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CHAMPIONSHIP GAME GREATEST IN SOUTHERN SECTION HISTORY

Two great undefeated football teams, representing Downey and Anaheim High Schools, battled to a 13-13 tie before 42,000 screaming fans, in the CIF, SS Championship football game, played in the Memorial Coliseum, Friday night, December 14, 1956. It was only fitting that this great contest should wind up deadlocked, because it would have been a shame to have seen either team go down to defeat after having gone through an undefeated season that saw both of them winning handily from all opponents.

This game caught the fancy of fans all over the Southland, and the turnout of over forty-two thousand fans on a cold foggy night is a tribute to both of these fine teams, and prep sports in general. Anaheim, superbly coached by Claire Van Hoorebeke, and led by their player of the year Mickey Flynn, lived up to all of the plaudits handed to them, and although handicapped by a virus that struck the team the day of the game, they battled right down to the wire like true champions. Downey also had its player of the year in Randy Meadows, the wiry speedster who led all individual scorers for the season, and they were excellently coached by Dick Hill, a youngster who is destined for great things in the coaching field.

The kickoff was delayed 15 minutes to allow the huge crowd milling outside to get to their seats, and the first quarter had hardly begun when they were thrilled to see Mickey Flynn burst through tackle, cut out and go 62 yards to put Anaheim on the scoreboard first. John Baker's conversion was good and Anaheim led 7-0. Just a couple of minutes later the huge throng was roaring again as Randy Meadows took off around right, end, made the turn in full flight and went the distance, 69 yards. The conversion was missed so Anaheim led 7-6, which lead they maintained until the gun sounded the end of the first half.

Anaheim drove to its final touchdown in the third period. With Flynn, Joe Avitia, and Bill Mauerhan doing the ball toting, the Colonists marched 65 yards in 12 plays for the tally with Flynn carrying over from the one-yard line. Baker's extra try was wide and Anaheim appeared to have a safe lead. Downey was not out of the game however, and they took the ensuing kickoff and drove 77 yards for the game's concluding touchdown. Halfbacks McDowell, Ron Russell and Randy Meadows, along with Fullback Joe Sallenger did most of the ball packing. With so much hinging on the try for point, Coach Hill called for a running play instead of a kick and Russell skirted left end

for the point that tied up the contest.

The statistics showed Downey to have an edge with 310 to 237 total yards gained, and in first downs it was again Downey 14-10. Flynn and Meadows, in their great individual duel, wound up about even so it was altogether fitting and proper that these outstanding halfbacks be selected as the co-players of the year by the Helms Athletic Foundation's All-Southern California Board of Football.

To reach the finals Anaheim defeated Compton in the opening round 32-7, took the measure of San Diego Hoover 34-6, and walloped Redlands 42-20 in the semi-finals. Downey had to open with the defending champions from San Diego HS who did not want to relinquish their crown, and it was only after a hard fought game that the Vikings advanced to the second round of competition by a 35-21 score. In their next game Beverly Hills fell victim to the Downey steamroller 54-13, and they continued on their winning ways by taking Antelope Valley in a semi-final contest 46-13.

Good weather prevailed for all of this year's contests, and by and large it was probably the most successful ever conducted by the Southern Section. It is a great honor to participate in this great tournament of champions, and congratulations are in order to all of the fine teams that entered and played the game hard and clean down to the final whistle. On behalf of the boys who played in these games and the CIF Office, I would like to offer our heartiest thanks and sincere appreciation to the many high school administrators, who contributed so much of their time and energy to see that the myriad of details connected with the staging of these playoff contests was carried to such a successful conclusion.

Complete results of all playoff games follows:

First Round:

Anaheim 32, Compton 7
S. D. Hoover 21, Helix 13
Whittier 14, Montebello 0
Redlands 34, Hawthorne 14
Downey 35, San Diego HS 21
Beverly Hills 20, Redondo 0
Antelope Valley 27, Burbank 21
Mt. Carmel 19, Riverside Poly 0

Second Round:

Anaheim 34, S. D. Hoover 6
Redlands 26, Whittier 6
Downey 54, Beverly Hills 14
Antelope Valley 14, Mt. Carmel 13

Semi-Finals:

Anaheim 42, Redlands 20
Downey 46, Antelope Valley 13

Championship:

Anaheim 13, Downey 13

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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING — DECEMBER 8, 1956

The meeting was called to order by the temporary Chairman, Mr. Winston Nelson at the CIF Office, Saturday, December 8, 1956, at 9:00 A.M. Those present were Messrs. Winston Nelson, Principal of Pomona HS; Oliver Corbin, Principal of Covina HS; Ben F. Jamison, Principal of Centennial HS; Doug White, Principal of Santa Barbara HS; Keith Gunn, Principal of Victor Valley HS; Frank Williamson, Principal of Monrovia HS; and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics.

1. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of September 24, 1956 be approved as published in the October, 1956, 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: Carlsbad HS; Crawford HS—San Diego; Dominguez HS—Compton; Duarte HS; Laguna Blanca School; Lakewood HS—Long Beach; La Salle HS—Pasadena; Lennox HS; Mt. Miguel HS—Grossmont; South Whittier HS; and Tehachapi HS.

3. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Minutes of the Wrestling Coaches meeting of Saturday, November 3, 1956, be approved as submitted (as published elsewhere in this Bulletin).

4. It was moved, seconded, and carried that two wind gauges be purchased for use in Southern Section track meets.

5. It was moved, seconded, and carried that Winston Nelson, Treasurer of the Southern Section, represent the SS Council at the National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations Convention, which will be held at Miami Beach, Florida, June 26 to 29, 1957.

6. It was moved, seconded, and carried that in the future, the official Southern Section delegate to the National Federation Convention, be

selected on the basis of seniority on the Executive Committee.

7. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Executive Committee approve the recommendations of the Committee appointed to study the SS Transfer Rule as it applies to private boarding schools and recommend its adoption by the Council.

8. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Executive Secretary be authorized to transfer \$5,000.00 from the checking account into the Pomona First Federal Building and Loan Association.

9. Mr. William Murphy, Vice-Principal of Glendale HS, appeared before the committee to present the fraternity problem that exists in his school, and to request a change in the present eligibility rule that applies to the participation of secret society members in our athletic program. After much discussion it was moved, seconded, and carried that a committee be appointed to study the Fraternity Regulations of the Southern Section, and make a report to the Council at the February meeting. It was also moved, seconded, and carried that Mr. Murphy and Glendale HS, be commended for the fine manner in which they handled the problem of secret societies in Glendale HS. The following committee was appointed: Oliver Corbin, Chairman, George Burnett, and Wm. Murphy.

10. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the final report of the relegating committee for the 1957-58 school year, be approved as presented.

11. After a review of the basketball schedule of St. Augustine HS of San Diego, it was moved, seconded, and carried, that St. Augustine HS could not lose more than three of the following 12 games in order to qualify for entrance into the Central Group playoffs: Jan. 15, Helix; Jan. 18, Oceanside; Jan. 22, Grossmont; Jan. 25, La Jolla; Jan. 29, San Diego; Feb. 1, San Dieguito; Feb. 5, Grossmont; Feb. 6, Chula Vista; Feb. 12, Mar Vista; Feb. 13, San Diego; Feb. 15, Oceanside; and Feb. 19, S. D. Hoover.

12. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Commissioner of Athletics be authorized to review any additional free lance basketball schedules for determination as to the qualification for entrance into the 1957 basketball playoffs.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:06 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
KEN FAGANS, SECRETARY

OUT OF STATE SCHOOLS SEEKING 1957 FOOTBALL OPPONENTS

Mesa HS in Arizona is looking for either a home or an away game to be played during Thanksgiving week in 1957.

Yuma HS in Arizona would like to arrange for games on Nov. 1 and 22. They would like these games at home, but would be more than willing to work out a home and home arrangement with any interested schools.

Rancho HS and Las Vegas HS have a few open dates on their schedule, and any school that is interested can contact Mr. Pat Diskin, who can be reached at Admin. Bldg., Box 551, at Las Vegas.

MATER DEI PROVES OUTSTANDING IN SMALL SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Bearing marked resemblance to great Oklahoma football teams, the powerful Monarchs from Mater Dei HS, made a shambles of the Northern Group of Leagues Football playoffs by blanking South Pasadena 20-0, in the championship game played before a capacity crowd of rabid rooters in the Santa Ana Bowl, Saturday, December 8, 1956. The victors, paced by Halfback Pete Aguirre, rolled up 317 yards rushing and passing to South Pasadena's 187. Scoring early on a nine yard run by Hank Enriquez, and adding two more touchdowns and two extra points in the second and third quarters, the Monarchs maintained control all the way to annex their first CIF championship.

Competent observers who witnessed some of Mater Dei's playoff games, reported that they were an alert, well conditioned, smart ball club who took only about ten of the allotted 25 seconds to run off a play. This is indicative of a fine coaching job and much credit should go to the head man, Coach Steve Musseau, who moulded this outstanding eleven that swept to an undefeated season.

Unlike the Southern Group playoffs where the competition was about even, South Pasadena and Mater Dei dominated the Northern Group playoffs. To reach the finals, the Rio Hondo League champions from South Pasadena disposed of Carpinteria 19-0, and then travelled to China Lake where they took the measure of a fine Burroughs HS team 28-9. Mater Dei, strong Parochial League king-pins, met little opposition from Barstow or St. Monicas, who they defeated by scores of 34-0 and 39-0, respectively, to qualify for the championship encounter with South Pasadena.

Eight strong teams participated in the Northern Group of Leagues playoffs this year and the results of all games played follow:

First round:

Mater Dei 34; Barstow 0
St. Monica 33; Santa Clara 7
Burroughs (China Lake) 28; St. Francis 9
South Pasadena 19, Carpinteria 0

Second round:

Mater Dei 39; St. Monicas 0
South Pasadena 28; Burroughs 14

Championship:

Mater Dei 20; South Pasadena 0

CLAREMONT HS CAPTURES SOUTHERN GROUP FOOTBALL TITLE

Marching 99 yards to a TD in the waning moments of the game, a surprising Claremont football team scored a stunning 19 to 12 victory over a tough Brea-Olinda team, at Fullerton Jr. College stadium, Friday, November 7, 1956, to capture the CIF Southern Group football championship. With an enrollment of 500 students, Claremont, last year's runner-up in the Southern Group, is to be congratulated on this outstanding team.

Both teams were up for the contest, but Coach Len Cohn's charges who had been coming through all year with close victories were not

to be denied. Just when it appeared the game might wind up in a tie, Claremont led by their stellar halfback, Tom Hitch, put on their drive to break the apparent stalemate. Adrian Ledbetter, Brea-Olinda's great FB supplied all of the scoring for Coach Dick Tucker's team by intercepting one pass and racing 50 yds. to a TD, and then crashing off tackle for 20 yards and the other score.

Both teams were champions of their respective leagues and had overcome very stiff opposition in order to reach the final game. Claremont's first victory was over Escondido, Avocado League's champion, by the slim margin of one point, 13 to 12. Their semi-final contest was also decided by the margin of a successful conversion when they took the measure of the Riverside Co. League title holders, Coachella Valley 21 to 20. Brea-Olinda, on the other hand, breezed by Ramona 46 to 0, and then upset the defending champion Brawley 7 to 0 to earn the right to meet Claremont in the championship game.

Entries were limited to 8 teams for this year's playoffs which enabled the competition to be completed in three weeks. With 8 new leagues being organized and ready to begin operations with the 1957-58 school year, the entire football playoff setup appears due for a revision. It is anticipated that a workable plan can be devised that will retain the good features of the playoffs and yet not cause undue travel and an excessive number of games for the participants.

A summary of the Southern Group of Leagues Football Playoff results follows:

First Round:

Brawley 14; Millikan 7
Brea-Olinda 46; Ramona 0
Coachella 14; El Centro 13
Claremont 13; Escondido 12

Second Round:

Brea-Olinda 7; Brawley 0
Claremont 21; Coachella 20

Championship:

Claremont 19; Brea-Olinda 12

CIF, SOUTHERN SECTION COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 2, 1957

The next regular CIF, SS Council meeting will be held Saturday morning, February 2, 1957, at 10:00 A.M., in the covered patio at Helms Athletic Foundation Bldg., 8760 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles. The following topics are some of the items that will appear on the Agenda: (1) Proposed change in Constitution relative to the transfer rule as it applies to private boarding schools; (2) Amend the Constitution to take care of boys who have been transferred from one school to another by court order; and (3) change in the Constitution relative to the number of members and the election of such members to the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee will meet at 9:00 A.M., February 2, 1957, to review matters brought to their attention.

All school personnel are welcome at our Council meetings. It is anticipated that the meeting will be concluded by the noon hour.

MINUTES OF CIF, SOUTHERN SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

The first regular meeting of the C.I.F., SS Council for the 1956-57 school year was held on Saturday morning, December 8, 1956, in the patio of Helms Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Frank Williamson, Principal of Monrovia-Duarte HS. Official representatives from all 30 leagues were in attendance with the exception of the San Bernardino JHS League, who were without representation.

1. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Minutes of the Council Meeting of May 26, 1956, be approved as published in the June, 1956 Monthly Bulletin.

2. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Minutes of the following Executive Committee meetings be approved: June 18, 1956, as published in the September, 1956 Monthly Bulletin; and September 26, 1956, as published in the October, 1956 Monthly Bulletin.

3. 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, December 8, be approved as read. (Published elsewhere in this Bulletin.)

4. Chairman Frank O. Hopkins, of the committee appointed to study a possible change in the Constitution relative to the make-up and election of members of the Executive Committee, submitted the recommendations of his committee. The change discussed would increase membership on the Executive Committee from 5 to 7 members, and would provide that each geographical area would have representation according to the school population in that area.

Mimeographed copies of the committee's recommendations were given to each league representative, and he was instructed to present the proposed changes to his league, and be prepared to vote on the issues at the February Council meeting.

5. Mr. George Phelps, Principal of Arroyo HS, representing the committee appointed to study the present Southern Section transfer rule as it applies to private boarding schools, submitted the recommendations of his committee. 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."

League representatives were instructed to take copies of this proposed constitutional change back to their respective leagues for discussion, and be prepared to vote on the matter at the February Council meeting.

6. Mr. Phelps brought to the attention of the council that at the present time there was nothing in the Blue Book pertaining to the eligibility of a boy who had been transferred from one school to another by court order. It was pointed out that it had always been interpreted that a court order placing a boy in a new school made the boy immediately eligible, but it was the opinion

of many that such a rule should be incorporated in our SS regulations. The proposal was that an additional paragraph (5), be added to Section VIII, under "Residence Requirements" to take care of the eligibility of boys under court order, as follows:

"That rules of residence be waived for eligibility when a boy's transfer from one school to another is by court order."

This matter was also referred back to the leagues for study, with a vote on the proposed change to be taken at the February Council meeting.

7. A proposal by the Executive Committee to revise Article III, Section 2, page 5, of the Blue Book, was presented to the Council for consideration. This change would simply specify that league representatives should be elected for the succeeding year at the final league meeting of a school year, instead of waiting until the first meeting in the Fall. It was moved, seconded, and carried unanimously that the first sentence of Article III, Section 2, page 5, of the Blue Book be changed to read as follows:

"Not later than the final league meeting of each school year, each established league shall elect to the Council for the succeeding year, a faculty representative (other than a coach)."

8. In the absence of Mr. B. L. Bergstrom, Chairman of the Releaguings Committee, Mr. Frank O. Hopkins presented the recommendations of the Releaguings Committee for the 1956-57 school year. (The complete releaguings plan for 1957-58 has been sent to each school, as of November 29, 1956.) Mr. Stevens, representing the Tri-State League, informed the Council that his league was being disbanded at the end of the current school year. Eight new leagues have been organized, so with the loss of the Tri-State League, our SS for 1957-58 will comprise 37 leagues. At the present time we have 30 leagues in operation so this will mean an addition of seven leagues.

Mr. Clarence Schutte, Athletic Director at Santa Barbara HS, addressed the members of the council concerning the recommendation that Santa Barbara HS be placed in the Ventura League for the coming year. Mr. Schutte stressed the fact that his school was very happy operating on a free lance status, and that they definitely opposed placement of Santa Barbara HS in a league.

There being no further discussion on the issue, it was moved, seconded, and carried that the recommendations of the releaguings committee be approved for the 1957-58 school year.

9. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the members of the Releaguings Committee be thanked for the outstanding job they performed in solving all of the varied and vexing problems connected with releaguings.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M. The next Council meeting will be held Saturday, February 2, 1957, at Helms Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
KEN FAGANS
Commissioner of Athletics