

**HISTORY OF THE CALIFORNIA INTERSCHOLASTIC  
FEDERATION SOUTHERN SECTION (CIF-SS)**

137<sup>th</sup> Historical "Tidbit" by Dr. John S. Dahlem

**1<sup>st</sup> California State Wrestling Tournament - 1973**  
**Lynn Meredith Dyche – Meet Director**



Mr. Lynn Dyche



L. DYCHE



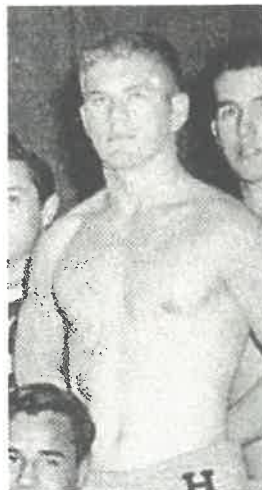
**Hayward High School 1952-1955**



ROW 1: F. Davis, R. Varble, J. Rames, P. Valdez, W. Stroud, T. Sanchez, C. Stuller, F. Brown, ROW 2: F. DeJure, G. Camarbel, J. Rait, B. Oliver, M. Abbott, B. Wilson, B. Gustin, T. Rames, ROW 3: R. Michaels, B. Ross, A. Abbott, E. Carlson, B. Webb, L. Dyche, K. McNeese, D. Costin, D. Lomas, Coach Marian Swanson.



LYNN DYCHE



**Wrestled with brother at Hayward**

Top row: Left to right: Lynn Dyche, K. Young, J. Young, M. Young, F. Young, B. Young, middle row: Lynn Dyche, K. Young, J. Young, M. Young, B. Young, D. Young, E. Young, H. Young, bottom row: J. Young, M. Young, D. Young, K. Young.



California Cal Poly 1956-1960



Front row, left to right: Frank Garcia, Larry Owens, Tom Dornell, Jim Rott, Frank Matamoros, Dick Chilson. Row two: Ken Gardiner, Mike Summers, Leo Lamb, G. W. Wingo, Roy Sciolobba, Romeo Rivera, Dave Loomis, manager, Coach Sheldon Harden. Row three: Asst Coach Harold Simonek, Lynn Dyche, John Lilles, Jay Hart, Ken Roberts, Pat Lovell, Al Marinai, and Wayne Wamer.

Lynn wrestled at Cal Poly with future Olympic Games wrestler Pat Lovell who would become a lifetime close friend and an excellent wrestling referee. Pat was a very good football player and played alongside the famous John Madden as a tackle on the Mustang football team.

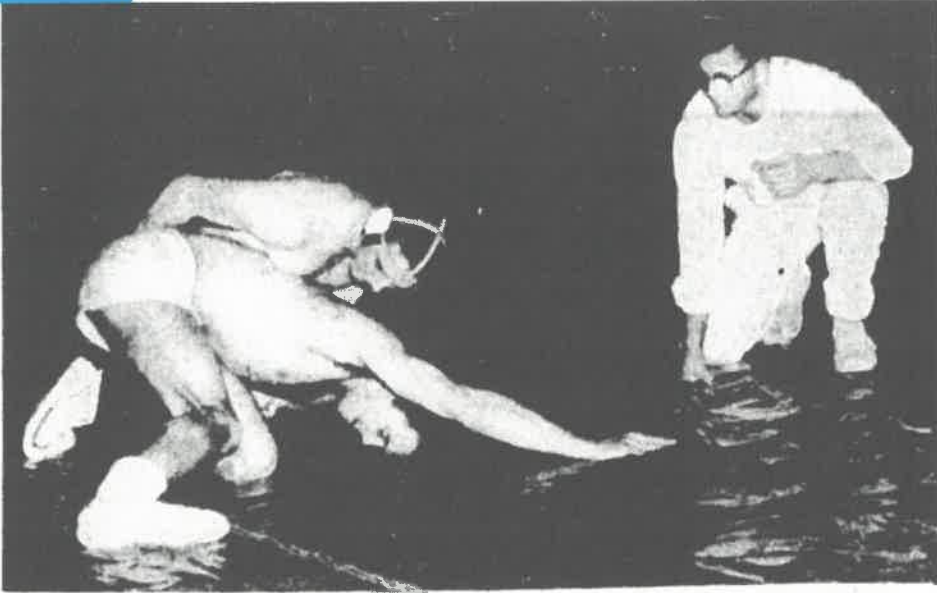


## Lynn was very active at Cal Poly

1 of 5 matches

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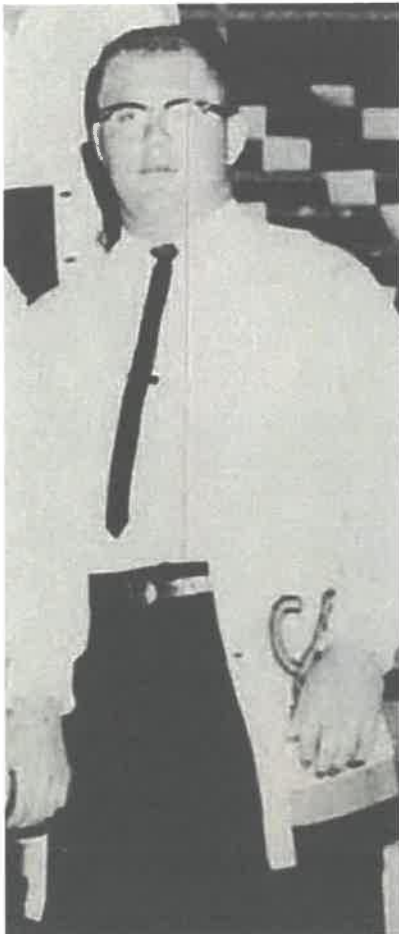
**... ACTION ...** Arroyo Grande's Allen Cattle, on top, attempts to roll San Luis Obispo's Pete Cuneo in a 154-pound semi-final bout of the first Cal Poly high school wrestling tourney here Friday. Cattle pinned Cuneo and went on to defeat Atascadero's George Dempsey in last night's finals. Referee Lynn Dyche, member of coach Sheldon Harden's Cal Poly wrestling team, kneels at right. (Telegram-Tribune photo)

### LYNN DYCHE

Physical Education



Coach Sheldon Harden looks over his three PCI wrestlers, Lynn Dyche, Norman Gomes, and John Allen. Dyche and Gomes both placed fourth at the PCI's.



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## Injun Grappler Beats Cal Foe

EUGENE (Ore.), March 8.—Pete Likans, Stanford 147 pound grappler, tonight defeated California's Ernest Solomon on a 5-1 decision in a 147 pound match in the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Wrestling meet. Results included:

- 137 pounds—John Owings, OSC, dec. Jim Miller, California, 14-2; George Lehida, SJS, dec. Ron Thomas, WSC.
- 147 pounds—Jim Stark, San Diego State, dec. Lynn Brooks, SJS, 3-1.
- 177 pounds—Roger Edleson, Stanford, pinned Hollis Jamison, WSC, in 3:44.
- 191 pounds—Lynn Dyche, California Poly, dec. George Davis, Southern Cal, 9-1.

U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-2016 for Lynn Dyche

California San Luis Obispo California State Polytechnic College 1958

Lynn Dyche took time out from his wrestling in the ring to "wrestle" meet El Padre sports and win the desk set award for top education and is four copy of El Padre.





# CALIFORNIA INTERSCHOLASTIC FEDERATION



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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CIF FEDERATED COUNCIL

Saturday, February 19, 1972

Sea Lodge at La Jolla Shores

The meeting was called to order by CIF President George Miskulin at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call was taken with the following CIF Section representatives present:

Central Section	Grant Jensen and Jack Mann
Central Coast Section	George Miskulin and Aaron Nelson
Los Angeles City Section	John Sanders and Norman Schachter
North Coast Section	Howard Henderson and Floyd Williams
Northern Section	George Egling
Oakland City Section	Louis Jones
Sac Joaquin Section	A. Dale Lacky and Jack Lytton
San Diego Section	G. W. Quade
San Francisco City Section	James Kearney
Southern Section	Alex Alexander, Ferren Christensen, Keith Lee, and Steve Miletich
State Department of Education	John Klumb

Also present were William W. Russell, Robert E. Stuart, Norman MacDonald, Gene Arnold, Guy Wrinkle, Philip Hempler, Aldo Nelson, Clarke Coover, Don Clarkson, Elwood Lang, Kenneth Fagans, Dr. Robert Loveland, Carol Hintze, Joan Parker, Dick Neal, Earl Johnson, Paul Gaudini, and Phil Crawford.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the October 23, 1971, CIF Federated Council meeting as printed and distributed previously to all schools.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**CIF Section Commissioners Committee** --- Elwood Lang, Chairman, reported on the meeting held Friday, February 18. He stated that the Commissioners were basically uniform in their interpretation of the State rules. He requested that future winter meetings of the Federated Council be held the last Saturday in January.

As a result of the CIF Section Commissioners Committee recommendations, it was moved, seconded and carried to hold the State CIF Wrestling Tournament on March 2 and 3, 1973. The Central Coast Section will host the Tournament at a site to be selected by the Section and State Office. There will be 24 entries per weight class with the following entries per CIF Section: Central Section (three entries), Central Coast Section (four entries), North Coast Section (four entries), Northern Section (two entries), Oakland Section (one entry), Sac Joaquin Section (three entries), San Diego Section (three entries), and Southern

Section (four entries). Appreciation was expressed for the assistance and advice offered by Jim Root, Lynn Dyche, Webber Lawson of the Northern California High School Wrestling Coaches' Association.

### The Independent

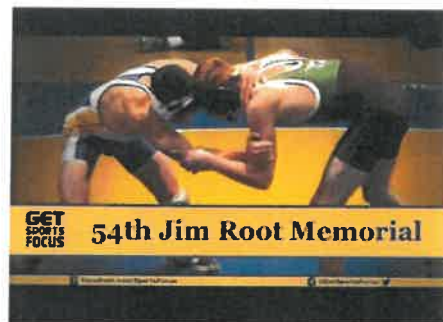
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"The CIF officials are taking a good look at the first state wrestling tournament," explained Lynn Dyche, Oak Grove High School coach and tourney director. "If things go smoothly, every sport except football may eventually have a state championship."



#### JIM ROOT

2nd in the Northern California HS Championships, 2x Pac-10 Championships placewinner, 3rd in the Open Championships, had 2 High School League Championship Teams. Jim coached 9 State JC Champions and 28 Northern California JC Champions, 11x top ten finishes at the State JC Tournament at West Valley, co-founder of the California State High School Wrestling Championships.



#### WEBER LAWSON

Weber wrestled varsity his freshman year for Bristow High School in Oklahoma and wrestled three years varsity for Inglewood High School in California, where he was also a student wrestling coach from 1946-48. His teams were undefeated in dual meets for three years. Web wrestled for Cal Poly SLO and the LA Athletic Club where he won the 1948 U.S. Western Regional Olympic Trials and was voted as the Outstanding Wrestler. In addition, he was a three-time Far Western Champion, won the Senior Open AAU Championships, won 6 SPAAU titles, and won the U.S. Western Pan Am Title. He officiated and coached for 25 years in three different C.I.F. sections, most notably at Fremont High School in Sunnyvale where his teams won 52 straight dual matches and won 4 Central Coast Section titles in a row, and a Northern California Invitational Team Championship. He also served one year as President of the National High School Wrestling association.

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FEBRUARY 1972

b) **State Wrestling Tournament** — It was moved, seconded, and passed to authorize participation by representatives from the Southern Section in a State CIF Wrestling Tournament to be held at the conclusion of the 1973 wrestling season. A special committee composed of CIF Section Commissioners will convene in the near future for the purpose of determining entries, location of the meet, distribution of revenue, and other details connected with the staging of this state championship activity.

The State Section Commissioners met at the Sea Lodge at La Jolla Shores in San Diego with Lynn Dyche, Jim Root and Webber Lawson. They were so impressed with the State Championship Wrestling Tournament idea that it was passed by the Federated Council the very next day February 19, 1972. Ken Fagans, the Commissioner of the Southern Section, said he was going to fly his wrestlers to the State Tournament which never happened due to cost!

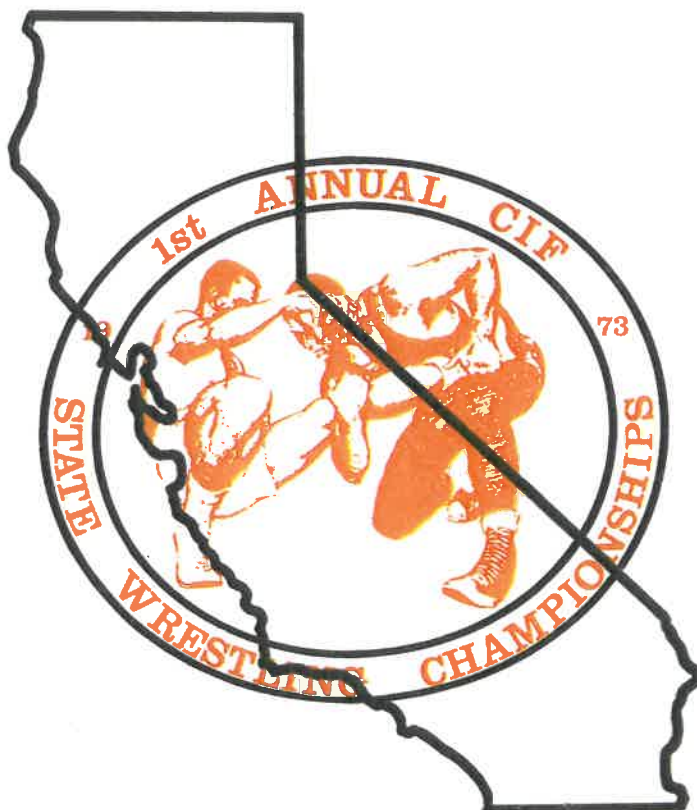


K. FAGANS  
Southern



# CALIFORNIA INTERSCHOLASTIC FEDERATION

PRESENTS THE



HOSTED BY: **CENTRAL COAST SECTION OF CIF**

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA**

**MARCH 2-3, 1973**

PRELIMINARIES..... FRIDAY, 9:00 A.M.  
QUARTER-FINALS..... FRIDAY, 12 NOON  
SEMI-FINALS..... SATURDAY, 11:30 A.M.  
CHAMPIONSHIPS..... SATURDAY, 7:30 P.M.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM: 50¢



L. DYCHE  
*Tournament Director*

### WELCOME

At last! Welcome to the first California State High School Wrestling Championships. It is a pleasure to welcome wrestlers, coaches and spectators to this long anticipated event.

The Central Coast Section is proud to host the finalists hailing from eight of the ten CIF Sections in California.

This state tournament has been the goal of many coaches and administrators for some time and we are indebted to the California Interscholastic Federation, the Section commissioners, the State Federated Council, as well as to the many individuals who have supported this tournament. Special thanks are in order to Mr. William Russell and Mr. Robert Steuart of the State CIF Office as well as to Mr. George Miskulin of the State Federated Council for their support.

The Northern California High School Wrestling Coaches Association deserves a great deal of credit for the inauguration of this tournament. This association agreed to sponsor the first tournament in order to have a true state wrestling champion tournament. After CIF supported the request for a tournament, the Northern California Association provided additional financial assistance by purchasing team trophies, the outstanding wrestler award and special awards to the finalists in each weight division.

As director of this tournament I want to express my appreciation to all the coaches and administrators and to Mr. Gene Arnold, Central Coast Section Commissioner, for their assistance. I should like to invite you to refer to the acknowledgements in this program for those who have been of invaluable assistance.

Best wishes for a rewarding tournament and may the best wrestlers WIN.

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### FRIDAY

Weighin.....9:00a.m.  
First Round.....Noon....  
Second Round.....2:50p.m.  
Third Round (Quarter-Finals)...5:40p.m.  
Consolation - First Round.....7:10p.m.

#### SATURDAY

Weighin.....7:00a.m.  
Consolation - Second Round.....10:00p.m.  
Fourth Round (Semi-Finals).....11:30p.m.  
Consolation - Third Round.....1:00p.m.  
Consolation - Fourth Round.....2:00p.m.  
Consolation - 5th & 6th Place...5:45p.m.  
Consolation - 3rd & 4th Place...6:30p.m.  
Championship Finals.....7:30p.m.

### TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

D. SWENSEN - *Head Scorekeeper*

C. KENT - *Scorers & Timers*

#### OFFICIALS

C. ELDER - *Head Official*

T. MYERS

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G. GIRE

B. LOTTI

F. LASAN

F. PETERSEN

D. DIERDORFF



T. GUNNERI  
*Matchmaker*

D. BERVIN

*Assistant Matchmaker*



T. CANO  
*Assistant Director*



## THE CIF STORY



**WILLIAM W. RUSSELL**  
*CIF State Commissioner*

The California Interscholastic Federation is a voluntary association of public and private schools formed at the instigation of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction in 1914 in order that principals and superintendents of the schools might adopt reasonable and necessary rules and regulations governing the conduct of interscholastic athletics. Principals and superintendents, through the CIF, direct and control high school athletics so that boards of education, school faculties, and the public will regard athletics as educational resources to be encouraged and fostered.

In order to assure local control, the state is divided into ten CIF Sections, each with authority to act within the framework of the basic statewide rules which generally relate to eligibility standards or health and safety of the athlete. Each CIF Section conducts its own Section Championships. The first State CIF Wrestling Championship Tournament brings together the best high school wrestlers in the CIF Sections.



**G. MISKULIN**  
*State Federated Council*

### SECTION COMMISSIONERS

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WILLIAM RUSSELL  
CIF State Commissioner



STEVE T. MILETICH  
CIF State President



ROBERT E. STEUART  
Administrative Assistant

## THE CIF STORY AND WRESTLING

As early as 1914, interscholastic athletic competition in California had grown to the point that increasing conflicts and problems called for guidance and regulation at the state level. Thus in that pre-World War I year, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction instigated the establishment of the California Interscholastic Federation, a voluntary association of public and private schools to provide uniformity and regulation to the conduct of interscholastic athletics.

Representation on the Federated Council, the governing body of the CIF, is divided among the ten CIF Sections of the state on the basis of student population. Thus, superintendents and principals, through the council representatives, are able to direct and control athletics so that boards of education, school faculties and the public will regard athletics as educational resources to be encouraged and fostered.

The ten CIF Sections provide a large degree of local control as Boards of Managers, operating within the state framework, meet as

needed to form policies, solve local problems and apply state regulations.

The growth of wrestling in California is an example of the CIF concern to offer increased opportunities for competition among high school athletes. From 1958 through 1972, California wrestling coaches offered athletes the opportunity to compete beyond the section level at the Northern California Invitational Tournament. Then in that year, with over 600 schools and approximately 26,000 athletes involved in wrestling, the CIF agreed to establish official competition for all sections at the state level.

It was in 1973, therefore, that the first California State High School Wrestling Championships were held at California State University, Hayward, with athletes from eight CIF Sections in attendance. In 1975, the Los Angeles Section sent their section champions to the tournament for the first time, and this year we are happy to welcome representatives from the San Francisco Section thus making the tournament a complete State Wrestling Tournament.

**TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE**

C. J. LUTT, MD...*Physician*  
 D. CHU.....*Trainer*  
 A. BLAIR.....*Announcer*

W. JUAREZ.....*Program*  
 D. BROCKMANN.....*Publicity*  
 R. SEARBY.....*Photographer*

**TOURNAMENT SPONSORED BY CENTRAL COAST SECTION**

GENE ARNOLD - *COMMISSIONER*  
 AARON SEANDEL - *PRESIDENT*  
 GEORGE HOUSE - *WRESTLING CHAIRMAN*



**LEGEND**

- 1. NORTH SECTION
- 2. NORTH COAST SECTION
- 3. SAC-JOAQUIN SECTION
- 4. SAN FRANCISCO CITY SECTION
- 5. OAKLAND SECTION
- 6. CENTRAL COAST SECTION
- 7. CENTRAL SECTION
- 8. LOS ANGELES CITY SECTION
- 9. SOUTHERN SECTION
- 10. SAN DIEGO SECTION

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

BILL JUAREZ.....OAK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL.....PROGRAM  
 ANDY ANDERSON.....PACIFICA HIGH SCHOOL, SAN LEANDRO...SIGNS & ART WORK  
 GEORGE HOUSE.....JAMES LICK HIGH SCHOOL.....GATE CONTROL  
 BILL BARE.....ANDREW HILL HIGH SCHOOL.....SUPERVISION  
 CHUCK KENT.....CRESTMOR HIGH SCHOOL.....TIMERS & SCORERS  
 TOM MEEKINS.....CAL STATE HAYWARD WRESTLING COACH.....GYM SETUP  
 AL MATHEWS.....CAL STATE HAYWARD.....ADMIN COORDINATION  
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 OAK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL COACHING STAFF.....SUPERVISION  
 OAK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING TEAM.....RUNNERS  
 THE TOURNAMENT STAFF.....A VERY SPECIAL THANKS

## WHAT'S HAPPENING DURING A MATCH

All matches are six minutes in length, except for those in the wrestle back series (matches involving wrestlers who have lost previously) which will be five minutes only (a one minute first period).

The first period in all matches is started with both wrestlers in a neutral position on their feet. The second period is started from what is called the referee's position on the mat, and the third period is started the same way as the second with the positions of the wrestlers reversed.

Notice that when the wrestlers are on their feet, they continuously work for a takedown.

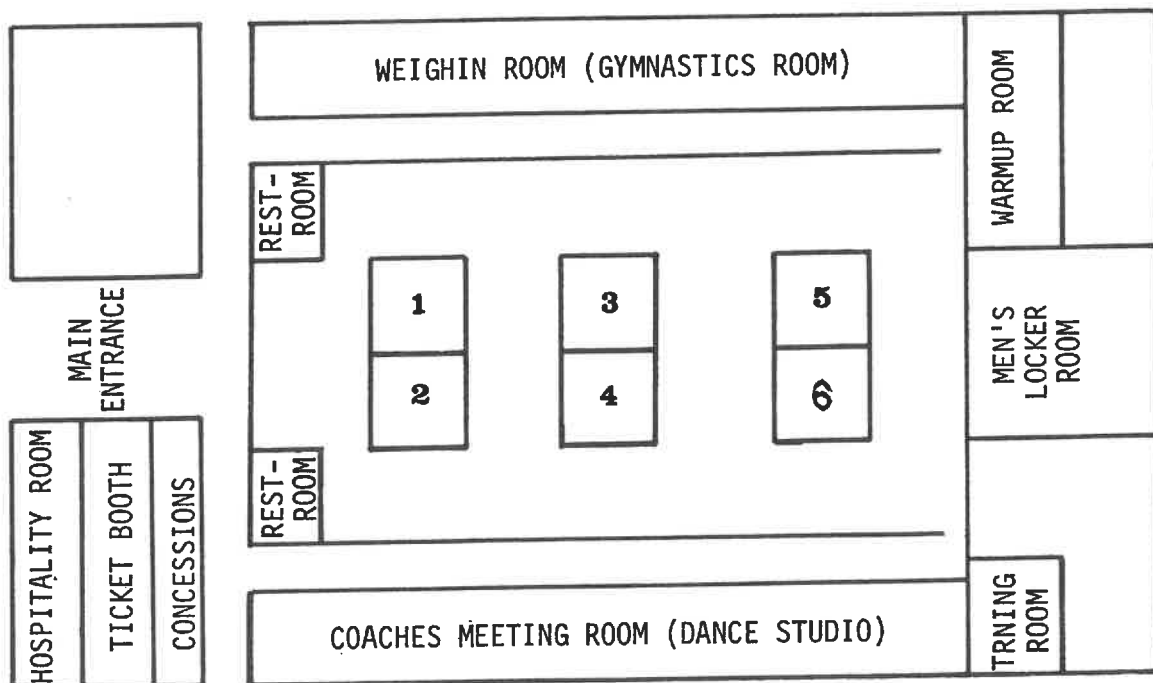
Most pinning combinations are started from the position of advantage on the mat.

When a wrestler has the advantage, notice how he tries to break-down or flatten his opponent to set him up for a pinning combination.

The wrestler in the underneath position tries to score points by escaping or reversing his opponent.

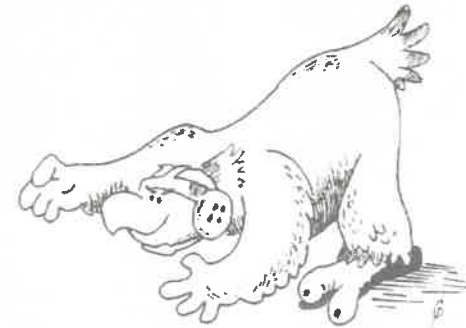
Notice the referee. He indicates with his fingers the points awarded each wrestler.

Each wrestler in the tournament will wear a red or green ankle band for purposes of identification during the match. If, for example, a wrestler is wearing a green band and he scores a point in the match, the referee will indicate the point by calling out: "one point green." The point will then be put on the scoreboard under a green marking.





Robert J. St. John, Coach; Ken Berger, J. Anderson, Ed. Wilson, Dick Miller, Bob Bennett, Lynn Dyche, Coach; Bill Cullen, Steve Martin, Bob Hartman, Phil Johnson, Greg Johnson, Bill Ayala, Coach.



### Comments by Lynn Dyche

- He had tremendous help running the 1<sup>st</sup> State Wrestling Tournament from Jim Root and Weber Lawson.
- The Northern wrestlers really wanted a State Championship after so many years of just wrestling for a Northern California title.
- Southern wrestlers wanted the State Championship and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of the CIF-SS, was a real strong advocate.
- Principals from the local area near San Jose helped by taking entrance tickets at the door.
- Chabot College wrestling program helped donate mats.
- Lynn was so busy organizing the tournament that he was able to only have three scales at the tournament weigh-ins and his close friends in the wrestling committee gave him a hard time whenever they saw him for the rest of his grappling career.
- There were eight state sections at the first State Tournament with Oakland and San Francisco joining in 1975 (twenty-four in each bracket first year).
- The tournament was very successful with large crowds and made over \$10,000 for the state coffers.

- Lynn had two wrestlers in the first finals. His 178 pounder Fred DeLeon won, and he told his second finalist not to lock with his opponent, but he did and lost to the very good Mike Bull from South Bakersfield when he got tossed to his back.
- Wrestling throughout the State was sponsored by the YMCA and AAU before it became popular in high schools, but was not accepted as an official Championship sport until the late 1930's because the CIF officials thought it had too much association with boxing... a harmful sport.

### **LYNN MEREDITH DYCHE**

#### **Biograpy for his 2000 induction in the California Hall of Fame**

Lynn attended Hayward High School (1952-55 and Cal Poly 1956-60) and coached for 17 years at Andrew Hill and Oak Grove High Schools in San Jose. Lynn wrestled for Cal Poly and served as their JV/Freshman Coach. He was a scholar athlete for the Mustangs. He was selected as the California, District 8 and National High School Wrestling Coach of the Year. He was a high school and college wrestling official for 35 years and commissioner of the college official's association for fifteen years and was the head official of Community College and High School State Championships for 15 years. He has been the State Editor for Wrestling USA magazine since 1973. Lynn organized and directed the First California State CIF Wrestling Tournament in 1973 (served as the meet director for three tournaments) and was one of the original organizers of the Bay Area Wrestling Association and the Santa Clara Wrestling Association. He has served as the California USA Wrestling International Exchange director for the past 12 years and has taken six teams to Japan. He was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in 1996. Lynn took the initial leadership role in organizing the California Wrestling Hall of Fame. He continues today controlling the weight management program in Northern California.

#### **Lynn was also interviewed for Youtube:**

- What were you proudest of in your wrestling career?  
Being a coach, organizer, and referee!
- What do you remember the most in your wrestling career?  
Being a part of the 1<sup>st</sup> State Wrestling Tournament and starting the California Hall of Fame for Wrestling.

- Lynn stated that wrestling was his life thanks to the support of his wife.
- Lynn believed that his “perseverance” was his most important motivating factor in his career.
- He started his wrestling career in 1951 and is still going strong.
- His most memorable moment in wrestling?  
He had to wrestle the great two-time Olympian Russ Camilleri whom he never defeated and if he lost by pin, his team would lose. He made it through the match and wasn’t pinned and his teammates carried him off the mat with tears in his eyes.
- How did he get into wrestling?  
He was cut from the “C” basketball team in high school, tried gymnastics, but didn’t like to summer-sault so he walked into the wrestling room.
- Who were his greatest mentors?  
Vaughan Hitchcock who was an incredible athlete at Washington State and coached at Cal Poly from 1962 to 1985. In addition, there was Sheldon Harden who taught him “to do it right!” Sheldon coached football and wrestling at Cal Poly. In his fourteen years as wrestling coach, his record was 48-10. His 1958 team won the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Championships and had a 17-0 dual meet record that is still a Cal Poly record. Sheldon also trained officials and started wrestling programs at four Central Coast high schools. He started the Cal Poly High School Tournament (now the CIT in Morro Bay) in 1949 and the Junior College Tournament in 1950.

Russell Camilleri



Vaughan Hitchcock



Sheldon Harden





Vaughan Hitchcock was an incredible athlete at Washington State and Hayward High School. Hitchcock coached high school wrestling at Castro Valley and Hayward high schools, posting a combined record of 72-1, winning five league championships, four CIF Section Championships, two Northern California Invitational team titles. He also coached football to a 16-7-1 record while at Hayward.

Lynn Dyche not getting pinned in the famous match with Russ Camilleri enabled Cal Poly to win the 1958 PCI Conference Championship over San Jose State!

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## Cal Poly Surprises In College Wrestling

SAN JOSE — AP — A surprising Cal Poly squad took the lead in the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships last night at San Jose State College.

Cal Poly had 14 points. Oregon 10, Portland State 9, defending champion Oregon State 8, San Jose State 7 and Washington State 5.

All defending champions survived their opening matches. These included Oregon State's Joel Neuschwander, 123 pounds; Wilbur Bauer, Portland State, 137; Larry Wright, Oregon State, 147; Barry Billington, UCLA, 167; Tom Findlay, Southern Oregon, 177, and John Dustin, Oregon State, 191.

There were 46 matches on this first of the two day program.



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## 100 in Coast Wrestling

SAN JOSE, March 7 (AP)—Some 100 men from 16 schools are contending for Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Wrestling Tournament honors this afternoon in the San Jose State College gym.

Favored is Oregon State College with three former champions, Joel Neuschwander, 123 pounds; Larry Wright, 147; and John Dustin, 191.

Wilbur Bauer, Portland State, 137; Barry Billington, UCLA, 167; and Tom Findlay, Southern Oregon, 177, also will seed to defend titles won last year.

The three-minute matches are decided by a single fall or on points.

Participants include Washington, Washington State, Portland State, Lewis and Clark, OSC, Oregon, Southern Oregon, Oregon College of Education, California, Stanford, San Jose State, Cal Poly, Cal Aggies, UCLA and San Diego State.



**LYNN DYCHE – WRESTLING HISTORY**

**1951-1955 – WRESTLED AT HAYWARD HIGH SCHOOL – 3 YEARS VARSITY**

**1955-1959 – WRESTLED AT CAL POLY – 4 YEARS VARSITY (FIRST SCHOLARSHIP WRESTLER AT POLY)**

**1958 – STARTED OFFICIATING H.S. WRESTLING (WITH PAT LOVELL) - FIRST TOURNAMENT WAS ARROYO GRANDE INVITATIONAL**

**1960- CAL POLY FRESHMAN WRESTLING COACH**

**1961-63- U.S. ARMY (FT. ORD & OAKLAND ARMY TERMINAL) OFFICIATED WHILE IN THE ARMY IN THE OAKLAND H.S. ATHLETIC LEAGUE**

**1963-1967 – WRESTLING COACH AT ANDREW HILL H.S., SAN JOSE – WON THREE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FOUR YEARS)**

**1965 – BEGAN OFFICIATING COLLEGE WRESTLING**

**1967-1975 -WRESTLING COACH AT OAK GROVE H.S, SAN JOSE – WON FIVE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS. MY TEAM PLACED 4<sup>TH</sup> AT 1<sup>ST</sup> STATE TOURNAMENT**

**1973- ORGANIZED & SERVED AS THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR OF THE FIRST CIF STATE TOURNAMENT – CAL STATE, HAYWARD**

**1970'S – DIRECTED THREE STATE CIF TOURNAMENTS 2 @ INDEPENDENCE H.S.**

**1970 – 1985 – OFFICIATED 4 CIF STATE TOURNAMENTS**

**1980'S – 1990'S – OFFICIATED 12 JUNIOR COLLEGE STATE TOURNAMENTS**

**1986 – SERVED AS THE HEAD OFFICIAL OF THE CIF STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT FOR 24 YEARS (STOCKTON)**

**1980-1999 – TOOK 6 HIGH SCHOOL CULTURAL EXCHANGE TEAMS TO JAPAN**

**1980'S -CHAIRMAN OF USA WRESTLING CULTURAL EXCHANGES – 3 YEARS**

**1986 – 2012 – SECRETARY/TREASURER OF THE NATIONAL COLLEGE WRESTLING OFFICIALS' ASSOCIATION**

**1986-2012 – SERVED AS THE HEAD EVALUATOR OF OFFICIALS AT THE NCAA D-1 CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## Locals Take Hopes Into First State Wrestling

By JERRY GANDY  
I-G Asst. Sports Editor

The 312 athletes competing in the State Championships today and tomorrow at Cal State in Hayward are wrestling for more than individual titles and team recognition. They also could be blazing a trail for state championship competition in other sports.

"The CIF officials are taking a good look at the first state wrestling tournament," explained Lynn Dyche, Oak Grove High School coach and tourney director. "If things go smoothly, every sport except football may eventually have a state championship.

"I think cross country and soccer competition is on the horizon and a state basketball tournament is just two years away."

Four local area wrestlers were among the athletes due at today's 9-11:50 a.m. weigh-ins. North Coast champion Wayne Rowland of Berkeley is the local hope at 141 pounds, while Moses White of Richmond is in the 168 division and Tyrone Rose of Albany and Pinnole Valley's Robert Houk will go at 123 pounds.

The first two rounds were to start at 12 noon and 2:50

p.m. today, followed by the quarter-finals at 5:40 p.m. and the consolation first round at 7:10 p.m.

Tomorrow's weigh-ins will be held from 7 to 9:30 a.m. The consolation second round will start at 10 a.m., followed by the semi-finals at 11:30 a.m., consolation third round at 1 p.m., consolation fourth round at 2 p.m., the sixth place bouts at 5:40 p.m., third place matches at 6:30 p.m. and the championships at 7:30 p.m.

Monte Vista of San Diego has the largest entry list, bringing seven wrestlers into the tournament. North Coast Section champion Mt. Diablo, Clovis and William C. Overfelt of San Jose have six entrants each and Miralest of the Southern Section, which reportedly has a strong wrestler in Rowland's weight division, has five.

"We expect a turnaway crowd Saturday night," Dyche reported. "The advance sale has been so good that I would recommend that spectators planning to pay the admission at the door arrive by 5:30 p.m.

The Cal State gym seats 5,000 spectators. Admission

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prices are \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Among the contestants in the 194-pound division is the world junior Graeco-Roman champion, Mark Bull of South Bakersfield, who made an AAU tour of Europe. Bull has pinned every opponent in high school competition this season. Among the wrestlers in the same division are Greg Fultcher of host Oak Grove, unbeaten in his last 37 matches and winner of 34 falls, and Jim Brazeal of Ione, who has a 35-0 record.

Another highly regarded wrestler is Terry Drew of Grossmont, who brought a 57-match winning streak from San Diego. He will compete in the 106-pound division, the same weight class as Pacific's heralded North Coast champion, Victor Rogers.

## 1973 CALIFORNIA STATE MEET WRESTLING RESULTS

### Results:

#### Championships

98—Bob Contreras (Kingsburg) dec John Sison (Mt. Miguel) 6-5; 106—Mike Flemming (El Dorado) dec Kevin Smith (Los Amigos) 6-1; 115 — Ernie Flores (Madera) dec Eugene Guerrero (Corcoran) 5-0; 122 — Leon Innarelli (Fairfield) pinned Steve Pilcher (Cordova), 4:12; 130 — Willard Grossi (Lompoc) dec Miguel Cesena (Mt. Miguel) 8-4; 136 — Bob Vieira (El Cajon) dec Randy Baster (Clovis), 2-0; 141—Steve Barrett (Miraleste) dec Rob Hudson (Monte Vista) 12-2; 148 — Joe Whipple (Santana) dec Matt Taylor (Monte Vista) 8-4; 157—Lee Austin (Bolsa Grande) dec Bob Parker (Watsonville) 12-8; 168 — John Jackson (Miraleste) dec Tony Manning (Washington) 8-7; 178 — Fred DeLeon (Oak Grove) dec Luis Bracamonte (Central Fresno) 5-0; 194 — Mike

Bull (South Bakersfield) dec Greg Fultcher (Oak Grove) 10-6; Hvy — Gary Anderson (Placer) dec Jerry Bishop (Lynbrook) 2-1.

#### Third Place

98 — Bob Williams (Cabrillo) dec Mike Baker (La Mirada) 8-0; 106 — Dwight Miller (Gunn) dec John Kravagna (Torrence) 5-4; 115 — Rudy Guevara (Gonzales) dec Malcolm Scott (Mt. Diablo) 5-1; 122 — Rob Giacomini (Del Valle) dec Dave Gantzer (Merced) 2-1; 130 — Gus Bendeck (Rancho Alamitos) dec Al Hejnal (Peterson) 6-0; 136 — George Espinoza (Bolsa Grande) dec Tom Flores (Kennedy) 4-3; 141 — Melvin Harris (Merced) won over Wayne Rowland (Berkeley), referee's decision; 148 — Mike Draper (Santa Maria) dec Steve Cook (Crestmoor) 8-2; 157—Ross Wilkinson (Clovis) dec Mike Anderson (Foothill) 4-3; 168 — Lorenzo Rocha (Bakersfield) dec Gary Lynn (Los Gatos) 4-2; 178 — Mike Kobylarczyk (Simi Valley) won by default over Dennis Kybinsky (Orange Glen); 194 — Jim Brazil (Ione) pinned Jeff Muro (Santa Maria), :53; Hvy — Gus Coppens (Sunny Hills) dec Mike Bever Buchser) 6-5.

#### Fifth Place

98—Tom Azevedo (Grace Davis) pinned Greg Burres (Mira Loma), 1:51; 106 — Joe Malconado (Mt. View) dec Dan Hall (Willows) 2-0; 115 — Lorenzo Aguilera (Santa Ana Valley) dec Andy Gonzales (Yerba Buena) 8-2; 122 — Mike Burns (Pacifica) pinned Dave Broadwolf (Monte Vista), 4:51; 130 — Joe Zeller (Redondo) dec Tom Varshock (Monte Vista) 11-1; 136 — Ron McKinney (Livingston) dec Gary Uyeda (Monte Vista) 16-3; 141—Chip Swanson (Helix) won by default over Dan Fields (Pacific); 148 — Rob Weaver (Atwater) dec Bill Sherman (Highlands) 7-3; 157 — Warren Nikuls (Orange Glen) pinned Bill Spence (Red Bluff), 7:37; 168 — Dave Akaminte (Redondo) dec Tony Handal (Patrick Henry) 4-0; 178 — John Fritz (Terra Nova) dec Erskine Smith (Atwater) 13-8; 194 — Doug Griffin (Turlock) dec Tom Mahan (Anderson) 6-1; Hvy — Jeff Robinson (Clovis) pinned Greg Metcalf (San Marcos) 3:11.

Team Scoring — Monte Vista 41, Clovis 38, Miraleste 33½, Oak Grove 29, Bolsa Grande 26½, Mt. Miguel 26, Santa Maria 19, Santana 18½, Madera 18, El Dorado 18, Fairfield 17½, Orange Glen 17, Kingsburg 16, South Bakersfield 16, Washington 13½, Kennedy 13, Lompoc 13, Los Amigos 13, Corcoran 13, Central 13, Ione 13, Bakersfield 13, Redondo 12½, Watsonville 12, Atwater 12, Sunny Hills 12, Mt. Diablo 11½, Del Valle 11.

## California's First

# Anderson Wins High School Heavyweight Wrestling Title

By Richard Furlong

Gary Anderson reached the pinnacle of scholastic wrestling Saturday when he won two matches, including the final against the defending Northern California Invitational champion, to become the first bona fide state high school heavyweight wrestling champion in California history. More than 5,000 fans roared their approval as Anderson's arm was raised in victory after an overtime battle with Jerry Bishop of Lynbrook High School.

Anderson's title came after two days of grueling competition at California State University, Hayward, where the First Annual State CIF Wrestling Tournament took place. The Placer heavyweight scored a takedown in the

opening seconds of the overtime battle against Bishop to claim a 3-1 decision. Bishop was the Central Coast heavyweight champion, who had not lost a match in 2 years, and he was the defending Northern California Invitational champion. When he entered Saturday's finale against Anderson, not a point had been scored against him in three previous matches, but Anderson, kingpin of the Sac-Joaquin Section, beat him 3-1.

As Section champions, both men had drawn first round byes in Friday's competition, then advanced to their Saturday night showdown with three successive wins. While Bishop was breezing through his bracket, Anderson whipped Marc Bever of Buchser, Central Coast Sec-

tion, 11-1 in his first bout, then dumped Central Section champion Duane Williams of North Bakersfield 7-2.

In Saturday's semi-final bout, he downed Greg Metcalf, the Southern Section champion from San Marcos, 8-4 to move into the title match against Bishop, who was the overwhelming favorite of the full-house crowd at the outset.

Through three gruelling rounds the two men battled, with Anderson scoring first on an escape and Bishop following suit. After three rounds, six minutes, the pair was deadlocked at 1-1, but the crowd that had favored Bishop when the match began had now developed a new respect for Anderson, mainly as a result of his ability to ward off Bishop's scoring thrusts.

Now as the match continued, the crowd was divided, and when Anderson opened with a quick takedown in the opening moments of overtime, they turned his way, cheering him to his eventual 3-1 verdict. When it was over, they stood and cheered as his arm was raised in victory, in what coach Bill Flake described as one of the most moving experiences in his life.

The elated coach, who could hardly contain himself, attributed Anderson's victory to three things: "Better condition, better heart, and more pride — it's as simple as that," Flake declared. "He had made a promise to himself; he knew what he wanted; and he went out and got it." The victory, that brought Anderson the most coveted of scholastic wrestling

titles, improved his season record to 42-0 including 31 pins, and it ran his varsity career record to 109-11-3.

The Placer heavyweight was one of two Sac-Joaquin champions to claim a state title. The other was 120-pound Leon Ianerelli of Fairfield. The 120-pound class was dominated by Sac-Joaquin wrestlers. Steve Pilcher of Cordova, who finished second to Ianerelli in the Section, was also runner-up in the state meet, and Mike Danzer of Merced, who finished third in the Section, was also third in the state.

According to Flake, only two of the other nine sections in the state — San Diego and Central Coast — appeared stronger than his own Sac-Joaquin. Flake, who could hardly find words profound enough to

Flake was also lavish in his praise of the tournament which he described as the "best-organized, best-run tournament I have ever seen anywhere." The tourney was hosted this year by the Central Coast Section, with Lynn Dyche of Oak Grove High School in charge.

Monte Vista became the first California high school championship wrestling team, and Placer, with Anderson its only entry, finished among the top 15 schools in the state. The tournament hosted 296 schools. Mike Fleming, a 106 pounder from El Dorado of the Southern Section, was named the outstanding wrestler after scoring three pins prior to a 6-1 decision in the finals.



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Placer's Gary Anderson earned himself this medal at the state wrestling meet over the weekend and became the first heavyweight wrestling champion among all

California high schools. Coach Bill Flake brought Anderson through his undefeated 1972-73 season and to the state finals.

*Mike Fleming-El Dorado*



*Bob Contreras - Kingsburg*



*Ernie Flores - Madera*



*Leon Iannarelli*

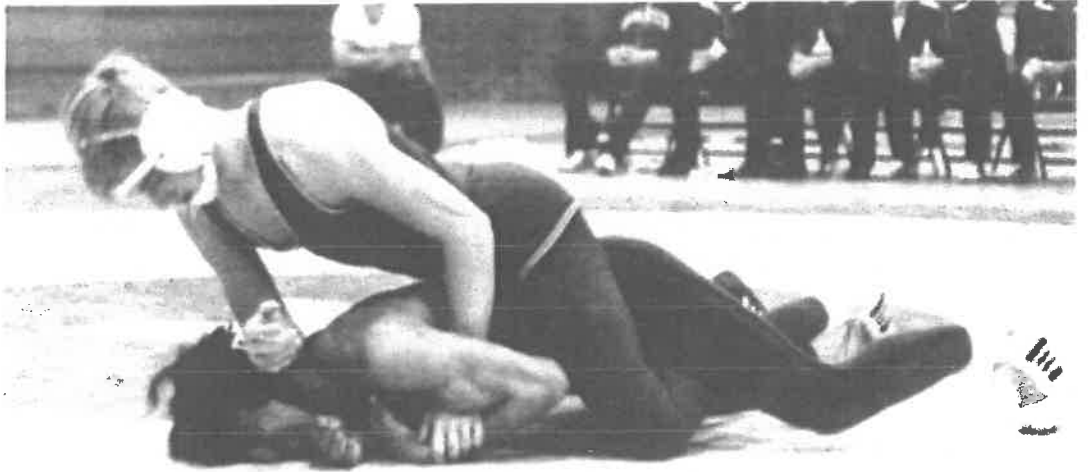
In his bio sheet for the Hall of Fame induction, Gordon said his favorite high school memory was "Watching the many exploits of the extremely talented and entirely awe-inspiring Leon Iannarelli," the 1973 state champion at 120 pounds and a member of the FHS Hall of Fame.

*Willard Grossi- Lompoc*





*Steve Barrett - Miraleste*



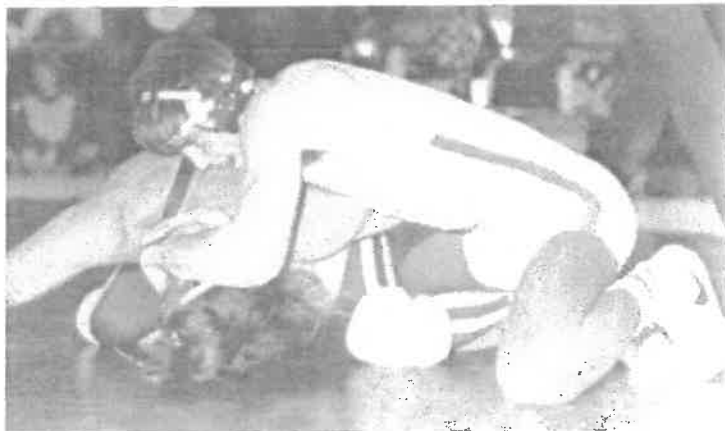
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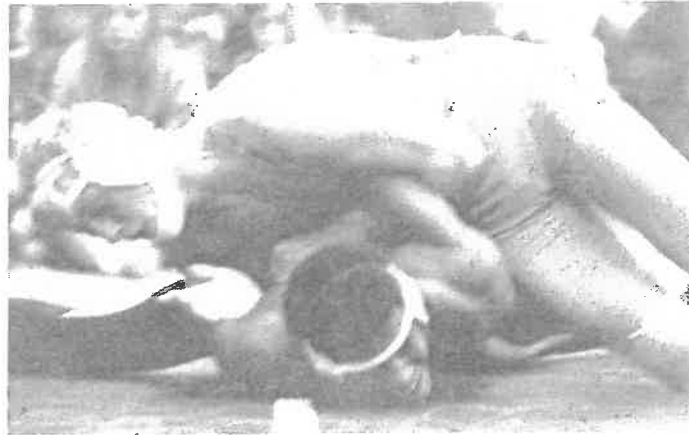
*Robbie Vieira - El Cajon*



*Joe Whipple - Santana*



**Lee Austin – Bolsa Grande**



**Fred DeLeon – Oak Grove**



**Mike Bull – South Bakersfield**



He faced Greg Fultcher from Oak Grove High School in San Jose, who was also undefeated entering that match. "I think he had 34 pins out of 40 wins," Bull said. "It wasn't a boring match. I think I led 10-2 until the last few minutes. I won 10-6. "We had a standing ovation after that match, the only one of those in the finals."



*Gary Anderson – Placer*



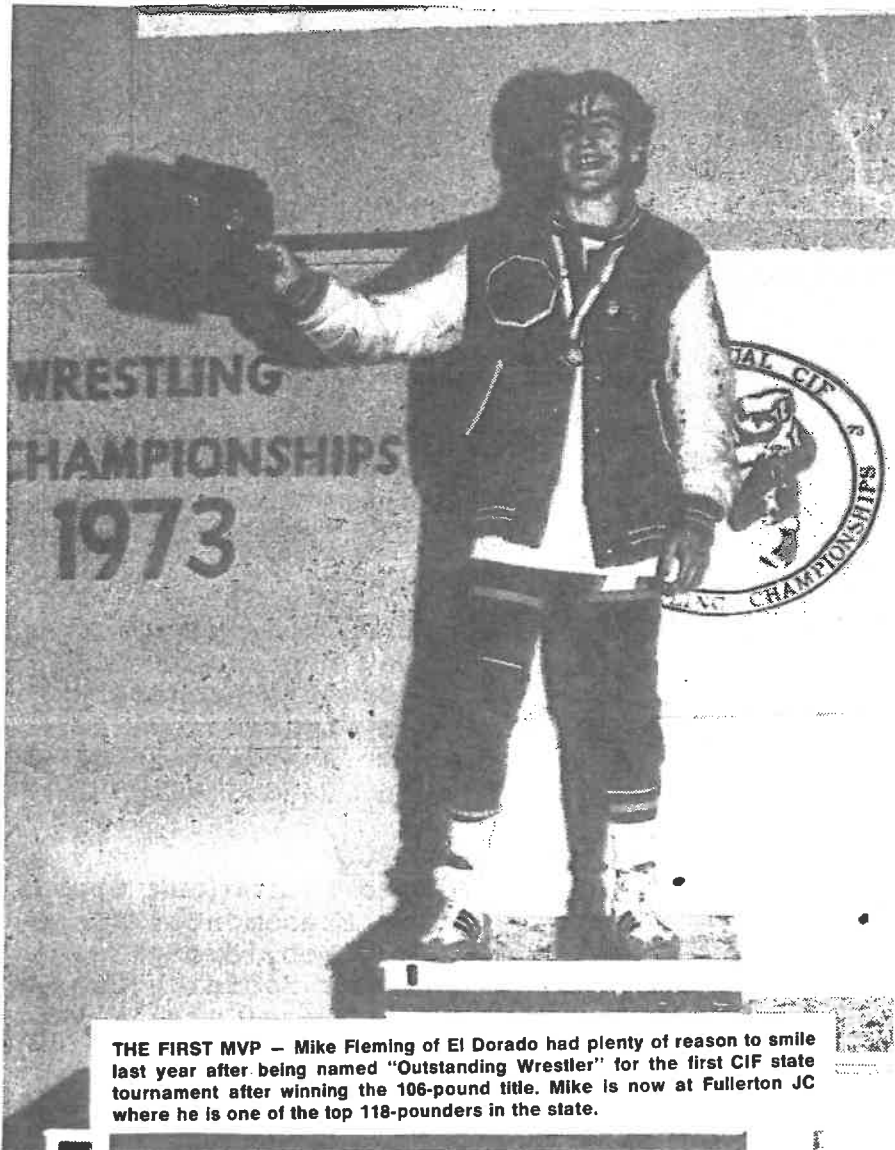
*Lynn Dyche – Oak Grove*



**LAST YEAR'S CHAMPIONS** - Kneeling (left to right) - Bob Contreras (Kingsburg 98); Mike Fleming (El Dorado 106); Ernie Flores (Madera, 115); Leon Ianarell (Fairfield, 123); Willard Grossi (Lompoc, 130); Robie Vierira (El Cajon, 136); Back row - Steve Barrett (Miraleste, 141); Joe Whipple (Santana, 148); Lee Austin (Bolsa Grande, 157); John Jackson (Miraleste, 168); Fred DeLeon (Oak Grove, 178); Mike Bull (South Bakersfield, 194); Gary Anderson (Placer, Hwt.).



**CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONS:** L-R, front-Contreras (Kingsburg), Fleming (El Dorado), Flores (Madera), Ianarelli (Fairfield), Grossi (Lompoc), Vierira (El Cajon), Whipple (Santana), Austin (Bolsa Grande), Jackson (Miraleste), DeLeon (Oak Grove), Bull (South Bakersfield), Anderson (Placer).



THE FIRST MVP — Mike Fleming of El Dorado had plenty of reason to smile last year after being named "Outstanding Wrestler" for the first CIF state tournament after winning the 106-pound title. Mike is now at Fullerton JC where he is one of the top 118-pounders in the state.



## KEEPING UP WITH LAST YEAR'S CHAMPIONS

There will be no returning champions in this year's CIF state meet. Lompoc's Willard Grossi, who won at 127 last year as a junior, was the best bet but an arm injury prevented him from returning. Last year's MVP—Mike Fleming of El Dorado is now a standout for Fullerton JC. 112-champ Ernie Flores of Madera is a 118-pounder at Fresno JC. Steve Barrett(138) and Gary Anderson and Jon Jackson(165), Miraleste's pair of champions, are both at powerful Oklahoma State wrestling on the varsity as freshmen. At last report Barrett was 9-2 and Jackson 10-3. Fred Deleon(177) of Oak Grove, is 16-10 for UCLA wrestling both 167 and 177. Bakersfield's Mike Bull(191) played football at Bakersfield JC and is one of the state's top-ranked wrestlers. Heavyweight champion Gary Anderson of Placer was 8-2 for Stanford before suffering a knee injury last month. He also started at offensive guard for the Cards in football.

# FIRST CIF WRESTLING TITLE WON BY MONTE VISTA



**MIGHTY MONARCHS** — Monte Vista coach Bill Clauder has the team trophy firmly in hand as his team members pose with CIF president George Miskulin after taking the first state wrestling championship last year. The San Diego school has eight qualifiers back this year and is favored to win again.

Although no one from Monte Vista won a individual title, the San Diego school had six wrestlers place to give the Monarchs 41 points and the first CIF state wrestling championship. Clovis finished second with 38 points, while Miraleste, the only school with two individual champions, took third with 33 1/2 points.

A capacity crowd of 5000 watched the finals which were dominated by the Southern Section. Southern wrestlers took 22 medals with the San Diego, Central Coast and Sacramento Sections all claiming 13.

Mike Fleming of El Dorado (Placentia) was named MVP of the tournament after scoring three pins enroute to the 103-pound championship.

## TEAM SCORING

Monte Vista.....	41
Clovis.....	38
Miraleste.....	33 1/2
Oak Grove.....	29
Bolsa Grande...	26 1/2
Mt. Miguel.....	26
Merced.....	23
Santa Maria.....	21
Santana.....	18 1/2
Madera.....	18
El Dorado.....	18

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WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP**

95 lbs.      Bob Contreras      Kingsburg



112 lbs.      Ernie Flores      Madera



120 lbs.

Leon Ianaarelli

Fairfield



133 lbs.

Robbie Vieira

El Cajon Valley



138 lbs.

Steve Barrett

Miraleste



145 lbs.

Joe Whipple

Santanna



154 lbs.

Lee Austin

Bolsa Grande



165 lbs.

John Jackson

Miraleste





175 lbs.

Fred DeLeon

Oak Grove



191 lbs.

Mike Bull

South Bakersfield



Hyw.

Gary Anderson

Placer



