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FRED GOSS, COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL SENSATION,
UNANIMOUS CIF "AAA" BASKETBALL PLAYER OF
THE YEAR SELECTION FOR 1961

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Fabulous Freddy Goss, the remarkable scoring machine from Compton High School, was unanimously named Southern California's "Basketball Player of the Year" in the "AAA" Division of the C.I.F., when members of the Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball met at Helms Hall last week to make their annual basketball team selections. The fact that Goss broke a southland prep scoring mark, plus leading his team to the triple A championship made his selection virtually automatic.

Fred Goss lead Bill Armstrong's Coast League team to the league championship with a perfect record. The Tarbabes swept through the CIF Southern Section playoffs taking five straight games. Goss-led Compton defeated L.B. Wilson (85-57), Ventura (62-45), L.B. Jordan (65-39), Monrovia (68-44) and L.B. Poly (57-49) in the finals. Without much fear of contradiction, Compton went virtually untested in the playoffs until the final game with Long Beach Poly. In the four previous playoff encounters Compton won by a spread of 28, 17, 26 and 24 points respectively.

For the full 31-game Compton season, Fred Goss scored 987 points, which is a new Southern California High School single-season scoring record. Goss averaged 31.84 points per game, which is also a new prep record. Both marks made by Goss during the past season better records established by Santa Maria's John Rudometkin during the 1958 season. John scored 966 points in 32 games for a 30.2 average.

At 6'2" and 165 pounds, Freddy Goss is a much sought-after boy by colleges and universities around the country. Wherever he has played Goss has received the highest praise from coaches and players alike. Although listed as a guard by his coach, Goss played a forward position much of the season. He is a senior at Compton.

For having been named the outstanding performer in Southern California basketball for 1961, Fred Goss will receive a special Helms medal award at the 24th annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball awards program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 8th at 10:30 am. Goss will also have his name engraved upon the Paul H. Helms Trophy, which is permanently lodged in Helms Hall. George Selleck, former Stanford University star, also is a "player of the year" selection from Compton High School. Selleck was named for honors in 1952.

Leddy Baker, star performer of the Long Beach Poly team which faced Compton in the finals of the CIF Playoffs, was named to the first team at a center position along with repeat All-CIF first-team member Les Christensen of Monrovia. Both boys were not spectacular point producers, but were great on defense and remarkable in the rebounding department.

San Diego Hoover's Nick Barkett, "player of the year" in the San Diego City area, won a first team forward berth along with Dan Wolthers of Redlands. Wolthers is regarded as the finest basketball prospect to ever come out of the Redlands area. The other forwards on the first team were John Chambers of Antelope Valley and Ron Shackelford of Burroughs, Burbank. Chambers led his team to the semi-finals of the CIF tourney, losing to L.B. Poly, 59-43.

Guards named along with Goss, are Glendale Hoover's Allen Young Anaheim's Frank Peters and Jordan, Long Beach's Gail Hopkins. All are top-flight college prospects, while Allen Young was named to the 2nd team in 1960. Only Young and Christensen are repeaters from 1960.

Compton's Clarence Esters and Vaughn Hoffman of Inglewood were the 2nd team center choices. Both boys were greatly responsible for their team's fine showings in taking league titles. Scoring leader on the 2nd squad is Culver City's Tom McPerson, who averaged 21.7 points in 20 games. Ventura's star forward Norma Cowgill was not far behind with an 18.5 mark in 27 encounters.

All players on the 1961 All-Southern California "AAA" teams are seniors. CIF champion Compton is the only school that placed as many as two players on the 1961 honor teams.

1961 ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "AAA" DIVISION CIF BASKETBALL TEAMS. . .

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POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	POINTS	AVG.
Forward	NICK BARKETT.....	HOOVER, S. DIEGO	6-1	145	Sr.	367-27	13.6
Forward	DAN WOLTERS.....	REDLANDS.....	6-3	180	Sr.	500-20	25.0
Forward	JOHN CHAMBERS.....	ANTELOPE VALLEY	6-2	175	Sr.	599-28	21.4
Forward	RON SHACKELFORD...	BURROUGHS, BURB.	6-3	180	Sr.	443-23	19.3
Center	LEDDY BAKER.....	POLY, LONG BEACH	6-6	195	Sr.	290-24	12.1
Center	LESLIE CHRISTENSEN	MONROVIA.....	6-7	180	Sr.	329-22	15.0
Guard	FRED GOSS.....	COMPTON.....	6-2	165	Sr.	987-31	31.8
Guard	ALLEN YOUNG.....	HOOVER, GLENDALE	6-4	180	Sr.	517-24	21.5
Guard	GAIL HOPKINS.....	JORDAN, L. BEACH	5-10	180	Sr.	279-14	19.9
Guard	FRANK PETERS.....	ANAHEIM.....	6-1	175	Sr.	588-28	21.0

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Forward	NORM COWGILL.....	VENTURA.....	6-2	175	Sr.	500-27	18.5
Forward	GARY COOPER.....	EL MONTE.....	6-2	160	Sr.	289-25	11.6
Forward	TOM McPERSON.....	CULVER CITY....	6-3	180	Sr.	435-20	21.7
Forward	TYRONE PRICE.....	ST. ANTHONY'S..	5-11	175	Sr.	338-23	14.7
Center	CLARENCE ESTERS...	COMPTON.....	6-3	190	Sr.	219-23	9.5
Center	VAUGHN HOFFMAN....	INGLEWOOD.....	6-7	207	Sr.	325-25	13.0
Guard	GENE JOHNSON.....	PIUS X.....	6-3	190	Sr.	445-25	17.8
Guard	CHARLES SCHNEIDER.	HILLTOP.....	6-3	170	Sr.	415-26	16.0
Guard	WARREN RUSTAND....	CALIFORNIA.....	6-2	165	Sr.	342-25	13.7
Guard	DENNY MARQUARDT...	COVINA.....	6-0	160	Sr.	270-18	15.0

All-Southern California Board of Basketball, which made the above 1961 All-Star Team selections, is composed of the following members:

Ralph Alexander, L.A. Examiner	Jack Hefley, L.A. Times
Eddie West, Santa Ana Register	Joe Cordero, L.A. Mirror
Doug Ives, Long Beach Press Telegram	Cliff Gewecke, Hunt. Park Signal
Al Ames, Glendale News-Press	Rich Roberts, San Pedro News-Pilot
Garland Rose, Riverside Enterprise	Claude Anderson, San Bernardino Sun
Jerry Weiner, Hollywood Citizen	Philip Patton, S. Barbara News-Press
Chuck Thomas, Ventura Star	Rick Smith, San Diego Tribune
Ron McGrath, S. Gabriel Valley Trib.	Bill Whitney, Breitbard Foundation
Dick Miller, Santa Monica Outlook	Mannie Pineda, Helms Athletic Found.
Braven Dyer, Jr., Secretary	Bill Schroeder, Chairman

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The 24th Annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball Awards Program will be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 8th at 10:30 am. At this time all players named for All-CIF honors will be presented with framed scroll awards. Coaches who led their teams to CIF Division titles will also receive awards.

The Voit Rubber Company of Los Angeles, as they have done for the past 12 years, will present special basketballs to the honored players. Mel Barton and Lloyd Tutor will be on hand to represent the Voit Co.

Those players named for CIF "AAA" Player of the Year honors since 1938 follow:

YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L
1938	Stuart Lewis.....	Whittier	1951	Ronald Bane.....	Alhambra
1939	Bob Howard.....	Poly, L.B.	1952	George Selleck...	Compton
1940	Ed Gillean.....	Poly, L.B.	1953	Bill Bond.....	St. Anthony's
1941	Horace Brightman.	Wilson, L.B.	1954	Larry Hauser...	Mt. Carmel
1942	Irving Noren.....	Pasadena	1955	Fred Grabtree...	Covina
1943	Alan Grimley.....	Glendale	1956	Jerry Pimm.....	Montebello
	Bob Hobbs.....	Ornage		Jim Hanna.....	Poly, L.B.
1944	Robert Robbins...	Poly, L.B.	1957	George Van Vliet..	Whittier
1945	Richard Barnes...	Hoover, S.D.		Alvin Claiborne...	Mt. Carmel
1946	Hugh Stewart.....	So. Pasadena	1958	John Rudmetkin...	Santa Maria
1947	Houston Faulkner.	Anaheim	1959	Darrell Sutherland.	Glendale
1948	Bob Johnson.....	Whittier	1960	Thomas Dose.....	Glendale
1949	Wayne Kopren.....	Whittier	1961	Fred Goss.....	Compton
1950	Mark Costello....	El Monte			

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BOB BEDELL, BELL GARDENS CENTER, WINS TOP PLAYER VOTE IN "AA-A" BASKETBALL FOR 1961

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Bell Gardens' Bob Bedell, the player most responsible for his team's Rio Hondo League championship and CIF "AA" crown, was the Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball pick as "Player of the Year" in the "AA-A" Division of the CIF Southern Section for 1961, when members gathered at Helms Hall to make their yearly basketball selections. Bedell's selection was a near-unanimous one, with only two votes going to other candidates.

Bob Bedell, only a junior at Bell Gardens High this year, is rated very highly by prep and collegiate coaches alike. Many felt an injustice had been done Bob last year, when he was left off the CIF team selections. He was that good. This past season Bob scored 724 points in 27 games for a 26.8 average. In four "AA" Playoff games -- Cantwell (55-48), Fillmore (73-71), Eisenhower (64-54) and San Marcus (64-53) -- Bedell scored 135 points for a 33.8 average. In 10 Rio Hondo League games Bob scored 270 points for a 27 point average, exactly what he managed over the 27-game full season.

This was the first CIF Championship in the 13-year history of Bell Gardens High School. Bob Bedell is likewise Bell Gardens' first "player of the year" in any sport. For having been named for this honor by members of the Helms Board, Bob Bedell will receive a special Helms medal award at the 24th annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 8th at 10:30 am. At this time, all those players named for CIF "AA-A" Basketball Team honors will be presented with special certificate awards by All-Southern California Board of Basketball.

Along with Bedell at the other center position on the first team is John Fairchild of San Dieguito. John led Dick McCracken's team through three playoff games in the San Diego Class "A" championships -- El Cajon (73-57), Kearny (66-53) and Sweetwater (54-46) -- to win the title. Forwards on the first team are led by John Hanson of Santa Clara, winner of the CIF Southern Section "A" Division title. Hanson led Santa Clara to its third straight "A" crown with wins over Harvard (51-35), Bishop (72-57), Tustin (45-41) and Brea-Olinda (39-25). Brea Olinda's fine guard Gary Holman was named to a guard post on the first team.

Other forwards include Edgewood's Bob Stowell, Eisenhower's Jack Lucas and San Jacinto's Dick Johnson. Of this threesome Lucas and Johnson are both juniors.

The four first-team guard picks are "best ever" performers at their respective schools. Jeff Congdon and Jack Tebbs, from Bolsa Grande and Alemany respectively, are only juniors but still considered to be the finest in their school's history. Bruce Gibby, Fillmore, like Bell Gardens' Bedell, is a fine student and leader. Gary Holman of Brea-Olinda, more noted for his football ability, is no less impressive on the basketball floor.

While there are five juniors on the first team, all second team members are seniors. San Marcos, runner-up to Bell Gardens in the "AA" Playoff, placed center Robert Jones on the second team. There were no repeaters from 1960.

There follows "Player of the Year" selections in the "small school" section of the CIF.

ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "SMALL SCHOOL" PLAYER OF YEAR SELECTIONS

1952	DON CARTER.....TUSTIN	1957	BILL KILMER.....CITRUS
	BILL DENNIS.....CITRUS	1958	TERRY HERMANN.....ORANGE
1953	CLYDE COOK.....LAGUNA BEACH	1959	BOB SOMMERS.....SAN MARINO
1954	MIKE GRAY.....CLAREMONT	1960	STEVE MILLER...SANTA CLARA
1955	JOHN ARRILLAGA..MORNINGSIDE	1961	BOB BEDELL...BELL GARDENS
1956	CHARLES JORDAN.PALM SPRINGS		

1961 ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "AA-A" DIVISION CIF BASKETBALL SELECTIONS

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POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	POINTS	AVG.
Forward	JOHN HANSON....	SANTA CLARA....	6-2	170	Sr.	278-22	12.6
Forward	BOB STOWELL....	EDGEWOOD.....	6-1	175	Sr.	534-24	22.2
Forward	JACK LUCAS.....	EISENHOWER.....	6-1	175	Jr.	514-27	19.0
Forward	RICHARD JOHNSON	SAN JACINTO....	6-1	180	Jr.	318-21	15.1
Center	BOB BEDELL.....	BELL GARDENS...	6-6	180	Jr.	724-27	26.8
Center	JOHN FAIRCHILD.	SAN DIEGUITO...	6-7	170	Sr.	426-26	16.4
Guard	JEFF CONGDON...	BOLSA GRANDE...	5-11	170	Jr.	444-22	20.2
Guard	JACK TEEBS.....	ALEMANY.....	5-8	137	Jr.	557-26	21.4
Guard	BRUCE GIBBY....	FILLMORE.....	5-10	145	Sr.	345-24	14.8
Guard	GARY HOLMAN....	BREA-OLINDA....	6-1	195	Sr.	468-26	18.0

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Forward	DENNIS HENRY...	KEARNY, S. DIEGO	5-11	160	Sr.	367-25	14.7
Forward	CHARLES PFEIFER	SAN GABRIEL MISS.	6-1	180	Sr.	256-24	10.7
Forward	HAROLD DE BIE..	VALLEY CHRISTIAN	6-2	155	Sr.	534-24	22.2
Forward	JOHN PATTERSON.	HARVARD.....	6-3	180	Sr.	480-23	20.9
Center	JOE KNOX.....	ST. JOHN VIANNEY	6-6	190	Sr.	336-22	15.3
Center	ROBERT JONES...	SAN MARCOS.....	6-1	165	Sr.	262-22	11.9
Guard	MIKE WALTERS...	RAMONA.....	5-11	160	Sr.	412-23	17.9
Guard	JIM REAMS.....	CANTWELL.....	5-9	135	Sr.	432-24	18.0
Guard	CHRIS CAJAS....	ARROYO-GRANDE...	5-4	130	Sr.	264-21	12.6
Guard	JAMES SPITTLER.	BRAWLEY.....	6-0	165	Sr.	303-20	15.2

The above selections were made by All-Southern California Board of Basketball, which has been making similar selections since the Board's inception back in 1936. All-Southern California "small school" CIF selections have been made in basketball since 1952.

All-Southern California "AA-A" Division teams for 1961 were selected by the following Helms Board members:

Ralph Alexander, L.A. Examiner	Jack Hefley, L.A. Times
Eddie West, Santa Ana Register	Joe Cordero, L.A. Mirror
Doug Ives, Long Beach Press-Telegram	Cliff Gewecke, Hunt. Park Signal
Al Ames, Glendale News Press	Rich Roberts, San Pedro News-Pilot
Garland Rose, Riverside Enterprise	Claude Anderson, San Bernardino Sun
Jerry Weiner, Hollywood Citizen	Philip Patton, S. Barbara News-Press
Chuck Thomas, Ventura Star	Rick Smith, San Diego Tribune
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AWARDS PROGRAM AT HELMS HALL SAT. APRIL 8TH
HELMS AWARDS & VOIT BASKETBALLS PRESENTED

Some 55 players from both Los Angeles City and Southern California CIF basketball teams will be honored with Helms scroll awards at the 24th annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 8th at 10:30 am.

As it has done for the past dozen years, the Voit Rubber Company of Los Angeles will present special Voit Basketballs to the honored players. Mel Barton and Lloyd Tutor of the Voit Company are on hand each year to remember each award winner with a Voit ball.

Along with honored players from throughout Southern California, high school and college basketball coaches will be on hand to help pay respects to the 1961 star players. Those coaches who directed their teams to playoff titles -- in both city and CIF divisions -- will be presented with special silver tumbler awards.

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GAIL GOODRICH, POLYTECHNIC HIGH SCHOOL GUARD, ALL-CITY BASKETBALL CHOICE FOR '61

FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1961 and after

Who would have predicted that the player for this year's Los Angeles City Basketball champions at Polytechnic High School, was All-Southern California Board of Basketball's "player of the year" selection for 1961, it was revealed yesterday, following a vote at the board's annual selection meeting. There was no question in the minds of those making the annual Helms basketball picks that Gail Goodrich was not the best hardwood performer in Los Angeles City ranks for 1961.

Perhaps the most efficient and smooth working "small" basketball player to perform in local prep ranks within recent memory, Gail Goodrich led coach Nelson Burton's Parrots to the Los Angeles City High School Basketball Championship, following victory in the East Valley League race. Polytechnic's victory over Manual Arts High School, 52-37, in the city finals at Los Angeles State College, brought the San Fernando Valley its first basketball title in 14 years of City Tournament play.

It was 5'11, 140-pound Gail Goodrich who sparked the Parrot's charge to the championship. Named "most outstanding performer", Gail scored 90 points in the four tourney games played by Poly, to break a record for guards of 79 points set by University's Don Pino in 1955. Although he missed most of one complete quarter, due to an injured ankle, Gail scored 29 points in the final game against Manual Arts, to evidence one of the finest clutch performances seen in the 14-year history of the city playoffs.

Goodrich scored 232 points during the 10-game East Valley League season, which was good enough to place him second in city scoring for 1961. Only Hamilton High School's Richard Levin, who scored 267 points during the league season, produced more points than Goodrich.

For having been named "player of the year" in Los Angeles City basketball for 1961, Gail Goodrich will receive the Helms "outstanding player" award at the 24th annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall sometime in March. At this time both All-Los Angeles City and All-Southern California CIF basketball stars named for Helms Board of Basketball honors will receive special framed scroll awards.

Gail Goodrich will also have his name engraved upon the Paul H. Helms Trophy, which is permanently lodged in Helms Hall. Goodrich joins a select group of Los Angeles City basketball players, who have been named as "players of the year". The Board's selections, made since 1938, follow:

1938 John Mandic.....	Roosevelt	1951 J.C. Gipson.....	Polytechnic
1939 Dick Lindsley.....	Eagle Rock	1952 Willie Naulls.....	San Pedro
1940 Dick Frey.....	Banning	Earl Battey.....	Jordan
1941 Gilbert Turnbull.....	Hamilton	1953 James Kaufman.....	Los Angeles
1942 Derington Gartrell...	Banning	1954 Lee Harman.....	University
1943 Vic Larson.....	Washington	1955 Don Pino.....	University
1944 Dan Ducich.....	Los Angeles	1956 Sterling Forbes.....	Jordan
1945 Bob Kloppenburg.....	Marshall	1957 Billy McGill.....	Jefferson
1946 Dick McFarland.....	Manual Arts	1958 Billy McGill.....	Jefferson
1947 Al Linnick.....	Fairfax	Willie Thomas.....	Jefferson
1948 Dick Saner.....	Venice	1959 Henry Johnson.....	Fremont
1949 Chet Noe.....	Washington	Jack Hirsch.....	Van Nuys
Don Eby.....	Washington	1960 Joe Caldwell.....	Fremont
1950 James Powell.....	Polytechnic	1961 Gail Goodrich.....	Polytechnic

Helms All-Southern California Board of Athletics members who took part in naming this year's All-Los Angeles City Basketball Teams, are as follows:

Ralph Alexander - Los Angeles Examiner	Joe Cordero - Los Angeles Mirror
Jack Hefley - Los Angeles Times	Jack Disney - Los Angeles Herald-Express
Jerry Weiner - Hollywood Citizen-News	Cliff Gewecke - Huntington Park Signal
Richard Roberts - San Pedro News Pilot	Braven Dyer, Jr. - Secretary (Helms Hall)
W.R. Bill Schroeder - Chairman (Helms Hall)	

City champion Poly High placed Gail Goodrich at guard on the first team, with forward Curtis Gammell being named to the second squad. Runner-up Manual Arts, champions of the always-powerful Southern League, landed forward Larry Williams on the first team, with teammates Stan Swinger and William Allen making the second and third teams respectively.

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ALL-LOS ANGELES CITY BASKETBALL TEAM SELECTIONS - 1961 - CONT.

Narbonne High School's Kenneth Ellsworth was named to the first team center position for 1961. Ellsworth was a second-team All-City selection in 1960 and one of two players to be named for honors off last year's team.

At the other forward position on the first team, along with Manual's Larry Williams, is Hamilton High School's Western League "player of the year" Richard Levin. Dick was the city's top scorer in 1961, with 267 points in 10 league games.

Dorsey, which finished second to Manual Arts in the Southern Loop race, landed Howard Holt at the other guard post along with Goodrich. All members of the city first team are seniors. Only Marine League "player of the year" Ken Ellsworth fell below the 20-point-per-game average (he was close with 19.9 average) maintained by the other four first team members.

Dorsey's Ed Fleming, selected at center on the second team, gave the Southern League runners-up two positions on the 1961 honor teams. University, winner of the Western League race, placed its star guard Tony Horton on the No. 2 quintet, as did San Pedro with Randall Hoxie.

Forwards on the third team are Marshall's Steve Selsky, "player of the year" in the Northern League and Huntington Park's Jim Stupin, who also received top-player recognition in the Eastern League. Manual Arts' William Allen earned the center berth, while Belmont's Francis Thompson and Birmingham's Duane Zeilstra are the guard selections.

Those players named to the All-Los Angeles City Basketball Team -- first, second and third teams -- who were "player of the year" selections within their own league, follow:

<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>LEAGUE</u>	<u>COACH</u>	<u>AVG</u>
GAIL GOODRICH . . .	POLYTECHNIC . . .	EAST-VALLEY . .	NELSON BURTON..	23.2
STEVE SELSKY . . .	MARSHALL	NORTHERN . . .	LOU WHEELER....	19.7
LARRY WILLIAMS . . .	MANUAL ARTS	SOUTHERN . . .	DON CARLSON....	20.0
KEN ELLSWORTH . . .	NARBONNE	MARINE	WAYNE SLOSS....	19.9
RICHARD LEVIN . . .	HAMILTON	WESTERN	Y. SHIMIZU.....	26.7
JIM STUPIN	HUNTINGTON PARK . .	EASTERN	W. WHITE.....	17.2
DUANE ZEILSTRA . . .	BIRMINGHAM	WEST-VALLEY . .	J. O'HARA.....	23.0

The All-Los Angeles City Basketball Team selections for 1961, as determined by All-Southern California Board of Basketball, follow:

*** FIRST TEAM

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>HGHT</u>	<u>WGHT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>GAMES</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>AVG</u>
Forward	LARRY WILLIAMS....	MANUAL ARTS.....	6' 3	185	Senior	10	200	20.0
Forward	RICHARD LEVIN.....	HAMILTON.....	6' 3	160	Senior	10	267	26.7
Center	KENNETH ELLSWORTH.	NARBONNE.....	6' 4	170	Senior	8	159	19.9
Guard	GAIL GOODRICH.....	POLYTECHNIC.....	5'11	140	Senior	10	232	23.2
Guard	HOWARD HOLT.....	DORSEY.....	6' 1	155	Senior	10	209	20.9

*** SECOND TEAM

Forward	CURTIS GAMMELL....	POLYTECHNIC.....	6' 5	188	Junior	10	84	8.4
Forward	STANLEY SWINGER...	MANUAL ARTS.....	6' 3	175	Senior	10	168	16.8
Center	EDWARD FLEMING....	DORSEY.....	6'	150	Senior	10	148	14.8
Guard	TONY HORTON.....	UNIVERSITY.....	6' 2	178	Junior	10	207	20.7
Guard	RANDALL HOXIE.....	SAN PEDRO.....	6' 1	165	Senior	6	62	10.3

*** THIRD TEAM

Forward	STEVE SELSKY.....	MARSHALL.....	6' 2	175	Senior	10	197	19.7
Forward	JIM STUPIN.....	HUNTINGTON PARK...	6' 1	212	Senior	10	172	17.2
Center	WILLIAM ALLEN.....	MANUAL ARTS.....	6' 5	175	Junior	10	150	15.0
Guard	DUANE ZEILSTRA....	BIRMINGHAM.....	6' 2	190	Senior	10	230	23.0
Guard	FRANCIS THOMPSON..	BELMONT.....	5' 8	155	Senior	10	197	19.7

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KEN ELLSWORTH, NARBONNE HIGH'S TOP SCORER, PICKED AS MARINE LEAGUE'S TOP BASKETEER...

FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 7, and Wednesday a.m.

Kenneth Ellsworth, a second-team All-Los Angeles City Basketball selection in 1960, was named the Marine League "player of the year" for 1961, when members of All-Southern California Board of Basketball met at Helms Hall to make their annual basketball selections.

Ellsworth, who averaged over 17 points as a junior, managed to up his league output to 20 points per game in 1961 and was coach Wayne Sloss' top performer over the season. A well rounded player on both offense and defense, Ellsworth stands 6'4 and weighs 170 pounds.

Champion Jordan, with a 6-0 league mark, placed three players on the two league teams, as did runner-up San Pedro. Banning placed two players, while Gardena landed one berth on the second team. Jordan also won the Marine League title last season.

Behind Jordan in the standings came San Pedro (5-1), Banning (3-5), Narbonne (3-5) and Gardena (1-7). During the season, Jordan-San Pedro games were declared no contests.

Narbonne's Ken Ellsworth is the only repeater from last season's Marine League team. The 1961 Helms Board selections follow:

* * * F I R S T T E A M All-Marine League - 1961

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	LEAGUE AVG.
Forward	KENNETH ELLSWORTH	Narbonne	6' 4	170	Senior	19.9
Forward	PETER BOZANICH	San Pedro.	6'	185	Senior	18.5
Center	KEN AMMAN	Banning.	6' 5	175	Senior	16.6
Guard	RANDALL HOXIE	San Pedro.	6'	165	Senior	10.0
Guard	LOUIS SMITH	Jordan	5' 9	168	Senior	15.0

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

Forward	PAUL SCRANTON	Jordan	6' 3	172	Junior	11.7
Forward	ALAN RYAN	Banning.	6' 1	160	Senior	12.0
Center	STEVE LOCK	Gardena.	6' 3	170	Senior	14.7
Guard	DAVID OLSEN	San Pedro.	6'	175	Senior	8.0
Guard	JOHN ANDERSON	Jordan	5' 6	135	Senior	8.5

HAMILTON'S HIGH SCORING RICH LEVIN, NAMED WESTERN LEAGUE'S TOP PLAYER FOR '61 SEASON

Richard Levin, 1961 Los Angeles City Basketball scoring champion, was named Western League "player of the year" as votes were tabulated for all-league teams at Helms Hall last week. Levin, a 6'3, 160-pound senior forward, wound up with 267 points in 10 league games, for a very substantial 26.7 point average per game.

Western League champion University, with a 9-1 record, placed its two top guards on the first league team, while Fairfax and Venice each grabbed a first team berth along with Hamilton. Fairfax wound up with three spots on the two teams, with Jerry Rosen winning a second-team forward post and centers Henry McPherson and Chuck Rubel nailing down both first and second team center spots.

Albert Williams, Venice forward, is the only Western Loop repeater, having been named to the second squad in 1960. Al was the league's second high scorer, with a 21.4 average for the league season.

Following University's 9-1 championship finish, came Venice (7-3), Fairfax (6-4), Hamilton (4-6), Westchester (2-8) and Hollywood (2-8). Western teams follow:

* * * F I R S T T E A M All-Western League - 1961

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	LEAGUE AVG.
Forward	ALBERT WILLIAMS	Venice.	6' 3	170	Senior	21.4
Forward	RICHARD LEVIN	Hamilton.	6' 3	160	Senior	26.7
Center	HENRY McPHERSON	Fairfax	6' 4	172	Senior	13.8
Guard	TONY HORTON	University.	6' 2	178	Junior	20.7
Guard	DON GRANDI	University.	6' 3	180	Senior	15.0

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Forward	JERRY ROSEN	Fairfax	5'11	176	Senior	15.5
Forward	LARRY JAY	Westchester	6' 2	160	Senior	22.1
Center	CHARLES RUBEL	Fairfax	6' 4	173	Senior	9.3
Guard	BILL DONOVAN	Venice.	5' 9	145	Senior	14.5
Guard	VIC KATCH	Hollywood	5' 8	142	Soph.	12.4

STEVE SELSKY, MARSHALL FORWARD, PICKED AS TOP NORTHERN LEAGUE BASKETBALL PERFORMER

FOR RELEASE: THURSDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 9, and Friday a.m.

Marshall High School, winner of the Northern League Basketball title with a perfect 10-0 record, placed four players on the 1961 all-league team, including "player of the year" Steve Selsky, it was announced yesterday by Helms All-Southern California Board of Basketball. Selsky tied for scoring honors in league play with Belmont's Francis Thompson, while leading his team to the league title.

Not only was Steve Selsky an outstanding scorer for coach Lou Wheeler's Marshall Five, he was among the city's top rebounders. Steve averaged 13 rebounds per game for the league season from his forward position and received high acclaim. Teammate Tom Shahin was named at one guard post on the first team, along with Don Colford of Lincoln. Ron Rowe won the center position, while Belmont's high scoring Francis Thompson was named at forward along with Selsky.

Two players repeating from last year's All-Northern League team are Don Colford and Ron Rowe. Both boys were named to the second fives in '60, Colford at forward and Rowe at guard. Behind Marshall teams finished like this: Verdugo Hills (8-2), Eagle Rock (5-5), Lincoln (4-6), Belmont (3-7) and Franklin (0-10).

*** * * F I R S T T E A M All-Northern League - 1961**

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	LEAGUE AVG.
Forward	STEVE SELSKY	Marshall.	6' 2	175	Senior	19.7
Forward	FRANCIS THOMPSON	Belmont	5' 8	155	Senior	19.7
Center	RON ROWE	Verdugo Hills . . .	6' 5	180	Senior	14.6
Guard	DONALD COLFORD	Lincoln	5' 7	135	Senior	14.6
Guard	TOM SHAHIN	Marshall.	6' 1	155	Senior	10.9

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Forward	BRUCE SCHWARTZ	Marshall.	6' 2	175	Junior	13.6
Forward	JIM OWEN	Eagle Rock.	6' 2	180	Senior	14.6
Center	JAIME BARAY	Marshall.	6' 5	190	Senior	13.5
Guard	BRUCE PHILPOTT	Verdugo Hills . . .	6'	150	Junior	12.1
Guard	GARY HART	Eagle Rock.	6' 2	160	Senior	12.1

MANUAL ARTS' LARRY WILLIAMS WINS HONORS AS SOUTHERN LEAGUE'S TOP BASKETBALL STAR

Manual Arts High School, winner in the tough Southern League basketball race of 1961 with a 9-1 league record, placed three of its players on the first team, when members of the Helms Board met at Helms Hall to make their annual basketball team selections. Second place Dorsey placed two players on the first team, while "player of the year" honors went to Manual's Larry Williams.

Senior forward Larry Williams carried his team to the finals of the Los Angeles City tournament, before bowing to champion Polytechnic, 52-37. Williams was named to the all-tourney team, along with teammates Stan Swinger. Bill Allen, Manual Arts' center, was named to the second team.

There were no repeaters from last year's team, while Dorsey High's Howard Holt won scoring honors with a 20.9 average in league play. Manual's Williams finished second in the scoring column, while Jefferson's Charles Robinson was third.

This year's All-Southern League team is among the youngest ever selected, with four of the ten selectees lower classmen. Following Manual Arts to the wire in league action were Dorsey (6-4), Jefferson (6-4), Fremont (4-6), Los Angeles (3-7) and Washington (2-8). League teams follow:

*** * * F I R S T T E A M All-Southern League - 1961**

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	LEAGUE AVG.
Forward	HOWARD HOLT	Dorsey.	6' 1	155	Senior	20.9
Forward	LARRY WILLIAMS	Manual Arts	6' 3	185	Senior	20.0
Center	WILLIAM ALLEN	Manual Arts	6' 5	175	Junior	15.0
Guard	STANLEY SWINGER	Manual Arts	6' 3	175	Senior	16.8
Guard	EDWARD FLEMING	Dorsey.	6'	150	Senior	14.8

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

Forward	CHARLES ROBINSON	Jefferson	6' 7	188	Junior	17.0
Forward	LESTER SMITH	Dorsey.	6' 2	160	Senior	10.8
Center	ELZIE JOHNSON	Fremont	6' 4	192	Soph.	15.0
Guard	FRED CASSIDY	Washington.	6' 1	179	Senior	15.8
Guard	EDGAR LACEY	Jefferson	6' 6	175	Soph.	15.5

JIM STUPIN, HUNTINGTON PARK SCORING ACE, PICKED AS CLASS OF EASTERN LEAGUE FOR '61

FOR RELEASE: FRIDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 10 and Saturday a.m.

Jim Stupin, league-leading scorer for Huntington Park High School during the 1961 season, was named "player of the year" in the Eastern League when members of the Helms Board of selection gathered to make their annual basketball team selections. Stupin averaged 17 points per game over the 10-game league season and did equally as well for the full 15 game slate including practice games.

Actually honors were well distributed in the league selections, with last place Wilson nabbing two spots on the honor squads, along with co-champs Roosevelt and mid-fininishers, Huntington Park and Garfield. Bell and South Gate placed one player each on the teams.

The Eastern League co-champions for 1961 were Roosevelt and South Gate, which both finished the league campaign with 7-3 records. They were followed by Garfield (6-4), Huntington Park (4-6), Bell (3-7) and Wilson (3-7). As in the Southern League this year, the Eastern Loop is a young team. Four members of the two five-man teams will be back in high school uniforms next fall.

Gilbert Martinez, Wilson's senior guard, is the only repeater on the 1961 Eastern League team. He was a second-team center in 1960.

*** * * FIRST TEAM All-Eastern League - 1961**

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	LEAGUE AVG.
Forward	KENJI TAKAI	Garfield.	5' 8	134	Senior	16.9
Forward	JIM STUPIN	Huntington Park .	6' 1	212	Senior	17.2
Center	CHARLES IVERSON	Wilson.	6' 3	175	Junior	13.5
Guard	STEVE JANSON	South Gate. . . .	5'11	155	Junior	11.6
Guard	CALVIN CHOICE	Roosevelt	6'	165	Senior	11.4

*** * * SECOND TEAM**

Forward	MANUEL VEYNA	Roosevelt	6'	165	Senior	12.0
Forward	ROY TAIT	Bell.	6' 1	160	Soph.	12.5
Center	BILL WAGER	Huntington Park .	6' 7	190	Senior	12.1
Guard	GILBERT MARTINEZ	Wilson.	5'10	160	Senior	13.4
Guard	KAY ODA	Garfield.	5' 5	141	Junior	11.0

BIRMINGHAM'S DUANE ZEILSTRA SELECTED TOP BASKETBALL PLAYER IN WEST VALLEY LEAGUE

Duane Zeilstra, Birmingham High School's leading All-City basketball team candidate (he was a third-team member in 1960), led his team to the West San Fernando Valley League Basketball title this past season and by so doing nailed down "player of the year" honors for the second straight year. Last season Duane shared the honor with Monroe's John McAdams, as Birmingham was capturing the league title.

This year Zeilstra wound up the season as the city's third top scorer behind Hamilton's Richard Levin and Poly's Gail Goodrich. Zeilstra, at 6'2 and 190 pounds, has been hailed for the past two seasons as one of the city's toughest competitors. League champion Birmingham also placed guard Joe Saggese on the first team, with center Dennis Crosby making the second team at a forward position.

"Player of the year" Duane Zeilstra is the only member of this year's league team to have been named in 1960, having won a first-team forward berth. All players named for honors this year will receive special scroll awards from All-Southern California Board of Basketball, as they have since 1937. Final West-Valley standings were Birmingham (8-2), Canoga Park (6-4), Granada Hills (5-4), Cleveland (5-5) Taft (3-7) and Reseda (3-7). League teams follow:

*** * * FIRST TEAM All-West San Fernando Valley League**

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	LEAGUE AVG.
Forward	DUANE ZEILSTRA	Birmingham.	6' 2	190	Senior	23.0
Forward	RANDY THOMPSON	Granada Hills . . .	6'	170	Senior	16.0
Center	ANTHONY ODDO	Taft.	6' 2	172	Senior	13.7
Guard	JACK WELLS	Canoga Park	5'11	160	Senior	12.5
Guard	JOE SAGGESE	Birmingham.	6'	170	Senior	11.5

*** * * SECOND TEAM**

Forward	DAVE PHILLIPS	Taft.	5'11	175	Junior	18.1
Forward	DENNIS CROSBY	Birmingham.	6' 3	195	Senior	11.8
Center	TOM UREDA	Canoga Park	6' 4	185	Senior	10.1
Guard	LYLE MAYER	Cleveland	5'10	140	Junior	10.2
Guard	MIKE PIERSON	Cleveland	5'11	147	Junior	11.5