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**HISTORY OF THE CALIFORNIA  
INTERSCHOLASTIC FEDERATION  
SOUTHERN SECTION  
(CIFSS)**



**“TIDBIT” HISTORY**  
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**“TIDBITS”**

Short “tidbits” (essays) researched and written by Dr. John S. Dahlem, CIF-SS Historian, on the rich history of the CIF-SS from 1913 to the present.

**100 GREATEST ATHLETES**

#37            CIF-SS 100 Greatest Athletes – 2013

**ANNIVERSARIES**

#72            75<sup>th</sup> CIF-SS Celebration – 1988  
#73            100<sup>th</sup> CIF-SS Celebration – 2013

**BASKETBALL**

#16            Whittier High School – 1<sup>st</sup> CIF-SS Basketball Champion – 1914  
#87            CIF-SS Basketball Champion Team Photos from 1914 to  
Present  
#97            South Pasadena – CIF-SS Basketball Champion - 1946

**CIF-SS OFFICE, STAFF AND LIBRARY**

#15            Varied History of the CIF-SS Office Sites  
#26            Staff of the CIF-SS  
#38            CIF-SS Film Library  
#43            Shirley Frazier  
#50            Paul Castillo

**COMMISSIONERS**

- #36 Commissioners of the CIF-SS
- #74 Seth Fields Van Patten...see TB #104 too
- #104 Van Patten Coaching at Escondido
- #75 William Wilson "Bill" Russell
- #76 Jay (J.) Kenneth "Kenny" Fagans
- #77 Thomas E. Byrnes
- #78 Ray J. Plutko
- #79 Stanley Ray Thomas
- #80 Dean Crowley
- #81 James Thomas Staunton
- #82 Rob Lewis "Rob" Wigod

### **FIRST CIF-SS CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS**

- #57 First Teams to Win CIF-SS Championships – 1913 & 1914

### **HISTORY**

- #1 Sports Prior to the CIF-SS
- #3 Sport Organizations Prior to the CIF-SS
- #69 Decade Chronological History of the CIF-SS – Important Events
- #4 The Track Meet that Started the CIF-SS – 1913
- #12 First Constitution of the CIF-SS – 1913
- #20 The Father of the CIF-SS – E. W. (Earnest Warren) Oliver
- #25 First Short Written History of the CIF-SS – 1927
- #19 First Blue Book – 1945
- #65 Harry J. Moore – CIF-SS "Boss"
- #66 Hunter Hamilton – Harvard School – Advocate of Private Schools
- #90 B.L Bergstrom – El Monte High School
- #91 George G. Green – Inglewood High School – Secretary Emeritus
- #92 Hanford Rants – Gahr High School
- #93 Gary Smidderks – Los Angeles Baptist H.S. – Articulate Conscience
- #107 Public Private Committee
- #108 Margie Godfrey – 1<sup>st</sup> Female President of the CIF-SS

### **FOOTBALL**

- #84 CIF-SS Football Champion Team Photos – 1913 to Present
- #61 Tuffy Conn – Pasadena High School” 1<sup>st</sup> CIF-SS “Hero” – 1915
- #86 CIF-SS Football Championship – Spanish Flu – 1918
- #9 Long Beach Poly – 1<sup>st</sup> State Champion - 1919
- #5 Everett High School Beats Long Beach Poly – 1920
- #10 “Driller Dynasty” – Bakersfield High School – 1920-1927
- #70 Marion Morrison (“John Wayne”) Glendale HS – 1923
- #101 First Night Football Game
- #85 Class “B” CIF-SS Football Championship - 1930
- #42 Glenn Davis – Bonita HS – Heisman Trophy Winner – 1942
- #62 Aaron Wade – Centennial High School – Pioneer Coach – 1953
- #6 Downey vs. Anaheim – “The Dream Game” – 1956
- #7 85,931 Attend Shrine Game – 1957
- #40 George Buehler – Whittier High School – 1965
- #102 First Super Bowl Game – Former CIF-SS Players 1967

### **GIRLS SPORTS**

- #68 Girls in CIF-SS Sports – Chronology – 1913 to Present
- #34 Karen Hillyer
- #94 Margaret Davis and Barbara Wilson
- #95 Girls Beat the Boys – 1974

### **HALLS OF FAME**

- #98 Southern California Prep School Hall of Fame – 1942
- #41 CIF-SS Hall of Fame – 1984 to Present

### **HELMS**

- #35 William “Bill” Schroeder – Helms Foundation Director

### **LEGAL**

- #14            1<sup>ST</sup> CIF-SS Legal Battle – Covina High school – 1932

**LOGOS, "All-CIF-SS," MEDALS, TROPHIES, SPONSORSHIP**

- #60            Track Medal – Ventura High School - 1909  
#67            Tribune Trophy – 1<sup>st</sup> CIF-SS Trophy 1913  
#88            CIF-SS Trophies – 1913 to Present  
#59            CIF-SS Track Medal – Earl Thomson – 1915  
#100          Victor Orsatti "Babe Ruth Bat" – 1923  
#71            All-CIF-SS Recognition – 1936 to Present  
#2             Letter Awards – 1945  
#99            Harry J. Moore Trophy - 1959  
#51            History of the CIF-SS Logo  
#52            Corporate Sponsorship  
#96            CIF-SS Track Medals – Jesse Trentadue – 1964

**LOS ANGELES SECTION**

- #23            Formation of the Los Angeles City Section – 1935

**PRESIDENTS OF THE CIF-SS COUNCIL**

- #21            Presidents of the CIF-SS Council – 1913 to Present  
#109          Jim Monico – 84<sup>th</sup> President of Council

**SAN DIEGO SECTION**

- #105          Formation of the San Diego Section

**STATE CIF HISTORY**

- #22            State Beginning and Founding Fathers – 1914  
#64            Founding Father of the State CIF – Will C. Wood - 1914

## **SWIMMING**

- #63 CIF-SS Swimming Championship – 1939
- #103 The Plunge for Distance

## **TRACK**

- #54 Clarence “Buck” Beebe, Anaheim High School 1<sup>st</sup> Hero - 1914
- #46 The Hand Grenade Throw – 1919
- #48 Bud Houser, Oxnard High School – Olympic Champion – 1922
- #49 Ralph Serna, Loara High School Shoe Collector – 1970’s
- #112 Kraemer Family

## **UNIQUE SPORTS**

- #11 Horse Shoes, Quoits, etc.
- #13 Boxing, Skiing, etc.
- #18 Polo, Fencing, Bowling, Handball, 6 Man Football
- #33 Speedball – 1921
- #8 Pigeon Race – 1934
- #32 Football Throw – John Raitt – 1935
- #58 Rowing – 1935
- #56 Ski Meet – Mammoth Mountain – 1940, 1941

## **UNIQUE SCHOOLS, TRIVIA, FACTOIDS**

- #89 Cartoon that got Long Beach Poly Kicked out of CIF-SS – 1920
- #27 Exponents – 1922
- #24 Largest School in the CIF-SS – 1937
- #29 Instituto Tecnico Industrial, Tijuana, Mexico – 1940
- #30 Trona High School – “The Sand Pit”
- #31 Sherman Indian High School
- #39 Avalon High School
- #83 Cummock School
- #44 Wow! I Didn’t Know That – Interesting Factoids on the CIF-SS
- #45 Trivia! Who Are We?
- #106 Randall Bryden – Gymnastics

- #110 Bruce McIntosh – Historian  
#113 Death Valley High School Playing Field

### **BASEBALL**

- #111 20-30 Pomona Tournament Robinson & Williams

### **WRESTLING**

- #17 The Long Road to Recognition for CIF-SS Wrestling

### **WORLD WAR II**

- #28 Japanese American Athletes During and After the War  
#47 Fullerton High School, “Uncrowned Baseball Champions” –  
1942  
#53 Unofficial Football Champions, Redondo High School – 1943  
#55 Manzanar High School vs. Big Pine High School in Football –  
1944