

WITH due allowance for western Texas optimism and general good feeling, "where," as the cowboy song says, "seldom is heard a discouraging word," we cull this item occurring in a letter from A. H. Ward, of Spearman, director of the Hansford County League:

"May I take this opportunity of thanking you and the Bureau of Public School Interests for the prompt and efficient manner in which all supplies and materials were shipped to us for conducting our county meet. I am returning today the set of unfamiliar pictures and records received from your office yesterday.

"We feel that we are having a very successful meet, and that all contestants are deriving much benefit from their participation."

Range Creek School, near Sherman, continues to compete successfully in its class in the Grayson County meet. Mrs. Addie Miller, principal, writes as follows:

"I am returning score sheet and loan. My pupils won first place in their division. Our League day was Hack Richey. a most decided success in every way. Range Creek School is now the proud nossessor of twelve cups, all-round championship included. This is the second championship we have won to keep in the six years."

Wichita County, according to Superintendent B. M. Dinsmore, of

bate in Hill County, Miss Clara Smith

At the Saturday night final con- For the second consecutive year to W. F. Jourdan, Director General.

(See — LETTER BOX — Page 3)

# RAISES QUESTION

Be Applied in All League Competitions

(By O. B. Powell, Superintendent of Schools, Forney)

FIND it very prevalent among schools to award cash prizes for declaimers, debating contests, etc. The rule against professionalism in athletics is quite clear in the Constitution and Rules. Nothing seems to be said about accepting cash awards in literary contests. Is this true? May cash prizes be awarded in literary events without affecting the eligibility of

the contestant? I notice it is quite common for news writeups to give an account of the elimination contests in the local community and state that such and such a club gave the winner of such a contest \$2.50; another club gave the winning representative in another, contest \$1.50 in cash, etc. This is the elimination contest in which winning representatives for the county

meet have been chosen. Is it a fact that we may give money prizes for literary participation yet have a hard and fast rule against money prizes for athletic participa-

I suppose that I should be familiar in literary events.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Cash awards in any school contest is an evil thing, in our opinion. There is no rule in the League Constitution against it, but there should be.)

## Twice Crowned Basket Ball Champions



**DENTON HIGH BRONCOS** 

Standing, left to right: Dan McAlister, Coach; Bob Kee, Charles Davis, Tom Harpool, as assistant or executive acquainted show pictures. Many thanks for the Bear Hester, T. A. Bush, Delbert Carter. Seated, left to right: Fred Lohrke, Bud Smith, J. D. Wright, Captain; Homer Barns, county director uses such assistance

Front: Jimmie McAlister, Mascot.

## Championship in Basket Ball Settled Among 1600 Entries

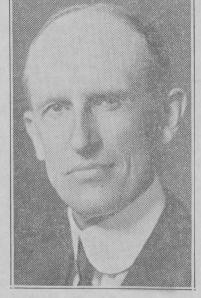
Electra, "held the greatest county meet ever put on" in that county.

SIXTEEN HUNDRED TEAMS began the race in League basket ball this year, of which eight splendid teams survived to More interest in the debates in Hill compete in the fifteenth annual State championship basket ball County than ever before is indicated tournament in Gregory Gymnasium at The University of Texas, in a report to the League State Office March 8 and 9. The championship was won by the Denton High on this contest by the director of de-School. This victory places Denton in the select group of three schools that have won the championship more than once. These three schools are Dallas Oak Cliff, Athens, and Denton.

tests of the Val Verde County meet, the Lamesa High School won second final 38-23 after having defeated the "We had the best, the most successful fast Hughes Springs team earlier in the day in an extra-period game. Denton qualified for the final contest by eliminating Brownwood. In the play-off for third place Hughes Springs defeated Brownwood 57-17.

Following the championship game, Governor James V. Allred presented the trophies and individual medals to the first three place winners. Suggests Amateur Rule Should vealed the fact that during his days League activities through united as a student in the Bowie High School effort to secure maximum parhe was a contestant in Interscholasticipation and distribution of tic League activities representing his

Ornithologist Lectures On



Dr. Harry C. Oberholser

become acquainted with Dr. Harry C. Oberholser, Senior Biologist of the enough with this work to know just United State Biological Survey. He what is true, but I should like to have has recently lectured in several Texas your reaction to the problem. In the cities on conservation of bird life. mester the schedule was arranged so part of the state where I have been He is the greatest authority in the that the last period in the day would working we cut out all money awards world on Texas birds, having studied be left open for League work. It was children to say: "Oh, I couldn't win third place in the meet. of ever nature. I find this part of them for the past 40 years. He has designated as the Interscholastic if I tried out; I couldn't beat John the birds of Texas, which will even- assigned to an activity. Schedules the same attitude. The child should tually be published, and every school were arranged so that literary and be encouraged to compete with his library in the state should have a athletic events could alternate and copy of this work.

#### DEMOCRACY DEFINED

DEMOCRACY is that form of society and way of social life in which responsibility is shared by all persons, each in proportion to his or her ability and will to contribute to the general good; in which opportunity is shared in porportion to the good to society from such sharing; and in which there is the controlling aim to increase in all men the capacity and the will for such sharing.

-A. E. Morgan.

## tests of the Val Verde County meet, 800 visitors were present, according place honors, losing to Denton in the Alvord Solves Participation Problem in League Activities

(By Supt. M. J. Vaughan)

In his speech, Governor Allred re- can be accomplished in the the benefits of League work to (See — BASKET BALL — Page 4) all rather than a few students. Here, as in every school, we were faced with the ever re-Conservation of Bird Life curring question: Are League trouble required to make them successful?

Doubts and Misgivings

At first we were inclined to answer negatively, remembering crowded conditions, busy teachers, disrupted schedules and the long grinding hours of preparation. But when we remembered the good resulting to those few we answered: League activities are worth the effort to those who engage in them, but what of the other 80 per cent?

be completely abandoned or they should be made a part of the school SCHOOL FOLKS in Texas should ing that the activities are of value, we chose to follow the latter course

An Activities Period

At the beginning of the second sedouble participation could be allowed. (See - POINT SYSTEM - Page 4) school.

Result: The last period became the busiest and perhaps the most inter-HIS school, with a total en- esting period of the day. (I am not rollment of 450, has been sure that it was not the most valuable this year an example of what period also.) The program continued until the county meet date and in that meet this school won a total of seven

(See —ALVORD — Page 4)

# **USES POINT SYSTEM**

activities worth the time and School Requires Each Pupil to Make Twenty-five Extra-Curricular Points

> By T. Noel Wood, Superintendent of Schools, San Gabriel)

INTERSCHOLASTIC League work is valuable, as valuable in proportion to the time given who were actually engaged in the it as is regular school work. I contests, the opportunities for devel- do think, however, that any oping speakers, writers, athletes, etc., school that does not have a large percentage of its student body trying out, at least locally, for the various events is not getting As a result of our doubtful head- the reward it would otherwise wagging we emerged with two con- receive. In fact I do not think clusions. Either the activities should it is worth the time given to it if we select, arbitrarily, the alprogram, placed definitely upon the ready talented individuals and schedule and an effort made to secure give them further drill and participation of all students. Believ- training in order just to have a winner for our school. We all improve themselves.

> Children and Teachers Human It is perfectly natural for some

## HELD AT COLLEGE

Faculty Cooperates With Pub- Charco Plays Royal Host to County Superintendent Urges lic Schools in Giving Children a Great Day

THE following letter from E. H. Watson, professor of ed- T TOOK a day off to visit the college:

"You may be interested in some items of our Interscholastic League work here. The Hunt County teachers perfect the usual organization of County League Committee. Then we assign one of our training school or college teachers as special assistant host to each county event director.

"When the county meets occur, each director finds everything ready for the meet-judges, rooms, materials, etc., with a person on hand with the situation at first hand. The as he needs, and feels free to watch over the whole situation.

"When events are ended the awards are ready for presentation either directly at the program or at the headquarters office when papers are scored. Everything is wound up and awards made the same day.

"Our school paper, The East Texan, plays up the meet and secures proper tor of Goliad County Spanish-Amerreports for the other press, and prints programs and other items.

"Samples appended show somety meet experiences, just concluded Charco, the school building and debate: for the second consecutive year here, grounds were turned over to the Span- 1. In a debate, what is the rejoinder our teachers are better prepared in ish-American children for the day. It supposed to contain? which we hold later."

the imitation of those that were with over incidents of the Texas revolution This is a wrong accusation. Is such him, in that extremity, but a hog they and United States history to Mark- a procedure permitted in the rejoinder had on board, that was fearless and unconcerned at the tempest.

## HAVE LEAGUE MEET

Aspiring Young Spanish-Americans

(By The Editor)

ucation in the East Texas State | Interscholastic League meet Teachers College, and director of Mexican schools at Charco on of the Demonstration School of March 29. That Spanish-Amerthat institution, describes the ican schools may use with profit way in which the college helps the Interscholastic League conthe public schools of Hunt Countests has been demonstrated for active in all parts of the country. ty in conducting the county the past four years in Goliad meet which is entertained at the County under the direction of esting results from our schools' par-



Mrs. Gussie Pettus, of Charco, Direcican Interscholastic League.

With the coöperation of Supt. (EDITOR'S NOTE: The "samples" referred to were copies of the college paper which did not excellent job in "covering" every detail of the meet, as well as a carefully worked-out program which should serve as a model.)

assembled for contests in choral singtive contain any additional material ing, story-telling, picture memory, declamation, the mean speech or the rebuttal spelling, arithmetic, volley ball, playground ball, and track and field, each 3. The affirmative in the rejoinder

(See-MEXICAN MEET-Page 4)

Schools To Put Forth Best Efforts

(By Bert C. Patterson, County Superintendent of Hamilton County) WE ARE looking forward to

one of the most valuable

years we have ever had in the Texas Interscholastic League. The League is becoming more Educators over the state and other states have begun to see some inter-Mrs. Gussie Pettus, of Charco. ticipation in the activities sponsored by the League. At the present time we have a broader realization of the rightful place and importance of the many different competitive subjects, both literary and athletic. We are fast getting away from the idea that the two or three days we spend in the contests are just so much time consumed by the teachers and pupils. To my way of seeing the thing, and I believe I am right, the three days spent in the activities of our Inter-

(See — LEAGUE PAYS — Page 4)

# RULES IN DEBATE

Give Best Debating Practice Concerning Interruption During Rejoinder

CORRESPONDENT asks the following questions thing of the plan. After these coun- H. W. Gist, and of the people of relative to proper procedure in

experience for the district meets was a gay throng of youngsters that 2. Can the rejoinder of the affirmaassembled for contests in choral sing- tive contain any additional material

The philosopher Pyrrho, being at one of which was warmly contested. accuses the negative of getting all of sea in very great danger by reason of The themes selected for the declamatheir material from the bulletin "Fala mighty storm, presented nothing to tion were very interesting, ranging lacies of Government Ownership." when the negative has no opportunity to refute it? If it is not permitted, how would you instruct the judges to disregard it?

4. On page 32 under section (b) I find this rule: "It is unfair to keep opponents in the dark as to the constructive case, in order to spring surprises near the end of the debate." A letter is introduced in the rejoinder as a "surprise" from the government in an effort to substantiate a point in the main speech. The purpose of retaining the letter for the rejoinder is to avoid the possibility of refutation from the negative. Is this permissible?

This letter was referred to Professor T. A. Rousse, University debate coach, who replied as follows:

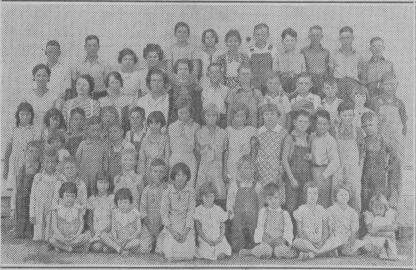
"The rules, as I understand them, simply state that the affirmative should present its case during the constructive part of their speeches. This means, of course, that their main contentions should be present in the first and second constructive speech. In the rejoinder or in the rebuttal speech additional material may be presented to substantiate the issues presented in the main speeches.

"In regard to the third point raised in the letter to you, where the affirmative accuses the negative, and the negative thinks that this is a misonly instruction the chairman may give to the judges in a matter of this should rule on these objections. It is

"The rule under section b, page 32, simply means that the affirmative should present its main issues in their constructive speeches. Once these

substantiate or defend these issues. "As I understand it, what I have said follows the best accepted debate practice."

## Winning Has Become A Habit

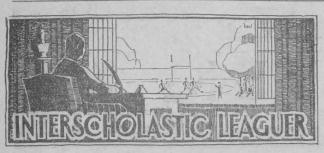


Bethlehem School (Milam County)

HIS GROUP of rural school children won the all-round championship for rural schools in the Interscholastic League meet of Milam County in competition with 26 other rural schools. taken accusation, it, the negative, There are three teachers: Mrs. C. C. Porter, Principal; Mrs. Fritz | may rise to a point of personal privi-Doss, Primary; and Mrs. Robert Curry, Intermediate. C. L. Dun- lege and correct the accusation. The nam and Ethel Scott won first in junior boys and junior girls, respectively, and Dunnam did double duty by being one of the arith- kind is that the judges will simply metic team with Ruby Lee Scott which won first place by a lead take into consideration the objection. of 871/2 points. Eloise Dyer, one of the spelling team, turned in I do not think that the chairman a 100 per cent paper. Other contests won follow: Spelling, sixth like to win, but let us encourage and seventh grades, first; Music Memory, third; Ready Writers, not any unethical or bad debating has third; Choral Singing, first; Picture Memory, first; Spelling, taken place. fourth and fifth grades, third. Besides the purely literary contests, the junior boys track team of the Bethlehem school won

"Competition," says Mrs. Porter, "becomes increasingly greater main issues have been established, the state giving money awards freely, in manuscript a volume devoted to League period and each teacher was Doe." The teacher sometimes takes every year, and we find we have to work hard, as we have an enrollment of less than sixty pupils."

This makes nine consecutive championships for the Bethlehem



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ONE-ACT PLAY directors have run afoul this year of Article VII, Section 14, which provides that no composite teams (or casts) are eligible. It is curious that this rule, although in effect for at least ten years, should have remained as strongly as it can be put in a letter published undiscovered by many play directors. In no contest may any school unit use a pupil from another school unit to represent it.

notable discussion to this issue of the LEAGUER on a very vital matter, namely, on how teams and coaches ambitious to knock the other to secure enough local participation to make fellow out with surprise arguments and clever League activities worth while, how to organize the work in the local school to prevent waste of time due to disruption of schedules, overworking teachers, and concentration of effort on the few at the expense of the many. Mr. Vaughan's article will be found interesting and instructive throughout.

school executives in Texas. A number of schools have worked out fairly satisfactory systems for local application, but these school systems are often embarrassed by comparison with other schools which are lavish in award expenditures. There is scarcely a state organization in the country that does not limit the value of awards that may be given, and it seems likely that a movement in this direction will be made in Texas. The LEAGUER will publish suggestions looking to a systematization and reduction of expenses in this item of the extra-curricular budget.

PROPOSAL submitted recently to the mem-A bers of the Nebraska High School Debating League to limit to three the number of years of participation in inter-school debating narrowly missed being adopted. It was defeated by only two votes. How would such a proposal strike the high schools of this state? It is, in our opinion, a sound policy to limit the number of years' participation in contests for two very good and sufficient reasons: (1) such a policy spreads participation: (2) it has a tendency to turn the individual from a contest in which he has learned to excel into another field of competitive endeavor and hence prevents a too intense specialization.

TUDGING from the clippings sent in to the League Office, The Cooper Review of March 8 was a special Interscholastic League issue. The ink is red, suggesting, we suppose, a "red letter day" for the youth of Delta County. Item after item and article after article deal with one phase or another of Interscholastic League activities. We should like to see a complete copy of the issue. We have before us only a very hashed-up affair, but enough remains to identify it as a valuable contribution to the county meet.

We copy only a few of the larger headlines: "Playground Ball Proves Popularity as a League Event," "Add Choral Singing as a Meet Event," "Much Interest Is Exhibited in Declaimers," "Director Gives Schedules for League Events," "Does Preparation in County Meet Pay," "Value of Cooperative Effort Among Rural Schools of Delta County," "How the School Fair and Interscholastic League Benefits Delta School Children," and so on.

WE WONDER how many school teachers together in preparation, while the adequacy of ment, Sam Houston State TeachThe ones that went last year to this or some bit of philosophy quoted. The of dishonest essay contests. We believe that separate and distinct agency.

those who stand for right attitudes have many times felt the sting of conscience and a rising emotion of wrath and rebellion when compelled to promote among the children under their care some contest of purely commercial or propaganda character, no matter how worthy the cause or how unconscious the promoters may be of the injury they are doing. Turn to page four and read the account of a little incident which happened to a grade teacher some years ago. Principals, superintendents, school boards, and parents should consider seriously just what it means to put the stimulus of a money prize into children under conditions which makes the supervision of the work absolutely impossible. Ninety per cent Editor of the pupils and their parents are honest and will not take advantage of the situation, but there are 10 per cent that will, so the thing which we are doing is to arrange a competition in which it is advantageous to be dishonest. Yet such a genuinely good school periodical as The Scholastic is now promoting an essay contest under the cap- al meets, no previous qualification nection, "Win Honor," under a set of rules which makes any guarantee of original work entirely have been published in each issue of them. out of the question!

School, puts the case against secret debates in this issue in the department entitled "Discussions from the Field." We recommend it to the consideration of debate coaches, principals, and others interested in the debate as an educational secured from any sporting goods fifty 100 per cent papers in the whole exercise. The secret debate is only for the large MR. M. J. VAUGHAN, of Alvord, contributes a tournaments where contestants are assembled hurdle races for high schools will not range, must allow plenty of room for from an extensive geographical territory with be followed in League meets. and sophistical methods of attack. Commercial debate bureaus thrive on this method in debate, for they can then persuade the coach that even though he may not want his teams to memorize other public speaking contest that the material, he must buy it and familiarize himself with it in order to prevent having his team | This occurs, of course, only in coun-"surprised" in some big tournament where he ties which hold sub-county meets in will be sure to encounter a team which has memorized it. The debate should not be perverted into a coaches' game with the debaters merely THE QUESTION of awards is bothering many pawns. The Interscholastic League's plan for high school debates calls for round-robins (or individual matches) and small tournaments before audiences, and for the public discussion of some policy that is proposed, thereby paralleling, as nearly as may be, a life situation. This puts the debater on his own initiative and calls for versatility in defense and attack and a thorough knowledge of the subject. The coach is then a true teacher, preparing his pupils for a real natching of wits. Besides being a bad policy from an educational standpoint, the secret debate stimulates the game of spying, in which the unscrupulous have the advantage of the honest, for no method of policing can guarantee an absolutely secret debate.

> ROBERT M. HUTCHINS, President of the University of Chicago, recently visited Texas, and with interested groups discussed various phases of the so-called "Chicago Plan." The plan has one feature which appeals to us greatly, namely, the relief of the instructor from the examination airplanes, and popular science makes a hard combination to beat and we neighbours, we would moreover have a hard combination to beat and we neighbours, we would moreover have a hard combination to beat and we neighbours, we would moreover have a hard combination to beat and we neighbours, we would moreover have a hard combination to beat and we neighbours, and will establish of his pupils. The instructor instructs; the examining board examines. The two functions, instruction and examination, are thus disassociated. This kind of arrangement may degenerate into stereotyped examinations, and "boning up" on he part of the students on questions previously asked. This very thing occurred in the Regents' examinations in the state of New York. It is obrious that "question and answer" study, based upon questions asked in previous years, accumulating in volume from year to year, is more in keeping with Chinese than with American methods. But this need not be the outcome. If the examining board knows how to examine, this will not be the case; and judging from the amount of money being poured into the examination machinery by the University of Chicago, the highest examining talent is secured. Granting that a genuine examination is provided, the plan has many desirable features, chief among them being I tendent of schools wrote to ter, but a more manifest and a more the birthdays of those heroes: Sam the setting up of a proper teacher-pupil relation- the League a few months ago solid profit, which was the sudden Houston, Stephen F. Austin, Moses ship. The teacher is no longer a task-master, an complaining of the difficulty of life. Who ever found such an effect Wallace, David Crockett, Bowie, Traautocrat who may "bust" a pupil for a whim, or the picture memory contest, and of our discipline? who may "pass" a pupil because he likes the color stating that few, if any, pupils of his hair. Rather, the teacher becomes a helper, could possibly make 100 per an assistant, a generous and efficient guide, who cent in this contest, especially is on common ground with the pupil, both want- on the "unfamiliar" test. There "that arouses more interest in the their birthdays: Columbus Day, Lining the same thing, that is, for the pupil to ac- are doubtless many others think- League as far as our school is con- coln's Birthday, Washington's Birthquire a mastery in a given field of knowledge. ing along the same lines, and we cerned than any other. Why can't day, etc. Biographies of these men This creates a proper teacher-pupil relationship, ask them to read our reply to this contest also go as far as the probably are available in the school

sympathetic and stimulating. We see the same good feeling come about be- then write definite and specific when a larger group will bring back lives of the men, summaries which are tween teacher and pupil in the work of preparing criticisms to Miss Florence more benefit to the school? In our already familiar to the average high for Interscholastic League contests; the two work Lowe, Head of the Art Depart- district we had a district meet last school student, but should be some seriously consider the destructive influence the preparation is passed upon by an entirely ers College, Huntsville. Do this meeting are the boosters of the club story may center around the school



Conference C Football 1935

The State Executive Committee is onsidering raising the enrollment level of schools in Conference C football from 150 to 180. Schools objecting to this proposal are requested to notify the State Office at once or not later than May 1. This change has been proposed due to the increase ment of Education.

Art Contest

This contest begins with the regionessary. Art directors of the regions the LEAGUER since January, and entries should be sent to the regional director at least two weeks before the meet. A circular descriptive of DRINCIPAL JOHN B. SULLIVAN, of Hamilton High this contest is sent free on request.

Track and Field

Section 12. Article VIII

The State Committee ruled in a ase presented to it recently from Williamson county that declaimers eliminated prior to the county meet are not debarred from entering anseason under Sec. 12, Article VIII. declamation before the general county

8-Semester Rule

The definition of a "semester" given in Section 22, Article VII, applies only in schoastic connection and does not apply to the s-semester rule. The term "semester" used n connection with the 8-semester rule means "an enrollment period of from three weeks to one-half of the long session."

### Books and Magazines

Young America, Eton Publishing Corporation, 32 East 57th Street, New York. Yearly subscription

HIS is an illustrated weekly for 'Young America," just started, is editor, and Richard Davis is secretary of the publishing company and

Plenty of color in its sixteen pages displayed, themes with youthful but vholesome appeal, vivid writing all contrived in a buoyant spirit, make

This paper was called to our atten-



at once as Miss Lowe is now at this year."

work on the material for next year's contests.

Our reply to the criticisms follows: I am glad to get your criticism of the picture memory contest.

The great temptation of teachers is to demand a too easy contest. The contest itself emphasizes accomplishment, and hence, after a contest has been built up in the public mind as something worth while, many teachers still anxious for the prestige of winning the contest to be maintained. The two demands are, of course, consomething for nothing.

mands for easier contests. It should always be borne in mind that the subject matter of a contest of enrollment caused by the transpor- is not like the subject matter of a tation program of the State Depart- textbook, with which teachers are in- journalists are going to walk pupil and the average teacher. Contest subject matter is prepared not only for average but for the exceptional pupil and teacher, and, further, must make severe demands upon

> We made the mistake for some years of making the picture memory it is a fake.

Under present requirements, 100 Track and field events in the League per cent papers are most unusual in are conducted in accordance with the the picture memory contest. But a by the National Collegiate Athletic idea that all the pupils, or even half average college paper. Only papers and special luncheons held in the cafe-Official Track and Field Rules adopted teacher must not go into it with the Association. This booklet may be of them, will make 100 per cent. If house. The recommendations in the state were produced the number would ability. After all, it is merely a means of arriving at comparative work, training, and ability.

We issue an abundance of study material in this contest. The test cannot be judged fairly, as to merit or demerit, unless this study material is carefully considered.

test were made, it would be very gates, of course, will furnish their helpful. Please get your teachers "to draw up an indictment" and put the offending features right on the wit-

criticsms early, i.e., before July 1, testants. they will be very helpful in making adjustments.

#### MONTAIGNE ON EDUCATION

I dicourse of the vanity of our edu- sity with its thirteen new buildings, story for all departments or a sepacation, the end of which is not to We would not want any delegate to carrying on the masthead notable names: Mrs. James Roosevelt, render us good and wise, but learned; come merely for the good time, be-Grantland Rice, Mrs. Frederick Edey, and she has obtained it: she has not cause our convention has a more Dr. James E. West. Harry J. Wash taught us to follow and embrace virserious purpose than that; but we betue and prudence, but she has im- lieve that our program will offer a printed in us their derivation and mixture of things that are valuable etymology; we know how to decline and those that are entertaining. Send bundance of pictures attractively virtue, if we know not how to love the names of your delegates as soon it; if we do not know what prudence as possible to DeWitt Reddick, The greatest number; what is done to old is really, and in effect, and by ex- University of Texas, Austin, and be textbooks, how they are rebound, how his a promising venture in juvenile perience, we have the etymology and sure to get those names to me before journalism. It uses the format of the word by heart. We the deadline, April 20.

the tabloid, but there, of course, the are not content to know the extraction and the course of the word by heart. We the deadline, April 20.

In last month's Lead Sport, movies, tion, kindred, and alliances of our some suggestions for feature articles. predict for this paper fast going them our friends, and will establish mong the boys and girls of Ameri- a correspondency and intelligence ed; describe a visit to the furnace ca, especially if it continues to resist with them; but the education of ours the cigarette, cosmetic and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with them; but the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with the definitions divided to the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition of the furnished and cold drink with the definition o dvertising, which will assault it as has taught us the definitions, divibuilding; how much coal is used; what all sets of brothers and all sets of sisoon as circulation reaches an attrac- sions, and partitions of virtue, as so is the temperature in the furnace many surnames and branches of a room; how much water is evaporated genealogy, without any further care daily in the boiler, etc. ion by Miss Mildred Smith, now in Jew York, who is interested in this of establishing any familiarity or inpublication, and will be remembered timacy between her and us; she has student. s the originator and promoter of the culled out for our initiary instruction Interscholastic League Story-Telling Contest, which now has such a wide contest, which now has such a wide contest, which now has such a wide contest and truest opinions but those contests. In the relative with the might be contested to the contest of the conte ogue among the "tiny tots" of Texas. est and truest opinions, but those cially good story if the night watchthat speak the best Greek and Latin; man had been on this job for a num- lying, than I do him of whom I tell a and by these fine words has instilled ber of years. How does he punch the lie. in our fancy the vainest humours of clock? Why? antiquity.

A good education alters the judg- ers and what they doing. How the ment and manners; as it happened school songs and yells originated. to Polemon, a young debauched Greek, Mascots for the football team and who going by chance to hear one of other athletic teams, past and present. Xenocrates' lectures, did not only ob- Annual class contests or banquets. serve the eloquence and learning of 13. The first football team and some the professor, and not only brought of its games. VERY thoughtful superin- away the knowledge of some fine mat- 14. Short stories of Texas heroes on

"Choral singing is a contest," says Miss Velma Hambleton, of Haskell,



school papers; and some of the

Closing date for the submission of ssues of papers in the district contests was March 15; and on that day members of the various judging committees set to work on their hard task contest too easy. Often every con- of selecting the best two papers in testant in a county meet made 100 each class in each division of the per cent. This is no contest at all state. Each year this task of selection becomes more difficult as the papers of the state become better and ager on methods of displaying food better and approach a level of perfection. Many of the Texas high school papers are better than the dents act in the lunch line. Banquets often are eligible for consideration in the district judging. Names of the winners in the various districts were mailed April 1 to member schools.

Plans for Convention

The Interscholastic League will furnish free lodging and will give the usual League railroad rebate to delegates who enter the state journalism contests provided the contestants the paper nearest the birthday of satisfy the eligibility requirements for all League contestants, and provided the names of the contestants are received at the I. L. P. C. head-If some specific criticisms of the quarters before April 20. Other deleown lodging and transportation.

Last year about 200 high school journalists attended the convention. This year we hope to beat even that Miss Lowe, head of the art depart- record. Since the majority of our ment of the Sam Houston State delegates are not contestants, much Teachers College, who plans the con- of the convention is planned for the test, is always anxious for such benefit and entertainment of these criticisms, and if I may receive such non-contestants along with the con-

> Entertainment Offered The convention this year, in addition to the contests, will offer delegates a series of talks and discussions on problems of high school newspapers, a banquet with enter- drink in your school come from? Intainment numbers, a number of exhibits, an opportunity to see the state in which the city purifies that water. capitol and historic spots in Austin,

In last month's LEAGUER we listed

9. How the school building is heat-

11. An interview with the night 12. School traditions: Old yell lead-

change and reformation of his former Austin, Mirabeau Lamar, Big Foot vis Bonham, etc. 15. Story on the man for whom the

school was named, if it was named for a man.

16. Stories of national heroes on region if not on to the state? Why library and the city library. These this letter which follows, and does the League cater to small groups stores should not be summaries of the days of the hero. Sometimes a good

story may be secured from an interview with a teacher who has visited the tomb or the birthplace of the hero, or an interview with a history teacher on his opinion of the importance of that hero in the history of the nation.

17. Stories on special days: Hallow'en Day: An interview with one of the oldest teachers in the school on N MAY 3 AND 4 journal- tricks boys used to play on Hallowe'en ists from high schools in night when he was in high school: want the standards lowered, but are all parts of the State will gather watchman, of the chief of police, of at Austin for the annual con- the principal. Valentine Day: The vention of the Interscholastic origin of the comic valentine. (The tradictory. It's the old story of League Press Conference. We city librarian may be able to help the would like for you to be with reporter find material on this subject. Encyclopedias always furnish good This is the general answer to de- them. We will have a good information for such stories.) Armistime; we hope to learn things tice Day: Interview with a teacher that will be helpful to the high- who was in France when the armistice was signed, or with one who has been to France and has seen the thousands of white crosses in Flanders clined to compare and judge it. Text- away with exceptionally beau- Field, or has seen the railroad coach, books are prepared for the average tiful prizes as a result of win- now in Paris, in which the armistice ning the League journalism was signed. If no teacher has been there, try a business man. Christmas Day: Story from someone who has been to the Holy Land on what he saw there; charity activities of students; students who are working in stores during the Christmas rush.

18. Stories from the cafeteria: Students working in the cafeteria and what they do. Types of food most in demand. Interview with the manand the effect a change of display has on the buying of students. How stuhow cooking for students compares with cooking in a commercial restaurant or cafeteria. Human interest incidents.

19. Teachers and administrative officials: the teacher who has been with the school the longest; short features on the principal, superintendent, and heads of departments in the issue of each; pets and hobbies of the teachers.

20. Growth of vocational education in the school. 21. The oldest department in the

school and its history. 22. Possibly a short review of the

development of each department. 23. The history of the glee club, stressing some of the unusual or humorous sidelights of its concerts of the past.

24. The history of the band.

25. Exhibits.

26. Absence and attendance figures of this year as compared with those of last year, of five years ago, and of ten years ago.

27. Classrooms: Often teachers keep valuable pictures on the walls of their rooms, and in these pictures several

stories may be found. 28. Where does the water that you

29. Work being done in the voca-WILLINGLY fall again into the and an opportunity to see the Univertional departments: either a general rate story for each.

30. The lost and found bureau. 31. Animals used for study and experiments in the science departments.

32. Story of the first building occupied by your school.

33. Textbooks used by your school: number; subjects demanding the much is spent for new books each year, how they are issued to the school, how the school issues them to students, how lost books are traced.

34. Twins in the school. 35. The youngest student in the

school. ters in the school

37. Letters received by the principal. 38. Excuses given by absent or

tardy students. I do myself a greater injury in

-Montaigne.

#### High School Principals And Supervisors to Meet

E NOS GARY, San Antonio, President of the High School Principals and Supervisors Association, has called a meeting of the Association in Austin during the forthcoming State Meet of the Interscholastic League, Mr. Gary furnishes the following announcement of this meeting for publica-

The meeting will be held at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel Friday evening, May 3, at 6:00 o'clock. Mr. Herman Ochs, president of the Wolff & Marx Company of San Antonio, Texas, will address the meeting on some question pertinent to both the business and the educational worlds. The price of the plate will be \$1.00. The meeting will be adjourned in time for all participants to get to the Interscholastic League contests beginning at 8:00 p.m.



The Robbery, by Clare Kummer. Samuel French. 50c.

Comedy, 1 act, 3m2f, int, costumes modern, 25 min. A delightful little piece—light comedy that is witty and gay and with excellent plot.

The Nine Lives of Emily, by John Kirkpatrick. Samuel French. 35c. Comedy, 1 act, 3m4f, int, costumes modern, 35 min. One of the most

Faint Heart, by Ellis O. Jones. Samuel French. 30c.

Farce, 1 act, 2m3f, int, costumes modern, 20 min. Romance and adventure in Park Avenue, but redolent the swashbuckling days when youth in love recognized no obstacles Fast moving, delectably mad. Recommended for contest.

The First Dress Suit, by Russell Medcraft. Samuel French. 50c.

Comedy, 1 act, 2m2f, int, costumes modern, 30 min. A wedding, dress suits and bath rooms furnish the fun in this delightful comedy for young My Lady's Dress, by Edward Knob-

Grandfather's Chair, by Walter Pri-

ful in line and situation, with a keen insight into the foibles of both dealers and collectors.

The Bishop's Candlesticks, by Nor-

Drama, 1 act, 3m2f, int, costumes French 1800, 30 min. A fine dramatization of an incident in Victor Hugo's novel, "Les Miserables." Recommended for contest.

The Choir Rehearsal, by Clare Kummer. Samuel French. 50c.

Comedy, 1 act, 4m2f, int, costumes hoop skirt period, 25 min. "Esmeral-da has been dismissed from church he has left. vinces the elders that the song is a hymn and Esmeralda is forgiven." story of New England conscience

Comedy, 1 act, 2m2f, int, costumes modern, 35 min. "A dreamy negro boy almost persuades Pheelie to desert her fiance and run away with him in search of further adventures, but the boy's mother appears, explains that his adventures are entirely imaginary, and drives him A rare and beautiful play that sings with the quality of poetry and imagination.

Modesty, by Paul Hervieu. (Translated by Barrett H. Clark). Samuel French. 35c.

Comedy, 1 act, 2m1f, int, costumes modern, 30 min. Henriette desires criticism, wishes all her faults pointed out to her. One lover takes her at her word-and loses her. The other one is more diplomatic. A romantiand amusing character sketch.

Bargains in Cathay, by Rachel Field. Samuel French. 35c.

Comedy, 1 act, 4m3f, int, costumes modern, 30 min. A clever girl in a bookshop employs all her tact and purchase a book of her lover's poems. Her success with her final custome provides a surprise ending to a very satisfactory sketch.

Wisdom Teeth, by Rachel Field, Samuel French. 35c.

Comedy, 1 act, 1m3f, int, costumes modern, 15 min. Our shy young hero accompanies his aunt to the dentist, where he meets romance in the person recommended.

The Advantages of Being Shy, by Phoebe Hoffman. Samuel French. 30c.

Comedy, 1 act, 1m5f, int, costumes who undertakes to teach shy, awk-ward young men to overcome their difficulties.

Boston, 75c.

Comedy, 3 acts, 4m4f, int, costumes accidents," Dr. Heise states. modern. This pleasant little comedy, the scene of which is present day England, recites the trials of a Scotsman proposed divorce. From that moment, mounted their coaches.

(NOTE.—Plays recommended in this department are not necessarily eligible for League one-act play contests. That is a matter which requires careful study of a given play in the light of the eligibility requirements laid down in the Constitution and Rules.) particularly in relation to its treat-ment of the modern divorce and the younger generation's attitude toward

> Monsieur Beaucaire, by Ethel Hale Freeman. Walter H. Baker Co.

Comedy, 3 acts, 14m7f, backgrounds, ostumes period Louis Fifteenth. A dramatization of Booth Tarkington's amusing and human comeures that has come our way in some time. The plot centers around Prince Loan has come our way in some time. The plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Prince Loan Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Philippe de Valois, who comes to Bath disguised as a barber-gambler, and the plot centers around Philippe de Valois, Bath. Sets may be esaily done, but costumes present some difficulty. Especially recommended to colleges.

> Once in a Lifetime, by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, Samuel

French. 75c. tumes modern. Good natured lam-pooning of the movies that makes gorgeous fun. One of the most successful and hilarious satirical comedies of our modern theater, already a Little and college theater classic.

lock. Samuel French. 75c.

Drama, 3 acts, 8m5f, several int & chard Eaton. Samuel French. 35c. Comedy, 1 act, 4m4f, int, costumes modern, 30 min. A delightful light of the materials that go into an evelight genre." comedy about an unscrupulous dealer in antiques (most of which are not antiques) who is beaten at her own game by a collector who sees a Paul Revere tankard and buys it at a price ed the silk culture, the weaving of considerably below its value. Delight the cloth, the making of the lace and the artificial flowers the securing of the contact and the artificial flowers. the artificial flowers, the securing of the fur, and the exhibition and sale of the finished dress. An original and interesting play. If desired the sep-Bishop's Candlesticks, by Norman McKinnel. Samuel French. arate scenes may be cut from the play and produced as complete one act plays. upon to perform the impossible, you naturally have recourse to tricks, and that leads you away from the funda-

> The Return of Peter Grimm, by David Belasco. Samuel French. 75c Drama, 3 acts, 8m3f, int, costumes modern. An effective and stimulating play based upon the theory of spiritualism. The story has to do with the death of a loveable old man and his return, unseen by others, and his successful attempts to control the lives and destinies of the loved ones

derson. Samuel French. 75c.

Drama, 3 acts, 16m7f & extras, 4 int, 1 ext, costumes Elizabethan. Mr. and prudery, that has real charm and Anderson has confined the action to specific enough to avoid rambling, the period in the Queen's life dom-and general enough to be within the Lu Verne Bevans, Edwin Brent. The No 'Count Boy, by Paul Green. Samuel French. 35c. inated by Essex, and details the love, the jealousy, and conflict between the two. Elizabeth's love for Essex is not mean to imply from this statevery real, but she is jealous of his ment that we had a good contest, personal ambition and desire for pow-for we did not. It lacked preparaer. In the struggle the Queen wins; Essex is sent to the Tower, but the Elizabeth, who must live on without prepared on all of them, and the part and with distinction, mounting to a tremendous height of emotion in the was that the students had made all final scene between the Queen and of their preparation with only minor ho

> Out of the Night, by Harold Hutchinson and Margery Williams. Samuel French. 75c.

Mystery play, 3 acts, 7m3f, int, costumes modern. An excellent mystery play with thrills enough to satisfy the most thrill-thirsty, lieved by a generous dash of broad comedy.

"But I Only Had One Drink"

accidents, involving the death of 216 Gordon High School, which has been persons, made in Milwaukee by awarded sixth consecutive all-round Herman A. Heise, M.D., and published Class B championship in Palo Pinto charm to entice chance customers to ical Association shows that it is not Joseph A. King. "This year," says primarily the obvious "drunk" who Superintendent King, "a large majorlittle nip.

accidents, mostly after little nips, and I can truly say that its success were responsible for injury or death in the League work has not been acous little romantic comedy, especially volved only slightly more than one by hard work on the part of both stuthe accident and the amount of alco- ization promoting worthy activities riculum for the secondary schools. hol; from which the only-one-little- for our boys and girls and it can be The 1700 various names of speech 30 min. An irresistable he is relatively unlikely to kill anycomedy with the scene laid in the of- one, but may merely maim someone fice of an attractive young woman for life. This knowledge should be a

"Considering a person sober as long as he can still walk and talk The First Mrs. Fraser, by St. John is responsible for the small value of Ervine. Walter H. Baker Co., present-day statistics regarding the relationship of alcohol to automobile

The ladies of ancient Syria owned who has divorced a charming first slave-women, called "Climacidae," wife for a youthful but intensely whose function it was to squat upon selfish second. Mr. Fraser goes to their all-fours, thus serving as a ladhis ex-wife, the first Mrs. Fraser, for advice about the second Mrs. Fraser's der or footstool by which the ladies

#### Stanislavsky Warns Against Heavy Parts for Young Actor

HERE are some pointers from a world-famous authority on dramatics which many school and college directors of dramatics would do well to learn by heart. The tendency to force youthful pupils into parts far beyond them is especially distressing in the Interscholastic League contests. Here is what Constantin Stanislavsky, of the Moscow Little Theater, says about this matter in his book. 'My Life in Art":

life and their elders. The play has been successfully produced by many of the more ambitious Little Theaters. "Our precursors, the famous actors of the Russian stage, were not brought up in tragedies which force youth to tear a passion to tatters and overstrain the abilities of the young novice, but in the simplest vaudeville skits. The French vaudeville act enjoyed special honor. But it demanded good technique, inner and outer agility, faultless diction, elegance, and a verve that gave the skit the necessary piquancy. . . . And only after that technique was present did it (the old school of actors) pass on to the more difficult problems of the spirit."

And again:

"The operetta and vaudeville make the best school for actors. It was not Comedy, 3 acts, 24m14f, 5 ints, cos- for nothing that our old actors always began their careers in the operetta or in vaudeville. Without overburdening the soul with deep emotions, without attempting the solution of problems too difficult for young actors, the light genre demands a tremendous amount of outward technique. Voice, diction, gesture, movement, light rhythm, unforced and sincere light genre."

> And still again: "It is dangerous to sing Wagnerian parts with an unplaced voice. It is just as dangerous for a young man without the necessary technique to undertake dramatic parts too difficult for him. When you are called upon to perform the impossible, you that leads you away from the fundamental roadway of development."

## Teacher Praises Extempo

(Mrs. J. C. Brandt, Daisetta)

WISH to express my appreciation for the way that the because she sang a song considered improper. The new minister con- Elizabeth The Queen, by Maxwell An- Extemporaneous Speaking was livan. carried on this year.

In my opinion, the subjects were directed by Roy W. Fletcher. tion. Of the ten topics that were deepest tragedy is in the heart of sent to our meet, our students were The play is written concisely that afforded me the most pleasure helps from me.

I do not see how any coach could feel that the contest was unjust to the student this year. I believe that this year has been a big year for extempore speaking and hope that there will be more interest in this ers of Speech is just off the terscholastic League activities in interested in the place of speech contest from now on.

An analysis of 119 automobile as the explanation of the success of constitutes a major road menace, but ity of the high school students were have been connected with the Gordon Speech. Dr. Heisse found that the alcohol High School during the past six years relationship between the severity of that the League is a worthy organ-states have already adopted a curschool."

#### CHORAL SINGING LEAFLET

WE HAVE had a new issue made of the illustrated folder entitled "For Every Child a Gift of Song," and will distribute it free of charge to League memberschools provided a stamped and addressed envelope is enclosed with the request. This article is written by Miss Margaret Streeter, who has had long and successful experience in teaching choirs with the phonograph.

### 3 Casts In 1934 Tournament



IN THE MARCH ISSUE we published the picture of the win- tion of Juanita Kinsey, played an ning cast in the 1934 State Tournament, Pampa High School, with "Smokescreen." The other three casts in the finals at the State Tournament are here presented, as follows:

Above: Austin High School, "The Giant's Stair," by Wilbur Daniel Steele, directed by James R. Burton.

Cast (left to right): Maurice A. Morgan, Richard S. Schutze, Topics in Current Contest Pauline Y. Blanton, Harold O. Eitze.

Middle: Beaumont High School, "The Birthday of an Infanta," by Stuart Walker, directed by Mrs. Mary Lipscomb Reed

Cast (left to right): Jerome Terry, Jr., Eula Mae Rivette, Martha Megarity, Shirley Gregory, Charles Bergin, T. W. Sul-

Below: Bonham High School, "The Rope," by Eugene O'Neill, Stephenville; play, "The No-Count Boy". 2. San Angelo Junior College; any basketball that doesn't qualify for

Cast (left to right): Martha Nevill, Don Smith, Joe Risser,

## The Speech Arts In Texas Schools

THERE has been an insistent demand from ments in our national organization THERE has been an insistent demand from speech teachers, especially the group composing the Texas Speech Arts Association, for space in the Leadure for discussion of speech problems. Here is the column. It is hoped that communications to this column will be strictly to the point and a genuine help in the cause of better speech. Communications should be sent to Jeston Dickey, "Historian" of the Texas Speech Arts Association, and who is editor of this column.—Editors.

Therefore the opinion of the deague Breakfast in Galveston by Dr. Henry Lee Ewbank. A legal sized stamped and addressed envelope will bring a copy of that speech to you. Just write to Mr. Bedichek, "Interscholastic League" for it.

Let us stop to think for a moment Every member of our Speech Association.

thinks he can drive as well after a ty meet. It has been my privilege to Association of Teachers of better speech in Texas!

Standardized Curriculums to more than two people per accident, cidental but has come as a result of Speech much good is being accomment of the Texas State College for urged to get behind the program of while the non-alcohol accidents in- well planned local programs followed plished. Standardized curriculums Women: person per accident. There is a direct dents and teachers. We are convinced will soon be completed. Several I've been reading it and have thought and will do double duty in the year's nipper may draw the conclusion that made a wonderful asset to any courses throughout our schools are gradually being amalgamated under the general head of Speech.

Through the efforts of various universities the requirement of funda- Texas represented in the activities of mental speech courses for all teachers this conference. The verse speaking receiving certificates is being strongly choir is a new feature this year—just agitated.

Drama Emphasized

Drama for every school and comtions of a few of the forward move- Late Christopher Bean', by Sidney

THE Directory of the Nation- how many teachers of Texas can be al Association of the Teach-of Speech is just of the press. It is interesting to be able Texas. Many other college teachers, training in our ever changing and to turn through that book and Little Theater directors and studio challenging school curriculum. Hard and consistent work (as well find who is teaching in Tulsa, ber. We can safely say that 5000 as extensive participation) is given Oklahoma, or Lubbock, Texas. teachers in Texas are doing specific School of Fine Arts, Austin; vice-It is thrilling to know that thou- training in good diction, voice culture, president, Annie Kate Ferguson, Sul sands of our fellow workers all speech organization, debate, and dra- Ross Teachers College, Alpine; secreover the United States have matics. This mighty army can make tary, Mrs. Jack Horton, Pasadena; in the Journal of the American Med-County, according to Superintendent pride enough in the advance-of speech. With constant effort, re-Abilene; editor and historian, Jeston ment of speech training to add newed zeal and cooperation with the Dickey, Brackenridge High School, their names to that army of Texas Association of Speech let us San Antonio. the "drinking driver"—the man who contestants in some event at the countestants known as the National work diligently and constantly for

College Conference

many times I'd drop you a line about it; but-many things have interfered. "I am enclosing a mimeographed

sheet that tells something about our speech conference to be held on the C. I. A. campus March 9. Each year we have about fifteen colleges in an experiment of mine. The group The matter of good diction which has been working only three weeks, has received great impetus from the so we are in a very undeveloped radio and talking pictures is the most stage; but the students love it-and agitated question in speech circles so do I. The choral speaking will come at the conclusion of the regular

poetry reading program. "The plays that our department has munity is the watchword of speech produced this year are: 'The Double teachers in America. These sugges- Door', by Elizabeth McFadden, 'The

Howard, and 'Alison's House', by Susan Glaspell.

Large Enrollment

"Our department enrollment this semester is 400 students. Everything runs along about as usual. The clinic he reports. for the correction of disorders of speech has been receiving many requests for help from people in neighto offer this work.

Club, extra-curricular, which pro- section. duces one-act plays under the direction of advanced majors."

Breckenridge Wins

Breckenridge High School boys and San Antonio Brackenridge High School girls won the championships News will assume the responsibility of their respective divisions in the of printing this paper as 'The Interthird annual invitation debate tournament sponsored by Abilene High School recently.

The tourney was larger than either of its two predecessors. Thirty-two Saturday of the Anderson County Inschools were represented in the allday schedule of eliminations, and at the noon luncheon in the high school cafeteria 167 debaters and coaches were present.

Abilene High School was the loser in the final round of each division, Mr. Frizzell said. the judges' vote of 2 to 1 going stances.

Sincere and Straightforward The University of Florida debate team on recent tour met Baylor, S. M. U., Texas, C. I. A., Rice, and Mary School, Milam County, writes to say Hardin-Baylor.

ward simplicity, sincerity, and profound thinking in college circles. No trick cases or high flown language were indulged in. The debating by lieves in the Number Sense test the Texas and Florida teams was a sheets. He says: "I have used the credit to any university.

Junior College Tournament Act Play Tournament. For the most part plays used were the old favor- from 20 to about 200." ites. Wichita Falls, under the direc-

play, "The Violin Maker of Cremona". 3. Temple Junior College; play, College; play, "The Valiant."

Dr. Ewbanks Speech

"What's Right With Speech Con-

Every member of our Speech Asso-

Officers

President, Minnie Blundell, Texas This corps of officers is ready to

serve the needs of the cause of speech in Texas. Never has the outlook been The editor of this column received so promising in our field of endeavor. the following encouraging letter from Every wide awake teacher of speech Through the Quarterly Journal of Mary K. Sands, of the Speech Depart- and interscholastic coach in Texas is Better Speech Training in Texas. "Congratulations on the column! Dues paid now will mean a great help work. In the next issue of the LEAGUER will be published the names of paid-up memberships. Your name on that list will add prestige to the column and encouragement to your officers.

#### EWBANK SPEECH

The League office has now available printed copies of the speech by Dr. Henry Lee Ewbank at the 16th annual League Breakfast and Section meet in Galveston last Thanksgiving. A copy will be sent to any member-school on request free of charge, provided the request is accompanied by a legal-sized stamped and addressed envelope.

#### LETTER BOX —

(Continued from Page 1)

meet ever held in Val Verde County,"

L. A. Mills, formerly of Itasca and now at Midlothian and one of the boring towns as well as from our old-timers in League activities, writes own students and townspeople. A in to say that the county meet this course in auditorium methods is being year was "fine and dandy." Mr. Mills offered this semester. I believe we has sponsored an invitation meet folare the only department in the state lowing the regular county meet for a number of years which he says is "We have a Freshman Dramatic popular among the schools of that

> A few weeks prior to the county meet in Liberty County, the Liberty County News came out with this announcement: "The Liberty County scholastic League News!""

> playground ball competition here next terscholastic League meet was announced Tuesday by Bonner Frizzell, director general of the League. A total of 490 entrants in 20 boys' and six girls' teams representing

A record breaking list of entries in

Contests will be played on the against local speakers in both in- junior high campus and the high school athletic field east of the junior high campus.—Palestine Press.

schools of the county, have been filed,

that music memory should be divided The debate in San Antonio, if a fair sample of what university debaters can do, indicated a swing toindependent districts. This suggestion is worth serious consideration.

E. O. Rogers, of Waxahachie, be-300 that I ordered last fall. I want to have some to carry over and begin On Friday and Saturday, March 22 to train my sixth grade. These sheets and 23, ten junior colleges sent play have put more pep in my classes than casts to Hillsboro for the annual One- anything I have ever used. The average score for the class has increased

original play written by one of the students. The contest was under the basketball season is far too short direction of Lillie V. Lillard of John in Texas. That is, the state meet gets Tarleton College. Arthur Higgins, into action too quick. For instance in from San Antonio Junior College, Cameron County, our conference won the individual award for the best schedule starts January 4. I must actor. E. C. Barksdale was coach of this play. This is the second allstate award Higgins has won. In 1932, when Brackenridge High School teams in our conference play for the of San Antonio won the high school tournament at Austin, playing "The Hour Glass," Arthur won the Samuel teams in our conference play for the Class A championship. The week of February 15 the Class A and B play a three-game series for the county, and Results: 1. Lon Morris College, the week of February 22 the district. eliminations? It seems to me with only three counties in our district, and only "Smokescreen." 4. Hillsboro Junior three teams competing in district meet, that we could allow both Class A and B to go to the district. We just don't have any interest in the Valley in basket ball. No time for a tests" was the subject of that able one-game a week schedule. All emaddress given at our Interscholastic phasis on elimination, and over before League Breakfast in Galveston by warmed up. I voice the opinion of the

8-Semester Rule

The eight-semester rule, which in many ways is the life and soul of the Texas Interscholastic League, enables schools to play football on comparatively equal terms, minus the blight of out and out professionalism. It gives the boys in the separate schools a chance, instead of allowing the game to develop into a meat and potato proposition for a gang of ringers .-Wichita Falls News.

Betting on Football

Our school has closed one of its most successful years in the sport of football. As a whole the season has been very pleasant and helpful. The round robin used in our district added greatly to the spirit of the game.

There is one thing I believe superintendents should think about, and that is the freedom of the exchange of money that takes place along the sidelines of the average high school football game. Fellows, will it build the sport for high school or will it ruin the game and the morale of the school?

Floyd Burnett, Superintendent, Rotan, Texas.

Proof-Reading Contest

I would like to see a proof-reading contest added to the spelling contest. Such a contest would be very commendable. However, I think not all of the words should be taken from the spelling list. Some of them should be unfamiliar. We have unfamiliar selections in the music memory contest, unfamiliar pictures in the picture memory contest, and why not have unfamiliar words in the spelling

contest? HENRY METZGER.

Converse, Texas.

### GENERAL PROGRAM

#### 25th Annual State Meet

#### University Interscholastic League

Thursday, May 2

Registration, debate, breakfast tickets, and assignment to lodgings. Bureau opens 2:30 P.M. and closes at 10. Opens again 6 A.M. following morning.

Friday, May 3

8:00 A.M.—One-act Play rehearsals continuing throughout the day on schedule arranged by Morton Brown with respective directors.

8:30 A.M.-Journalism Conference delegates assemble second floor, Union Building. Rural Pentathlon contestants need not report until Sat-

9:00 A.M.—Track and Field contestants, assemble on Texas Memorial Stadium Field. Ready Writers, contestants assemble in Room

9:15 A.M.—Announcements and photograph, Track and Field.
11:00 A.M.—Journalism, News-writing contest, Room 105, Architecture Building.

2:00 P.M.—Tennis—First round in boys' singles and doubles. Report at Men's Courts, southeast corner of stadium.

Tennis—First round in girls' singles and doubles. Report at Women's Courts, 24th and Wichita Streets. Journalism-Copy-reading contest, Room 105, Architecture Building.

Journalism, second conference, 2nd floor, Union Building. 2:30 r.m.—Debaters, both girls' and boys' divisions, assemble in Room 101, Waggener Hall, for drawing. Immediately following, first round in both divisions.

Extemporaneous Speech contestants, boys' and girls' divisions, assemble in Room 309, Union Building, for drawing, instructions, photograph, and preliminary contest. Five in each division will be qualified for contest. I

4:30 P.M.—Journalism, headline-writing contest, Room 105, Architecture Building. Typewriting; contestants must have machines set in Room 216, Waggener Hall, ready to begin contest fol-

lowing morning at 9. 5:00 P.M.—Journalism, proof-reading contest. Room 105, Architecture Building.

Declamation contestants assemble in Room 309, Union

Building, for drawing, instructions, and photograph.
7:30 r.m.—Debate semi-finals, girls and boys, assemble in Room
101, Waggener Hall.

8:00 P.M.—Declamation finals, girls' and boys' divisions, High School Class, Garrison Hall, Room 1.

Declamation finals, girls' and boys' divisions, Rural School Class, Room 105, Home Economics Building,

north side of campus. (Enter west door and take first corridor to the right.) Extemporaneous Speech, girls' and boys' divisions, Law Auditorium. Finals. One-act Play, preliminary, Group 1, Hogg Auditorium.

Saturday, May 4 7:30 A.M.—Breakfast, Junior Ballroom, second floor, Union Building, followed by State Meeting of Delegates.
8:15 A.M.—Journalism, editorial-writing contest. Room 105, Archi-

tecture Building.
9:00 A.M.—Typewriting, assemble in Room 216, Waggener Hall. Shorthand (optional). Assemble in Room 216, Waggener

Three-R contest, Room F26, University High School, Red River Street between 19th and 21st. Art; contestants assemble in Library, second floor, Archi-

tecture Building.
One-act Play, preliminary, Group 2, Hogg Auditorium.
Tennis—Semi-finals, boys and girls, singles and doubles,
Penick Courts, north of stadium.

9:30 A.M.—Journalism Conference, last session, second floor, Union Building.
10:00 A.M.—Shorthand; contestants report Room 116, Waggener Hall.

11:00 A.M.—Boys' division, final debate, Garrison Hall, Room 1.
2:30 P.M.—Girls' division, final debate, Garrison Hall, Room 1.
Track and Field finals, including Rural Pentathlon, Texas Memorial Stadium.

Tennis finals, boys' and girls' doubles, Penick Courts.
4:00 p.m.—Tennis finals, boys' and girls' singles, Penick Courts.
8:00 p.m.—One-act Play, final, Hogg Auditorium.

### Discussion from the Field

We invite letters of not more than two hundred words on any phase of Interscholastic League work. Letters should be signed and position of writer indicated.—Editor.

Open Debates

on page 32, "All matched contests in cents per award. debate among members of the League shall be open to the public . . ."

about that in some round-robin de- with a cash balance of around \$125. bates near here. Some directors have insisted that the debates be private. The same thing is true in our district meet. In the past the directors have had the debates held privately.

Now, I do not believe that it should be thus. I think that the Constitumemorized speeches apiece, and they these contests. I believe this is a are afraid that their opponents will very fine type of training, and if it object of the debate is to have the rection and supervision of the Interspeakers familiar with the subject so scholastic League a much greater that they can change both main and amount of good could be accomrebuttal speeches as the occasion de- plished. I recommend this matter for mands, and thus discuss the question your very serious consideration, and extemporaneously. Under the secret we hope such consideration may be debate system some well-memorized favorable. orations and rebuttals can be used throughout a tournament-and tour- officials of this organization at an naments can be won with them.

JNO. B. SULLIVAN, Hamilton, Texas.

Good News from Cottle County of our county meet. We had wonder- earnest attention to this request will ful interest, good attendance, and be much appreciated. much enthusiasm. A bad sandstorm forced the postponement of all track events until next week.

I am also inclosing a sample of our Certificate of Award. We gave one of these to each first and second place use of, like jugglers, to conceal the winner in every event except play- vanity of their art, and which human ground ball, volley ball, etc. These sottishness easily takes for current teams were awarded pennants.

have heard express themselves are very much pleased with this new type of award. This certificate is engraved According to the Constitution and from a special plate made for our

You might be interested to know that our county meet has been self- tion. The contribution which trans-Now there has been some trouble supporting and we will close the year portation has made to world progress. another are vividly shown in this I find that school children are as

BYRD R. LEWIS. Director General, Cottle Co Paducah, Texas.

Music Contests

For the passed several years the tion is right in providing that the de- Music Club of Bonham has sponsored bates be open, and I believe that we both instrumental and vocal contests have the right to insist that they be in musical expressions among the open. Personally, I do not care who school children of Fannin County. Inlistens to my teams. As I see it, the terest in these contests has grown objection can come only from those steadily and now there are approxiwho have taught their debaters two mately 300 children taking part in "get their points." I believe that the could be placed under the general di-

You will probably hear from the early date, and they will in all likelihood give you a much more detailed Principal, High School. statement concerning the nature of the contests being sponsored by the club. I can speak highly of the work done by pupils who enter these contests and by the very fine interest I am inclosing herewith a program now being displayed in them. Your

H. A. GLASS, Superintendent. Bonham, Texas.

Difficulty is a coin the learned make pay.-Montaigne.

### SOUND FILMS FOR **CLASSROOM WORK**

Visual Instruction Bureau Offers Attractive List to Texas Teachers

FOR several years there has been a distinct trend toward the sound-on-film for classroom use. Since projectors for the 16 mm. sound-on-film have been perfected and are now on the market, the Visual Instruction Bureau has now added, in addition to its large library of 35 mm. silent films, sound films in both 35 mm. and 16 mm. Within the month the University of Chicago Physical Science 16 mm. sound-on-films have been secured and are now ready for distribution to the schools. The list includes:

The Dodder. (Supervised by Clyde Fisher, Ph.D., of the American Museum of Natural History.) A parasitic flowering plant which lives on other plants, whose food it takes for its own use.

Fungus Plants. (Supervised by Characteristics and importance of mushrooms and other fungi.

Seed Dispersal. (Supervised by Clyde Fisher, Ph.D., of the American Museum of Natural History.) Seeds in relation to plant propagation, with special consideration of methods of dispersal.

seum of Natural History.) The char- an incident which happened acteristics, habits, and life cycle of

Butterflies. (Supervised by Clyde Fisher, Ph.D., of the American Museum of Natural History.) The life

Jack and Jill in Songland. Jack and Jill build a melody with notes. Oxidation and Reduction. (Supervised by Dr. Hermann I. Schlesinger and Dr. Harvey B. Lemon, of The of oxidation and reduction is introduced through the medium of rela-The chief purpose of the presentation is to show the student the methods of investigating chemical problems.

their overtones in connection with words to that effect. different vibrating sources.

itals of Acoustics. (Super-University of Chicago.) Shows, by tional information. mediums.

Reactions in Plants and Animals. This picture depicts the reactions Rules of the Interscholastic League county and the cost was only 9½ of certain plants and animals to had done splendid work. Every period and county and the cost was only 9½ of certain plants and animals to had done splendid work. Every period and county and the cost was only 9½ of certain plants and animals to had done splendid work. various stimuli.

to membership.

#### SPORTSMANSHIP\*

SPORTSMANSHIP in reorganization of the athletic program means playing fair with the athletes. For a game to be a sport the player should find in it a joyful interest and not merely a gruelling grind. But even more, his self-respect should be preserved. . . . With professionalism masquerading as amateurism with its attendant hypocrisy, we join in mortal combat in defense of collegiate ideals. If the time comes when the honor of representing alma mater, the lure of the game and zest of contest are not sufficient to induce and gratify the athlete, then either let the psuedo-sport give way to some honorable substitute or let the player be hired openly in the open market place.

Sportsmanship in reorganization involves playing fair, particularly with football. The demand on football to finance the whole sports program seriously endangers the health of the goose that lays the golden eggs. Making football a gate-getting spectacle or an advertising enterprise undermines it as a sport. When contests are dissociated from the geographical base of either contestant and appeal made frankly not to a college clientele, but to a paying public, it is purely a commercial move.

Sportsmanship consists in living up to the understanding even more than to the rules, to the spirit even more than to the letter. Our American idol of success, our will to win at almost any cost, our efforts to find loop-holes in law or in rules, to take advantage of technicalities, to go the limit possible without detection, needs some antidote. To the true sportsman rules are his expression, rather than his restraint.

\*From a speech by Chancellor Flint of Syracuse University at a luncheon of the ortsmanship Brotherhood, December, 1932.

## Clyde Fisher, Ph.D., of the American Museum of Natural History.) In Contests, Money-Prizes Or Equivalent Should Be Avoided eliminations and that number represented this school at the county meet.

(By Mrs. R. H. Powell)

several years ago.

It has been the custom for years, work. prizes for the best essays on causes of fire or other subjects pertaining unusual for a grade child. and to high-school students, but that he was given third place.

University of Chicago.) The subject there was a second and a third prize. paragraph, much less an essay, I lent in a few, and mediocre in only a the subjects and take them home. The

vised by Dr. Hermann I. Schlesinger ed in each case the best I could and and Dr. Harvey B. Lemon, of The gave them leaflets containing addi- about it as I was so ashamed of it. teachers to "borrow" time from regu- I can say if the teacher puts his, or

diagrams and animated drawings, as At the end of the week the papers Many teachers and pupils that I well as actual photographs, different were handed in, and from these I was acoustical effects of various sound to choose six to be sent in to the judges.

Parents Did Good Work

Now this was a job. Those parents own progress, and taught that all can ham's great plea for social justice in

at one place and the building up at the formation of caves.

PENALTY FOR USING INELIGIBLE

IN NON-LEAGUE CONTESTS

EXPLANATION

Introduction to Article VIII reads: "Member schools agree to ob-

serve these rules in all interschool contests, whether with another

member of the League or not, or whether or not with a school eligible

that eligibility rules are not observed in accordance with this state-

ment. But no penalty is prescribed, and the State Committee at a

recent meeting asked the Leaguer to submit a referendum to ascertain

the sentiment of the schools in the matter of enforcing this provision.

do you favor a penalty at all; second, if you vote affirmatively on the

first question, then indicate by placing a mark or cross in the square

If you do not care to mutilate your copy of the Leaguer, vote by

REFERENDUM BALLOT

Do you favor a mandatory penalty for the use of an

If you vote for the assessment of a penalty, which of the

2. Disqualification of the contestant should he later be-

3. Disqualification of the school in League contests for

4. Suspension of the school from the League for one year

in the contest in which the violation occurred.

ineligible contestant in non-League contests? Yes No No

opposite the penalty you think should be assessed.

following penalties do you favor?

remainder of season....

come eligible....

1. Forfeiture of the game or contest.

Please note that there are two divisions of this referendum. First,

The State Executive Committee has had complaints from schools

college students. curred in a discussion of The Frog. (Supervised by Clyde competition among a group of ten by a boy without any help. There tered. One hundred and ninety-five of Fisher, Ph.D., of the American Mu- teachers and brought to mind was no one at home to help him, as these points were won in literary did not speak English. I saw him write it and knew it was all his own

Money Prizes

The fire chief came to my room glanced at the boy who deserved first comparatively small number. This, I to make the announcement. He told place, and wondered what he thought think, naturally results from the 40 (extra-period), Denton 28, tively simple experimental materials. them they were to make the list of of us. Lesson in Dishonesty papers could be written there if they He was a foreigner. We were try-plied to a selected few. wished. As he was leaving, I fol- ing to teach him to love our country, While not satisfied, I am highly Sound Waves and Their Sources. lowed him to the hall and told him to love its great men, its traditions, pleased with the program this year. (Supervised by Dr. Hermann I. they would get help. His reply was and the great principles for which it I think it the proper way to handle Schlesinger and Dr. Harvey B. Lem- that that was the purpose of it, as stands. on, of The University of Chicago.) they wanted the parents to get the I wondered if he thought we as not in any way disturb the regular The visualization of sound waves and lesson as well as the children, or citizens were worthy of our country school schedule. On the contrary, it scholastic League is three days of

oard and explained what was want- that she did not deserve the prize

It was so unfair.

#### POINT SYSTEM —

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riod and comma in place, sentences all that make an effort make some The Development of Transporta- well balanced, and reasoning logical. progress, thereby making all participants winners.

The Wearing Away of the Land. film. Scenes taken all over the world much human as are school teachers. Several important processes which re- show processes and formations. It takes inducement, persuasion, and sult in the wearing away of the land Scenes at Carlsbad Cavern illustrate reward to get them to participate the fine old folk songs with remark- ens their units, increases their inmore freely. This school year we are able skill. requiring each pupil in high school to make at least twenty-five extraers get four points, members of clubs provided by the people of Charco and lastic League, I believe it is worthy

required number of points is given with a hand-stone and metate, giving part of the honors when we get to an extraordinary task to perform. I a primitive touch to the preparations the district meet, then on through to can foresee now that we will have a which should interest the anthropol- the State meet; let us show the world few that will have to do the extra ogist. task. We had a few that were ineligible for League work but we gave them points for local work the same as if they were eligible. If the local practice was good for the eligible it was likewise good for the ineligible, but, of course, not to the extent to be a representative student in competition with anyone except his own progress.

We gave every pupil in school five points to be added to his six weeks grade, in any subject he chose, for trying out in any of the literary events, that is, five points for each literary event he tries out in provided the coach thinks an effort on the part of the participant was displayed. I feel that the student is entitled to some consideration for the work he does, although he is the one receiving

the benefit. Participation Increases Under the present set-up of school programs it is difficult to give credit in some instances from the regular served. ing grammar and high school, 100 be- mined. what an inducement will do.

#### -ALVORD -

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county championships including the all-round county championships for both high school and grammar school. 348 Enter Try-Outs

Of the 375 pupils in school eligible for League events (those above third grade), 348 were entered in contests in the local school. Eliminations were not held until one week before the county meet so that all could benefit by the training. One hundred and twenty-five pupils survived the eliminations and that number repre-Every event except Music Memory was entered and a place was won in They were masterpieces and would every event entered. A total of 2871/2 have done honor to high school or points was amassed to win the allround champonships. This is an aver-Among the number was one writ- age of over two points per pupil enhe was a Mexican and his parents events and only 92 in athletic contests.

Why So Many Seconds I was interested by the fact that this school won so many second places. during fire prevention week, to give This paper was well done. His rea- Two-thirds of the places won were history, habits, characteristics, and to fire prevention. These are usually I handed this essay in with the five This indicated to me that our profirst, with a very few third places. given to the sixth and seventh grades others and was really surprised when gram had resulted in developing cap- Yorktown, Bay City, Laredo, Weslaable contestants in all the events and co, Sanderson, Wink, Ft. Davis. year the fourth and fifth grades were When the fire chief came back to not a few very excellent ones in isoaward the prizes and called the name lated events. In other words, con-

League work. Such a program does providing a definite time for "work- whole school year. I never said a word to the boy outs" and makes it unnecessary for

#### MEXICAN MEET -

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"The Man With the Hoe."

Good Records Made

activities are given points similarly. the other the beans. A grandmother, in Hamilton County.

Free Dinner Menu

the village donated cakes, and so, gan be: Every school in Hamilton with chili con carne, frijoles, two County a participant in the Interschothick slices of bread and one of cake, lastic League.-Hamilton Record.

for Interscholastic League work. We served on individual lard-trays, along do not permit the student to use more with a cup of coffee, 650 dinners were than five points in any one subject. served, any one of which was fit for We give the points during the six- a king. The expense of this dinner weeks period that the League work interested me, and I demanded to see is being done. It takes time and work the accounts. Charging every item on both the teacher's and the stu- up, lard-trays, and all, it came to a dent's part on the League work and trifle over three cents per dinner

work of school. Under those condi- The athletic part of the meet was tions I think the student is entitled rained out about 4 o'clock in the aftto the consideration. I do know that ernoon, but not until after the volley out of a student body of 261, includ- ball championship had been deter-

ing in the lower grades with nothing While not a part of the meet, I to participate in, we had 80 or more took occasion to examine some of the students trying out in literary events. exhibit work prepared by pupils of I would like to have had more but the grammar grades under the direcour increase over previous years, and tion of Mrs. Pettus. Posters, models, our being represented in every event drawings, scrap-books, and decorative except three or four, shows to me work of various kinds covered the walls, and exhibited fine taste and genuine grasp of the subject matter selected for illustration. Since Goliad County is the cradle of Texas history, much of this work naturally dealt with Texas history, in which subject Mrs. Pettus is an enthusiast.

#### BASKET BALL —

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school in the county and district meets.

The eight schools surviving stiff competition in county, district, and regional play, thus winning their places in the State tournament, were Denton, Lamesa, Hughes Springs, Brownwood, Huntsville, Taft, Killeen, and Bowie of El Paso. Each of these schools represented more than 200 teams as 1610 schools registered and participated in the series of eliminations that led up to the State finals. Twenty thousand Texas high school boys had the honor of representing their schools in these eliminations.

District champions, other than the ones mentioned above, were: Amarillo, Pampa, Crowell, Tuscola, Cottonwood, Crews, Nocona, Dallas soning and grasp of the subject were seconds and most of the others were Tech, Waco, Emory, Gilmer, Stockton, Iola, San Jacinto (Houston), Beaumont, Eagle Pass, Harlandale,

Complete results of the State tournament follow: Lamesa 38, of the winner of the first prize, a girl testants from this school were con-The first prize was five dollars and who could not have written alone a sistently good in most events, excel- 61, Killeen 24, Denton 32, Taft 21, Brownwood 23, Huntsville 17. Semifinals: Lamesa 46, Hughes Springs broadened program involving exten- Brownwood 21. Third place: Hughes sive rather than intensive effort ap- Springs 57, Brownwood 17. Final: Denton 38, Lamesa 23.

#### LEAGUE PAYS

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if we could do a thing like that. He tends to bring about smoother func- more value to the child than any I put the list of subjects on the knew what that girl could do and tioning of the regular schedule by other equal period of time in the

> And from experience as a teacher. her, whole soul into the training of the pupils, and I believe every one of our teachers in Hamilton County do, it is the most strenuous three days work of the school year. This is one phase of our curricula where the child really gets the practical side of education. There is a close correlation between the League activities and our curricula studies in our schools. The Creditable grades were made in whole set-up of the League is so arspelling and plain writing as well as ranged to reach certain objectives, in the Number Sense contest. There namely, appreciation of the cultural were six or seven choirs that managed values of life, it helps to strengthen formation, it accustoms the partici-The literary events of the meet pant to self-control in trying circumwere concluded in the morning, and stances, most of all, perhaps, it decurricular points. The points for at noon the parents, grand-parents, velops their loyalty to their school, various activities vary. The editor uncles and aunts, teachers and chil- the state, and their country. These of school news gets six points, report- dren all assembled for a free dinner being the objectives of the Interschounder the direction of Superintendent of any time and efforts we as teachers cil four points, trying out for debate Gist. Early in the morning two or are able to put into it. Judging from six points and two extra points for three elderly Mexicans were at work the amount of inquiries and interest winning out, and all other Interscho-around two huge wash-pots, one con-manifested, I think this year will be lastic League events and other school taining the meat for the chili and the greatest year we have ever had

The student that does not get the for this fine dish, prepared the same Let us prepare, and be ready to take who knew just the right flavorings | Come right on, teachers and pupils. that our students in Hamilton County compare favorably with those of any The Parent-Teachers Association of other section of Texas. Let our slo-

> RESPONSES from public speaking teachers and school executives to calls for proposals for debate query published in successive issues of the Leaguer indicate overwhelming sentiment for a stirctly Texas question for the Centennial Year... The wisdom of governmental policy of cotton acreage reduction leads by a large margin. The exact statement of this question is now under consideration by a committee of experts and will soon be announced. Experience this year in debating a question which touches the interest of every community in Texas and on which pupils may get first-hand information has been very gratifying. The policy of cotton acreage reduction has this advantage in an even greater degree than the question this year debated.

#### DEBATE QUESTION 1935-36