eligible immediately on the first transfer, but all rules under Section VIII, must apply on any subsequent transfer."

5. It was moved, seconded, and carried that

an additional paragraph (5), be added to Section VIII, under "Residence Requirements", as follows: "That rules of residence be waived for eligibility when a boy's transfer from one school to another is by court order."

6. Mr. Oliver Corbin, Chairman of the Committee appointed to study the present SS Fraternity rule, presented the recommendations of his committee relative to this item. There was a great deal of discussion on this matter with many suggestions for changes in the committee's recommended plan. It was moved, seconded, and carried that these proposed changes be incorporated into the plan, which should be mimeographed and sent to all schools for consideration. The item will be placed on the Agenda of the May Council meeting.

7. Copies of the Financial Report for the 1956 football play-offs were distributed to members of the Council. Mr. Winston Nelson, Treasurer of the CIF, SS, explained the report, giving details concerning income and expenses incurred for the Championship game played in the Los Angeles Coliseum, when 42,000 persons were in attendance. It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the play-off financial report.

8. The Commissioner of Athletics gave a brief report on the actions of three SS basketball coaches, who removed their teams from the court, prior to the conclusion of a scheduled basketball contest, because of dissatisfaction with the officiating. Because of the seriousness of the problem it was agreed that a decision in the matter could not be made without a proper hearing which would require the coaches and principals of the schools involved, to appear before the Executive Committee. It was moved, seconded, and carried that a special meeting of the Executive Committee should be called for 9:00 A.M., Thursday, February 7, in the office of Superintendent Bergstrom, at El Monte HS, and that the coach and principal of the schools involved should be directed to appear. The Executive Committee was empowered to act for the Council in this matter.

9. Mr. Robert J. Schilling, Tri-County League Representative, brought up the subject of awards and the \$5.00 maximum placed by the CIF on the purchase of an award for a high school athlete. He requested a clarification of the entire award issue, and suggested that the CIF might take a more realistic approach to this troublesome problem. After some discussion it was moved, seconded, and carried that this matter be referred to committee, and that a report be made at the May Council meeting.

10. Wm. W. "Bill" Russell, Executive Secretary of the State CIF and CIF Protection Fund, reported to the Council on recent activities at his office. Mr. Russell informed the Council of the recent alliance between the National Junior College Athletic Association and the National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations, with these two bodies joining together for the first time at the January 1957 meeting of the new Joint Football Rules Committee Meeting. Junior college representatives joined the high school representatives in formulating the football code which will be used by both the

high school group and the National Jr. College Athletic Assoc. in their football activity. It is expected that the alliance will be furthered through other rules-making ventures.

Mr. Russell indicated that the State CIF office will expand the service begun last year when it sent to all CIF schools complete reports on both the National Federation Football Rules Committee Meeting, and the National Basketball Committee Meeting.

Mr. Russell reported that the CIF Protection Fund was in good financial position at the end of the 1955-56 fiscal year. In that period the Fund received a total of \$423,772.88, out of which \$371,875.24 was paid to doctors and hospitals for services rendered injured pupils; \$41,219.60 (9.7%) was spent for overhead operational expenses of the Fund; and \$10,618.04 (2.5%) was placed in the reserve. These figures attest to the outstanding service performed for the public schools of California through their own non-profit public school protection fund.

Mr. Russell revealed that a number of schools which had formerly operated their own protection fund or for one reason or another had not previously participated in C.I.F.P.F., had joined the Fund this year, with the result that approximately 95% of the public high schools of California now participate. Figures reveal that payments to the doctors and hospitals are being promptly made. Whereas in previous years as of January 31, approximately 55% of the monies received for football protection were paid out in claims, on January 31, 1957, 72% of the money received for football protection had already been paid to doctors and hospitals. Mr. Russell pointed out that these figures should not be interpreted as indicating a great increase in the incidence of football injury, but properly reflected more efficient office procedures in promptly paying claims.

Mr. Russell stated that the CIF and the C.I.F.P.F. Federated Council were considering the possibility of establishing an office in the Southern California area to serve the greatly increased number of schools in the area. Since the State office will employ an Asst. Executive Secretary beginning July 1, 1957, it will be possible to maintain the Berkeley Office for the Northern and Central California areas; while establishing a second office in this area. Mr. Russell stated that the primary purpose of the Southern California office would be to establish closer relationship with the Southern California schools; while it is not contemplated that school personnel will be able to visit the new State CIF Office in Southern California in person, the new office will enable them to secure information immediately through the use of the telephone, and will permit C.I.F.P.F. personnel to visit Southern California schools more recently. If the State Council determines that the Southern California area office is to be established; it is anticipated that the office will be set up during the spring and summer of 1958.

11. Mr. Nelson moved that the Council thank the Helms Athletic Foundation for use of their fine facilities, and courtesies that they have so

generously extended to the CIF, SS; seconded by Mr. Corbin, carried unanimously.

12. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Saturday morning, May 25, 1957, at Chaffey HS.

Respectfully submitted,
KEN FAGANS
SECRETARY

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING—FEBRUARY 2, 1957

The meeting was called to order by Mr. B. L. Bergstrom, Chairman, at the CIF Office, Saturday, February 2, 1957, at 9:00 A.M. Those present were Messrs. Winston Nelson, Principal of Pomona HS; B. L. Bergstrom, Supt. of El Monte HS District; Oliver Corbin, Principal of Covina HS; Ben F. Jamison, Principal of Centennial HS; Keith Gunn, Principal of Victor Valley HS; Doug White, Principal of Santa Barbara HS; Frank Williamson, Principal of Monrovia HS; and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics. Mr. William Russell of the State CIF Office and Harry Biggers, Principal of Fillmore HS, were guests at the meeting.

1. It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of December 8, 1956, be approved as published in the January, 1957, Monthly Bulletin.

2. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Executive Committee recommend to the SS Council that the following schools be accepted for membership: Lee Vining HS, South HS of Torrance, Notre Dame HS of Riverside, and Allemany HS of San Fernando.

3. Consideration was given to a request from Notre Dame HS of Riverside for permission to use juniors and seniors from St. Francis de Sales HS on their 1957 football team. The reason for this unusual request being that St. Francis HS is in the process of being converted into a girls school and Notre Dame HS is to be an all boys high school to supplant St. Francis in that area. It was moved, seconded, and carried that Notre Dame of Riverside be granted permission to use boys from the junior and senior classes of St. Francis de Sales HS on their 1957 Varsity football team. This permission allowed only for Varsity football for 1957.

4. The financial report on the 1956 football playoffs were presented by the Commissioner of Athletics. It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept the report as presented.

5. It was moved, seconded, and carried that on the recommendation of the Treasurer, the following items of equipment be purchased for the SS office: one electric typewriter, one varityper, and a folding machine.

6. It was moved, seconded, and carried to recommend to the Council that the Commissioner of Athletics be authorized to secure adequate bus transportation to transport the SS track team to the State Meet at Berkeley, California, on Saturday, June 1, 1957, with the entire cost to be borne by the SS.

7. It was moved, seconded, and carried that September 8, the second Monday in September, be set as the spring opening date for football practice for the 1958 season.

8. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the playoff dates for the 1957-58 season, as published elsewhere in this Bulletin.

9. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the same basketball playoff financial regulations for 1957, as we had in 1956, except in the following two items: (a) the use of a chartered bus to transport a team to a scheduled playoff contest must be approved by the Commissioner; and (b) the type of ball to be used in the playoffs, rubber or leather, will be determined by which ball is used in the majority of leagues.

10. It was moved, seconded, and carried to authorize the President of the Council to appoint a releguing committee for the 1958-1959 school year.

11. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the following committee, with Winston Nelson, Chairman, and Ben F. Jamison, and Ken Fagans be authorized to confer with the representatives who set up a retirement plan for the State Executive Officer with an end towards working out a comparable plan for the Executive Secretary of the SS.

12. Mr. Harry Biggers, Principal of Fillmore HS, requested an interpretation on the following eligibility case. A boy who was attending Fillmore HS, in good standing, developed a serious mental condition and was committed to the State institution at Camarillo in February, 1956. The boy was kept there for one year during which time he regained his health, and was released in January, 1957. Because of his condition it was impossible for him to have a home teacher or continue his studies, consequently the boy is re-entering school, and although residentially eligible he does not qualify academically because he failed to pass in four subjects the previous semester. Because of the difficult adjustment the boy will have to make upon his return to school it was requested that the academic eligibility be waived in this case so that the boy might compete on the track team. It was moved, seconded, and carried that because of the unusual nature of this case where a boy was returning to a member school from an institution that he be declared eligible to participate in athletics at Fillmore HS, beginning with the second semester of the 1956-57 school year.

Meeting was officially adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
KEN FAGANS
SECRETARY

B & C TENNIS TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD IN MAY

Arrangements have been completed for the holding of the Class B & C tennis tournament on Saturday, May 4, and May 11, 1957, at Santa Ana HS, under the direction of Mr. Neil Mac-hander. This is the only tennis tournament in Southern California that enters boys according to the Athletic Classification table that is used by the CIF in other sports, and gives the younger and physically smaller players an opportunity to compete on a more equal basis. We hope that all coaches will keep these dates in mind and enter any deserving players.