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VAUGHN CUMMINGS OF PASADENA CITY SCHOOLS, NEW Municipal
PRESIDENT

The efficient and popular representative from the Pasadena Junior High School League, Mr. Vaughn Cummings, is looking forward to serving the 280 member schools of the CIF Southern Section as its Council President for the 1958-59 school year. Currently employed as Superintendent of Health and Physical Education for the Pasadena Schools, Mr. Cummings brings a wealth of background as an athlete, coach, school teacher and administrator to his new position.

Although Mr. Cummings was born in Chester, Pennsylvania, his family moved westward in 1911 and settled in Pasadena where young Vaughn enrolled in the Madison Elementary School of that city. After graduating from Pasadena High School, where he was a member of the State Championship Tennis Team, Mr. Cummings entered Reed College where he received his Bachelor's degree after four years of study. During his stay at Redlands, Vaughn Cummings established an outstanding record in athletics by participating in football, track, baseball, and tennis. He was particularly outstanding in tennis and had the unique distinction of being elected by his teammates to serve as captain of the team during his entire three years of competition.

Like most school men, Mr. Cummings now returned frequently to institutions of higher learning to pursue advanced courses. He attended UCLA in 1952-56, taking mostly education courses, and then transferred to USC where he received his MA in education.

Besides teaching and coaching, Vaughn has engaged wholeheartedly in recreational work in the Pasadena area. For many years he conducted the Municipal Sports Program which included basketball and softball leagues in addition to tournaments in tennis, badminton, and other individual sports.

Over the years Vaughn Cummings has had the privilege of giving direction to many young men who have later gained national recognition, a start on their athletic careers. He was particularly thrilled recently when he attended the National Federation Convention at Santa Barbara and had the pleasure of listening to an address by Payton Jordan, one of his former boys. Payton, who is the outstanding track and field coach at Stanford University, took time out from his talk to reminisce and related to the group how Mr. Cummings had been his first track and football coach in junior high school.

Happily married for many years, the Cummings have successfully raised a large family consisting of four boys and one girl. All of the boys have participated extensively in athletics during their high school and college days and have compiled outstanding records. The youngest, Robert, is now a senior in Mira High School in Pasadena.

The CIF Southern Section is indeed fortunate in having another outstanding educational leader as Mr. Vaughn Cummings assume the position of President of the Council.

MEMBERSHIP DUES TO SOUTHERN

A recent change in our financial policy (Article XXVII, page 51, of the Blue Book) now provides that the schools have the option of paying dues either on a per pupil basis or upon a school's enrollment as shown in the Principal's October 31st Report for the current year. Private schools should base their assessment on the number of pupils enrolled in school on October 31, 1958. For many years the annual dues have been based on the Executive Committee at 4¢ per pupil enrolled. This rate will prevail for the current year. All boys schools
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are reminded that they shall double their enrollment for the purpose of computing their annual dues.

Schools belonging to the CIF Protection fund must pay administrative dues to the State CIF Office in Berkeley. This is distinct and separate from the dues paid to the Southern Section, which cannot be refunded. It will facilitate times costs, etc. if member schools of the Southern Section do not submit their payments before the time they are due. We will bill all schools for any late payments before the first of November for the current year. Annual dues, as well as the CIF, SS office by December 1, shall be termed delinquent.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
January 24, 1958

The annual June meeting of the CIF SS Executive Committee was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. B. L. Bergstrom, at 8:30 A.M. on Tuesday, June 24, 1958.

The following members were present:
Oliver Corbin, Principal, Cerritos HS
D. L. Jamison, Principal, Centennial HS
Keith Gunn, Principal, Valley HS
John R. Taylor, Principal, Norwalk HS
Frank O. Hopkins, Principal, Brea-Olinda HS
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The minutes of the meeting of the Water Polo Coaches, as published in the June Monthly Bulletin, are recommended to the Council for acceptance.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the following two teams of the championship and runner-up teams in sectional playoffs be entered in the Southern Section play-off tourney to be held by the Awards Rule committee, which consists of Mr. R. Roberts, chairman, Mr. Oliver Corbin, Mr. Winston Nelson, and Mr. Kenneth Fagan.

The Committee considered a request to enlarge the rules of play for games of the Southern Section play-off tournaments in football.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried that the CIF should establish a "AAA" football playoffs for the 1958 season, to be established as printed elsewhere in this Bulletin.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to send Mr. Fagan, with necessary payment, as the the CIF, SS representative to the National Federation's large school representative at the National Federation Annual Convention in Los Angeles, June 23, 1959. Funds are included in the coming year's budget.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that Mr. Fagan should be authorized to represent the Southern Section at the California State Track and Field in August, 1958.

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Mr. Nelson, our Representative on the State Federation Council, reported that at the May meeting, action had been taken to officially add the High School Darts to the regular spring season. A meeting was held with Mr. J. W. Anderson, the state representative, to discuss the possibility of adding darts to the Southern Section of the Game. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to add this program to the Southern Section Track and Field Program for the 1958 season, and to present the program to the Executive Committee for the handling of this new event.

The Commissioner reported that the recent survey sent to all principals indicated that the majority, that the schools expense the Southern Section, will be able to establish a new opening date for the upcoming school year. The matter was discussed once in future years to be added to the Northern Section, and it was moved, seconded, and carried to recommend the Commissioner that the By-laws be changed to provide that football practice in the fall be held by the Southern Section May begin on the first Monday in September, 1958, would be September 7, 1959.

The communication from San Gabriel HS was read with the recommendation that the SoCal Section is to be notified of the Southern Section for the coming season, and that it is necessary for the individuals concerned with the purchase of these conventions to meet with the Commissioner of Athletics and the Commissioner of the Southern Section, and that it is necessary for the individuals concerned with the purchase of these conventions to meet with the Commissioner of the Southern Section, and to be recommended to the Commissioner of Athletics.

The California Interscholastic Federation shall have the right to approve and hold title to real property as it deems necessary, to carry on the program of the CIF, Southern Section, when approved by a majority vote of the Southern Section Council and the Commissioner of Athletics shall be empowered to sign such documents and may be required in the acquisition of such property.

So that the SS may complete the purchase of this property at the earliest possible moment, the Commissioner was directed to contact each member of the SS Council, and inform them of the situation, and that although the SS may vote in writing to the Southern Section office relative to this proposed lease, in writing to the Southern Section office relative to this proposed lease, any written agreements are unauthorized to make the necessary arrangements for the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P.M.
Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Fagan, Commissioner of Athletics.

SOUTHERN SECTION PLAY-OFFS GROUPINGS REORGANIZED

Beginning with the football playoffs in November, 1958, the CIF Southern Section playoffs in football, basketball, and wrestling will take on a "new look" as a result of recent action by the CIF SS Executive Committee. For the 1958-1959 seasons, all playoff designations have included Northern, Southern, Central and Small Schools Group of Leagues. The schools of the Central Group have been changed, and in the future all leagues will be divided into play-off classifications to be known as "AAA," "AA," and "A."

The "AAA" play-offs will include the fifteen large school leagues that formerly competed in the Central Group of Leagues playoffs. The for future Northern and Southern Group of Leagues playoffs have been realigned so that the schools of the Central Group of Leagues playoffs will and will consist of representatives from leag of the smallest schools in the Southern Section.

In track, swimming, water-polo, wrestling, gymnastics, and golf, the teams play-offs will be conducted as in the past with all schools, regardless of size, entering open competition to determine one team champion from the entire Southern Section. In track, a large school team will be determined with "AAA" Page Two
schools entering the large school play-offs, and "AAA" and "A" schools entering the small school "AAA" and "A" schools entering the small school competition. All schools with an enrollment of 1500 or more will enter the large school competition, and schools with an enrollment under 1500 will be placed in the small school division.

With the tremendous growth in the number of schools and leagues in the Southern Section, it is believed that this revision of our play-offs will better serve the interests of our member schools.

**NEW BLUE BOOK DISTRIBUTED TO SCHOOLS**

In line with our new policy of keeping our Blue Book (C.I.F., Southern Section Constitution and Rules) up to date, the revised 1958-59 edition came off the press late in August. Four copies of this revised edition were mailed to each of our member schools early in September so that school personnel would have available in one booklet, the latest rulings for the Southern Section. If there is need for additional copies, the CIF Office will be pleased to fill requests as received.

The 1958-59 edition, like each edition before it, is the product of the best thinking on the part of the many hundreds of men employed on the staffs of our high schools. Over a period of 44 years, rules and policies have developed to control and guide our athletic programs so that they will be looked upon with favor not only by the boards of education in our cities but also by the general public. Our rules and policies have grown through a democratic process, for these regulations have been proposed and voted upon by the representatives of the various leagues throughout the years. While voting is sometimes long and arduous, it is believed that it is the best way to arrive at rules that are in the best interests of our member schools.

**NEW GYMNASTICS COMMITTEE FORMED**

In an effort to standardize rules and procedures for high school gymnastic meets, representatives from the Los Angeles City Section and the Southern Section (met at Helms Hall on Tuesday, September 23, 1958. Superintendent of Athletics, Bob Hoppe, Head of the Los Angeles City group, and the following gymnasts coaches were present: Al Arps, San Fernando HS; John Balen, San Pedro HS; Bob Crisp, Verdugo Hills HS; Frank Noble, Fremont HS; Jack Price, Garfield HS; Ted Galindez, Poly HS; and Dick Bishop of Fairfax HS. The SS representatives present were Commissioner Ken Faggen, and coaches Randi of Bryden, Santa Paula HS; Jerry Todd, Pasadena HS; Dick Flood, Longwood HS; and Howard Huston of San Gabriel HS. Mr. Ken Griffen, President of the Southern California Gymnastics Officials was also in attendance along with Bob Planeain, a Consultant in the Los Angeles City School District.

With Al Arps serving as Chairman, a discussion was held relative to the possibility of standardizing gymnastics rules and establishing uniform procedures for the conducting of gymnastics meets for all high schools in Southern California. Considerable discussion disclosed that the entire group was in favor of this procedure, and a committee composed of Frank Noble, Dick Bishop, Jerry Tod, and Howard Huston were authorized to meet and work out details of this new plan, and report back to the group which will meet on October 11, 1958.

This is the first attempt by the Los Angeles City and SS to standardize policies pertaining to a sport that is actively engaged in by many schools. It is hoped that this will lead to a closer working relationship between the two sections in other sports, for the benefit of coaches, officials, and competing schools.

**APPROVED SANCTIONED EVENTS**

All invitational meet or tournaments involving teams which are representing schools from more than one league, must be approved by the C.I.F. and the Co-Commissioner of Athletics of the CIF, and approved by both the CIF and the SS. So that member schools may know these events which have been duly sanctioned for the coming school year, the complete list of approved sanctioned events will be published in the DIRECTORY OF MEMBER SCHOOLS at the end of the season. This list will be published in the DIRECTORY OF MEMBER SCHOOLS.

**CLARIFICATION OF CIF ELIGIBILITY RULE**

In response to many inquiries regarding the use of incomplete grades at the close of a semester and their relation to eligibility, the Executive Committee wishes to call attention to the CIF rule with regards to scholarship.

A student must be passing in four subjects as of the last day of the semester and receive credit in same, in order to be eligible for the following semester. If a boy receives an incomplete grade in a subject on the last day of the semester he would not be receiving a passing grade.

If the principal or a teacher wish to use an incomplete designation in order to give the boy an opportunity to raise his grade within a given period of time, it must be recorded as an incomplete B, an Incomplete C, etc., in order to insure that the boy is receiving a passing grade in the subject as of the last day of the semester.

In other words if a boy does not have a passing grade recorded in four subjects as of the last day of the semester, he becomes ineligible for interscholastic athletics the following semester, even though he makes up the work during the summer. Keep in mind that work taken in summer school counts neither for nor against a boy in determining his athletic eligibility.

Pairings and Bracket For "AAA" Football Playoff - 1958

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This year's "AAA" football playoffs will include champions from 15 large school leagues and the winner of the "AAA" competition with the largest enrollment, to round out a bracket of sixteen entries. By action of the Southern Section, all playoff football games are to be played on Friday night of the week scheduled, unless it is mutually agreed by both competing schools to play at some other time.

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