



TEACHERS GUIDE TO GOOD PLAYS... Below we list all of the new plays we have received since September, 1939.

Baker Short Plays... After the Church Lords Baltimore, Supper, NR... Grandpa, NR... Huckleberry Finn, Laughing Irish, NR...

French Long Plays... Accent on Youth R... M'Lias (My West-ern Miss) R... All Roads Lead to Mrs. O'Brien, NR...

Denison Short Plays... Alex the Great, NR... Black Widow, The, NR... Christmas Barbecue, NR...

Denison Long Plays... Campbell's Are Com-Marry Before Mid-ing, NR... Faith, Hope and Most Wives, NR... Flarity, NR...

Dramatists Play Service... Because It's June, Make Room for R... Builder of Christmas Play, NR... Country Shaker, NR...

Long Plays... Absalom—My Son, Speeding Along, NR... Call of Youth, The, NR... The Girl Who Blows Your Horn, NR...

The Voice of The Low I. Q.*

YEAH, I'm in the special class this term. Sure, I like it all right; we have lots of fun, and the work's got some sense to it.

Yeah, it was something they call an intelligence test. It was awful funny. At first I thought it was a joke, but it turned out it wasn't.

"A fish, a tree, a cake of ice"—I look at this. It was so funny I tore out the page and kept it.

Miss Brown didn't like it cause I always asked a lot of questions. She thought I was being fresh, but I wasn't.

Sure I'm in a special class. I get lots more attention. Seems like if you're awful smart or awful dumb they do a lot for you in school.

"Too Good to be True" ORSON became a director, producer, scenic artist and actor at Todd. The Drama League offered a prize for the best performance by high schools and prep schools in and around Chicago.

Each school produced its show in the Goodman Theater. Orson presented Julius Caesar. At a public gathering after the last show, the Drama League judges awarded its prize to Semm High School.

A Great Debater on The Art of Persuasion

MY LIST of virtues contained at first but twelve; but a Quaker friend having kindly informed me that I was generally thought proud; that my pride showed itself frequently in conversation; that I was not content with being in the right when discussing any point, but was overbearing, and rather insolent, of which he convinced me by mentioning several instances; I determined endeavoring to cure myself, if I could, of this vice or folly among the rest, and I added Humility to my list, giving an extensive meaning to the word.

I cannot boast of much success in acquiring the reality of this virtue, but I had a good deal with regard to the appearance of it. I made it a rule to forbear all direct contradiction to the sentiments of others, and all positive assertion of my own. I even forbade myself, agreeably to the old laws of our Junto, the use of every word or expression in the language that imported a fixed opinion, such as certainly, undoubtedly, etc., and I adopted, instead of them, I conceive, I apprehend, or I imagine a thing to be so or so; or it so appears to me at present.

In reality, there is, perhaps, no one of our natural passions so hard to subdue as pride. Disguise it, struggle with it, beat it down, stifle it, mortify it as much as one pleases, it is still alive, and will every now and then peep out and show itself; you will see it, perhaps, often in this history; for, even if I could conceive that I had completely overcome it, I should probably be proud of my humility.

He had been under the doctor's car for about two years, suffering from a nervous breakdown. "The bride was accompanied to the altar by tight bridesmaids." "The game warden's office has given orders to pick up all dog owners if they are caught running at large without muzzles."

There are only two states with 18-year rules. The five states included in the 20-year group were chosen at random by drawing slips on which were written the names of the states in each age-limit group. Fourteen First Places. This table reveals that, out of sixteen states, the mean scores of the 18-year group were placed first twelve times.

Comparison by States. If the states are considered individually, rather than by the mean scores of the group, the results are only slightly different. Arkansas was the state in the 21-year group to win a first place. The two 18-year states had twenty-seven chances to score. They placed first twelve times.

The Speech Arts In Texas Schools

THIS column belongs to the Texas Speech Association for discussion of speech problems and news concerning the Association, its members, or its work.

Speech Correction Receiving Attention. TEXAS Technological College at Lubbock has conducted a free clinic in speech correction for a number of years in connection with the Lubbock Sanitarium.

Speech Lesson in Life. The "Life" Magazine carries a complete set of pictures on the shaping of the mouth for proper pronunciation in the March 11, 1940, issue.

Cue and Curtain Club at Ballinger. THE State office has received pictures of shows done at Ballinger High School during the past school year.

Radio Fraternity Formed at Baylor. BAYLOR University students of radio have established the Alpha chapter of Lambda Lambda Mu, Radio Fraternity.

Association Meetings. THE 25th annual convention of the National Association of Teachers of Speech will be held in Washington, D.C., December 30, 31 and January 1, 2.

Children's Theatre. The Fine Arts Club at Harlingen, Texas, sponsored a series of the Clare Tree Major Children's Theatre productions during the past year.

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Age-Rules and Track and Field Records Correlated

In a master's thesis prepared by Donald V. Smart entitled "A Suggested Program for Instituting an Interscholastic League in Alabama" there will be an interesting table worked out on all-time track and field records correlated with the age-eligibility rules.

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During the summer months a number of new texts were published. We list those we have received. If you wish to examine them, let us hear from you. See the key to publishers' addresses in the "Teachers Guide to Good Plays."

New Drama and Speech Books. Correcting Nervous Speech Disorders, Prentice-Hall. Costumes by You, Baker. Drill Manual for Improving Speech, Lippincott.

Play Collections. Christmas Plays for One and All, Denison. Easy Skits, Blackouts and Pantomimes, Dram. Pub. Co.

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Thanksgiving holidays in conjunction with the State Teachers Association Convention.

President Horger is planning a practical and worthwhile program which will be interesting to all teachers of Speech in the state. Plan to attend the convention. If you are unable to be there, the least you can do is join the Texas Speech Teachers Association.

Of interest to Speech teachers all over the country is an article which appeared in a recent issue of the New York Times. The article states that of the 260,000 high school students in New York City, 130,000 need clinical aid with their voices and speech.

Mr. Arthur R. Hayes of San Marcos taught Speech at San Marcos Teachers College during the summer session. Mrs. Nell Harvey of Alice, Mrs. Lucile Perkins of Bastrop, Mr. Bernard Pruitt of Hamilton, Mr. Conde Hoskins of Nixon, and Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Griffin of Rosenberg attended the first summer session of The University of Texas, enrolling for classes in High School Play Production and High School Play Directing.

Miss Mildred Thomas, Director of Drama at Pettus, spent the summer at Camp Walra, Wimberly, teaching dramatics to girls attending that camp. Miss Lilybeth Lewis of Moulton spent the summer at The University of Texas. Miss Lewis was enrolled in the Department of Drama.

Miss Lyzannell Hulse of El Paso High School took Speech and Drama courses at The University of Texas during the first session. Breckenridge High School Gives 2 Debate Awards. ON the program of the 1940 Commencement exercises of Breckenridge high school occur the following items: (1) Winner of Pitzer & West \$50 Debate Award, John Roger Walker, and (2) winner of Twentieth Century Study Club \$50 Debate Award, Maxine Jones.

Concerning the latter award, Mrs. J. A. Boyle and Mrs. W. D. Graves, President and Secretary, respectively, of the Twentieth Century Study Club of Breckenridge, issued the following memorandum: "The Twentieth Century Study Club voted to have as its permanent project the giving of a \$50 award to the most valuable girl debater, under rules specified by the Twentieth Century Study Club, and filed in the office of the principal of the high school. 'The rules agreed on, governing the debate scholarship award were as follows: '1. This award shall be known as the Twentieth Century Study Club annual debate award for girls.

Mittermeyer Retreats. Ernest Mittermeyer, a Texas cowboy, arriving in Houston July 4, a veteran of the retreat of the French Army from Sedan, reported that historic event as follows: "You may have seen in the papers where the French said the retreat was organized, but it wasn't. We were completely disorganized, and as far as I was concerned, the retreat didn't stop until I got to the Portuguese border." A.P. Dispatch, dated-line Houston, Texas, July 4.

