



My classes are very much interested in the study of pictures and so am I, says Lydia Danheim, of Brenham. We are glad to notice that you have added the part to it, the study of groups for we did that for the last several years.

"As director of the Spelling Contest," writes Mrs. A. D. McAlpine, of Navasota, "I want to make a plea for the previous winners in Sub-Junior Contests. Since the rules have had the drastic change, why not allow those entering 3rd, 4th, 5th grades start anew, because they have automatically finished their old division. One example has been called to my attention: A child in second grade year before last got a 100 per cent paper when eight years old. She will now have to wait until she is in 6th grade before she will be eligible again."

(EDITOR'S NOTE.—See official Notice in this issue.)

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEECH

WITH the suspension of the *News Review*, and the failure of *Uncle Sam's Diary* to supply the Texas demand according to our understanding when the paper was listed, we are driven to the *Review of Reviews*, the daily newspapers and the Extension Loan Library for material. Topics followed by "ELL" are treated in loan packages which will be furnished by the Extension Loan Library.

If you are not familiar with the methods of the library, especially with the terms upon which circulation is made, write first for a copy of the pamphlet entitled "Library Extension Service." Address your communication (a post card will do) to the Extension Loan Library, University Station, Austin, Texas. We shall continue starting topics based upon magazines or news articles and upon which additional information may be obtained from the Extension Loan Library.

Additional assignments will be made in each issue of the LEAGUER, and the present assignment retained. It is a good plan to keep a notebook containing references, newspaper clippings, and an outline of each topic.

- *Plan and Service of the R.F.C. (Oct. RofR pp. 18, 20-22)*
- *How Will Home Ownership Be Promoted by Home Loan Banks. (Oct. RofR pp. 18, 22-24)*
- *Balancing the Budget in Mississippi (Oct. RofR pp. 28-29)
- *Compensation for War Veterans. (Oct. RofR p. 34; Dec. RofR pp. 47-49)*
- *Financing the Chicago World's Exposition (Oct. RofR pp. 37-38)
- *Who Should Pay for Highways? (Oct. RofR p. 39)
- *The New Hampshire Plan for Unemployment Relief (Nov. RofR p. 24)
- *New Products of Chemical Research (Nov. RofR p. 62)
- *Political Parties in Germany (Nov. RofR p. 66 ff.; Dec. RofR pp. 35-37)
- *The Share the Work Movement (Nov. RofR p. 25 ff.)
- *What's to be Done About the Railroads? (Nov. RofR p. 27 ff.)
- *The International Radio Forum (Nov. RofR p. 62)
- *The Moving Picture Industry (ELL)
- *Independence of the Philippines (ELL)
- *Recognition of Russia (ELL)
- *What Part Did the Tacifit Play in the 1932 Presidential Campaign. (Campaign speeches recorded in daily papers.)
- *The Present Duty of the Church. (Dec. RofR pp. 45-46.)
- *The Soldiers' Bonus (Dec. RofR pp. 47-49)
- *Planned Economy in the Coal Industry (Dec. RofR pp. 38-41)
- *The Value of County Libraries in Texas (ELL)
- *The Recognition of Russia by the United States (ELL)
- *The Texas Centennial (Daily Papers)
- *Cancellation of War Debts (Daily Papers (ELL))
- *The Lame-Duck Session of Congress (Dec. RofR p. 18)
- *Probable Prohibition Legislation (Daily Papers)
- *The City Manager Plan (ELL)

The surest way to health, say what they will, is never to suppose we shall be ill. —Churchill.

Shun idleness; it is the rust that attaches itself to the most brilliant metals.—Voltaire.

250 Hear Baird Discuss Debate Problems at League Breakfast

Vote Carried Unanimously Requesting League to Publish Address and Distribute Copies to Entire League Membership

THE "DEPRESSION" breakfast of the Interscholastic League in the Ball Room of the Texas Hotel, November 25, proved to be a record-breaker in the matter of attendance. More than 250 individuals gathered in the immense room, and it was necessary to turn a few away who had neglected to secure advance reservations.

The Breakfast and Section meeting was again honored by the presence of Dr. H. Y. Benedict, President of the University, who made another speech of length exactly the same as the one he delivered before the League section meeting in Amarillo a year ago. When called on by Dean T. H. Shelby, who presided, he again contented himself with saying simply "Howdy."

After the invocation by Superintendent R. L. Holloway, of Ranger, Professor Earl C. Bryan, of Texas State College for Women, introduced the speaker, Dr. A. Craig Baird.

Dr. Baird chose to deliver an address, full of practical applications, emphasizing points which "every debate coach should know," his subject being, "Problems in the Preparation and Presentation of the High School Debate." At the conclusion of his address, it was moved and unanimously carried that the League be requested to publish the address and circulate it to the entire membership. Since this will be done, no further report of his speech is made at present.

At nine o'clock, the Breakfast and Section Meeting was adjourned by Dean Shelby, and an intermission of ten minutes announced, before re-assembling for discussion of athletic rules and regulations. A full report of the discussion is recorded in another part of this issue.

This meeting was the fourteenth annual meeting of the League Section, and the address had to do with the public speaking contests of the League. The address at the meeting next year will be upon some phase of educational use of athletic contests. It has been the custom of the meeting to alternate between athletics and literary contests, insofar as the main address of the occasion is concerned.

The following individuals were among those present:

- Abilene: Comer Clay, Jr., L. E. Dudley, R. D. Green, S. Orell Murdock, Annie Fannie Sewell and M. A. Williams.
- Aledo: Harriet Griffin.
- Amarillo: Laura V. Hamner, W. A. McIntosh, and R. B. Norman.
- Arlington: O. A. Cruce, C. E. Dunn, Howard Hett, J. A. Skooken, Durward Fruden and H. E. Stoker.
- Athens: J. U. Nelson.
- Austin: Mrs. Etta L. Adrian, H. Y. Benedict, Morton Brown, J. W. Martin, T. H. Shelby, Mrs. Harry Stromquist, Lenoir Dimmitt, Ballinger: A. F. Ligon.
- Bangs: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Maberry.
- Bellton: Paul B. Baker, Princess Boyd and A. F. Waggoner.
- Blossom: Mildred Gann.
- Borger: B. C. Shulkey.

Relationship Between "Marks" and "Success" Is Established

(By Dr. H. Y. Benedict, President, The University of Texas.)
IV. Relation Between Good Marks Made at the University of Wisconsin and Success Made in Life Afterwards.

AFTER a two-year study of the facts, Dr. Hugh A. Smith, assisted by numerous old Grads, found that at Wisconsin the relation between good marks and success was so close as to be astonishing. Since the marks and the successes of over 1800 men were involved in the study, the results are convincing and worthy of the general knowledge and attention of high school and college students.

Professor Smith did two things with the help of the Old Grads on the outside, and the Registrar's Office inside the University. The Old Grads were asked to give their frank opinions of the success in life of their fellow graduates known to them, ranking them in order of success by classes. The list of graduates in-

DEBATE MATERIAL IS RECOMMENDED

Oklahoma University Extension Department Head Makes Critical Survey of Field

(By T. M. Beard, Department of University of Oklahoma.)

AFTER considerable checking on the part of prominent debate officials, we are pleased to recommend to you the Wilson Reference Shelf on taxation compiled by Professor E. C. Buehler, Director of Forensics, University of Kansas, as an excellent piece of work. Indeed, the brief in this book is accurate and will prove of benefit to any person interested in the study of the taxation problem.

We are also pleased to call your attention to a publication sent us by our co-worker, Mr. Roy Bedichek, Chief of the Interscholastic Bureau, The University of Texas. This is University of Texas bulletin No. 3228 entitled Limiting Taxes on Tangible Property, and was written by Dr. C. A. Duvall of The University of Texas. Some of our prominent debate men have advised relative to this bulletin as follows: 1. It is naturally principally confined to a discussion of the tax situation in Texas since it is designed for the Texas League which is using it as a handbook along with the N.U.E.A. bulletin. 2. Extensive tables and public records are referred to in substantiation of the contentions contained in the articles. 3. The article on the general property tax by Edwin Seligman, which is reprinted in this bulletin, is especially valuable.

Several weeks ago Professor J. L. Clifton of Ohio State University supplied us a small seventy-two page booklet entitled Taxation—Its Purposes and Methods by Dr. H. H. Davis. I am advised by debate officials who have checked this information that: 1. "We feel it is a splendid little book to recommend for high school students and debate coaches who, as a class, will not have at hand definite information about the complicated principles underlying the subject of taxation. 2. The book very effectively defines terms. We feel that there will be so many different sources of revenue that may be proposed by the affirmative that such definition will be necessary to classify terms, and in this work Dr. Davis has given in simple and intelligible form definitions of the different forms of taxation."

We have been supplied with the one hundred fifty page mimeographed bulletin of the National Research Bureau of Chicago, Vol. 11, September 1932, No. 1, entitled Current Conflicting Views on Property, Income and Sales Taxation, and compiled by T. H. Hall. On this the debate officials offer the following comments: 1. "This is one of the

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Wants Class C Football

FOR several years I have observed that football games in Texas in many instances are played between teams unequally matched. The arrangement of the class B teams in Texas today prohibits many small schools from participating in football.

The reason for this is that the small school knows it does not have a chance to even score against a large class B team. This is not only an injury to the small school but seems to be criminal to match teams averaging 140 pounds against teams averaging 165 pounds. I wish to suggest that class B football teams be divided into classes B and C, allowing class A to remain as it is. My suggestion would place schools having 120 pupils or less in high school in the class C schools. Schools having between 120 and 500 pupils should be placed in class B group.

I would like to hear from the League officials or from school men of the State of this kind of an arrangement.

J. E. Batson, Moody, Texas.

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Girls' Champion Debate Team, 1932



Reading from left to right: Helen Hoover, Christine Lenox; representing Masonic Home and School (Ft. Worth)

Experienced Principal Says Student Activities Valuable

(By L. E. Dudley, Principal, Abilene High School.)

A QUARTER of a century ago statistics revealed the fact that of one hundred freshmen entering high school only about one-fourth remained to complete the four years course and receive a certificate of graduation. Now approximately as many seniors are graduated each year from the high school as freshmen are promoted into the high school from the grammar schools. What is the secret of the holding power of present-day high schools?

Attendance Increases
Ever since the World War high schools and colleges throughout the country have enrolled ever increasing numbers of boys and girls, young men and young women. Even the last few years of depression have failed to dampen noticeably their youthful ardor. Time was when Shakespeare's reference to the whining schoolboy with his shining morning face creeping like snail unwillingly to school was a fairly accurate characterization. Watch the boys and girls of today on their way to school with

joyous enthusiasm lighting their faces and you will be forced to the conclusion that, instead of its being a punishment to attend school, it is now regarded as a privilege. What has brought about this changed point of view?

Practical Courses
The addition of practical courses—home economics, shop work, commercial subjects, public speaking, journalism, to mention only a few—is partly responsible for the increased enrollment in high schools in recent years. The realization upon the part of a young man or young woman that, without such training as the high school affords, he or she is severely handicapped in the competition to obtain and hold desirable positions, no doubt, has also been a contributing factor. This fact furnishes a sufficient incentive for the ambitious and studious type, but in most schools this class constitutes a decided minority. Where shall we look for the motivating force that impels the vast majority?

Interscholastic League
The organization of the University Interscholastic League has done more to unify the play life of public school students and arouse an interest in

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Writer Praises Fine Service of Retiring State Superintendent

(By T. H. Shelby, Dean of Extension, The University of Texas.)

IN the appointment on September 1, 1932, of L. W. Rogers to the high office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction to succeed C. N. Shaver, resigned, the Governor gave deserved recognition to a veteran in the field of education in this State. Mr. Rogers has served the cause of public education ably for more than twenty years as teacher, principal of high school, city superintendent, director of negro education in Texas under the patronage of the General Education Board, and, for nearly ten years, First Assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction under Superintendent Marrs and Superintendent Shaver.

In all relationships, he has proved himself competent, efficient, loyal to

a fault, and ready at all times to undertake the most difficult task for his superior officer, even if it in-



L. W. Rogers
involved, as it sometimes did, the alienation of friends from himself. His was the unpleasant task of doing

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REPORT OF COUNTY OFFICERS NOW DUE

Counties Which Have Elected and Not Reported Should Wake Up

COUNTIES that have not reported officers should do so at once, if election has already taken place. In many counties institutes have not yet been held and in some other counties institutes will not be held until shortly before the Christmas holidays. It will improve the prospects for a good county meet if those interested in each county will see to it that officers are elected at the earliest practicable time.

The name of each county officer reported is placed on the League mailing list. Important announcements are being made concerning which all county officers should be advised. We cannot reach them unless their names are reported to the League office. We publish below an alphabetical list of those counties which have reported directors to the State Office and counties not included in this list have not yet reported:

- Anderson, Archer, Atascosa, Austin.
- Bailey, Bastrop, Baylor, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Bosque, Bowie, Brazoria, Burleson, Burnet.
- Caldwell, Calhoun, Camp, Cass, Chambers, Cherokee, Clay, Collin, Collingsworth, Colorado, Comanche, Concho, Cooke.
- Dallas, Dawson, Delta, Denton, Dickens, Duval.
- Eastland, El Paso.
- Falls, Floyd, Fort Bend, Franklin, Frio.
- Glasscock, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Guadalupe.
- Hamilton, Hansford, Harris, Harrison, Haskell, Hays, Hill, Hockley, Houston, Howard, Hunt, Hutchinson.
- Jeff Davis, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Johnson, Jones.
- Kaufman, Kleberg.
- Lamar, Lampasas, Lavaca, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Lipscomb, Live Oak, Llano, Lubbock, Lynn.
- Madison, Marion, Mason, Matagorda, McCulloch, Medina, Mills, Mitchell, Montague, Montgomery.
- Nueces.
- Orange.
- Panola, Parker, Parmer.
- Rains, Reagan, Red River, Refugio, Robertson, Rockwall, Runnels.
- San Patricio, San Saba, Smith, Somervell, Stephens.
- Tarrant, Taylor, Titus, Tom Green, Travis.
- Upton, Uvalde.
- Val Verde, Van Zandt, Victoria.
- Walker, Waller, Ward, Washington, Wharton, Wichita, Williamson, Wilson, Wise, Wood.
- Young.

Keep Your Faithful Fidos Away From Play Rehearsals

THE following dog-story comes from Canyon City, British Columbia, by Associated Press:

All was tense at the opera house last night, with the Amateur Dramatic Club nearing the end of the second act of "When Blood Runs Cold, or Marmaduke's Revenge." Frances Knott was the heroine who was being choked to death by the villain, portrayed by Ernest Langston. The hero was due almost any minute, and he would punch the villain in the jaw and say: "Unhand that gal, you swine!" and everyone would cheer.

The choking was getting along very well, and Miss Knott was making the proper dramatic gurgle-gurgle noises. It was too much for Shep, her pet collie dog, to put up with.

The dog dashed upon the stage and he was giving the villain a good gnawing as the hero ran in.

Miss Knott, who was supposed to have fainted away, was obliged to forget her dramatic art for the nonce and pull the faithful Shep away.

The curtain went down and the villain went out to get some iodine.

