

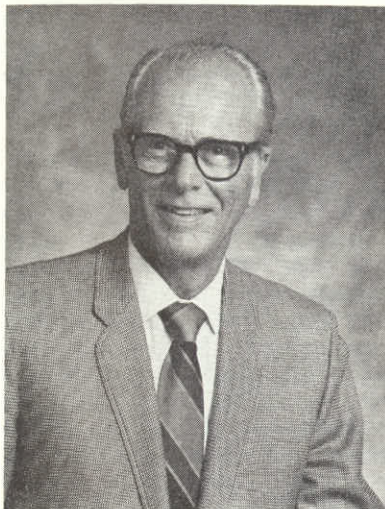
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## ROGER WEEKS ELECTED TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



### RETURNS AFTER EIGHT YEARS

Roger Weeks, Principal of Sierra High School in Whittier for the last ten years, and presently Representative for the Whitmont League to the CIF-SS Council, was elected last May to membership on the Executive Committee. He is one of four men elected at large from the Los Angeles County area and will be serving his second term on the committee. During the 1965-66 school year, Roger presided over Council and Executive Committee meetings as President.

Recognized by his peers as an educator and administrator with a deep and abiding faith in the value and importance of interscholastic athletics, Weeks has been elected on several prior occasions to represent schools in the area of athletics. He has served as President of the Suburban, San Gabriel Valley and Whitmont Leagues for a total of five terms.

After graduation from the University of Redlands and graduate work at USC, Roger began his professional career as an instructor at Bacone Junior College in Oklahoma. It was there in Bacone that he received his early education as a young boy in a local Indian school. From this experience developed a life-long interest in the American Indian; hopefully he plans someday to compile a collection of true stories of individual achievement that will promote a positive image of our first Americans.

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## RESIDENCE RULE — A PHILOSOPHICAL FOUNDATION

(This is the first in a series of presentations designed to explain the purpose and rationale of CIF-SS rules. It is the intent that such information will bring greater understanding to school administrators and athletic staffs and assist them in their efforts to develop quality interscholastic programs within guidelines structured by the CIF-SS Council—the legislative body representing all member schools.)

Where would we be without the residence rule? How would such an omission affect the interscholastic athletic programs in our high schools? How would the superior athlete be affected?

The residence rule, reduced to its simplest form, stipulates that after a student first enrolls in high school, he will become ineligible if he transfers to another school without a change of residence on the part of his parents necessitating a change of schools.

It could be safely stated that the absence of such a restriction would contribute directly to a general deterioration of our athletic program. Inequities would be created and/or expanded. Athletes could change schools at their whim. Recruitment of high school athletes could consume more time than coaching. The better athletes could matriculate at the more affluent schools, resulting in an increasing imbalance of scholastic athletic powers in the Southern Section. And most importantly, the positive values to be found in the dedication and effort of athletics would be buried in the pursuit of winning and glorification.

Since it was originally presented, the basic residence rule has undergone many changes to accommodate students with special problems. However, the underlying supposition that the transfers to other schools are not primarily for reasons of athletics remains constant. Such addendums to the rule include provisions relating to boarding schools, changing of attendance boundary lines, court actions, change of legal guardianship, foreign student programs marriage of students, movement of parents, enrollment in continuation school, return from military service, and penalties for violations.

A relatively recent change is the provision for a transfer from a private to a public school or from a public to a private school. This type of transfer and its special athletic permit ("Form 99") is discussed in another part of this month's "Bulletin."

As with other rules formulated in the CIF-SS by the Council, the residence rule is applied to all students without regard to type of sport, individual ability level, or league classification. In fairness to all, the bench warmer on the freshman water polo squad must abide by the same restrictions that the All-CIF Quarterback does. A waiver of a rule for one would open the door to all, and the basic structure of our self-governing procedures would be jeopardized. Fair and equitable treatment is a basic premise that should never be compromised.

It has been the philosophy of the Southern Section that the needs of students in high school are best served (except in unusual circumstances) when those students live at home with their parents. It has also been the belief that athletic competition within leagues based upon comparable ability levels is an admirable goal for which to strive. The basic residence rule was instituted to build and cement these philosophical foundations. Because of it and its many present provisions, students are prevented from changing schools for purely athletic reasons. At the same time, those students who have legitimate reasons for a transfer of schools are permitted to do so without an athletic eligibility penalty.

(Selected questions and answers on the residence rule are found in this month's "Q and A Box.")



**"THE CHALLENGE OF A RULE"**

Evidence of the tremendous growth of the Southern Section is all around us. But nowhere is it more manifest than in the increasing number of applications we receive for waiver of an eligibility rule. In order to handle the extensive work load thus created, the Executive Committee formed a sub-committee (Eligibility Committee) last year to deal exclusively with matters of eligibility on a more frequent basis.

Since the beginning of school last September this newly created Eligibility Committee has met for at least two hours on seven different occasions. It has processed, heard, evaluated, and decided upon a total of 91 individual cases. Many of these appeals need not ever have been placed on the agenda. There were no extenuating circumstances that would justify a waiver or even an appeal. However, every one of the cases was given a fair and impartial hearing by members of the Eligibility Committee. These men are full-time school administrators and are not salaried for this voluntary responsibility; their dedication and personal commitment is substantial.

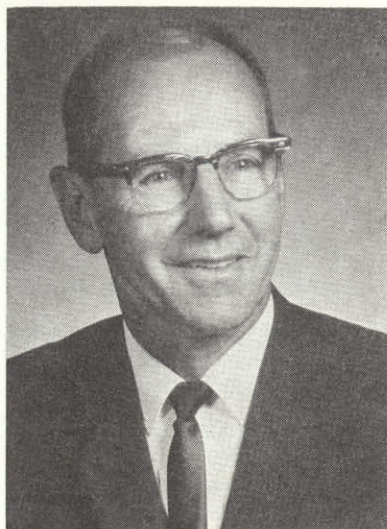
Some of the rules for which waivers were asked are inflexible. Never in the 60 year history of the Southern Section, for example, has there ever been a waiver of either the maximum age rule or the eight-semester rule. Yet, we still receive such appeals on a regular basis. Legally, there must be an appeal procedure for all rules—even the inflexible ones. And so, a considerable amount of inefficiency is inevitably programmed into the operation of the Executive Committee and its sub-committee.

It is important to secure the full eligibility rights for every individual, but we must recognize the even greater obligation to our 448 member schools for an efficient functioning of the total interscholastic athletic program.

While the challenge of a rule because of extenuating circumstances is appropriate, challenge for challenge's sake is not. Whether such appeal is made deliberately or in ignorance, it results in a great expense of valuable time and effort—an expenditure we can ill afford.

**500 YD. EVENT REPLACES 400 YD. IN SWIMMING**

All athletic directors and swimming coaches are advised that the 400 yard free-style swimming events in CIF-SS varsity and junior varsity competition have been increased to 500 yards beginning with the 1974 swimming season. This has been done in order to bring Southern Section swimming in line with the change in the National Federation rules.

**CIF-SS MOVES AHEAD****Provides Position on Executive Committee for Athletic Director****VAN HOOREBEKE NAMED**

Claire Van Hoorebeke, long the chief architect of the winning tradition at Anaheim High School, began a new tradition last September 20 when he was elected by the CIF-SS Council to become the first Athletic Director to serve on the Executive Committee.

In its continuing effort to be at the forefront of trends in athletic administration, the CIF-SS has once again broadened the channels of communication for its member schools. Now, with Van Hoorebeke acting as a liaison, coaches and athletic directors have a direct voice in the deliberations of the Executive Committee. Previously, the Southern Section had demonstrated progressive leadership by providing a position on the Executive Committee for a representative from the superintendent ranks.

Although it is believed that such representation will develop throughout the state eventually, including membership on the State Federated Council, the Southern Section Executive Committee is the only administrative body presently operating with representation from coaches and athletic directors, principals, and superintendents.

"Van," as Claire Ashton Van Hoorebeke is known to his countless friends, stepped down from his head football coach position last spring after 23 years in the harness at Anaheim and after compiling one of most remarkable varsity football coaching records in 4-A competition in the history of the section.

Coach Van Hoorebeke's varsity football teams posted an impressive .785 percentage for regular season play

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**"FORM 99"—IN KEEPING WITH CIF-SS PHILOSOPHY**

Prior to 1968, any student in the CIF-SS would automatically be ineligible to compete in athletics if he transferred from a public to a private school (or from private to public) without a change of residence on the part of his parents necessitating a change of schools. This rule was in keeping with the traditional philosophy of the member schools in the Southern Section that the transfer of students to schools on the basis of athletic opportunities should be discouraged.

Unfortunately, as with all restrictive rules, some students were thus restricted even though their action was not motivated by the intent covered in the rule. Many students, due to economics, were forced to return to public school after a period of time at private schools. If they had participated in interscholastic athletics at the private school, they were ineligible under the transfer rule for one full year. Without such athletic participation at the previous school, an ineligible period of 20 school weeks would have been assessed.

In order to provide an athletic outlet for students obligated to transfer to public schools, Commissioner J. Kenneth Fagans proposed a special permit adopted by the Council in 1968. "Form 99," as it was labeled, would permit immediate participation in interscholastic athletics by the student at his new school if the following conditions were met:

1. The competition would be other than varsity level.
2. The principals of both schools approved the transfer.
3. The student had not been expelled from one of the schools.
4. The student's residence was included in both the public and private school's attendance areas.

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**FEMININE STATE TRACK MEET ANOTHER FIRST FOR GIRLS**

In conjunction with the California High School State Track Meet for boys to be held next June 1, in Bakersfield, the first state wide interscholastic athletic championship for girls will be staged. The 1974 State Girls' Track Meet will be integrated with that of the boys.

A special State Girls' Track Committee, including Karen Young of Bakersfield HS and Phyllis Blatz of Chaffey HS, will determine the list and order of events together with the number of entries permitted for each section.

Schools who have potential entrants are advised that in order to be eligible, all girls and their schools must follow CIF rules. Refer to the State CIF Constitution and By-Laws.

**VOLLEYBALL AND TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS COMING UP**

The first CIF-SS championships for 1973-74 will be for girls' volleyball and tennis. November 10 and 17 will be the dates for Volleyball Prelims at Westminster HS and Finals at Marina HS. Tennis Prelims and Finals will be held on December 8 and 15 at sites to be determined.

All schools will be sent tournament applications that will be evaluated by the Selection Committee upon receipt at the CIF-SS Office.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Nov. 10 — Volleyball Prelims at Westminster HS

Nov. 17 — Volleyball Finals at Marina HS

Dec. 1 — Southern District CAHPER Conference at San Diego State University (GWS session will include discussion on girls' athletics — Alex Alexander, Assistant Superintendent Desert Sands USD, and Dr. Arleigh McConnell, Principal of Buena HS will be panel members.)

Dec. 6-8 — National Basketball Coaches Clinic at Sheraton Hotel-L.A. Airport (Outstanding women coaches will be making presentations.)

Dec. 29 — Four Western States Athletic Directors Conference at Stardust Hotel in Las Vegas (Special sessions on girls' athletics.)

Dec. 8 — Tennis Prelims

Dec. 15 — Tennis Finals

**WANTED:****A NAME FOR THIS PAGE**

If you have a suggested title for this page of the "Monthly Bulletin" devoted to feminine features, please contact Kendall Webb at the CIF-SS Office.

**FEATURES LARGE TURNOUT AT OCTOBER ORIENTATION MEETING FOR GIRLS' ATHLETICS**

Santa Fe High School in Santa Fe Springs was the site for a meeting of Girls' Athletic Directors and other interested school personnel on October 25. And interested they were as 230 women and administrators arrived from all over the Southern Section.

The basic purpose in this first effort to establish lines of communication was that of orientation and overview. The total girls' athletic program under the auspices of the CIF-SS was outlined and discussed for the 1973-74 school year. Among those participating in the program were Phyllis Blatz, Administrative Assistant (who planned and coordinated the meeting), Alex Alexander, Assistant Superintendent of the Desert Sands USD and Chairman of the CIF-SS Girls' Interscholastic Advisory Board, and Kendall Webb, Administrative Assistant.

General presentations to the assemblage were followed by workshops on CIF-SS rules, sport seasons, officiating, leaguage, and GAA-CIF philosophy. The workshops were, in turn, followed by separate meetings for the following Southern Section areas: Bay-Long Beach, North Coast, Inland, San Gabriel, and Orange County.

Proposed regulations for the nine CIF-SS approved sports for girls' teams were distributed and discussed. Those present were urged to evaluate the regulations with their school personnel and forward any suggested revisions prior to December 1 to their area coordinators:

Bay-Long Beach — Eloise Longwell  
North Coast — Bobbie Diehl  
Inland — Phyllis Blatz  
San Gabriel — Betty Staley  
Orange County — Margaret Ramondetti

Each of these women will be conducting follow-up meetings in her particular area prior to Thanksgiving and will notify the schools involved. It is suggested that schools who did not have a representative present at the Santa Fe High School meeting contact the area coordinator or the CIF-SS Office for copies of the proposed sport regulations prior to their area meetings.

**"FORM 99"**

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A "Form 99" would also be available to the student transferring from a public to a private school. Of course, economics would not be a factor in such a circumstance, but the approval of both principals would indicate that

**KNBC TO EXPAND TV COVERAGE OF HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS**

Local telecasting of interscholastic athletic events by KNBC-TV will be greatly expanded during 1974. As a result of the success of the basketball games presented in the past, Channel 4 is presently working on an agreement with the CIF-SS and the Los Angeles City Schools to produce a total of 32 color telecasts for the next calendar year.

These programs, to be both live and taped, will cover a wide range of sports featuring boys as well as girls. In addition to the major sports, such activities as field hockey, wrestling, soccer, gymnastics, softball, and volleyball are expected to be shown. It is planned at this time to feature Southern Section and Los Angeles schools on an alternate basis.

Four other telecasts are to be shown during the remainder of 1973. The two involving CIF-SS schools featured a live presentation of the Temple City — Duarte football game at 12:30 p.m., Saturday, November 3, and a taped filming of a 1st Round Water Polo Play-off game to be viewed Sunday, November 25, at 1:00 p.m.

the reason for the transfer would be primarily non-athletic. If either principal felt that coercion and/or inducement were involved in such a transfer (or from a private to a public school), it would be incumbent upon him to refuse to sign his approval to the request. Without both signatures, the transfer form could not be processed, and there would be no waiver of the ineligibility period.

Administrators are reminded that this special permit is not applicable for transfers from public to public schools or from private to private schools. Such transfers fall under the basic residence rule and carry the regular ineligibility assessments.

Since its inception five years ago, "Form 99" has demonstrated ample justification for its inclusion in the "Blue Book." Hundreds of students who would have otherwise been denied the privilege and the satisfaction of participation in interscholastic athletics have been able to compete at the Junior Varsity or lower level. At the same time, the basic intent of the transfer rule has not been abused, for no varsity competition was permitted for at least 20 school weeks.

Two of the philosophical cornerstones of the Southern Section of the CIF are the protection of the athlete from recruitment and exploitation and the opportunity to develop toward his athletic potential. Both of these are well served by "Form 99."



## Q & A BOX

### This Month's Subject: RESIDENCE RULES

- Q—If a student meets all the CIF-SS residence rules, would he be eligible for interscholastic athletics?
- A—Not necessarily. He would only be residentially eligible. Full eligibility may depend upon further scholarship, citizenship, and other requirements of the school, district, and league concerned.
- Q—May schools, leagues, or associations have residence rules that are more liberal or restrictive than those of the CIF-SS?
- A—Schools, leagues, or associations may not have rules more liberal than those of the CIF-SS if they wish to remain as members of the federation. More restrictive rules ARE permitted. However, schools, leagues, or associations must stand ready to justify such restrictions should legal challenges arise.
- Q—May a graduate of an 8th grade of an elementary school or 9th grade of a junior high school attend a CIF-SS high school outside the attendance area where his parents reside and be residentially eligible for interscholastic athletics?
- A—Yes, as far as the CIF-SS is concerned. The student may attend any high school in the Southern Section and be immediately residentially eligible for interscholastic athletics.
- Q—May the student mentioned above transfer back to the school in the attendance area of his parents' residence and be residentially eligible for interscholastic athletics?
- A—Not immediately. He must wait 20 school weeks if he did not participate in interscholastic athletics during the school year preceding the transfer and one school year if he did participate.
- Q—What is the status of a student who has a new guardian appointed for him by the court and thereby transfers to another school?
- A—He will be residentially ineligible in the new school unless an appeal for a waiver is approved by action of the Executive Committee.
- Q—Will a student be residentially eligible if he is required by action of his board of education to change schools due to realignment of attendance areas?
- A—Yes. However, any subsequent transfer would be governed by the basic residence rule.
- Q—When may a student choose with which parent he wishes to live if his parents are contemplating divorce or separation?
- A—For residential athletic eligibility, not until his parents LEGALLY separate and initiate divorce proceedings. After the choice is made, any subsequent move would be governed by the basic residence rule.
- Q—What is the penalty if an ineligible athlete participates in an interscholastic athletic event?
- A—A forfeiture by his school of all practice, league, play-off, or sanctioned event contests in which he has participated.

## HEAMON, SAARI, SEIXAS HONORED WITH LIFE PASSES

Three men who have distinguished themselves through many years of dedicated service to athletics in the Southern Section joined an elite list in 1973. Robert Heamon, Principal of Montebello High School; Urho "Whitey" Saari, Water Polo and Swimming Coach of El Segundo High School; and John Seixas, Athletic Director of San Gabriel High School; were presented with gold CIF-SS Life Passes. These passes, awarded since 1952 to outstanding men who have significantly contributed to interscholastic athletics, are honored for admission to any athletic event conducted by the CIF-SS or one of its member schools.

After nomination of potential recipients by members of the Council or Executive Committee, a special committee composed of the Council President, the Commissioner of Athletics, two members of the Council, and one member of the Executive Committee appointed by the Council President decide upon the final selections.

These three gentlemen are to be congratulated not only for receiving this singular honor (the highest the CIF-SS can award) but for their devotion, support, guidance, and leadership directed on behalf of the high school athlete and the total interscholastic athletic program.

## CLAIR VAN HOOREBEKE

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from 1950 to 1972 and an outstanding .837 percentage for league contests during the same period. Over the 23 year span, his Colonial teams won 190, lost only 48, and tied 11. In the tough Sunset League, Van's teams won or tied for the championship 16 times.

During his tenure at Anaheim, Van Hoorebeke produced a staggering 37 All-CIF football players including "CIF Players of the Year" Tom Fitzpatrick (1967 fullback) and Mickey Flynn (1955 and 1956 halfback) and Doug Eilerts, a tackle who made the 1960 Prep All-American Team.

Van Hoorebeke's athletic career began at Huntington Beach HS where he made the "All-County Team" in football and continued at Arizona State. Upon graduation, he coached the Freshman Football and Basketball Teams at ASU before moving on to North Phoenix HS where he coached until 1950 except for service in the US Air Force during WWII. Although "Van" has restricted his coaching to football for the last 18 years, he has also been a coach of basketball, water polo, swimming, and baseball teams at Anaheim HS. He has had the Athletic Directorship since 1957.

Raised as an orphan, Van Hoorebeke developed his own strong family ties. Married to wife Viola for 33 years, he now has one daughter, Chris-

## ROGER WEEKS

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Further teaching experience followed in Needles and Whittier where he has remained for the last 31 years, including nine years as Principal of El Rancho High School before moving to Sierra High School.

During WWII, LTJG Weeks served as an Aerology Officer in the US Navy, flying in weather patrol reconnaissance flights. Maintaining an interest in the Naval Reserve after the war, he eventually retired as a full Commander.

In addition to his professional responsibilities and affiliations, Roger has been quite active in community and social affairs. Both the Pico Rivera Lions' Club and the California Country Club in Whittier have elected him President of their organizations.

Weeks and his wife, Josephine, have a son, Larry, who flies for the Flying Tiger Line, and a daughter, Linda, who has made Roger and Josephine grandparents of three grand-daughters.

Present avocational interests include golf, quail and pheasant hunting, and albacore fishing. A future project, along with his proposed Indian venture, is another gathering of stories into book form for publication. This one would deal with handicapped children who have successfully participated in athletics.

Roger Weeks, like all members of the Executive Committee, is a man of high integrity, dedication, and conscientiousness. But as his professional and personal life attest, he is also a person who has a great interest in and compassion for his fellow man.

tina, presently working in Guatemala on a health project and a nine year old grandson from Karen, a daughter who passed away in 1966.

A man totally dedicated to his profession, Van Hoorebeke has been extensively involved in a number of professional organizations including California Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation; California Athletic Directors Association; Orange County Athletic Directors Association; and American Football Coaches Association. Last year he was President of the Southern California High School Football Coaches Association, and presently he is serving a two-year term as President of the California Coaches Association.

A man recognized by his professional peers and competitors as one who possesses a drive for excellence coupled with sincere modesty, Claire Van Hoorebeke is genuinely deserving of the honor bestowed upon him by the Council in naming him to be the first in what will be a continuous line of athletic directors on the CIF-SS Executive Committee.