BAY, COAST, AND FOOTHILL LEAGUES MEET TO DISCUSS RELEAGUING FOR 1938-1939

Following the C.I.F. meeting at the Principal’s Convention on April 11, representatives of the three big leagues named above met in Room 135, Science Building, Hollywood High School, to discuss recommendations regarding releaguing as directed by the Council at its April 2 meeting.

Mr. Hayhurst of the Council, called the meeting to order and asked for the election of a chairman for the day. Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Waller that Mr. Hayhurst be asked to preside. Motion carried.

Mr. Hayhurst asked Mr. Van Patten to take notes on the action of the meeting and report to the Council.

A general discussion took place regarding the necessity of the rearrangement of the schools making up the three big leagues. The problems of transportation and the changed enrollment in the schools concerned makes the problem difficult of solution. It seemed the general opinion that more time was needed to study the questions involved than is available before the next Council meeting, May 21.

Moved by Mr. Mead, Principal Muir Tech High School, seconded by Mr. Waller of Redondo High School, that the Meeting recommend to the Council (1) that the three leagues (Bay, Coast and Foothill) remain unchanged for the year 1938-39, (2) that the Council select a committee at its May meeting to begin at once a study of releaguing for 1939-40 among the larger schools of the C.I.F., Southern Section, (3) that the Constitution of the C.I.F., Southern Section be amended providing that releaguing be completed at the February meeting of the Council rather than at the May meeting. Carried unanimously.

Present when the vote was taken were:
Bay League—Mr. Green, Principal Inglewood; Mr. Waller, Redondo; Mr. Ayers, Vice-Principal Beverly Hills.
Coast League—Mr. Taylor, Vice Principal San Diego; Mr. Werre, Principal Alhambra; Mr. Peniwell, Vice-Principal Long Beach; Mr. Moore, Principal Woodrow Wilson.
Foothill League—Mr. Hayhurst, Principal

Herbert Hoover; Mr. Alman, Principal South Pasadena; Mr. Mead, Principal Muir Tech.

RIVERSIDE LEAGUE PRINCIPALS MEET

On Tuesday, April 12, Principals of the Riverside League, together with Mr. Alman, Mr. Moore and Mr. Van Patten, met at lunch at the Hollywood Athletic Club. Every Principal in the League except for the Elsinore Naval and Military Academy was present.

The problems of the League were discussed at length. It was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Council (1) that Coachella be made a passive member of the League, (2) that the League guarantee to give Coachella at least five games of football and five games of basketball each season and that these games be arranged so that Coachella have two home games in one sport and three in the other each year.

It seemed to be the opinion of practically all the Principals of the League that the interests of all schools would be best served by lessening the emphasis on championship and play-offs between the leagues.

LEAGUE CHANGES

A letter has been received at the C.I.F. Office indicating that the Oceanside High School prefers to remain in the Metropolitan League. Another letter from the Orange League says its members do not wish additional schools for next year. These decisions together with the ones arrived at during the Principal’s Convention and discussed in the above paragraphs indicate that our league set-up for 1938-39 is to be changed hardly at all from what it is this year.

EARLY FOOTBALL GAMES IN THE IMPERIAL LEAGUE

Schools in the Imperial League do not open for next year until September 19. The new football regulation forbidding interschool scrimmage or games before the third week of the season, the Valley schools feel will handicap them in getting their teams ready for league games by October 15. The League Representatives will ask, at the May Meeting of the Council, for some modification of the rule to apply to the Valley schools.
COACH SID FOSTER ON HURDLE CHANGES

The question facing all Secondary and C.I.F. schools as to whether or not to lower the high hurdle from forty-two inches to thirty-nine inches is one which should demand serious consideration by all coaches and administrators. The Los Angeles City Schools made such a move two years ago and to most of the men who understand hurdling and hurdlng types, it seems to have been a grave mistake. What are the points to consider regarding this question?

Track is made up of events requiring a variety of physical and mental types. It is said that track has a place for every type of boy. The hurdle has been in the past, fulfilling a very important place in presenting a chance for many boys to participate who otherwise would not have had a chance. A boy with supple limbs, but possessing not a great deal of speed, spring or real strength, has been able to find a place in athletics through the hurdles. Many boys have become fine hurdlers under such conditions who would never have had the chance otherwise. There is usually a sufficient number of such boys in each school. Naturally, a greater perfection of form is required in the higher hurdle which necessitates better coordination, and also eliminates the sprinting type of boy from this event.

In cases where hurdles have been lowered, the emphasis has been on the fast boy sprinter who had enough suppleness to run over the low hurdle, but who would not do well if they were three inches higher.

The results of last year’s State meet bears out this contention very well. The Los Angeles schools which ordinarily have top-notch hurdlers and have always placed several men high in Southern California and State meets failed to make much of an impression. Several good hurdlers existed in the Los Angeles schools when considering the low hurdle, but they were the sprinter type and could not gracefully clear the higher hurdle.

All coaches should consider these three things when deciding on any hurdle alteration. First, hurdles should be of interest to a distinctive type of boy. Second, there is need to change because of danger to boys. Every school has boys who would make hurdlers with proper coaching. Third, boys going on to college competition will be greatly hampered if hurdles are lowered due to their own physical short comings or lack of coaching because they were not quite fast enough to make the high school hurdle team.

Sid F. Foster,
Head of Physical Education Dept.,
Manual Arts High School.
INVITATIONAL GYMNASTICS MEET

The C.I.F. Office has granted a sanction to the Beverly Hills High School to hold an Invitational Gymnastics Meet on May 20, 1938.

Below are given facts regarding the meet, received from Mr. Sax Elliot of Beverly Hills High School, who will manage the activity.

It is hoped that a large number of boys will enter this first Gymnastics Meet under the sanction of the C.I.F., Southern Section.

Place—Beverly Hills High School, Gymnasium.
Time—Friday, May 20, at 7:45 P. M.
Awards—Medals for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and ribbons for 4th and 5th.

Events—
1. Rope Climb—25 ft. starting from sitting position on floor without the use of legs or feet.
2. Free Exercise—Any free movement exercise limited to two minutes in duration.
3. Indian Clubs—Swinging exercise limited to 2 minutes duration; any weight clubs over 1 lb. acceptable.
4. Horizontal Bar—One optional exercise.
5. Parallel Bars—One optional exercise.
6. Side Horse—One optional exercise.
7. Rings—Choice of swinging or still exercise.
8. Long Horse—Limited to 3 vaults.
9. Tumbling—One exercise with as many trips up and down the mat as the competitor desires.

Rules and Regulations—
High point man will be designated as all-around champion.

The competition will be conducted by a Head Judge and a jury of three judges for each event.

Judging of exercises will be on the basis of form, difficulty, and execution. Approach and retreat will be taken into consideration.

An exercise consists of a combination of stunts.

The meet will be governed by S.P.A.A.U. Rules except for the variations indicated above.

No school may enter more than three boys in any event.

The entry fee will be 25c per boy—Make checks payable to the Beverly Hills High School.

Events shall be scored 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th places, respectively.

Entries will close Tuesday, May 17, at the Beverly Hills High School.

Send entries to Mr. Sax Elliot, Beverly Hills High School.

THE RUSSEL CUP MEET AT CARPINTERIA

The Ruscel Cup Meet on April 23 attracted a total of 705 boy athletes. There were 35 schools represented, from Escondido on the south to Paso Robles on the north. This was probably the largest invitational meet ever held in California.

The schools were divided into two groups for competition, those of 1000 and over and those of less than 1000. In Class A, Montebello won in the former group and Covina in the latter group.

Some very fine performances were recorded during the day. In the group of larger schools the high jump was won at 6 feet, 4 inches.

Mr. Fred Greenough, who managed the meet, did a fine job of organizing. Everybody cooperated fully with the management and the officials and the meet moved smoothly all day.

Mr. Frank Wyckoff, of Olympic fame, did a fine job of starting.

There were many trial heats and many final races owing to the large number of entries. Though the time in the races was short the day was long. Preliminaries started at 9:30 A. M., and the meet was not over until 6:00 P. M.

If these early meets are used as a basis of prophecy for what may occur at the "Big Meet" in the Coliseum on May 21, we are certain to see at that time some of the best competition ever put on by high school boys.

TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

The Class C Tennis Championship was played on the Montebello Courts on April 2 and 9.

The singles was won by Francis Uyematsu of Montebello. The runner-up was John Lehner of Anaheim. Art Grayhill and Bob McCay of Alhambra won the doubles with G. Le Duc and J. Helling of Anaheim runners-up.

The Dudley Cup Tournament was held at Santa Monica April 13 - 16. The entry list was larger than ever before. Only singles are played in the high school part of this tournament. Ted Oates of Santa Monica High School won the tournament with Nolan McQuown of Franklin High School as runner-up. Jack Kramer of Montebello High School who won last year, withdrew from the Dudley Cup Tournament in order to play in the Beverly Hills Municipal Tournament which was going on at the same time.

WRESTLING AND GYMNASTICS MEETS ENTRY BLANKS

Entry blanks for the Wrestling Championships at Inglewood on May 14 and to the Gymnastics Meet at Beverly Hills on May 21 are enclosed with this Bulletin. They should be given to the Coaches concerned.
THE POMONA BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

The Sixth Annual Invitational Baseball Tournament sponsored by the Pomona High School and managed by the Pomona 20-30 Club, was held in Pomona and vicinity Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 14-16.

The 1933 tournament, the first of the series, was a success and each year the tournament has gotten bigger and better. The one just held was the biggest and best of the Pomona Tournaments. We think there is little question that it was the biggest and best baseball tournament ever held.

Forty-eight teams were entered. They came from San Diego on the south to Bakersfield, Taft and San Luis Obispo on the north. In no other activity of the C.I.F. schools, except our Annual Track and Field Meet, do so many schools take part or so many boys compete. The set up for the tournament had been carefully worked out. Everything moved with clock-like precision. The fields were in fine shape. The officiating was excellent. Even the weather man was on his best behavior. These things all helped to make the affair the great success that it was.

Long Beach Poly. High School won the Championship round and Compton High School won the Consolation round. Both teams played fine ball and deserved to win.

In February, 1933, when a rumor reached the C. I. F. Office that a group of youg fellows in Pomona were planning to put on a baseball tournament we asked the Executive Committee what attitude was to be assumed toward the proposal. The Executive Committee made up at that time of Mr. H. J. Moore, Mrs. E. W. Oliver and Mr. Kinter Hamileon, were unanimous in the opinion that the project was not feasible and we were directed not to grant a sanction for the tournament.

Mr. Patrick Dennis Ahearn of the 20-30 Club, who claimed that the tournament idea was his brain child, visited the C.I.F. Office and plead for an opportunity to place the matter before the Executive Committee. He was directed to appear at the next Executive Committee meeting. He brought with him Mr. Howard Reylords and Mr. Adolph Soloman.

The three young men were good salesmen and a sanction was granted for the first tournament providing the Pomona High School would sponsor the activity and accept responsibility for its proper management. The Executive Committee was unconvinced that Mr. Ahearns had not had a brain storm instead of a brain child, but as baseball in Southern California high schools seemed about "on its last legs" it was reasoned that no particular harm could come to the C.I.F. if the tournament was a flop.

The banquet for the boys and coaches the evening of the first day of the tournament has always been a headliner. In 1934 the immortal Will Rogers gave the boys a full hour of the best fun and entertainment any crowd of boys ever had. For the past three years Joe E. Brown and Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz have furnished a major part of the entertainment at the banquet. The banquet was held the first two years in the men's dining hall at Pomona College. It out-grew this room and was moved to the Pomona Women's Club. This year it had to be moved to larger quarters and was taken to the dining room at the Los Angeles County Fair Ground. Thursday evening, April 12, nearly 700 men and boys enjoyed a fine meal together. Sheriff Biscailuz, Joe E. Brown and others put on an hour of fun and entertainment that will be long remembered by everyone who was present.

Friday morning, April 15, the General Mills, Inc., makers of the breakfast food "Wheaties", furnished breakfast for all the boys at the grandstand on the Pomona High School ground. They also gave a case of "Wheaties" to each boy who got a home run during the tournament.

The Helms Athletic Foundation, the Los Angeles and the Hollywood teams from the Pacific Coast Baseball League, each contributed this year to the fund for paying the umpires. The officiating was good throughout. In the final game three Los Angeles City schoolmen, Jim Bradford, John Muir Jr. High; Tony Galindo, Roosevelt High, and Ray Smith, Jordan High, officiated. The work was done in "big league" style.

The tournament has been a life saver for high school baseball in Southern California. It may never become world famous like the New Year's game in the Rose Bowl, but it will doubtless for a long time be like the Rose Bowl game the greatest athletic event in its class.

**Box score of the final game**

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