

# HELMS ATHLETIC FOUNDATION

HELMS HALL, 8760 VENICE BOULEVARD • LOS ANGELES 34, CALIFORNIA

## GEORGE SELLECK, COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL FLASH, NAMED AS CIF BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR FOR 1952 SEASON

For Release: WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 12 and THURSDAY, A.M.

Seldom, in this day of towering basketball players, will you find a "little man" heading the list of all-star ballots. This was the case, however, in this year's All-C.I.F. basketball team voting as George Selleck, Compton High School's diminutive guard, was voted C.I.F. Basketball Player of the Year. It took the Helms Athletic Foundation's All-Southern California Board of Basketball only a few minutes to single out Selleck as the top player in C.I.F. high school ranks for 1952. Only two teams, Compton High School and Loyola High School, placed more than one man on the 1952 All-C.I.F. First and Second Teams. Compton High, under the capable coaching of Kenny Fagans who directed his team to the Coast League Championship, placed George Selleck, guard, on the First Team and Al Waner and Delbert Johnston, both guards, on the Second Team. Loyola placed Jack Dunne, center, on the First Team and Fernando Neri, forward, on the Second. Seventeen schools have men on the honor teams.

"He gets more out of his slight physical build -- 5'8" and 135 pounds -- than any player I have seen in the past 25 years," said Coach Fagans of his star basketeer. Fagans calls Selleck the best natural shot he has ever coached and George's 511 points in 28 games, an average of 18.8 points per game, attest to this statement. Selleck's performance this year is all the more phenomenal when you learn that he played minus one knee cap. He played only slightly last year, because of the operation, but despite this handicap came back strong in the 1952 campaign. Selleck was named the outstanding player in both the Compton and Beverly Hills Tournaments.

Named to First Team forward positions were Bill Smith, who led the Pirate Preps to the Ventura League title with 408 points in 25 games; Bill Sanchez, Cathedral High's top performer, who scored 585 points in 30 games; Noel Mickelsen, Helix High School's most valuable player, who averaged over 14 points in 23 games; and Phillip Rice, who led Fillmore to second place in the Ventura League, scoring 305 points in 27 encounters.

Jack Dunne, Loyola, and Roy Cook, Colton, were selected as the standout centers. Dunne led the Loyola Cubs to the Catholic League Championship as he scored 405 points in 29 games during the full season's play. Cook, star of the Colton five which won the Citrus Belt League title, pushed in 455 points in 21 games, for an average of 21.5 per game.

Named to the guard posts along with George Selleck were Gordon Figard, top player on a mediocre Muir team, who scored 291 points in 15 games; Joe Wohlmuth, outstanding on both offense and defense for Whittier High, Pacific League Champs, who was the League's leading scorer with 362 points in 24 games; and Bob Blake, star of Long Beach Poly's team, who countered 314 points in 24 games.

Forwards named to the Second Team were Fernando Neri, Loyola, David Hall, Alhambra, Russell Tyler, Long Beach Wilson, and Bob Metzler, San Diego Hoover. Centers to make the second squad were R.C. Owens, Santa Monica, and Mike Harwood, St. Monica. Two Compton stars were named at the guard posts, Al Waner and Delbert Johnston, along with Bob Suess, Huntington Beach, and Carlos Reyes, El Monte.

There were three repeaters on this year's team who were named in 1951. Bill Sanchez, named to a forward berth in 1951 received similar recognition this year. Jack Dunne, Second Team center selection in 1951, moved up to a center slot on the First Team. Fernando Neri, Loyola forward, named to the First Team in 1951, was a Second Team selection this year.

George Selleck, Player of the Year, was the smallest member of this year's team standing 5'8" and weighing 135 pounds.

**\* ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CIF HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL FIRST TEAM**

POSITION	PLAYER	TEAM	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR
Forward	Bill Smith	Ventura	6'	180	Junior
Forward	Bill Sanchez	Cathedral	6' 1"	164	Senior
Forward	Noel Mickelsen	Helix	6' 5"	180	Senior
Forward	Phillip Rice	Fillmore	6' 3"	173	Senior
Center	Jack Dunne	Loyola	6' 4"	178	Senior
Center	Roy Cook	Colton	6' 4"	210	Senior
Guard	George Selleck	Compton	5' 8"	135	Senior
Guard	Gordon Figard	Muir	6'	170	Senior
Guard	Joe Wohlmut	Whittier	5' 11"	165	Senior
Guard	Bob Blake	Poly (L.B.)	6' 2"	170	Senior

**\* ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CIF HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SECOND TEAM**

POSITION	PLAYER	TEAM	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR
Forward	Fernando Neri	Loyola	5' 10"	160	Senior
Forward	David Hall	Alhambra	6' 2"	165	Senior
Forward	Russell Tyler	Wilson (L.B.)	6' 2"	180	Junior
Forward	Bob Metzler	Hoover (S.D.)	5' 10"	160	Senior
Center	R.C. Owens	Santa Monica	6' 3"	175	Senior
Center	Mike Harwood	St. Monica	6' 4"	180	Senior
Guard	Al Waner	Compton	5' 9"	150	Senior
Guard	Bob Suess	Hunt. Beach	6' 2"	180	Senior
Guard	Carlos Reyes	El Monte	5' 8"	145	Senior
Guard	Del Johnston	Compton	6' 3"	190	Senior

The All-C.I.F. Teams for 1952 were chosen by the Helms Athletic Foundation's All-Southern California Board of Basketball composed of Ralph Alexander, John de la Vega, Bud Furillo, Eddie West, Mannie Pineda, Francis Tuckwiler, Jerry Weiner, Tom Burdick, Bill Whitney, Mory Kapp, Ward Gillilan, Pete Kokon, Dick Vanderveld, Russ Cochran, Harley Tinkham, Bill Hollohan, Braven Dyer, Jr., Secretary, and Bill Schroeder, Chairman.

**HELMS HALL C.I.F. AWARDS PROGRAM SET  
FOR SATURDAY MORNING, ~~APR 5~~ APR 5 1952**

The Fifteenth Annual All-Southern California C.I.F. High School Basketball Team Awards program, sponsored by Helms Athletic Foundation, will be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, ~~March 29~~ <sup>APR 5 1952</sup>. All players named for honors, coaches of honored players, and student newspaper sports editors of high schools which honored players represented, will be invited to attend.

Players named to the First Team will be presented with Voit Official Basketballs by the Voit Rubber Company. All players named for honors, on the first and second teams, will be presented with framed Helms Athletic Foundation certificate awards. Schools of honored players will receive duplicate awards for their trophy cases.

George Selleck, C.I.F. Basketball Player of the Year for 1952, will be presented with the Helms Athletic Foundation's medal award and will have his name engraved upon the Paul H. Helms trophy.

The coach of the C.I.F. Championship Basketball Team will receive a special award at the ~~March 29th~~ <sup>APR 5 1952</sup> awards program, which will get under way at 11:00 A.M.

Those players who have been chosen for C.I.F. Basketball Player of the Year honors during the past fifteen years are as follows:

YEAR	PLAYER OF THE YEAR	SCHOOL
1938	Stuart Lewis . . . . .	Whittier
1939	Bob Howard . . . . .	Long Beach Poly
1940	Ed Gillean . . . . .	Long Beach Poly
1941	Horace Brightman . . . . .	Long Beach Wilson
1942	Irving Noren . . . . .	Pasadena
1943	Alan Grimley . . . . .	Glendale
	Bob Hobbs . . . . .	Orange
1944	Richard Robbins . . . . .	Long Beach Poly
1945	Richard Barnes . . . . .	San Diego Hoover
1946	Hugh Stewart . . . . .	South Pasadena
1947	Houston Faulkner . . . . .	Anaheim
1948	Bob Johnson . . . . .	Whittier
1949	Wayne Kopren . . . . .	Whittier
1950	Mark Costello . . . . .	El Monte
1951	Ronald <del>Bonag</del> <sup>1954 Foundation. All Rights Reserved.</sup> Alhambra	Alhambra
1952	George Selleck . . . . .	Compton

# HELMS ATHLETIC FOUNDATION

HELMS HALL, 8760 VENICE BOULEVARD • LOS ANGELES 34, CALIFORNIA

## DON CARTER, TUSTIN, AND BILL DENNIS, CITRUS, NAMED AS CO-PLAYERS OF THE YEAR IN C.I.F. (NORTH-SOUTH SECTION) BASKETBALL FOR 1952

FOR RELEASE: THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 1952.....AND AFTER

Members of the Helms Athletic Foundation's All-Southern California Board of Basketball, who gathered at Helms Hall on March 5 to pick the top C.I.F. High School Basketball players, named eleven men to the All-Southern California C.I.F. (Northern-Southern Section) High School Basketball Team for the 1952 season. This marked the first time that the Helms Board of Basketball has selected a separate team made up of the outstanding players from the smaller high schools in Southern California. In selecting a team from the smaller high schools it was felt by the Board that more players would be able to receive recognition. This plan was instigated last Fall with the selection of a All-C.I.F. Small School Football Team.

The Southern California Board of Basketball selected co-players of the year for 1952 in the Northern-Southern Section of the C.I.F. The two players to receive honors as "Player of the Year" were William Dennis, of Citrus High School, and Donald Carter, of Tustin High School. Bill Dennis, who played forward for the Citrus Cougars, scored 204 points in 10 league games, for an average of 20.4 points. Coach Edmund Smyth describes Dennis as one of the top rebounders he's seen in high school basketball. Donald Carter, forward for Tustin High's Tillers, scored 324 points in 17 games, for an average of 19 points. Carter has been a first team Orange League selection for the past two years and during the 1952 campaign scored over 25 points in five separate games. Although both Dennis and Carter performed mostly at forward during the season, the Helms Board selected them for center positions. For having been named co-players of the year for 1952, William Dennis and Donald Carter will receive the Helms Player of the Year medal as well as having their names engraved upon the Paul H. Helms Trophy.

The other center to be named, along with Dennis and Carter, was Fred Armer, of Chula Vista. Armer scored 278 points in 23 games, for an average of 12 points per contest. Chester De Vore, Armer's coach, calls Fred "Chula Vista's best player on our five year history."

Forwards on this year's honor team were Stan Hoerner, Flintridge; Bob Mahan, Chino; Jack Arnold, Barstow; and Bob Thompson, Hemet. Hoerner, forward on the Flintridge Highlanders' five, was one of the outstanding players in the Preparatory League. Mahan, a unanimous selection on the All-Tri-County first team, was the play-maker on Chino's Southern Group Championship team. Jack Arnold, one of two juniors on the team, scored 307 points in 19 games, for an average of 16 points per game. Thompson, who was Coach George Gaudreault's ace at Hemet, scored 263 points in 17 games, averaging 15 points per game.

Guards to make the team were Clyde Cook, 187 points in 15 games, from Laguna High; Bill Risley, Boulder City Highsophomore, who scored 110 points in 10 games; Barry Mallagh, San Luis Obispo star, with 234 points in 21 games; and Chuck Brooks, Simi Valley, who bucketed 125 points in 8 league games.

The Fifteenth Annual All-Southern California C.I.F. High School Basketball Team Awards program will be held at Helms Hall, Saturday morning, ~~March 20~~, APR 5 1952 at 11:00 A.M. All players named for honors, coaches of honored players, and student newspaper sports editors of high schools which honored players represented, will be invited to attend. Each player named for honors will receive a framed Helms Athletic Foundation certificate award. The two coaches of the championship teams in the Northern and the Southern Group play-offs will receive special Helms awards.

### ALL-C.I.F. (NORTH-SOUTH SECTION) BASKETBALL TEAM FOR 1952

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	YEAR SCHOOL
Forward	STAN HOERNER	Flintridge	5'11"	180	Senior
Forward	BOB MAHAN	Chino	6' 1"	175	Senior
Forward	JACK ARNOLD	Barstow	6' 2"	155	Junior
Forward	BOB THOMPSON	Hemet	5' 6"	142	Senior
Center	DONALD CARTER	Tustin	6'	165	Senior
Center	FRED ARMER	Chula Vista	6' 4"	190	Senior
Center	WILLIAM DENNIS	Citrus	6' 1"	180	Senior
Guard	CLYDE COOK	Laguna	6' 1"	165	Junior
Guard	BILL RISLEY	Boulder City	5'10"	130	Sophomore
Guard	BARRY MALLAGH	San Luis Obispo	6' 2"	185	Senior
Guard	CHARLES BROOKS	Simi Valley	6'	155	Senior

WILLIAM NAULLS, SAN PEDRO, EARL BATTEY,  
JORDAN, NAMED CO-PLAYERS OF THE YEAR IN  
LOS ANGELES CITY BASKETBALL FOR 1952

FOR RELEASE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 1952.....AND AFTER

Original  
Copy

**T**wo of the Los Angeles City High School's highest scoring basketball players, William Naulls, San Pedro center, and Earl Battey, Jordan forward, were selected as Co-Players of the Year for 1952 in Los Angeles City High School Basketball by the Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball.

William Naulls scored a league-season total of 337 points in 12 games and his average of 28.1 points per game tied the City record set by Jim Powell of Polytechnic two years ago. Earl Battey, who scored 344 points in 14 games, for an average of 24.6 points per game, is reputed to have had the second highest average ever recorded by a forward in city play.

For having been selected as Los Angeles City High School's Co-Players of the Year for 1952, William Naulls and Earl Battey will have their names engraved upon the Paul H. Helms Trophy, which is lodged in Helms Hall, and will be recipients of the Helms Athletic Foundation's Player of the Year medal award. Presentation will be made at Helms Hall on Wednesday evening, February 6, 1952, at 6:30 P.M. At this time the Fifteenth Annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball (Los Angeles City Section) Awards program will be held.

Those who have been chosen for Los Angeles City High School Basketball Player of the Year honors in the past, are:

- |                                  |                                |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1938 John Mandic, Roosevelt      | 1947 Al Linnick, Fairfax       |
| 1939 Dick Lindsley, Eagle Rock   | 1948 Dick Saner, Venice        |
| 1940 Dick Frey, Banning          | 1949 Chet Noe, Washington      |
| 1941 Gilbert Turnbull, Hamilton  | Don Eby, Washington            |
| 1942 Derington Cartrell, Banning | 1950 James Powell, Polytechnic |
| 1943 Vic Larson, Washington      | 1951 J.C. Gipson, Jefferson    |
| 1944 Dan Ducich, Los Angeles     | 1952 William Naulls, San Pedro |
| 1945 Bob Kloppenburg, Marshall   | Earl Battey, Jordan            |
| 1946 Dick McFarland, Manual Arts |                                |

Members of the All-Southern California Board of Basketball for the 1952 season, Los Angeles City Section, are as follows:

- |                             |                                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Ralph Alexander, Examiner   | Jerry Weiner, Citizen-News      |
| John de la Vega, Times      | Pete Kokon, Valley Times        |
| Bud Furillo, Herald-Express | Mil Chipp, San Pedro News-Pilot |
| Mory Kapp, Daily News       | Braven Dyer, Jr., Secretary     |
| Harley Tinkham, Mirror      | Bill Schroeder, Chairman        |

The All-Los Angeles City High School Basketball First Team is made up of four seniors and one junior. Earl Battey, Jordan High School's 6 foot forward was the lone junior to make the honor team. Joining Naulls and Battey on the First Team are Barry Brown, Venice High's co-captain, at forward, and Morris Taft, Polytechnic, and Denny Miller, University, at the guards.

Barry Brown, star forward on Earl Wallis's Venice five, was selected by the Helms Board to team with Earl Battey in the front line. Brown scored 241 points in 14 games for a 17.2 average, which marked him third leading scorer in the Western League.

Morris Taft, Poly High's Player of the Year in the Northern League, was named at one guard post. As a junior last year, Taft was named to the Northern League first team, but did not make the All-City team. Taft was outstanding in Northern League play again this year, scoring 172 points in 10 games.

The Western League's Player of the Year, Denny Miller, was selected at the other guard position. Miller, standing 6'2" tall and weighing 170 pounds, was a top-flight guard in Western League play and was a near-unanimous choice as the top player in the Western League, by vote of the coaches.

There were no repeaters from last year's first team on this year's honor squad. However, William Naulls, San Pedro's scoring ace, was a third-team selection on the 1951 All-Los Angeles City squad. Duane Robbins, first team selection from North Hollywood in 1951, was named to the third team this year. Illness kept him out of six games.

Biggest man on the All-Los Angeles City first team is William Naulls, San Pedro center, who stands 6'5" and weighs 202 pounds. Shortest man is Earl Battey, Jordan, who stands an even 6 feet.

MORE....MORE....MORE

The All-Los Angeles City second team is composed of five seniors. Henry Polee, Co-Player of the Year in the San Fernando Valley League, and Tom Rawlings, star point-scorer from Roosevelt, were named at forwards. Polee scored 163 points in 12 games, while Rawlings scored 151 points in 10 games. Larry Dugan, named Player of the Year in the Southern League, was selected at the center position on the second team. Dugan, Manual Arts' 6'6" center, scored 206 points in 12 games and was the leading scorer in the Southern League. Guards on the second team were Bill Treu Los Angeles High's star player, who hit for 190 points in 14 games and Ray Goodwin, of Riis, who scored 286 points in 14 games.

The All-Los Angeles third team is made up of Duane Robbins, North Hollywood, and Ray Anderson, Jefferson at the forwards; Dick Dorsey, Van Nuys, at center; and Lee Potts, Jordan, and Jim Kaufman, Los Angeles, rounding out the squad at guards. Kaufman, of Los Angeles, is the only junior to make the third team, the rest being seniors. Dick Dorsey, Van Nuys, was named Co-Player of the Year in the San Fernando Valley League.

All players selected for All-Los Angeles City Basketball Team honors (first, second and third teams) will be presented with Helms Athletic Foundation awards at the Fifteenth Annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball Awards program to be held at Helms Hall on Wednesday evening, February 6, 1952, at 6:30 P.M. Coaches of all the players chosen for honors, as well as members of the Helms Basketball Board, will be guests of Helms Athletic Foundation on this occasion. A number of famed basketball coaches and celebrities have been invited to be honored guests, and will be on hand to help honor the All-City players.

Here are the All-Los Angeles City Team selections, as made by the Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball:

\* \* \* \* \* F I R S T T E A M

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>HGHT</u>	<u>WGHT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Forward	Earl Battey	Jordan	6'	180	Jr.
Forward	Barry Brown	Venice	6' 4"	170	Sr.
Center	Willie Naulls	San Pedro	6' 5"	202	Sr.
Guard	Morris Taft	Polytechnic	6' 2"	174	Sr.
Guard	Denny Miller	University	6' 2"	170	Sr.

\* \* \* \* \* S E C O N D T E A M

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>HGHT</u>	<u>WGHT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Forward	Henry Polee	San Fernando	5' 9"	135	Sr.
Forward	Tom Rawlings	Roosevelt	6' 2"	163	Sr.
Center	Larry Dugan	Manual Arts	6' 6"	206	Sr.
Guard	Bill Treu	Los Angeles	6' 1"	151	Sr.
Guard	Ray Goodwin	Riis	6' 1"	155	Sr.

\* \* \* \* \* T H I R D T E A M

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>HGHT</u>	<u>WGHT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Forward	Duane Robbins	No. Hollywood	5'11"	145	Sr.
Forward	Ray Anderson	Jefferson	6'	175	Sr.
Center	Dick Dorsey	Van Nuys	6' 3"	180	Sr.
Guard	Lee Potts	Jordan	6' 2"	168	Sr.
Guard	Jim Kaufman	Los Angeles	6' 3"	180	Jr.

\* \* \* Bob Bell, who coached the San Pedro Pirates to the City Basketball Championship, will be presented with a special Helms Athletic Foundation award at the February 6th basketball awards program in recognition of his fine coaching efforts during the 1951-1952 season.

\* \* \* Members of the All-Los Angeles City Basketball First Team will be awarded regulation basketballs by the Voit Rubber Company at the Fifteenth Annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball Awards program, Wednesday evening, February 6th, at Helms Hall.

\* \* \* \* \*

WILLIAM NAULLS, SAN PEDRO, EARL BATTEY,  
 JORDAN, SELECTED AS CO-PLAYERS OF THE YEAR  
 IN EASTERN-MARINE BASKETBALL FOR 1952

FOR RELEASE: WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, January 23, 1952 and THURSDAY A.M.

**W**illiam Nulls, star center from San Pedro High School and Earl Battey, high-scoring forward from Jordan High School, were named Co-Players of the Year in the Eastern-Marine League by the Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball. Both Nulls and Battey were considered so outstanding in League play that there was little to separate them.

Nulls scored 50 points in San Pedro's final League game against South Gate, to bring his league-season total to 337 points in 12 games. His average of 28.1 points per game tied the City record set by Jim Powell of Polytechnic two years ago.

Battey was no less sensational throughout the season. He scored 344 points in 14 games, which breaks the City record for total league points. His 24.6 point average is reputed to be the second highest average ever recorded by a forward.

Other players to make the All-Eastern-Marine League first team were Lou Vedova, of Bell, at forward; and Ray Goodwin, Riis, and Lee Potts, Jordan, at the guards. Goodwin scored 286 points in 14 games to outscore all his Riis teammates. Vedova scored 263 points in 12 games, while Potts, working mostly at center, scored 190 points in 14 games.

Here are the All-Eastern-Marine League selections for 1951-1952.

\*\*\* F I R S T T E A M.....All-Eastern-Marine League

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	YEAR
Forward	Earl Battey	Jordan	6'	180	Jr.
Forward	Lou Vedova	Bell	5'11"	170	Sr.
Center	William Nulls	San Pedro	6' 5"	202	Sr.
Guard	Ray Goodwin	Riis	6' 1"	155	Sr.
Guard	Lee Potts	Jordan	6' 1"	168	Sr.

\*\*\* S E C O N D T E A M

Forward	Sam Johnson	San Pedro	5' 8"	165	Sr.
Forward	Clarence Marks	Riis	6'	140	Jr.
Center	Ron Farish	Marbonne	6' 3"	185	Sr.
Guard	Bill Sperling	Bell	5'10"	165	Sr.
Guard	Justin Grissom	Jordan	5'11"	162	Sr.

HENRY POLEE, RICHARD DORSEY, CO-PLAYERS  
 OF YEAR IN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY BASKETBALL

**H**enry Polee, San Fernando High School's leading scorer with 163 points in 12 games and Van Nuys High School's Dick Dorsey, who bucketed 200 points in 12 games, were selected as Co-Players of the Year in the Valley League for 1952.

Duane Robbins, of North Hollywood, although he played only half of the season, was named at the other first team forward position with Polee. Lindy Kell, San Fernando, and Tom Meyer, Eagle Rock, were selected at the guard posts. All members of the first team played their last year of prep basketball except Tom Meyer, who is only a junior. Don Lee, of San Fernando, named to the second team, also has another year.

The only holdover on the All-Valley team from last year is Duane Robbins, who was named Player of the Year in 1951.

Here are the All-Valley League selections for the 1951-1952 season.

\*\*\* F I R S T T E A M.....All-San Fernando Valley League

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	YEAR
Forward	Henry Polee	San Fernando	5' 9"	135	Sr.
Forward	Duane Robbins	North Hollywood	5'11"	145	Sr.
Center	Dick Dorsey	Van Nuys	6' 3"	180	Sr.
Guard	Lindy Kell	San Fernando	5'10"	146	Sr.
Guard	Tom Meyer	Eagle Rock	6' 2"	180	Jr.

\*\*\* S E C O N D T E A M

Forward	Jim Anderson	Eagle Rock	5' 8"	130	Sr.
Forward	Mike Lomen	Eagle Rock	6' 1"	165	Sr.
Center	Don Lee	San Fernando	6' 3"	193	Jr.
Guard	Vern Pickup	North Hollywood	6'	147	Sr.
Guard	Clem Ello	Franklin	5' 7"	140	Sr.

# MORRIS TAFT, POLY, SELECTED AS PLAYER OF THE YEAR IN NORTHERN LEAGUE BASKETBALL

FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY, January 22, 1952.....and after

**M**orris Taft, senior guard from Polytechnic High School, was chosen Player of the Year in the Northern League for the 1952 basketball season, by the Helms Athletic Foundation All-Southern California Board of Basketball. Taft was outstanding in Northern League play this year, at his guard position, scoring 172 points in 10 games for the Mechanics.

Art Glover, Taft's teammate on the Polytechnic squad, was named to the first team at forward, as was Henry Tett, of Marshall, who was the only junior to be named to the Northern League honor team. Vic Lapiner, of Wilson, was chosen at the other guard position with Taft and William Virgil, senior center from Lincoln, was selected for the keyhole post.

High scorer among Northern League players was Morris Taft with 172 points in 10 games, followed by Henry Tett, of Marshall, with 131 points in 10 encounters.

Here are the All-Northern League selections for the 1951-1952 season.

## \* \* \* F I R S T T E A M.....ALL-NORTHERN LEAGUE

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR
Forward	Art Glover	Polytechnic	5' 9"	148	Sr.
Forward	Henry Tett	Marshall	5'10"	180	Jr.
Center	Willie Virgil	Lincoln	6' 2"	155	Sr.
Guard	Vic Lapiner	Wilson	6'	204	Sr.
Guard	Morris Taft	Polytechnic	6' 2"	165	Sr.

## \* \* \* S E C O N D T E A M

Forward	Duke Lewis	Huntington Park	6'	160	Sr.
Forward	Monte Martin	Wilson	5'11"	155	Sr.
Center	Leonard Pollard	Polytechnic	6' 3"	185	Sr.
Guard	Dick Bartholome	Huntington Park	6' 3"	175	Sr.
Guard	Louis Hermo	Lincoln	5'10"	150	Sr.

# LARRY DUGAN, MANUAL ARTS, NAMED PLAYER OF THE YEAR IN SOUTHERN LEAGUE FOR 1952

**L**arry Dugan, Manual Arts' 6'6" center, was voted Player of the Year in Southern League balloting. Dugan was the outstanding performer on the Toilers' squad during the season and was the leading scorer in the Southern League, accounting for 206 points in 12 games, for an average of 17.2 points per encounter.

The forwards on the All-Southern League first team were Tom Rawlings, Roosevelt, and Ray Anderson, of Jefferson. Rawlings is a repeater from last year's All-Southern League first team, being the only player to repeat from the 1951 honor team.

Named to guard positions were Tony Navarro, Manual Arts, and Ermine Zappa of Washington. Navarro, the sparkplug of the Toilers' squad, scored 78 points in 12 games. Zappa, who saw duty at center for most of the season, scored 139 points in 9 games and was good off the boards on defense.

The All-Southern League selections for the 1951-1952 season, as chosen by the Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball, follow:

## \* \* \* F I R S T T E A M.....ALL-SOUTHERN LEAGUE

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR
Forward	Tom Rawlings	Roosevelt	6' 1"	163	Sr.
Forward	Ray Anderson	Jefferson	6'	175	Sr.
Center	Larry Dugan	Manual Arts	6' 6"	206	Sr.
Guard	Tony Navarro	Manual Arts	5' 8"	142	Sr.
Guard	Ermine Zappa	Washington	6' 4"	155	Sr.

## \* \* \* S E C O N D T E A M

Forward	Don Dangleis	Garfield	6'	145	Sr.
Forward	Dickie Nagai	Roosevelt	5'11"	146	Sr.
Center	Ralph Kellum	Fremont	6'	145	Sr.
Guard	Harold Forsha	Jefferson	5'10"	175	Sr.
Guard	Joe Simons	Fremont	5'11"	155	Sr.

All-Southern California Board of Basketball for 1952 season: RALPH ALEXANDER, JOHN DE LA VEGA, BUD FURILLO, MORY KAPP, JERRY WEINER, PETER KOKON, MIL CHIPP, BRAVEN DYER, JR., SECRETARY, BILL SCHROEDER, CHAIRMAN.

# DENNY MILLER, UNIVERSITY, WESTERN LEAGUE BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR FOR 1952

FOR RELEASE: THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 24, 1952 and FRIDAY A.M.

**P**layer of the Year honors in the Western League went to Denny Miller of University High School for the 1951-1952 basketball season. Miller was voted Player of the Year honors by unanimous vote of the Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball. Miller played outstanding basketball for the Warriors throughout the season and was a near-unanimous choice as the top player in the Western League, by vote of the coaches.

Forwards on the All-Western first team were Barry Brown, Venice, and Glenn Poston, of Hamilton. Brown scored 241 points in 14 games for the Gondoliers, for an average of 17.1 points per game. Poston was a standout on defense and scored well from the floor.

Bill Treu, Los Angeles High School's star center, was named at the pivot spot. He scored 190 points in 14 games and his coach, H.H. Bresee, calls Treu "The best basketball player on the best team Los Angeles High School has ever had."

Holding down the other guard spot with Denny Miller is Jim Kaufman, of Los Angeles. Kaufman, from his guard position, scored 200 points in 14 games to lead all Roman scorers.

There were four juniors named to the All-Western League teams. Kaufman and Poston, on the first team, are both juniors and Bob Cox, of University, and Bob Sutton, of Hollywood, both have another year.

The only player to repeat from last year's Western League team is Bob Sutton, of Hollywood, who was selected as a guard in 1951.

Here are the All-Western League selections for the 1951-1952 season.

**\* \* \* F I R S T T E A M.....All-Western League**

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR
Forward	Barry Brown	Venice	6' 4"	170	Sr.
Forward	Glenn Poston	Hamilton	5'10"	160	Jr.
Center	Bill Treu	Los Angeles	6' 1"	151	Sr.
Guard	Denny Miller	University	6' 2"	170	Sr.
Guard	Jim Kaufman	Los Angeles	6' 3"	180	Jr.

**\* \* \* S E C O N D T E A M**

Forward	Ken Seese	Venice	6'	155	Sr.
Forward	Harold Brooks	Los Angeles	5' 8"	143	Sr.
Center	Bob Cox	University	6' 4"	220	Jr.
Guard	Bob Sutton	Hollywood	5' 9"	160	Jr.
Guard	Don Moore	Hamilton	6' 1"	167	Sr.

**THE ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BOARD OF BASKETBALL FOR THE 1952 SEASON FOLLOWS:**

RALPH ALEXANDER, Los Angeles Examiner	BUD FURILLO, Los Angeles Herald-Express
JOHN DE LA VEGA, Los Angeles Times	JERRY WEINER, Hollywood Citizen-News
MORY KAPP, Los Angeles Daily-News	ETTE KOKON, Valley Times
MIL CHIEP, San Pedro News-Pilot	BRAVEN DYER, JR., Helms Athletic Found.
HARLEY TINKHALL, Los Angeles Mirror	BILL SCHROEDER, Chairman