

SPECIAL RELEASE

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THE ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA C.I.F. HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1955

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The nineteenth annual All-Southern California Board of Football selections were made at Helms Hall last week and 36 of the Southland's finest gridiron performers were named for honors. The Helms Hall Board, composed of newspaper journalists from all over the Southern California area, meet each year in December to name these football teams.

There was little opposition to this year's Player of the Year selection, Mickey Flynn of Anaheim High School. Only a junior, Flynn received near-unanimous backing, with only Deron Johnson, great all-around athlete and star end for San Diego's CIF champions, receiving serious backing.

For the 1955 season, including playoff games, Mickey scored 22 touchdowns for 132 points, averaging a touchdown every 3½ times he carried the ball. He scored eight touchdowns in Anaheim's CIF playoff games with Mt. Carmel, Glendale and San Diego. He carried the ball 76 times for 1,184 yards, averaging 15 yards per carry for the season. Ten of Flynn's touchdowns were scored on runs of over 50 yards. In the Semi-final playoff game against San Diego Flynn scored all three of Anaheim's touchdowns on runs of 66, 67 and 3 yards. Although Anaheim tied San Diego, the Border City team made more first downs, 17-14, and went on to win the C.I.F. crown from Alhambra. Flynn was the only lower classmen named to the first team.

Other outstanding backs on the first team are Pete Gumina, top San Diego quarterback, who led his team to the CIF title. Gumina threw 98 passes during the season and completed 63 for a 64% average. Pete also kicked conversions for San Diego. Willie West, San Diego halfback, is considered the best all-around halfback to play for San Diego in 10 years, by his coach Duane Maley. Dan Wasnick, St. Anthony fullback-halfback, scored 63 points in 9 games and averaged over 6 yards per carry. Dick Foushee, Glendale Hoover fullback, was the top back in the Foothill League and second high scorer with 78 points in 9 games. Dick gained 850 yards during the campaign.

C.I.F. Champion San Diego High School placed four players on the three all-star teams. Deron Johnson, Pete Gumina and Willie West were named to the first team, while Alden Kimbrough, San Diego's other fine end, was named to the third team. Anaheim placed three men on the squads. Don Abbott, fine blocking guard, and Mickey Flynn were named to the first team and Joe Avitia was placed on the second. Those schools placing two players were Alhambra, Riverside, Downey, Lynwood, St. Anthony, Glendale, California, Centennial and Culver City.

There was only one repeater from last year's C.I.F. team. He is Deron Johnson, who was named to the third team in 1954. Three boys on this year's team are lower classmen. Player of the year, Mickey Flynn is a junior as is Anaheim's Joe Avitia. Richard Cohen, Beverly Hills guard, is only a sophomore.

For the regular season's play Dick Ewin, Culver City's fine passing quarterback, was high scorer in central section play. Ewin scored 114 points in 9 games. Jack Holman, second team, from California High School, finished second to Ewin with 96 points. Mickey Flynn, Anaheim's sensational halfback, was next with 84 points, but counting Anaheim's three playoff games in which he scored 8 touchdowns, his total was 132 points. This placed Mickey second in total points for the season, behind San Marino's Bill Face, who scored 172.

PAST C.I.F. PLAYER OF THE YEAR SELECTIONS

1937	Frank Albert	Glendale	1947	Bud Woodward	Loyola (LA)
1938	Harry Karns	Pomona	1948	John Olszewski	St. Anthony
1939	John Petrovich	Alhambra	1949	Jim Contratto	Compton
1940	Peter Zucco	Santa Barbara	1950	Charles Powell	San Diego
1941	Newell Oestrich	Inglewood	1951	Marty Keough	Pomona
1942	Glenn Davis	Bonita	1952	Ronald Knox	Santa Monica
1943	Norman Veeh	Tustin	1953	Ernie Zampese	S. Barbara
1944	Bill Martin	Mark Keppel	1954	John Hangartner	Hoover, Glen.
1945	Al Pollard	Loyola (LA)	1955	Mickey Flynn	Anaheim
1946	Al Pollard	Lovola (LA)			

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MICKEY FLYNN, ANAHEIM JUNIOR, SELECTED AS C.I.F. PLAYER OF YEAR FOR 1955 SEASON

ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA C.I.F. HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1955

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	YEAR SCHOOL	HEIGHT	WEIGHT
* * * FIRST TEAM					
End....	DERON JOHNSON	San Diego	Senior	6' 2	195
End....	DUANE ALLEN	Alhambra	Senior	6' 2	180
Tackle..	GARY OTTOSON	Alhambra	Senior	6' 4	212
Tackle..	PAUL OGLESBY	Riverside	Senior	6' 3	200
Guard...	DON ABBOTT	Anaheim	Senior	5'10	180
Guard...	DON PETER	Downey	Senior	5'11	180
Center..	CHARLES ADAIR	Lynwood	Senior	5'10	180
Back....	MICKEY FLYNN	Anaheim	Junior	5'10	160
Back....	PETE GUMINA	San Diego	Senior	5' 9	160
Back....	DAN WASNICK	St. Anthony	Senior	5' 7	165
Back....	DICK FOUSHEE	Hoover (Glen.)	Senior	6' 1	200
Back....	WILLIE WEST	San Diego	Senior	5'10	170

* * * SECOND TEAM

End....	BILL TOMASIC	St. Anthony	Senior	6' 1	190
End....	HAROLD THIEVES	Chaffey	Senior	6'	180
Tackle..	ALLAN ROSSO	Glendale	Senior	6'	215
Tackle..	DOUG TAYLOR	California	Senior	6' 3	208
Guard...	JIM RAAK	Santa Barbara	Senior	5'11	180
Guard...	JACK METCALF	Inglewood	Senior	5'11	190
Center..	HARLIN LIMEER	Culver City	Senior	6' 2	210
Back....	RAY SMITH	Riverside	Senior	5'11	170
Back....	JOE AVITIA	Anaheim	Junior	5' 9	155
Back....	JACK HOLMAN	California	Senior	5'11	160
Back....	BOB DORSEY	Santa Monica	Senior	5' 9	150
Back....	JERRY PERSINGER	Burroughs	Senior	5'10	190

* * * THIRD TEAM

End....	BOB KNOOP	Montebello	Senior	6' 1	165
End....	ALDEN KIMBROUGH	San Diego	Senior	6' 1	190
Tackle..	WINFRED JOHNSON	Centennial	Senior	6' 1	205
Tackle..	MANUEL SANDOVAL	Fullerton	Senior	6'	195
Guard...	FRED WILLIAMS	Centennial	Senior	6' 2	195
Guard...	RICHARD COHEN	Beverly Hills	Soph.	6' 1	213
Center..	HARRY BALDWIN	Mark Keppel	Senior	6' 1	176
Back....	DICK EWIN	Culver City	Senior	5'10	185
Back....	RICHARD NORMAN	Lynwood	Senior	6' 3	195
Back....	BOB LOFT	Glendale	Senior	5'11	180
Back....	BOB CROCKETT	Downey	Senior	6' 1	163
Back....	KEITH HUBBS	Colton	Senior	6' 1	165

HELMS ATHLETIC FOUNDATION ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BOARD OF ATHLETICS

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PLAYERS TO RECEIVE AWARDS AT HELMS ON 14th

Players named for All-C.I.F. honors on all three teams will be recipients of Helms Athletic Foundation framed scroll awards at the Nineteenth Annual All-Southern California Board of Football Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, January 14th at 10:30 am. Personalities from the field of football will be on hand, both coaches and past football greats, to help pay honor to the top players of the 1955 season.

Also receiving special recognition will be Mickey Flynn, Anaheim High School player of the year, who will receive a special Helms medal award. His name will be engraved upon the Paul H. Helms trophy which is lodged permanently in Helms Hall.

Coach Duane Maley, who led his San Diego High School team to the C.I.F. central section football title -- the school's first football championship since 1922 -- will also receive a special award for his fine coaching achievement.

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SAN MARINO'S BILL "SKIP" FACE PICKED FOR
PLAYER OF YEAR HONOR ON NORTH-SOUTH C.I.F.
FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1955

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San Marino High School's Bill "Skippy" Face, top C.I.F. high school scorer for the 1955 football season, was named Player of the Year in the North-South section of the C.I.F. by members of the Helms All-Southern California Board of Football at their annual selection meeting at Helms Hall.

It was a unanimous vote for Player of the Year, with San Marino's ace right halfback waltzing off with the honors. A senior, Face scored 160 points during the 9-game regular season and then added 12 more during playoff games to bring his season total to 172. Thirty-four of his regular season points were scored via the conversion route. In the finals of the Northern C.I.F. playoffs, Bill scored a touchdown and booted two extra points to lead his team to a 14-0 win over Paso Robles and give San Marino the Northern section crown.

Other players from San Marino to make the North-South section team are Ron Glasoe, 200 pound senior tackle, and Brad Peery, one of the top fullbacks in the small C.I.F. schools.

Brawley High School, winner of the Southern section title by defeating Claremont 14-7, placed four players on the three teams to lead all other schools. Ralph Casillas, left halfback who scored 60 points during the season, was placed on the first team along with 6 foot 3 inch Dennis Flammang, senior center. Dennis Cutshaw, star fullback who scored both touchdowns against Claremont in the playoff game, was placed on the second team backfield, while tackle Si Carey was selected on the third team at tackle.

Other schools to place more than one player on the North-South section teams were Paso Robles and San Marino with 3 players and Oceanside, Claremont, Tustin, Chino and South Pasadena with 2 players each. There were no repeaters from last year's team.

Three juniors are the only lower classmen on the three honor teams. Walt Caldwell, Banning guard, was named to the first team, while Raul Chacon, end from Chino, and Don Gatewood, back from Santa Maria, were named to the third team.

Some of the outstanding performers named to this year's team are: Dick Polos, Claremont High School halfback, who led Claremont to the finals of the Southern section C.I.F. playoffs. Dick tied for third in C.I.F. scoring with 96 points and averaged almost 10 yards a carry through the season. Robert Rivas, Tustin tailback, has been a member of the All-Orange League team for the past three years and this year Tustin won the League title. He punted for a 41.3 yard average, ran for 14 touchdowns and passed for 16 more, scoring 54 points. Gary Van Horn, other first team back, led Paso Robles to the finals of the Northern section playoffs, where they were defeated by San Marino 14-0.

Other top scorers named were Santa Maria's Don Gatewood, 60 points; Dick DeWit, Chino fullback, 90 points; Gene Oldham, of Mater Dei, threw 13 touchdown passes; Mike Healey, St. Bernardine's quarterback, 72 points; Otis Foster, top halfback in Avocado League from Oceanside, who scored 66 points; and Coronado High's Charles Love, who scored 27 points from his quarterback post. Peter Fitzgerald, Santa Ynez halfback in Tri-Valley League, scored 29 TDs in 9 games and kicked three extra points for 159 points.

PAST NORTH-SOUTH SECTION C.I.F. PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

1951	Billy J. Smith	Ventura	1954	Bill Cooper	Hawthorne
1952	C.R. Roberts	Oceanside		Bob Franklin	Chula Vista
1953	C.R. Roberts	Oceanside	1955	Bill Face	San Marino

Bill Face, San Marino High School's top right halfback, will receive his Helms Player of the Year medal award at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, January 14th at the Nineteenth Annual All-Southern California Board of Football Awards program.

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HELMS BOARD SELECTS THREE ALL-CIF SMALL SCHOOLS FOOTBALL TEAMS FOR FIRST TIME....

(NOTE: This marks the 5th year that the Helms All-Southern California Board of Football has picked a small schools football team from among C.I.F. high schools. Only one team was selected in 1951 and 1952. This was increased to two teams in 1953 and 1954, but this year the Board felt three teams were needed. Therefore hence forward the Helms Board will select three teams in both central and north-south sections of the C.I.F.)

ALL-C.I.F. NORTH-SOUTH SECTION FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1955

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	YEAR SCHOOL	HEIGHT	WEIGHT
* * * <u>FIRST TEAM</u>					
End.....	DAVID MORENO	Carpinteria	Senior	5' 9	139
End.....	ART LAWRENCE	Oceanside	Senior	6'	180
Tackle..	GARY TWISSELMAN	Paso Robles	Senior	6' 1	198
Tackle..	EARL REHDER	Brea-Olinda	Senior	6' 5	215
Guard...	WALT CALDWELL	Banning	Junior	5'10	160
Guard...	BOB ANDERSON	Escondido	Senior	6'	185
Center..	DENNIS FLAUMANG	Brawley	Senior	6' 3	190
Back....	BILL FACE	San Marino	Senior	5'11	170
Back....	RALPH CASILLAS	Brawley	Senior	5' 9	155
Back....	GARY VAN HORN	Paso Robles	Senior	6' 2	195
Back....	DICK POLOS	Claremont	Senior	5'10	175
Back....	ROBERT RIVAS	Tustin	Senior	5'10	155

* * * SECOND TEAM

End.....	CLAY TRIBBLE	Coachella	Senior	6' 2	170
End.....	JAY ARANDA	Mary Star of the Sea	Senior	6' 1	185
Tackle..	RON GLASOE	San Marino	Senior	6'	203
Tackle..	BOB RANEY	Claremont	Senior	5'11	210
Guard...	PHIL BARRA	Burroughs-China Lake	Senior	5' 9	155
Guard...	WAYNE MACKLEY	Elsinore	Senior	5'10	170
Center..	ELDEAN ROSE	San Jacinto	Senior	6'	159
Back....	BRAD PEERY	San Marino	Senior	6'	182
Back....	DENNIS CUTSHAW	Brawley	Senior	6'	175
Back....	DICK DEWIT	Chino	Senior	6' 1	185
Back....	GENE OLDHAM	Mater Dei	Senior	6' 3	175
Back....	OTIS FOSTER	Oceanside	Senior	5' 8	140

* * * THIRD TEAM

End.....	GARY BROOMELL	Tustin	Senior	6' 1	180
End.....	RAUL CHACON	Chino	Junior	6'	174
Tackle..	SI CAREY	Brawley	Senior	6' 1	185
Tackle..	ROBERT CLAY	South Pasadena	Senior	6' 1	180
Guard...	WILLIAM ARCHER	South Pasadena	Senior	5'11	175
Guard...	CHARLES WYRICK	Paso Robles	Senior	5'10	190
Center..	TOM POINTDEXTER	Mar Vista	Senior	6' 2	220
Back....	DON GATEWOOD	Santa Maria	Junior	5'11	185
Back....	CHARLES LOVE	Coronado	Senior	6'	170
Back....	MIKE MEALEY	St. Bernardine's	Senior	6' 1	187
Back....	PETER FITZGERALD	Santa Ynez	Senior	5'10	165
Back....	BOB PROCTOR	Bell Gardens	Senior	5'11	170

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Ron Weiner	Dick Vanderveld	Bill Schroeder (Chair.)

All players named to the North-South C.I.F. All-Star team -- first, second and third teams -- will be presented with awards at the Nineteenth Annual All-Southern California Board of Football Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, January 14th at 10:30 am. Coaches Vic Schwenk, San Marino, and Robert Farrell, Brawley, will receive special awards for their outstanding job of coaching during the 1955 season.