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COUNCIL MEETING MAY 18

The Annual meeting of the Council will be held Saturday, May 18, at 9:30 A. M., in the Grill Room on the lower floor of the Student Union Building at U. S. C.

A luncheon will be served for the Council members and for track officials who handle Class B and Class C field events at the Coliseum that morning.

The meetings of the Council are always open to school men interested in the work of the C.I.F.

Election of officers for 1940-41, committee reports, and approval of rules for reprinting, are important items of business for the meeting.

ENCLOSURES

The questionnaire from the C. I. F. Athletic Protection Fund should be filled out and sent at once to the C. I. F. Office.

The report of the work of the C.I.F. Athletic Protection Fund is most gratifying.

Minutes of the meeting of the Federated Council of the C.I.F. held at Long Beach on March 19 are enclosed.

Entry blanks for the Gymnastic Meet at Beverly Hills on May 23 and the Badminton Tournament at Anaheim on May 25 should be given to the Head of the Physical Education Department.

DIVISIONAL TRACK MEETS

The five Divisional Meets on May 11 will be held at the following fields with the league entries distributed as indicated:

At Carpinteria

Inyo League
San Luis Obispo League
Ventura Major League
Ventura Minor League
Santa Barbara High School and Ventura Jr. High School—Free Lance

At Inglewood

Bay League
Foothill League
Preparatory League

At Huntington Beach

Orange League
San Gabriel League
Sunset League
Long Beach Poly High School from Coast League

At Pomona College

Citrus Belt League
Desert League
East Riverside League
Pomona Valley League
Riverside League
Tri-County League

At San Diego State College

Imperial League
Metropolitan League
Southern League
Hoover (SD) and San Diego from the Coast League.

Free-lance schools not assigned above must arrange for competition through the C. I. F. Office.

Each league may enter not over three boys in any event. Coaches and League Representatives are urged not to enter boys unless they feel that the boys who are eligible have at least a fair chance of getting to the Final Meet.

All entries for the Divisional Meets **MUST** reach the C. I. F. Office by Monday, May 6th.

The entry fee of 25c per boy should accompany the entry cards if possible.

FINE TRACK SQUADS

At the Huntington Beach Invitational Meet on March 16, Compton and Covina had the outstanding teams. At Carpinteria on April 6, Compton won the A Section Meet, and Covina the B Section. On April 12, Compton won the Bay League Relays and on April 16, the Brea-Olinda Relays. On April 13, Covina won the open division of the Chaffey Invitational Meet.

Each school has several star men as well as good full team strength.

The Woodrow Wilson High School has been winning its dual meets in the Foothill League by big scores which would seem to indicate that there will be three strong contenders for the C. I. F., Southern Section, Championship on May 18.

DIVISIONAL MEET AT POMONA COLLEGE FIELD

The Eastern Divisional Meet on May 11 has been changed from Riverside High School to the Pomona College Field.

The coaches who have believed that the track and runways at the Riverside High School were faster than other high school fields will now be able to forget their worries along that line.

CALIFORNIA INTERSCHOLASTIC FEDERATION, SOUTHERN SECTION

SOUTH PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL
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Executive Committee

Ernest W. Fischer, Principal Chaffey High School,
President.

John E. Alman, Principal South Pasadena High
School.

Ralph Burnight, Principal Excelsior High School.

Kinter Hamilton, Principal, Harvard High School.

S. Chester McIntosh, Principal Puente High
School.

B. L. Bergstrom, Principal El Monte High School,
President of the Council.

Seth F. Van Patten, Commissioner of Athletics.

PUSHING RELAY RUNNERS, ILLEGAL

Rule 3, page 33 of the 1939 N. C. A. A. rules says—"The incoming runner shall not assist a team mate by giving him a push."

Coaches should caution their boys about this rule. Inspectors will be directed to watch carefully for this infraction of the rule in the passing zone in the relay races at the Divisional and Final Track Meets.

SWIMMING FINALS

The Finals in swimming were awarded by the Council to the Beverly Hills High School to be held in its new pool on May 17 and 18.

Owing to engineering problems in completing its pool, the Beverly Hills High School notified the C. I. F. Office that its pool would not be ready for use by May 17.

The Executive Committee has directed that the swimming finals be held at the Compton Jr. College pool on May 17 and 18. The championship meet was held at Compton last year. The set-up at Compton is very good for a final meet.

BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

The Second Annual Badminton Championship will be held at the Anaheim High School on Saturday, May 25. The tournament will be in charge of Mr. Dick Ryan of the Anaheim High School.

BASEBALL PLAY-OFFS

In the baseball play-off the same grouping of leagues will be followed that was used in the football and basketball play-offs. All league

winners MUST be ready for play-off games by Saturday, May 18. Where league winners are ready before May 18, play-off matches will be started earlier than that date. The Bay League finished its schedule on April 26, with Leuzinger the winner.

OUT OF STATE ORGANIZATIONS

An organization with headquarters in Fairfield, Connecticut, and known as The National Athletic Scholarship Society, is soliciting memberships among the high schools of Southern California.

Until any organization working along high school athletic lines has been investigated and approved by our State Council, we advise our member schools to be sure a "racket" of some sort is not involved.

INTER-LEAGUE COMMITTEE REPORT

At the Council meeting on February 3, 1940 a motion was passed directing the Chairman to appoint a committee to study further and report to the Council at its May meeting on the inter-league relations between the schools of the Coast League and the schools of the Bay and Foothill Leagues.

The Committee appointed was Mr. Ralph Burnight, Chairman, and Mr. Kinter Hamilton, with a member from each, the Bay, Coast, and Foothill Leagues.

The Committees has had three meetings and will submit to the Council on May 18 the recommendations given below.

On April 10 the Committee met at the Town House in Long Beach with all members present together with Mr. Floyd Mischler of Santa Monica High School, Secretary of the Bay League, and Mr. Van Patten.

A general discussion of all the problems involved was first taken up. It seemed to be agreed that so far as the two San Diego schools in the Coast League are concerned, it is wholly a question of geography and transportation. As to Long Beach High School, the problem seemed to be the size of the school together with the record as a winner in many lines of competition. Because of these conditions, neither the Bay nor the Foothill League was willing to consider Long Beach as a member.

After a two and one half hour session the Committee had agreed on no recommendations and Mr. Chapman invited the group to meet with the Foothill League at the Mark Keppel High School on April 18.

On April 17 Mr. Burnight and Mr. Hamilton held a conference with Superintendent Ober-

holzer and Supervisor of Physical Education, Walter Scott of the Long Beach City Schools. These gentlemen promised the Committee members the fullest cooperation possible of the Long Beach schools in the work of solving the problems involved.

At the meeting with the Foothill League the general discussion of the important features of the problem was continued. Mr. Van Patten emphasized the necessity of reaching an agreement that could remain in force for a period of at least three years. He offered a modified Big Fourteen plan to cover a three year period. No recommendations were agreed upon and it was decided that the Committee should meet with the Bay League at Inglewood on April 22.

A lengthy discussion by the Committee, together with the Bay League men, seemed to make it clear that a new alignment of schools in the Bay, Foothill, Coast, and some other leagues was necessary in order to stabilize the several leagues concerned.

The Woodrow Wilson High School sent in a plea for stability, calling attention to the fact that in three years it had been in the Coast, Bay and Foothill Leagues.

Following the general meeting with the Bay League men, Mr. Burnight's Committee had an executive session and agreed upon the two following recommendations to submit to the Council on May 18:

(1) Moved by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Chapman, that the changes in league arrangement indicated below be recommended for approval by the Council for the year 1940-41. Carried unanimously.

Bay League

Beverly Hills Inglewood Leuzinger
Redondo Santa Monica

Foothill League

Alhambra Burbank Glendale
Hoover (G) Keppel

New League—Name to be selected

Compton Jordan Long Beach Poly
Whittier Woodrow Wilson

(2) Moved by Mr. Chapman, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, that the present gentlemen's agreement with the Hoover (SD) High School and the San Diego High School relative to football games remain in effect for the school year 1940-41. Carried unanimously.

The new league, if approved by the Council, will create a very compact geographical unit.

Burbank as a member of the the Foothill League will have its transportation problem very much simplified.

The problem of the two large schools in San Diego is still an open question.

When the above action was agreed upon, the Committee consisted of Mr. Burnight, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Waller of the Bay League, Mr. Bell of the Coast League and Mr. Chapman of the Foothill League.

TEAM TENNIS PLAY-OFFS

The semifinals and finals of the team tennis play-off are set for May 24 and 25 at the Santa Ana High School courts. Beverly Hills, Santa Barbara and Ventura had teams qualified for the play-off by April 26.

In the team tennis play-off all league winners are kept together in one group.

SINGLES GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

The singles championship in golf for schools of the C. I. F., Southern Section, will be played at the Montebello Park Golf Club beginning June 3.

Entry blanks will be sent out toward the end of May.

GYMNASTIC MEET AT BEVERLY HILLS — MAY 23

The annual gymnastic championship has been set for Thursday, May 23, 7:30 P. M., at the Beverly Hills High School Gymnasium. Entry blanks for this event are enclosed with this Bulletin. Mr. Sax Elliot of the Beverly Hills High School will be in charge of the Meet.

NEW C. I. F MEMBER

The Charles W. Eliot Jr. High School of Pasadena, through its Principal, Mr. J. G. Griffith, on April 11, 1940, applied for admission to the C.I.F., Southern Section. The application was approved by the Executive Committee. The Eliot school has grades 7 to 10 inclusive. The 9th and 10th grades will be eligible for C.I.F. competition.

Don't make excuses—Make good!

OFFICIATING DIVISIONAL MEETS

Officiating in our Divisional Meets on May 11 is of outstanding importance. In recognition of ability and careful training, we attempt to pick the eight best boys in Southern California in each event and bring them together at the Los Angeles Coliseum on May 18 to select our champions for the year.

The final step in the process of selecting the eight boys to compete in each event is taken at our Divisional Meets on May 11. These five meets held on five different fields and officiated by five different sets of judges, timers, inspectors, etc., are subject to variations which cannot be eliminated.

To cut down these variations to the smallest extent possible officials at these five Divisional Meets are asked to read carefully the following suggestions and directions and follow them as closely as possible.

FIELD EVENTS

High Jump and Pole Vault

(1) Record carefully the starting height and each succeeding height as the event proceeds. When a competitor clears the bar put a check in the proper place after his name. When he misses put a zero after his name. When the event is finished measure with steel tape, if one is available, the exact height of the winning attempt, and record this on the card.

Important—In the pole vault and high jump every competitor must continue until he has missed three times the last height that he tries. The eight best marks made May 11 will determine the eight boys to compete May 18 at the Coliseum. It is possible for all eight boys to come from the same Divisional Meet.

Broad Jump, Hop-Step & Jump, and the Shot Put

Use a steel tape if one is available. Record fractions of an inch to the smallest fraction possible.

N.C.A.A. rules are printed on the back of the Event Cards in field events.

As each competitor in field events performs by himself it should be the practice to adhere definitely to the letter of the rule.

TRACK EVENTS

In track events if a boy deviates from the strict letter of the rule he should not be disqualified by the Referee unless it is shown that his deviation from the rule has (a) helped him, or (b) has hindered some other competitor. For example—a boy stepping out of his lane, to the right, in rounding a curve can gain no advantage to himself and unless he interferes with someone else should not be disqualified. In races run in lanes a boy must finish in his proper lane, to avoid confusion among the judges.

Timing

Importance—There are two outstanding reasons why accuracy of timing at our five divisional meets is important. Records made are accepted as new C.I.F., Southern Section records. Beyond the first place boy in each Divisional Meet others to compete in the Finals are picked on times made.

Difficulties—In timing an ordinary race a timer watches the tape and snaps his watch when the winner breaks the tape. At our Divisional Meets the timers must in addition to operating his watch take definite note of the boy he timed, and he must also get the boy's name, school and number. The timers who time 2nd, 3rd, or 4th must work without the aid of the finish tape depending on the finish line on the ground only and must do a judge of finish work in noting the place of the boy timed.

Cautions Suggested—Watch the starter. Pay no attention to the runners. Start the watch when the smoke of the gun is seen. Watch the tape or finish line as the race ends and snap the watch as the runner finishes. Watching the race often leads to anticipating the finish and the time shown will be too fast.

Special Rules

Eight timers will be provided, if possible, for each Divisional Meet. This will allow for two timers on each of four places. In order that the procedure at each of the five Divisional Meets may be as uniform as possible head timers are asked to follow the directions given below.

1. When two timers do not agree record the median time.
2. When two timers differ only one tenth of a second record the slower time.
3. When runners finish less than a yard apart it may be necessary to record the same time for both but the place of each in the race should be recorded. We want no ties if possible.
4. Observe as closely as possible the distance between runners. This may aid when watches seemingly disagree.
5. In all cases of seeming disagreement the head timer's decision is final.

Relay Races

The relay races at the Coliseum on May 18 will be run in lanes for the first 440 yards. At the Divisional Meet this order will be followed if possible.

Hurdles

If the hurdles are legal (require an eight pound pull to overturn) there are no restrictions as to the number that may be overturned. If hurdles are not legal (and most high school hurdles are not) in races of 70 yards or less two hurdles overturned disqualifies the competitor. In races of over 70 yards three hurdles overturned disqualifies.