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DEGREE IS GRANTED FOR SUMMER WORK

Student Finishes All Requirements For B.A. In Summer Session

The Summer Session of 1921 was the most satisfactory in the History of the University. The attendance passed beyond all expectations in every department of the institution. The students were earnest and hard working and many expressed great satisfaction at the way the Summer Session is meeting their needs.

At the August Commencement a young lady received her B.A. degree who has never attended the regular session at the University. She did the entire work for degree, twenty courses, in the Summer sessions and by Correspondence. She is an exceptionally brilliant young woman, but she has demonstrated what can be done by earnest effort and perseverance. Over 140 students in all were graduated at the close of the Summer Session.

Plans are now being laid for the summer of 1922. It is necessary to begin early so that the best faculty may be organized and the courses most in demand may be offered. It is the purpose of the authorities to emphasize certain definite lines of work for the teachers of Texas. The methods and demonstration courses have attracted great attention. The primary work and the grade work up to the sixth grade gave many students and teachers a new concept of what teaching may be. They found that teaching is the supreme art, and not mere drudgery. College credit is now being offered for these courses.

It is becoming very common for School Boards to make promotion and increase in salary depend upon attendance at the Summer Session. Too frequently the teachers have gone to institutions in a perfunctory spirit just to meet this requirement of the Board. They have found the work of the summer dull and unattractive. It palled upon them. Such was not the case with the students who took the demonstration course in the Texas Summer Session. On the contrary, they expressed the greatest delight in the courses. By their own volition entirely some of them sent let-

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The Contest Stimulus in Education

(It is not often that editors devote the editorial columns of their respective papers to educational subjects. When they do, we are able to get often an original and always an out-of-the-profession point of view. We

Among the many devices inaugurated by school authorities for the purpose of inducing more strenuous application upon the part of school children to their studies, none has proved more efficacious than the rightly planned and governed contest. The steady grind of school work becomes monotonous, as everyone knows. Pupils and teachers are often bored with each other and with themselves. There is something artificial and certainly tedious about meeting a group of children regimented in even rows at a given time each day for a set and pre-determined period of time to discuss an assigned topic and with a traditionally prescribed method of procedure staring both the preceptor and his charges in the face. The appalling regularity of this cut-and-dried system quells the most exuberant disposition; and the most buoyant spirit droops and withers at times under the fateful oppression of this unalterable regime. It is for this reason that both pupils and teachers feel the need keenly every once in so often for relief, for some change in method or purpose, some breaking of the bonds, for some sudden cataclysm to shatter the dread and awful similarity of day and day, week and week, month and month.

It is the rebellion, unconscious though it be, against this monotony which has given such great vogue to interscholastic contests. If a stranger from a strange land were studying our educational system through our newspapers only, he would come to the conclusion that this system is founded mainly upon the contest, for nine-tenths of the space given the schools in the newspapers is used to chronicle the results of some competition of mind or body, literary or athletic. Just now, for illustration, the papers of Texas are publishing many notices and reports of interscholastic football games; a little later, it will be basketball; and, as the season advances, the runner, jumper, discus-hurler will come to the fore, and the

take great pleasure in reproducing below an editorial which appeared in the *Austin Statesman* Oct. 2 and later reproduced in the *Waco News-Tribune*.—Editor's Note.)

debater, declaimer, writer and so on.

These items, if we may be permitted to moralize, are not to be rated in importance with the ordinary sport gossip of the newspapers, but are to be placed on a higher plane as being of vastly more significance to our civilization. In the one, you have pure sport, pure contest, with no other end or aim than the momentary entertainment of the spectator and the temporary exhilaration of the performer. In the other, you have sport, or contest, used as a means to an end, an instrument, if you will, of education. The high school football player is not in training to become a professional athlete, but is undergoing this rigid discipline to perfect his body so that he will be a more effective citizen of the commonwealth in whatever line of work he happens to engage. The high school or rural school debater or declaimer is not to become an actor or other professional entertainer, but a citizen with the ability to speak out in meeting to some purpose and tell his fellows without embarrassment just what is in his mind concerning some subject which is engaging public attention. The girl who engages in an industrial contest is not to become a professional cook, but an efficient housewife. In other words, these contests among the schools which command so much space in the newspapers, are not carried on for the sake of the contests alone, but for the far higher and more important purpose of fitting our boys and girls for citizenship. In short, the contest element is used merely as a stimulus to inspire our youth to engage in activities which are educative and which will make them better citizens.

And it is not the first time in the history of civilization that the contest has been employed in this fashion. Seven hundred and odd years before the birth of Christ, the Greeks began making use of this same method in training their young; and, in the four

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CERTIFICATES BY CORRESPONDENCE

Thirty-one Teachers Fulfill Requirements by Opening Of School

The practical side of the Extension Teaching Division of the University of Texas is evidenced by the fact that thirty-one teachers were enabled to fulfill the requirements leading to State teachers' certificates by completing correspondence courses in Education before the beginning of the school term. Close cooperation between the instructors giving the work and the students needing the courses was manifested throughout the work. When an instructor was away on his vacation, he resorted to the wires when it became necessary to turn grades in to the University by a stated date. Every effort on the part of the faculty members and the Extension Teaching Division was made to assist the students to secure the needed certificates. Then, again, thirty-six candidates for teachers' certificates registered for correspondence courses in Education during the month September with the idea of finishing the work in time to secure promised positions this fall.

Another phase of the usefulness of the Extension Teaching Division is the practice of students in taking up correspondence courses to remove admission requirements to the University as well as to various medical institutions over the country, particularly so in the medical branch of the Texas University. This fall, eighteen students took advantage of this feature of the work to clear the ground for their chosen profession.

Rural School Girl Wants More Athletics for Girls

Miss Martha E. Davis, of the Oakville School in Milam County, makes an earnest plea for more athletics for girls. This young lady has very decided opinions on this subject and she expresses them well. Her letter follows:

"I am a girl sixteen years of age, live in the country, and go to a country school. I was in the senior spelling at the track meet this year. I played basketball too. But we girls

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A FRIEND IN NEED

We had during the summer months a number of inquiries regarding the fate of the Interscholastic League with reference to legislative support. We are glad to report that the budget for the League passed the Legislature with the elimination, however, of an appropriation for travelling and contingent expenses. At this writing it seems probable that the Board of Regents will manage to supply an appropriation for contingent expenses and also, in part, for the item of travelling expenses. This item, however, will be considerably reduced from the amount allowed last year. And this leads to mention of the "friend" referred to in the above caption.

You may have noticed in the League constitution that for several years past, H. J. Lutch Stark of Orange, has been donating the medals for the State Meet. "Lutch," as he was familiarly known while a student at the University, is particularly interested in athletics; but he has been helping us very materially in procuring the medals for the literary as well as for the athletic winners at the State Meet. He now comes forward and donates a special reserve fund to supplement the meagre item for travelling expenses for the purposes of allowing members of the Interscholastic League force to cover meetings where expenses can not well be arranged by the local community. He is chairman of the University Board of Regents, so the writer is all the more willing to make this acknowledgment on behalf of the League. Anyway, as suggested in the caption, he is indeed a "friend in need" and is entitled to the thanks not only of the State Executive Committee but of all League workers out in the State.

E. D. SHURTER.

LEAGUE BREAKFAST

The Interscholastic League Breakfast at the State Teachers' Association Meeting in Dallas this year will be held at the Oriental Hotel, Saturday of Thanksgiving week at 8:15. This change in the time has been made to avoid conflict with the Grade Teachers Breakfast and to insure a better attendance than that of last year. Many were delayed in reaching the meeting last year by late trains.

It will be remembered, also, by those

who did attend that the service was slow and the dining room unattractive. We have promise of better service and better quarters from the Oriental Hotel, and we think that we can assure everyone who attends prompt service, a delightful dining room, a good meal, and entertaining speakers, all for seventy-five cents. Let us have your reservations early.

A short, snappy program is planned. Lackey of Midland has already made application for continuance as song-leader, and a number of gentle hints have been received calculated to influence the fortunes of applicants for places on the toast list.

Among other things which will be discussed at this time will be the state contest in football, which promises in spite of the season, to be at summer heat at that time; also the State basketball tournament which many schools will be looking forward to with great interest. Notices will be mailed to all League members as soon as the program is completed, or it will appear in the November issue of the *Leaguer*.

In the meantime, we shall be very grateful to receive any suggestions which may occur to you in this connection.

THE SPELLING LIST

The spelling list, revised, enlarged and re-classified has just been issued from the press. The first edition will run to fifty thousand, and another edition of fifty thousand will be issued later. The list is classified into sub-junior, junior and senior lists. The words have been carefully selected from lists submitted by more than two thousand Texas teachers, and we believe it represents the most scientific list of this length in existence. Superintendent B. B. Cobb, of Waco, sent in an order the other day for two thousand, which means that the list will be used extensively in the Waco schools. In thousand-lots, the list is sold at three cents a copy prepaid. The three lists included in the bulletin contain nearly three thousand words and may be used conveniently as a speller.

ALL-ROUND CHAMPIONSHIP

In Article XI, Section 1, of the Constitution and Rules, it is provided that an all-round championship be awarded to the school which scores the highest total of points in the respective contests, under conditions specified in Section 2 of the same article.

Attention is called to the obvious insufficiency of this provision in so far as it applies in certain counties. If you suppose a case where there is only one Class A school in the county and half a dozen Class B schools, the Class A school wins all points in track by default, and hence enters the all-round championship race with the Class B schools laboring under a hopeless handicap. An ambitious rural school, handicapped in basketball and track

HOW TO AVOID DISPUTES

1. Have confidence in honesty and integrity of your opponents. Treat them as your guests.

2. Athletics contribute tremendously to the formation of character. Teach your boys to play fair. A victory won by unfair means is an empty honor and a stigma upon the reputation of the students, faculty and community.

3. Remember "the important thing in sport is the manly striving to excel and the good feeling it fosters between those who play fair and have no excuse when they lose." Do not consider athletic sports an end in themselves, but use them as a means to an end in interesting boys in the school; in developing right habits; in stimulating school spirit and in knitting the community closer to the school.

4. Study the rules of the game. Teach them to your men. Never argue a rule unless you know it thoroughly yourself.

5. Keep in mind that there is a difference between a rule and an opinion. The official has just as much right to his opinion of an incident as you have to yours, and it is his opinion upon which his decision must be based.

6. Agree in advance upon all officials. Use competent outside men.

7. See to it that officials are provided with proper equipment. For the referee provide a good loud whistle; for the timekeeper, a stop watch to keep time, and a gun to announce "time up," etc.

8. By agreeing to the officials you are equally responsible with your opponents for their acts. Do not claim after the game that you were robbed, cheated, etc. If you made an unhappy selection of officials, profit by your experience, take your medicine and do better next time.

9. We all want to win. It's easy to win gracefully, but it takes a team of men to lose the same way. It's easy to 'gripe' and offer 'alibis' after a contest has been lost, but it takes courage of the finest sort to congratulate your victor opponents and to swallow your disappointment without making a wry face.

from sheer lack of numbers, has no chance at this championship.

It appears therefore that the practice has grown up in certain counties of awarding three all-round championships, one Class A, one Class B, and one Rural School. And the State Executive Committee has ruled that such option lies with the county executive committee—that is, that it may establish two all-round championships, or three, as best suits the conditions in the county. The district committee may take similar action in respect to all-round district championships.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

[The editors of the *Leaguer* present below typical questions occurring in correspondence with the answers given in the hope that the publication of them may clarify the rules and save correspondence.]

Q. I have a boy in high school who played independent ball with _____ for pay. He played the same class of ball as Gillette of Texas University. It was not organized or professional ball. Is he eligible to play high school football?

A. Under Rule VIII, Article VIII, student is ineligible.

Q. I understand that a rule has been adopted concerning football qualifications, as follows:

'That any pupil who attended school during session of 1919-20, but failed to make the required courses is ineligible to play season, 1921-22.'

A. No such rule has been adopted. Effective September 1, 1922, however, there will be a rule debarring students from interscholastic league athletics who did not attend school two-thirds of the last year they attended school.

Q. I have boys in school here who were graduated from this school last year when we had only ten grades. This year we have eleven distinct grades. Are they eligible to play football under Interscholastic League rules?

A. The boys who were graduated from your school last year will be eligible only if your school has been raised in classification by the State Department of Education.

Q. If we play a football team outside of our district, or section, and defeat it, would we eliminate that team so that we would not have to play the team again in an inter-sectional contest?

A. All teams eliminate by sections first. If you play a team from another section, and it happens later that your team as well as the other team wins respective sectional championship, your team would meet again in the intersectional run-off and the last game would be considered final regardless of the result of the first contest.

Q. We have a boy here who has played on the high school football team for three years, besides one year participating in a game between our high school and the Deaf and Dumb Institute. We are of the opinion that this game should not be counted on account of the fact that our opponents on that occasion did not represent a high school.

A. The answer involves interpretation of Rule 7, Article VIII, and especially of the phrase "high school athletics." The State Executive Committee ruled that a boy participates in "high school athletics" if he represents his high school in any matched game no matter whether the competition furnished is another high school or not. The boy is therefore ruled ineligible under the four-year rule.

Q. We have a boy in school here this year who attended the prepara-

High School Gridirons Promise Stirring Scenes This Season

Veteran Sport Writer Forecasts Warm Competition For State Title

Here is the way H. H. (Jinx) Tucker, sporting editor of the Waco News-Tribune, sees the high school football situation in Texas.

During the season of 1920, football in interscholastic circles throughout Texas attained heights hitherto unheard of. More interest was taken in the game as played by high schools than at any other time in the history of the game in this section of the country. Many of the athletic councils of the various high schools of Texas realized neat sums on the season's play due to the increased interest. Due to a series of circumstances it was impossible to announce even after the various post-season games had been played an undisputed State interscholastic champion. Cleburne High and Houston Heights High met on the Clark Field gridiron for the honor last January, but in a sea of mud the contest resulted in a scoreless tie.

Both Cleburne and Houston Heights were represented by splendid teams, but the Bryan High School Club, which was previously nosed out of the south Texas championship by Heights High in Houston by a 7 to 6 score, was just as good as either Cleburne or the Bayou City team, and Bryan High of Dallas, as well as Waxahachie, Hillsboro, Corpus Christi, Waco and Beaumont all had elevens of championship calibre.

Rosy Prospects for 1921

The great season of 1920 promises to be eclipsed in interscholastic circles this year. Through the efforts of the University Interscholastic League, it is more than probable that an undisputed high school championship eleven will emerge from the many hectic gridiron conflicts before the Christmas holidays. High school teams which firmly believe they have championship prospects will do well to schedule games with teams which promise to be real factors in the race. Last year there were seven high school clubs which along in late November showed up with clean slates and with a claim to the championship, when in reality they had not met any opposition teams throughout the state who could have disposed of them with little difficulty.*

It is not probable that Cleburne and Houston Heights High, the two teams which went into the finals for the championship last year, will cut a wide swath on the championship road this year. Cleburne has lost its three stellar artists of last year. Smith, the splendid back, graduated last season, and Rhome, the plunging fullback and captain-elect, succumbed to an attack of typhoid fever during the summer. Richerson, one of the leading line men moved to Sherman

*We would rather advise that teams stay within their districts, or sections, for at least the first five games.—Editor.

and will probably star on the high school team of that city this year. The Cleburne High team has made an enviable record on the gridiron. It has not lost a game during the past three years. The team is confident of duplicating the feat again this season, but it takes more than confidence to win football championships, and all dope points to the fact that this eleven will be eliminated for titular honors before Thanksgiving Day.

Houston Heights High has lost practically all of its stars of last year. Woodward and Lamb, the two ends, have entered Rice Institute, as has Brudder, the star half-back of the 1920 eleven, and Green, another backfield man. Splawn, the hefty tackle, has not returned and it is not expected that he will. McKane, another letter man, has also been lost to the team, and it is doubtful indeed if the Heights team will this year manage to win the high school championship of Houston.

The Bryan High eleven looms ominously as an eleven of championship calibre this year. Coach Hudson will have his 1920 team this season practically intact. Captain Norman Dansby of last year's club is back in school this year to aid Coach Hudson, and Captain-elect Tatum is developing a team capable of capturing titular honors. Cortemeiglia, perhaps the most brilliant of all high school players last year, will again be seen in the Bryan backfield, and, according to word from the Brazos County capital, the recruits are the most promising in the history of the school. We feel safe in asserting that the eleven which in 1921 defeats Bryan High, will be the team to which will go the interscholastic championship of the state.

Waco Has Bright Prospects

Coach Tyson, who in his time has developed football stars at Waco High School, who later won fame not only on the gridiron of Texas and the South, but throughout the country, declares that never in its history has Waco High had more rosy gridiron prospects. Last season, the Waco club showed flashes of championship ability, but in other contests, particularly those of early season did not show up in a manner befitting champions. Practically all of the 1920 team will be back, most of whom are larger and more powerful than was the case last year. An addition of importance to the eleven this year is Budda Johnson, ineligible of last season, and who is without doubt the best drop kicker and place kicker in the state. It is doubtful indeed if any college team in the state can produce his equal in this line. Negotiations are pending for a game between Bryan High and Coach Tyson's pupils during the Waco Cot-

ton Palace, and the contest, if staged, should prove a memorable battle.

Austin Will Attempt Comeback

In years gone by, Austin High always produced a team of championship or near-championship ability. Last year, however, the Capital City school did not show a team which compared with those splendid elevens developed in the days when Berry Whitaker guided the destinies of the Austin High gridiron athletes. The team, however, bids fair to stage a comeback this season. The entire line, with the exception of the center position, are back this year, and for this place another Falk may spring into football prominence, for a brother of the illustrious Bib is trying out for this place. This Falk weighs about 160 pounds and is every inch a man. Ecklund, an 185-pound backfield man, is expected to startle football followers with his brilliance this year. Wiginton, however, is the only backfield man of last year's team back in gridiron harness this season. Joe Roberdeau, the captain-elect of the team, has entered Virginia Military Institute. He was a track star of the first water last spring and a good end.

Watch Out for Hillsboro

Coach Paul Young took charge of the football team at Hillsboro last year, and startled interscholastic fans by defeating the fast Georgetown High eleven, and then Fort Worth Central by a decisive score. Greenville was also snowed under by the pupils of the former Southwestern University athlete. Assisted by Hawke, also a Southwestern product, the Hillsboro squad, which number fifty rugged and enthusiastic lads, have been training hard in preparation for the opening of the season. Practically every letter man of last year is in school and is a candidate for the eleven, but is being hard pressed by the recruits. These Hill County boys are out to win the state interscholastic title this year and nothing short of this honor will satisfy them. Furthermore, they firmly believe they are capable of winning this honor and their confidence is not without some ground. Any of the high school clubs of cities of more pretention than Hillsboro, who are looking for practice will do well to "lay off" this bunch from Hill County, or all their games for the remainder of the season may be practice affairs, so far as the bearing they will have on the championship race is concerned.

"Spitz" Clark, A. E. F. star, and coach of the Austin High School team last year, will have charge of Main Avenue High School team in San Antonio High this year, and the Alamo City school promises to have a strong gridiron representation.

Bryan High of Dallas promises to have another stellar aggregation this year, and has high hopes of going into the finals for state honors, though in Dallas this school will find a worthy opponent in Oak Cliff. Central High of Fort Worth got away to a bad start last year, but showed up well in the final games of the season, and a much better record can be expected from this eleven this year. The same may be said for Central High of Houston,

tory department of Austin College in the fall of 1919. They had him trying out for the football team of the college. It seems that he made the squad but was not used in any of the games. Is he eligible?

A. According to the statement you make, there is nothing in our rules which will debar the student mentioned from participation in interscholastic league athletics, on the ground recited, provided he is otherwise eligible. The question is, did he represent a college? Under the facts as stated by you, he did not.

Q. We have two boys in our high school football squad who have attended academies one year each—one at the San Antonio Military Academy, and the other at Allen Academy. Are they entitled to play on the team?

A. Attendance upon an academy does not render a student ineligible to interscholastic league contests. If he were a graduate, that would be another matter. It would then be necessary to know the rank given the Academy by the State Department of Education, and the rank given the high school desiring to use such a man. A student may pass as a graduate from a school of lower rank to one of higher rank and still maintain undergraduate status.

Q. We are attempting to follow the League's football plan, but, being the strongest team in this section, we can get no games with other schools, and we feel that a boycott exists against us. Will we thus be eliminated from participation of championship series?

A. No. If you can show satisfactory evidence that you have put forth every effort to secure games, the League will see to it that your team receives consideration before the final championship in your section is declared.

Q. There is one feature of your plan in football which we can not obey literally. No schedule can be arranged on the basis of fifty per cent of gate receipts. Sometimes we will not take in \$20, and \$30 will be a good average. A team can not come 40 miles for \$10 or \$15.

A. You have misunderstood Rule 8 of the Football Plan. This rule contemplates and says "net" receipts. Expenses of visiting team are to be considered expenses of the game. There would be no net receipts until all the expenses of the game are paid.

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like to be in other things besides that, such as a 50-yard dash, broad and high jump; and there are mighty few of us that a one-half mile run will injure. And please do not abolish basketball for girls. Basketball is not going to hurt us girls; it does us good and it develops our muscles and makes us healthy. I was the captain of our basketball team this year and a plucky little team it was. Although we were defeated several times, we didn't become discouraged. We hope next year to have an undefeated record."

which team was last season eliminated for State honors by Bryan High School, after holding the splendid Beaumont High team to a scoreless tie.

Eugene (Nig) Dotson, former Baylor and Second Infantry star, is coaching Port Arthur High this season and the eleven on the East Texas coast cannot be overlooked. This team last year was barely nosed out in Houston by the Houston Heights team, the final score being 13 to 7.

Waxahachie and Sherman Strong

The Waxahachie team will have a veteran line-up and has a representative schedule. Roswell Higginbotham, star on the Aggie team of last season, will have charge of the Sherman High club this season, and great things are expected of "Little Hig" in his new line of endeavor. He will have splendid material to work with, and there is no good reason why this North Texas high school eleven should not make itself felt in the interscholastic championship this year.

Corpus Christi High, defeated in a championship contest last year in Houston by a one point margin has lost many of its stars of last year, and is not expected to make as good a showing on the gridiron in 1921 as in 1920.

Choc Kelley, famous Indian quarterback of the Aggie teams of 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1909, has accepted a position in Mexico, and will therefore not coach the Abilene High team this year. Abilene won the West Texas championship last year but lost to Cleburne High after gaining a commanding lead. With the departure of Kelley, goes the championship hopes of this team for the coming season. Comanche, however, promises to have another good team. In East Texas, Marshall is claiming championship material, but it is not thought that a team in that section will be developed which will prove as powerful as the leaders in Central Texas.

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hundred years that followed the first Olympiad, there was developed upon the peninsulas and islands of the eastern Mediterranean a race of people at once the most beautiful physically and the most acute and cultured mentally that has ever left a record of its existence on the globe.

So important have interscholastic contests become in the United States in recent years that state organizations for conducting them are now operated in nearly every state in the Union. While not the first to promote these contests in a large way, Texas has assumed a position of unquestioned leadership in this form of educational work.

Under able direction, and with the prestige which the University was able to give it, the League has grown to mammoth proportions, holding a meet in Austin each year which rivals,

NOW MAKING GOOD



JOE ELLIS

Courtesy of 'Longhorn T'

Among the Interscholastic League athletes who have made good in intercollegiate sports, none have won higher esteem than Joe Ellis, a member of the Marshall Training School track team in 1914, and participating in the State meet that year. Joe won first place in the 1914 State meet in the 220-yard dash, and finished second in the 100-yard dash. The next year he went to the San Antonio Academy where he played quarter-back on the football team, forward on the basketball team, and was captain and catcher on the baseball team. In the winter of 1916, he entered A. and M. College and made the freshman track team that spring. The next fall he made the freshman football team, and in the spring of 1917 he was regular catcher on the A. and M. baseball team. He led the team with thirteen stolen bases, and batted .342 which placed him second in the team's list of batting averages. Joe entered the University of Texas in 1919, but, because of the transfer rule, was ineligible to compete in intercollegiate sports. During the session of 1920, he made a letter in both football and baseball, and is now considered Billy Disch's "best bet" for catcher on the 1921 team.

if it does not eclipse, that of any other state in the Union. Last year there were duly elected officers of this League in 196 counties in Texas, and the books at the close of the season showed 4095 member-schools. From being a mere debating league, this organization now decides state championships in football, basketball, track and field, tennis for boys and girls, declamation, debating, essay-writing and spelling. From being a sort of close corporation in the beginning open only to affiliated high schools, the League now opens its doors to rural schools, of whatever class or character, ward schools, large and small, as well as to any high school in the state, affiliated or unaffiliated. Divisions have multiplied until each contestant is now assured that in county, district and state meets he will not have to suffer the injustice of being pitted against unfair competi-

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. W. D. Franks, the popular coach of last year's Bryan High School team of Dallas, is now in charge of the destiny of the team representing the Senior High School of Fort Worth.

Higginbotham of A. and M. fame, is coaching the team at San Angelo. This is San Angelo's first year in football and they seem to have the right idea by securing first of all a good coach.

P. S. "Spitz" Clarke, last year at Austin High, is now coaching the Main Avenue High School, San Antonio.

Superintendent Garner, who was at Marshall last year, has transferred to Longview.

G. A. Foltz, of Kansas A. and M. College, is the new coach at Austin High School. For the past few years Mr. Foltz has been with the high school at Pittsfield, Illinois, and his team won the Illinois Interscholastic championship last year.

All the friends of Fred G. Erney will be glad to know that he is back at Cleburne again this year. It will be remembered that Mr. Erney's team tied with Houston Heights last fall for the State championship.

T. R. Smith, who was at Harrisburg in 1920, has transferred to Houston Heights.

"Choc" Kelley will not be at Abilene this fall, but the team will receive efficient coaching at the hands of P. E. Shotwell.

John M. Hatter replaces F. R. Smith as coach at Greenville.

C. B. Hudson, who produced such a wonderful team at Bryan last fall, is back on the job at his old position and warns all teams to look out for Bryan this year.

N. E. Keen is coaching the team at Central High, Houston, this fall.

Superintendent G. C. Boswell, an enthusiastic Interscholastic League worker, has moved from Ringgold to Byers.

Ben S. Peek has moved from Hubbard to Calvert in which place he is superintendent of schools.

H. D. Fillers, for many years superintendent of schools at Bonham, and Director of Debate for the Sherman district, has accepted the superintendency of the Corsicana schools. He has also been appointed recently to membership on the State Textbook Commission.

Jas. F. Johnson, who has been working outside the profession for several years or being made to contest outside of his logical class.

Indeed, it seems to us that this organization is applying the contest-stimulus in education more effectively and upon a far larger scale that is being done by any agency in any state in the Union, and that the University of Texas is to be congratulated upon thus initiating and developing the most successful piece of extension work of which there is any record in this state.

years, has returned to it and accepted a position as superintendent of the Mexia schools.

W. H. Butler, formerly superintendent at Mexia, has accepted a position in the Dallas schools.

Superintendent C. M. Bishop, of Rosenberg, whose track team won the state championship last spring in Class B, has quit the profession and is now editor of the Giddings News.

Clyde Deavers has succeeded Ben Dyess as superintendent of the Taft schools.

John A. Pierce, famous A. and M. football star, who was seriously hurt in the Texas-A. and M. game last Thanksgiving, was engaged as coach of the Denison High School football team. As the time approached for him to begin his duties, however, it was found that his injuries still forbade his engaging in this work, so W. B. Graham was selected to take his place.

J. M. Ratliff, principal of the high school at Alvin last year, is this year attending the University in Austin.

J. W. G. Meadows, superintendent at Pflugerville for several years past, has accepted a position as mathematics teacher at the Blind Institute in Austin.

J. W. (Jerry) Martin has given up the superintendency at Crosbyton to accept the superintendency at Slaton. When Superintendent Martin went to Crosbyton the school had a 2B rating with no affiliation. During the three years of his stay there, the school was brought up to 1A rating with 16 affiliation units.

Felix E. Smith, for sixteen years superintendent of the San Angelo schools, was in Austin the other day and reports that San Angelo will this season put out its first football team.

L. Z. Timmons refused the nomination for county judge of Young County last year and went to Throckmorton as superintendent of schools. Since he has been there, this thriving western community has voted \$50,000 in bonds for a new school building. The district is one of the most prosperous in the state from the standpoint of the public schools. With two and a half million valuation, it has 85 cent maintenance. The school has actually enrolled this year a larger number of students than the scholastic enumeration indicates the entire district contains. Superintendent Timmons is an old hand at interscholastic league work. He was a pioneer in this work in Jack County many years ago. He put the district meet at Olney on the map, and is now cooperating in this work with the officers of the new Iowa Park district.

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ters to the Dean expressing their gratitude at the work.

Other special lines which shall be pressed during the session of 1922 are the courses leading to the building toward higher certificates, courses in methods of teaching special subjects, school supervision, and graduate work.