DRAMATICS CLUB INTERESTS MANY

Many Activities Center Around Production of Plays

(By Mildred Thomas)

THE PURPLE Masque Liub, dramatic organization of Pettus High School, within a year's time has become the outstanding extracurricular activity of the school. Because of activities sponsored by the club and interest motivated by them, approximately one-half of the high school membership is enrolled in the club, although this is only the second year of its existence.

Purpose of Club

The purpose of this dramatic organization is not only to acquaint students with principles of good and appear at ease before an was concluded December 28th, in audience. In order that this pur- Dallas, by the State Championpose may be achieved three-act, one-act, and three-minute plays and monologues are often given Amarillo, the latter winning by sented for their entertainment.

Also during the year one night in given to the presentation of a November 30th, and the bi-district group of one-act plays and another for the presentation of a champions by December 7th. The Rich Club Offerings Enlist boards in each of the home rooms, three-act play, and to these citi- Six-man football final district zens from the community are in- games were determined by Thanksvited to attend. Among the ma- giving week-end. jor projects of the year is entrance in the one-act play contest of the Interscholastic League.

Stage Management

Not only is the art of acting emphasized in the club but also methods of stage business are taught. Many of the students are not especially interested in taking actual parts in the plays but are extremely interested in proper management of stage business. Stage production staff and committee members are appointed by the director of the club and carefully instructed in their duties. In order that they may secure additional information, books on stage business are provided for them to read. Full responsibility, with mere suggestions from the sponsors, is given to production staff members when a play is to be presented.

In addition to the presentation of dramatic productions at club meetings special programs are arranged for the study of the history of drama, outstanding actors, and other correlated subjects.

Financing

through membership dues and receipts from productions given during the year for citizens in the community. At the time the three-act play is presented, advertising space is sold by members of the club to be placed on the programs distributed which include members of the cast. These proceeds are divided between the dramatic organization and the senior class. Money obtained by the club thus far has been used to purchase a complete make-up kit and needed stage properties.

Membership in the Purple Masque Club is open to any student in the high school who expresses a desire and shows willingness to become a member. Candidates for membership are examined and questioned by the club director and president before they are presented to the club for initiation.

Loco School Wins Regional Honors

Representing Loco Consolidated School of Childress county. Virginia Ann Sachse, eleven years old, won the declamation contest in the junior girls division in the county meet, district and Virginia Ann



in the region.

self, Madam."

State Champion Team—Jolly Bunch of Youngsters



AMARILLO HIGH SCHOOL SQUAD

Reading from left to right:

Dick West; Tom Bill Whelchel.

Interest of Whole

Community

Here Is Record of 1940 League Football Season

The 1940 football season of the acting but to enable them to feel University Interscholastic League ship game between Temple and at Purple Masque Club meetings. a score of 20-7, before a crowd At one regular session of the of approximately 18,000 people. club parents of members are in- Regional champions in Class A Also during the year one night is champions were all determined by

> The State championship football game was one of the finest games ever played under auspices of the Texas Intercholastic League, matching probably the two most powerful teams to meet in the finals in the 21-year history of the annual football race. The teams played smashing, crashing football-the kind that is pleasing to the eye and liked by close students of the game. Both Amarillo and Temwere well-versed in the fundamentals and the blocking, especially, impressed this writer. It was a grand game as the finale of a grand race, one of the best-balanced campaigns this writer has followed.

> > HAROLD V. RATLIFF, The Associated Press, Dallas, Texas.

(See-Football Record-P. 4)

Tennis Champion



L ior Thomas Jefferson High ence, the League is equally efficient at the end of the counties and has not had to meet since the School, San Antonio, won first in the grade of its scholars. De- city-county units. place in Girls' Tennis Singles at the 1939 State Meet of the University Interscholastic League, and poise and to think for themselves. in the counties published in this tirely disappear. Willie Stevens, repeated this accomplishment in Other contests such as the three-Rs, issue, it indicates that your counrepeated this accomplishment in Other contests such as the three-Rs, issue, it indicates that your country officers have not yet being relief to the National Honor ty officers have not yet being relief. Society, is president of the stuculating cup for two years.

which is as far as the junior con- there appeared a three-column cut the fact that one of its actresses ready reported are urgently re- by writing Jimmie Tallant, printest is carried. She is the daughter of Miss Norton standing behind a last year was signed to a Holly-quested to report at once. Since cipal of the high school, or J. C. of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Sachse, of perfect barricade of trophies which wood contract. The Texas organithe December issue, the following Armstrong, Superintendent of her prowess in tennis had won. zation was the first in the United counties have been reported: This story announces her Gradua- States to adopt six-man football. Antonio, Texas.

When the Faculty Study Club had completed its coördination and approval of student selected clubs, the accompanying definite activity schedule had taken form.

Asst. Coach T. G. Hull; Gene Sutton; Hoy Marcum were not present when the picture was made,

Bottom Row: Delbert Ballangee, Mgr.; Clyde Clark; Harold Harlow; William Martin; Paul Burden; Billy

Second Row: Gene Noland, Asst. Mgr.; W. C. Wooten; E. J. Watson; Jim Warner; M. T. Johnson, Jr.,

Third Row: William Redus; John Childs; Roy Priolo; Ted Moss; Burrel Collins; Fred Page; Bill Jolly;

Fourth Row: Coach Howard Lynch; Trainer Lewis Manning; J. W. Clark; Ray Daniel; Irvin Wall;

Nelson; J. C. Harrell; Johnny Price; Billy Joe Storseth; Leroy Bayter; Bob Buntain, Mgr.

Rex Daniel; W. A. Myers; Clide Amerson; Bob Zelsman; John Brice, Asst. Mgr.

The preceding schedule of activities was posted on the bulletin and each student was requested to select at least one of the clubs for membership. Participation in one club was expected, but each student was permitted to hold membership INSTEAD of selecting eight in three clubs of his own choosing organizations,* as the fac- provided such membership did not ulty had first intended, ten cause his scholarship marks to fall lower than they had been the first clubs seemed very urgent month when there had been no club from the student replies on activities.

questionnaires. It was de-Membership Blanks

Weekly Schedule of Activities

had their rifle practice. *This is the fourth of a series of seven articles by Mrs. Neva B. Woodfin, of Mc-Rae, Arkansas, on building an extracur-ricular program for a small high school.

(See—Activities—P. 2)

Counties Are Completing

Arrangements for Big Year

of County Meets

Anderson County

(See-Organizations-P. 4)

"Texas First Again"

FOLLOWING press reports at the close of the last State Meet of the League, the Kansas City Citation published the following editorial under the caption: "Texas First Again":

"The Texas Interscholastic League recently brought to a close one of its most successful years. The Texas organization is the largest, most thorough, and best organized of any similar program lished in the December isin the United States, and annually sue of the LEAGUER, many more the penalty, if any, is fixed. The involves more than 500,000 public school students from some 5,000 county Interscholastic League principal of the high school sits in on all meetings of the discipline involves more than 500,000 public

its high-school athletes that has betical list of the counties THLEL NORTON, age 17, junpoured outstanding material into teams of the Southwest Conferted appears at this time that the committee portant.

organization."

ENLARGES FIELD

At Hallsville Disciplinary Problems Successfully Handled

> (By Ralph Havenhill, Hallsville, Texas)

cided that the two extra ones When this schedule was posted School, located in the oil field community singing is a natural all these extra-curricular activicould be provided for, since on each home-room bulletin board, area of East Texas. Aside children is of minor importance,— books show, was 96.19. of participation in school affairs, the County Home Demonstra- the sponsor again discussed the had been dabbling with the idea And again the accompaniments: membership in the Phi Eta Sigma, The pupils of this particular grade. tion Agent was to sponsor one, possibilities of each club with his of student government. During we no longer use horses and bugand the Methodist minister was to sponsor the hove and the sponsors for various hand the sponsor was happy to sponsor the boys organizations. Membership request been laid and that both faculty Fords, and I doubt there are many Mrs. J. S. McNiel, 6808 Clayton bies of different pupils. They in their camping and rifle club blanks were then distributed to activities. The boys in this each student in the home room, and activities. The boys in this each student in the home room, and it. At that time student government, was instituted and has instituted and has instituted and has been activities. ment was instituted and has piano and some one at hand who Following is the record of the latter organization planned to out of the ten final possibilities.

The boys in this he listed his choice of three clubs been functioning satisfactorily ever out of the ten final possibilities.

I wish to preach not the docount of the ten final possibilities. Splendid hobby in that it has exsume trine of ignored and has been functioning satisfactorily ever out of the ten final possibilities. Splendid hobby in that it has exsume trine of ignored and has been functioning satisfactorily ever out of the ten final possibilities. Funds for the club are obtained four conferences into which the make their over-night campHe was given personal guidance a well-organized monitorial sysing trips on Friday, leaving by the home-room sponsor, if tem and through a discipline comafter school dismissed in the needed. All were urged to con- mittee. A rules committee, meetafternoon and returning Sat- sider carefully the schedule in ing with the high school principal, urday morning after they had making their selection of more than drew up a set of regulations one club, since a student could meet by which the school was to be only one club each day during the governed. thirty-minute activity period. The A monitorial committee then ap-

pointed a set of monitors for the halls, recreation hall, auditorium, gymnasium, class rooms, and other places and made each of these responsible for order in his own particular sector. Monitors are instructed to call it to the attention of a student when he violates a regulation, but if he continues the violation to turn his name in for action by the discipline committee. This committee, composed of six members, meets only when difficult discipline cases have to be handled. In such a case the student involved is called before the committee and given a chance organizations have been committee, but actually partici-"Long noted for the excellence of turned in. Note that an alpha- pates very little in its delibera-

The system is working so well opening of the 1940-41 session. in the State Office. It is quite dent body and chairman of the In a recent issue of the San Antonio Express (January 12), Hard first that first that first that first that first that the fir

soul remains forever .- Epictetus. spring.

SPONSOR WOULD **REVISE CONTEST**

Choral Singing Rules, She Says, Don't Produce Best Results

MRS. TEMPLE NASH, sponsor of choral singing in the Kaufman schools, believes that this contest should permit the use of an accompaniment, that the teacher, not the pupil should direct the chorus, and that there should not be a repetition of the same songs next year. Her letter follows:

In consideration of your point that "It is a fine thing to train certain students in leading the choir" (which narrows down to one for can possibly balance with that handicap a whole group of twentylimited ability as is to be found Journalism Contest. among elementary school children. James was graduated from high seriously doubt it for several rea- progress for four years, says:

Community Singing

and encouraging community singing-it seems to me that the com-HE PROBLEM of finding That very point is what lends enexhibition of best performance? something for the Student couragement to the effort; draws Council to do has apparently in more groups and makes standbeen solved in Hallsville High ards rise. Certainly the boost to other high schools in Dallas. With from the usual duties assigned while to their teachers, the first a Student Council, the Stu-consideration is to give their pupils University of Texas, having made and approximately 75 per cent dent Council in this school the best training possible—for the straight A's during his freshman have individual hobbies. sponsors student government. corresponding satisfaction of hav-

Accompaniment

(See-Choral Singing-P. 2) Theodore Roosevelt.

Journalism Winner In 1939 State Meet



James McNiel

NTORTH Dallas High School sent James McNiel as its each school), I can not see that representative to the 1939 Second Row: Gene Noland, Asst. Mgr.; W. C. Wooten, E. J. Watton, Journalish Conference and Co-Captain; Boone Baker, Co-Captain; Otto Payne; Myrle Greathouse; Charles Green; Thurman child receives in directing a chorus, Contest, which was a part of five to sixty children suffers by sity Interscholastic League. hobby in the show. Group hobbies being forced to sing under the He took second place in the are carried on at school, while direction of a child leader of such copy-reading event of the individual hobbies are, in most

If the group were of High School school in June last at seventeen age even, there might be more years of age. Principal E. B. value for such a rule-though I Comstock, who has watched James'

As to the original purpose of member of the Student Council, their decisions concerning the winthe choral singing contest, being managing editor of our school ning hobbies. Prizes are given by not to give an exhibition of best paper, The Compass, president of the school for the winners in both performance, but that of teaching the National Honor Society, presi- group and individual hobbies. dent of the Hi-Press Club, presibination is hardly consistent. How of our school annual, The Viking, school newspaper. Interesting can a contest be any thing but an and editor of our Senior Publica- articles about hobbies in general

Letters in Tennis

in tennis, and win first place in espaper. This helped a great deal say writing in competition with

year. He was awarded a sliderule by a freshman engineering so-

Both Individual and Group Entries Interest the Whole Community

HUTTO SCHOOLS

GIVE HOBBY SHOW

(By F. J. Young, Supt. of Schools, Hutto)

THE HOBBY Show in the Hutto Public Schools is in the form of a contest in which both individual and group hobbies are entered. We encourage our pupils to have hobbies for the sake of what they get out of them, and the Hobby Show is one of the means of motivating the activ-

Individual and Group Entries

Each pupil has the opportunity to enter his or her hobby in the contest, and any group or grade the State Meet of the Univer- may enter an exhibit of their cases, outside activities.

The Hobby Show is held the third Friday in May, which is the day for the last Parent-Teachers Association Meeting, in order that the parents may have an op-"He participated in many extra- portunity to see the exhibit at the curricular activities. He was a same time that the judges make

This year we used "Hobbies" as dent of Allied Youth, sports editor the theme for one issue of the and a number of articles about hobbies of pupils and adults in the James found time also to letter community were published in the in creating interest in hobbies, so that at the present time about 90 He is now a sophomore in the are taking part in group hobbies

Postcard Hobby

For several years school offi- ing their children "hold their own ciety as evidence of being, in the We have interesting hobbies too cials, keenly aware that students with the best of them"—and if pos- judgment of the society, the most numerous to mention; however, a should be allowed a larger share sible win points for their school. outstanding freshman engineer of quite good example of group hob-He was chosen for bies is that of the fourth grade. a freshman honorary fraternity.

James now holds for the year

have organized a hobby club which chose as their group hobby, "Collecting Picture Post Card of all trine of the strenuous life. cellent educational features. It might be considered a quite modern hobby, since the pictures on other subject fields.

This group of fourth grade pupils are all members of the "Child Life Hobby Club," and they are quite proud of their hobby pins and their letters of membership. Airplane Models

Last year a number of seventh and eighth grade boys had as their hobby, "The Making of Model Airplanes," and as a result several boys became quite efficient in the building of airplane models. One of the boys has sold several models for two and three dollars each.

We have hobbies of all typeslearning, creating, and collecting, but the chief purpose of them all is to stimulate interest in the profitable and interesting use of leisure time at home. The chief purpose of the Hobby Show is to show to both pupils and parents what others are doing and especially what boys and girls can do.

EXTEMP TOPICS

In each issue of the LEAGUER since September, 1940 there has been an article or a list of topics about Extemporaneous Speaking. Consult the back issues of the LEAGUER for topics to study. They are all sub-topics of the general Extemporaneous Speaking subject to be used this year, Foreign and National Current Events. No other list of topics has been or will be published until the list for drawing at con-

test is prepared. Add this topic to the list of those appearing in preceding issues of the LEAGUER. Work of the 77th Congress.

Rural Ready Writers Winner the cards serve as visual aids in the teaching of art, geography, and



Lydia Eisenhauer, Kirby School, Bexar County

"I wonder," queried a lady in the presence of Dean Swift, "how I get my finger-nails so dirty."

I get my finger-nails so dirty.

I get my finger-nai



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collecting them twenty years ago. We are getting requests from boys enlisting in the various armed forces of the United States asking for age and place of birth since someway the

boys lost their amateur standing because they received valuable consideration for participating in a soft ball game or in boxing tournaments. In order to avoid any possible violation of the amateur rule, it should be explained to all boys who are representing the high school or planning to represent the high school in interschool athletic contests. Boys should be instructed to consult school officials before consenting to participate in any game or contest other than se sponsored by the school.

Americans to learn public speaking and debating so they would not be aware of the inherent values of amateur dra-courage students to follow the could compete with young communists and fascists who "have matics." What with winning second place in the State One- story carefully in the daily newsbeen taught what to say and how to say it." Wise advice! Act Play Contest two years ago and winning many of their papers as an up-to-the-minute les-The great speakers are directing the destiny of the world county and district contests, Albany High School has a record son in "trust-busting." today, as they have always done and as they always will do. of which it may justly be proud. It can be prouder still theater tickets to the readers who And yet we find high schools in this state with as many as that this competition has helped bring into being a clean, first supplied correct answers to two hundred pupils enrolled which do not have in the faculty vigorous entertainment for a community that is richer today questions concerning President a teacher capable of directing debate, or one with any train- for having "Two Thousand Nights in the Theatre" yester- Roosevelt's inauguration for a ing in speech. It was in such a school that Wendell Wilkie day. Certainly, Albany can be proud of Mr. Nail and Mr. third term. spent his high school years, and now, at forty seven, he is Crotty who give so much of their time and energy, and of taking an intensive course in speech. What could be sounder Mr. Downing with his educational vision. These men are classroom with the everyday life the pupil must have been promoted than providing training for those organs that make brains building better Texans and better Americans of Albany around them. True education is at the last promotion period. Note, available?

COUNTY directors will not need to be told that this is February, and that county meets are held in March. But many will need to be told (judging from past experience) that requisitions for county meet material must be sent into the State Office before this material can be mailed out. We just have to know what is needed, and amount needed, and the date of the county meet before we can supply proper tests and blanks. Different test material is prepared for each week-end, and hence we must have the date of the meet before we know which tests to send. Again, some counties use much | EBRUARY, with its wealth of this way in order to help children | For example, a history class may and some little, hence we must have an indication of the mount of material needed. All this may be indicated on our tional for study at this time of to each Director General whose name has been reported to the the interests of their classes to a patriotic theme but does suggest a trine as reflected in the Pan-American enrollment in the grades competing

TN A RECENT issue of "Factory Management and Main- in Americanism should develop as somewhat humorous treatment of around the class, for readers of the tenance," Webb Waldron, describing how the industrial a result of the war in Europe and his subject. doctor is transforming the health of modern industrial plants, it. Let us turn our attention to the says:

"Here, as in many progressive plants, prizes are offered can be used to develop the patriotic theme of their work. Relating one an interpretation of the legal as to what grades are considered points, tomahawks, bow-string imto employes for suggestions for improving the product, theme. simplifying work, or promoting health and safety." A writer in "Time" says:

"Marines have never forgotten that their crack riflemen studies which may enrich our work. in the tops of the Bon Homme Richard helped John Paul "Black Hawk" by Taft helps us to Jones to glory against Britain's Serapis in 1779. Today appreciate the proud spirit of the the Marine Corps is the keenest rifle-shooting outfit in the Trail" by Fraser portrays a difworld. On the walls of General Holcomb's office hang 15 ferent aspect of the same people. first place trophies won by Corps teams in 31 national "Pioneer woman" by Baker will matches."

One could multiply instances taken from current literature, America and the hardships they or ancient history, or mediaeval chronicles of excellence endured. attained by competitive endeavor. Indeed, when it becomes While it is permissible with this necessary to do anything and do it well, the natural method type of material to place emphasis of developing excellence is by competition. In no other field than that of theoretical pedagogy do we find any qualms or not lose sight of the fact that she the Texas newspaper editor. the Texas newspaper editor. the the Texas newspaper editor. doubts about the method. Here, curiously enough, are doubts must also develop appreciation of the art qualities of these production representation of the art qualities of these productions and questionings enough to fill a book and questionings enough to fill a book.

ONE OF THE MOST effective pieces of creative drama country have inspired art expressions where soon was presented as the feature of the Albany soon was presented as the featu High School One-Act Play Festival, February 7 and 8. Written by Robert Nail, it was entitled "Two Thousand Nights in the Theatre." Produced and directed by Mr. Nail and the Father of our Country. Let us strong. At any rate, Volume too much. An example of a paper Mr. Gene Crotty, it played for almost two hours. Seventy- show the children that the build- I, No. 1 always intrigues a that gives proper emphasis to six students had roles and many others took part in staging ing and grounds have beauty as reader. the show. They made all costumes and sets. The performance well as historical interest. The held an audience of about four hundred in a manner attesting making of models of the buildings to the impressiveness of the production.

Beginning with a striking prologue, the play presented typical examples of drama through the ages. A bit of Greek tion of Independence" by Trumbull tragedy, an old morality play, some splendidly done Shake- gives the teacher an opportunity to speare from "Julius Caesar," a piece of Moliere-ish farce, help pupils distinguish between the popularized by Odetts in "Waiting for Lefty." All scenes were written especially for this show except the Shakespeare.

The writing was very good, the acting was only fair, and portance of good composition and high school and early college age. not returning books on time. the staging was quite sketchy in spots. (The play was re- workmanship in making the former Ordinarily such a magazine would Maybe that will help the librarian. hearsed only three weeks.) What, then, made the performance so unusual? First in the list of unusual aspects was be asked, "Why is this particular with their elders in the field of carried an interesting speech story the almost complete lack of adequate facilities. Yet, the picture of the signing of the Dec- literature and art. The Junior in the January 10 issue. The originality and resourcefulness displayed by the members of laration more important than oth- Historian may well succeed because Reverend H. I. Robinson, assembly the production staff and the cast overshadowed the tre- ers which have the same theme?" it proposes to publish what the speaker, advised students as folmendous handicaps they encountered. The handicaps were us to our own Texas history and tory and tradition of their own 1. To "stand on their heads"turned to advantages because students were challenged with could well be presented at this time. community and the state. Young that is, to use their brains as a the impossible, then accomplished the impossible. The very Like "Mount Vernon," the beauty people can write, and write well, basis for their careers,

bad stage with virtually no equipment proved to be an asset about their homeland; they can 2. To "wear their own shoes"— and Rules for rule governing cases of this helpers, as there was no adult rather than a liability because of the opportunity it offered tell the stories that old people have that is, to learn to do their own to provide more students with creative work.

A second point was the complete coöperation evinced be- with freshness and beauty their 3. To protect their physical tween the superintendent and the director and author. This Junior Historian offers an outlet life's job; superintendent believes in the educational values of dra- for their best products, and it is 4. To learn more about the matics. About one hundred students helped with the show. the only medium in this field. It Bible and make religion the basic for rebate for two places in applied music The facilities of the entire school were turned over to the deserves to succeed and it has the coördinator of their lives. directors by the Administration. The administration backed best wishes of every intelligent the entire affair because it believes drama deserves its place April, inclusive, by the Bureau of Extracurricular Activities, Ex- in the program of extracurricular activities, that it has cultural values and definite carryover values which can be put to practical use by students after graduation.

Finally, the audience was unusual. They witnessed tender love scenes acted by students whose fellow students sat in the audience. There was none of the boorish lip smacking, none of the peanut row antics, none of the suggestive whistling so regrettably common in some communities when such scenes are done. Obviously, preceding performances of other good | U a pleasant afternoon: Gather a clear development of the speak-No. 6 plays by high-school people had educated this audience to a stack of Texas high school er's ideas in such a manner as to appreciate the efforts of the actors. It was indeed a satisfy- papers, put feet on desk, lean back carry his message to those who A THLETIC records of the League are now being used in ing experience to observe the reactions of the Albany audience in chair, and begin reading.

Many interesting ideas specified as a way that was not anticipated when we first began to this show.

All this is mentioned to emphasize that there are values in papers. For example, several Robinson's points offers a subject dramatics, that dramatics can be done with an absolute papers are making worthwhile for one or more good editorials. minimum of facilities, that dramatics can contribute to the efforts to tie in school life with The work of the I. L. P. C. this cultural enrichment of an entire community, and that dra- national or international life, thus fall has consisted primarily of two HIGH SCHOOL students should be warned against possible violation of the amateur rule. This year several boys lost their amateur standing because the mateur community, and that dramatics of an entire community, and that dramatics of an extracurricular product of an entire community, and that dramatics of an extracurricular product of an entire community, and that dramatics of an extracurricular product of an entire community, and that dramatics of an extracurricular product of an extracurricular product of an entire community, and that dramatics of an extracurricular product of an entire community, and that dramatics of an extracurricular product of an entire community, and that dramatics of an extracurricular product of an extracurricular gram. This balance is truly necessary if all students in a the staff noted the sinking of a our activities. By the time you school are to have equal opportunity to develop and discover steamship, ran an interview with read this column probably you will latent abilities. While not all communities can have a play- one of the teachers about her ex- have already received a mimeowright Nail, a director Crotty or a Superintendent Downing, that same steamship. Good news In a few weeks we will issue a any community can do in drama something approximating sense, that assignment. the same, adapted to its own peculiar situation, as is done in

In conclusion, we repeat the words of one of the towns- in the current controversy between tion we plan to issue a third people who saw the show. He said, "One-Act Play contests beyond the action of pamphlet on methods of bettering radio broadcasting of music a topic our news story form. have done more to stimulate interest in dramatics here than that would interest students, and The other day Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt urged young any other single thing. Without the contest we probably took occasion editorially to enyouth.—F. L. Winship.



THE PATRIOTIC THEME IN PICTURES

(By Mrs. Florence L. Phillips) consideration of how our country study of our own relationship to pictures in our memory list which

The Sculpture

The pictures which are reproductions of sculpture offer three American Indian while "End of the help to interest pupils in the kind of people who came to build

In architecture we have "Mount of Mount Vernon would be in order.

Suitable Pictures

A study of "Signing the Declara-

place. In addition to this and the standing most completely how that historical significance, Guerin's world functions. Many teachers skill in arranging the composition stress activities in their classes is important. To accompany this which relate their studies to everysame building in different ways in serve his readers well if he can compositions of their own. Some give space to stories of such acother building may also be used in tivities.

Other Pictures Can Be Adapted Teachers may find other pictures the unit and produce a firm basis for art appreciation, particularly in the understanding of the relationship of art to life.



some other cases, the teacher must does not come to the desk of the copies of the words made for the

lished by the Texas State His- an event which will take place the pearance in January. It is distinctive among Texas publications, event scheduled for the day of the content of and possibly in the nation, because publication. of the unique assumption on which | The Eagle Record of Riverside it is based. It is founded on the High, Fort Worth, recently pubwere written especially for this show except the Shakespeare. the creation of beauty. The im- writings of Texas boys and girls of students most frequently fined for sidered. The question might well cause young people cannot compete

told them; they can describe thinking; pilgrimages to historic places. The bodies so as to be prepared for



Follow Current Events

The Brahma Round-Up offered

Too often students fail to relate materials which they study in directed toward making each in- however, provision for rural of the building is worth consider- pletely to the world in which he ing and how it is typical of archi- lives by finding his proper means ecture of that particular time and of making a living and by understudy have children arrange the day affairs. The school editor will

statesmens' birthdays, has appreciate the importance of inter- be studying the pronouncement of made the theme of patriotism tradi- esting spacing in this type of com- the Monroe Doctrine and from that may get into a discussion of the "American Gothic" lacks the modern interpretation of the Doc- petition in football conferences, the type of life which is traditional in ican Defense program. The find- in the high school unit shall be developed and what it stands for certain sections of our country. ings of such a discussion would accepted as the basis for assigntoday. A particularly keen interest Help the children to enjoy Wood's make good material localized ment to respective conferences. school paper.

Minors Have Rights

which relate in some way to the be discussing the rights of minors; partment of Education a statement relics—arrowheads, flints, spear paniment. study to another helps to integrate rights of minors, told in terms of as a part of the senior high school plements, meat-scraping implespecific cases (without names) re- and the enrollment for those ments, and any other relics which pitch, and we have had enthusiasmembered by the teacher, would grades. extend the value of the class work to all the readers of the school paper.

yet some space might well be within five calendar days." given to such assignments. In course of study is filed with the The Junior Historian, published by the Example 101 Every course from one high school to another collections were placed. When any fexas State Historical Association, Austin, taught in high school; a glance and registered and went through member of this club, some other LTARDLY a week passes the coming semester might enable consisting of 15-minute class the community contributed some such a great improvement over the that some new publication the news editor to place many in- periods and returned the next day relic, his name card was pasted former necessity of having typed

tions. "How conditions and peo- sents hopes and expectations About three years ago most sion on a similar case in 1931, school and community interest. ple related to the building of our of those responsible for its Texas high school papers were declared that this does not confore reaching maturity; oc- of today's papers suggests that we sidered enrolled. Vernon," planned and developed by casionally one grows lusty and are tending to neglect that phase that gives proper emphasis to The University Interscholastic League timeliness is the December 18 is-State High School Basketball Tournament sue of the Austin Round-up of as has been used in the past. "The Junior Historian," pub- Houston. The lead story concerns

To Report a Speech The Lubbock Westerner World

These four points are passed on to readers of this column for three obvious reasons: First, they repesent advice that will bear repeating. Second, the clear presentation of all of these points in a news story which occupied only Association F about five inches of space is an excellent example of good speech story writing; too many speech stories are cluttered up with un-NE man's idea of how to spend necessary detail and fail to give Many interesting ideas spring preserve them for those who did. to light from the pages of these And third, each of the Reverend

second pamphlet on current headline weaknesses and how to correct The Forest Echo of Dallas saw them. Before our spring conven-



Constitution and Rules, p. 117 Paragraph e, under Section 16, page 117, should read as follows: in a given school into semesters, dividual adjust himself most com- schools in the last paragraph of Art. VIII. Sec. 16."

Rules 22 and 29 Football

Rule 29 was eliminated and Rule met on Friday nights, was the only ing of the club. The remaining two 22 altered to read as follows in organization which did not conflict monthly meetings were used for the 1941-42 edition of the rules: with other clubs meeting at the programs on etiquette and person-"Starting time of the game shall same time. be by mutual consent, or, in case of disagreement, by the decision of the district committee."

Rule 3 Football

In classifying schools for com-

Rule 11 Football

Rule 11 of the Football Plan has True, the school paper of today been altered to read: "The 5-day is generally crowded for space; period is considered as being

many school systems an outline Article VII, Sec. 26-Enrollment It appears that a pupil went superindendent for every course from one high school to another

Basketball

Debate Bulletin Errors

Picture Memory

A slight change in the score-sheets ral selections has been eliminated, also on the new form a place for k artist, and one for "unknown" ratists. In cases where the nation-of the artist is unknown or uncerpupil does not score nationality at all. r instance, Taj Mahal is "oriental," t is unknown. It cannot be scored for mality. Again Mount Vernon is rican, and should be so scored. Since hington merely drew plans for the gement of the place and for arranges of the grounds, he is not listed as artist and hence no place for scoring

Spelling List

Choral Singing Notice that choral singing contest does not require purchase of phonograph rec-ords, as heretofore.

Applied Music Contests

Article VII, Sec. 13-Correction Read "eighteen" for "ninetee

Rule Books

Spalding's "Official Basketball Rules" rns League basketball.

Rule 15, Basketball Plan

12-Grade System

grades.

2. Schools maintaining four-year high schools going from eleven to twelve-grade basis automatically advance their elementary grades one year in so far as the eligibility for participation in the so-called "grade-contests" of the Interscholastic League is concerned. For illustration: The number-sense contest is designated as a seventh-grade contest. When a school goes on a twelve-grade basis from an eleven-grade basis, the eighth graders will be eligible in the number-sense contest.

- ACTIVITIES -

(Continued from P. 1)

By action of State Committee, boys' camping and rifle club which cared for the second monthly meet-

Local History Club

lected as their purpose the gather- cess in life is due 85 per cent to ing and distributing of all personality, and 15 per cent to interesting information available concerning the growth and developmain projects for the year were: data to be made up in mimeo-In case of an error in enrollment graphed booklets by the press club,

Popcorn Financing

the work on their booklet during the more verses they sing the lower hikes for Indian treasures after school hours. Through a popcorn sale they made enough money to buy a relic case in which their collections were placed. When any through these courses of study for a skeleton program on one day interested student, or a patron of using this year are a real joytures book, to be covered at the question arises as to whether the relic case. This procedure gave singers.

> öperation and direction. The happy one for any of us. undertakings probably caused the teachers a few extra hours of work each week, but extracurricular work was so pleasant that addileisure-time activity rather than as Page 5, last line, to read "Sulphur, \$1.03 vocational work. Four other clubs er ton" instead of \$1.50 per ton, as on this schedule, however, received such unusual commendation, both in the locality and from outside sources, that a brief presentation of their purposes and main activiof ties will be given.

Girls' Glee Club

The girls' glee club gained its tive. share of attention by including in its regular choral work some old folk-lore songs, and some adapta- State championship in basketbal tions of college pep songs. Some of Forty-three states determine the members worked together in State championship in track and e writing some original pep songs to field. be sung to the music of popular selections. These and many others were sung from the glee club's reduring athletic games.

student librarians and library News.

librarian in the entire school organization. This was purely a service club. but not all of its meet. ings were entirely business procedures. The members set as their goal the improvement of the studyhall library in general appearance and in the addition of books and magazines. Through their efforts an unused cloakroom adjoining the original library was annexed as a current reading room. When shelves were provided and painted, the president of the library club 2. "The National Collegiate Athletic Association Football Rules" governs all League football games.

3. "National Collegiate Athletic Association Track and Field Guide" governs League high school track and field events. had finished with it. Everyone who stories are cluttered up with unnecessary detail and fail to give a clear development of the speaker's ideas in such a manner as to carry his message to those who did not hear the speech and to preserve them for those who did. And third, each of the Reverend Robinson's points offers a subject in necessary detail and fail to give a clear development of the speaker's ideas in such a manner as to committee replied as follows:

"In the interpretation of Rule 15 of the Basketball Plan, Page 96 of the Constitution and Rules, the phrase 'prior to the first game played by a team prior to the first time, magazines and news-papers were contributed regularly without any cost to the school. Pupils were very proud of their new reading room, and urged parents to come to the school prior to the first time, magazines and news-papers were contributed regularly without any cost to the county of the first time, magazines and news-prior to the first time, magazines and news-papers were contributed regularly without any cost to the school. Pupils were very proud of their new reading room, and urged parents to come to the school. could responded heartily, and for their own efforts and willing co-

öperation.

Parents and other citizens of the community also became interested in the activities of the self-improvement club which made a practice of having out-of-school speakers on their programs. Since this was high attempt was made to carry out the functions of all three of its original was based on some college in which several students were interested. Alumni and field representatives a success. The various colleges of the State were each given one complete program, during which slides and pictures were presented by field representatives, or talks given by The State Committee also passed and lade the following interpretations affecting elementary grades in schools on a welve-grade basis: local people who had attended the -grade basis:
In an eleven-grade school system
four-year high school) the first
grades are considered the "grade"
(in a twelve-grade system (with a
vear high school), the first eight

the college for use in such programs. When the school year
closed, nine different colleges and
universities had been studied in declosed, nine different colleges and tail, and much guidance had been given concerning college life in gen-

Vocational Guidance A second phase of the selfimprovement club was the study of various vocations in which club members were interested. Again, the local professional men were invited to discuss their vocations, and much free material on vocational guidance was sent by the congressman representing the local area in Washington. This type of activity ality improvement. Such surveys and studies as that of Miss Marie The Tuesday clubs were: local Marsh's were used to stress the history, library, and girls' glee importance of this phase of selfclub. The local history club se- improvement. She found that suc-

CHORAL SINGING

(Continued from P. 1)

figures in the current Bulletin on and sold for a small charge to cover the smallest village, I can't feature Standards and Activities a school the cost of booklet material; and such a thing these days, without The commercial law class may shall secure from the State De- (b) to start a collection of Indian some kind of instrumental accom-

> We have worked and slaved to train these children to keep up to could be collected in the community tic and willing youngsters who or dug from the many Indian tried their best; but it is utterly impossible for such young children to keep their voices up to pitch They lost no time in beginning without an accompaniment, and school hours, and in taking long their voices drop, until in some instances they get so far below the original key they lose the spirit of the song.

Likes Song Book

The little pamphlets we are

The songs are charming and I The Committee, basing its conclu- individual donors, and aroused both have never known such enthusiastic response from the children, It would be impractical to exthey love every one.

aroused by a little faculty co- the training period was not a very Don't Repeat Songs Next Year

Personally—I vote vehemently against a repetition of songs the second year. There are always tional hours were regarded as children who are in the chorus for more than one year, so why, when there are so many lovely songs. make them do the same ones over?

If I can find any fault with these we are using this year it is that some of them are too short. They seem to me about right as to difficulty, and they are most attrac-

Forty-four states determine

Epitaph of a chronic officeserved section of the gymnasium seeker: "Here lies John Jones in the only place for which he never The library club was made up of applied."-Ohio Penitentiary



Grain of Wheat, A-R

Here Comes Patricia-R

It's Great to be Crazy—R

Making Daddy Behave—R

ponlight and Roses-R

Mystery House, The-R

Perfect Getaway, The-R

So Let 'em Foreclose-R

Suicide Specialist, The—R Take My Advice—R

Commy's Brides—R

Too Many Bosses—R

Top of the World-R

Fricking Tricksters—R

Tumble Inn—R
Turning the Trick—R

Vanishing Pearls—R

Welcome to Our City-R

What Do you Think?—R Will of Stratford—R

World Without End-R

American Way, The—R I'd Rather Be Right—R

Lord's Prayer, The—R Male Animal, The—R

Margin for Error—R Morning Star—R

My Dear Children-R Problem Father—R

Swing Fever—R
Too Many Girls—R

Man Who Came to Dinner-R

Key Largo—R

Suspect—R

Trunk Crime-R

DRAMATIC PLAY SERVICE

Smoky Joe-R

Spinach—R

Trapped-R

Night of Terror—R No Wedding Bells for Me—R

Nuts to You or The Nitwits-R

Long Ago Ladies-R

Lucky Winner-R

THIS MONTH and next we Flying Vagabond, The—R are listing a large number Ghost of Grand Canyon, The—R of three-act plays which are Good Bad Man, The-R new to our shelves. A few are He and She-R plays which appeared on Help! Help!-R Broadway last year and are Honest Abe—R Howling Dog, The—R Husbands Three—R Husbands Three—R a large number particularly In the Good Old Summer Time-I suitable for college and Little It Happened in June—R Theatre production. High Larryschool directors will find this Little Madcap, The_R list of value as they begin the Luckysearch for long plays for spring production. Besides Mail Order Brides—R those listed, we have virtually all of the copies of the long Masquerader, The—R Miss Blue Eyes—R plays listed in the catalogues of the companies indicated below. May we suggest that you keep this list for future ref-

We are deeply grateful to the On the Go or Buzz Inn-R publishing companies who have so One Smart Girl-R graciously cooperated with this ofgraciously cooperated with this of-fice in sending us examination copies of these plays. Upon request Ring of Truth or Hot Chocolate—F we will send you examination copies | Sally You-R of as many as ten plays in one She Got Away with It or The Counterfeit Wife—R package. They may be kept for Sherlock Holmes-R seven days, cannot be renewed, and Simple Life, The-R must not be copied or produced Sir Frog Goes A-Travelling-R without permission of the publish- Sister Sally-R ing companies. Address requests for these plays to the Director of Stranger Passes, A-R Speech Activities, Interscholastic Success Road or Eat Your League, Austin, Texas.

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Accommodations for the Night-R Action-R Adventure Bound-R Amazon Isle—R And Billy Disappeared—R And Myrrh-NR Andy Has the Answer-NR Anne What's-Her-Name—R Anybody's Game—R Apple Blossom Time-R rt for Art's Sake-R Be an Optimist—R Bertha, the Beautiful Typewriter Girl—R Bethlehem Road, The—R Blame it on Success-R Bloodstream—R Broken Curcifix, The—R Caprice-R

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THERE ARE many excellent collections and anas supplementary texts for nothing new to be said about the the materials for building them students will have the skill the vantage that, although it happens classes. During the past few plays of this author. If you are cost very little, they shift easily director lacks, and all students can to be inexpensive, it is nevertheless. months we have received some want to see this book. Odets ex- learn sound professional methods zines and papers, which can be in professional productions. When new collections which we be- presses preference for "Paradise of construction by building them analyzed for color and method of students realize they are using the lieve are worth having in your Lost." What do you think? libraries. As is true of all the four hundred books in our library on speech and drama, these may be borrowed for examination. Let us hear from you if you wish to read any of them.

Sixth Yearbook of Short Plays-by of this anthology reprints eighteen Price, \$4.00.

For six years this company has published a collection of non-royalty one-act plays. This book is as good if not better than preceding volumes. It contains a wide value of those by authors better known to most. We have titles by Sir James Barrie and Paul Green, David Pinski, and a certain Mr. Kreymvolumes. It contains a wide variety of plays suitable for use by junior high school, senior high end of the volume are good. The school and college students. A anthology is worthwhile. contest plays. Carefully selected, Short Plays—by Webber and Webnumber of them will serve well as uniformly entertaining, the twentythree plays in this invaluable anthology are well worth the price of the book. There are thirteen comedies, seven dramas, and three of a semi-serious nature.

Twelve One-Act Plays for Study Dunsany, Mackay, Totheroh, and \$1.48, subject to discount.

Tarkington, Morley, O'Neill, Good- production, playwriting, acting, and man, and others guarantee the some good bibliographies. This is quality of the book. The first an especially practical work. twenty-nine pages are concerned with such subjects as The One-act Twenty Short Plays on a Royalty painting the necessary pieces for ready-mixed paint such as kalso-Play as Literature, Play Production, and The One-act Play in Connection with Courses in English Composition. In the Appendices

A group of new non-royalty plays never before published. While the collection does not seem up to the general standard set in the first volume, there are many usable plays here. Ranging from complete realism in "Flag Stop" to delicate fantasy in "Bayou Harlequinade," they offer a wide variety of plays to any group. Incidentally, we liked the Harlequinade mentioned. One of the co-authors, Clemon White, is a Texas director. We wish every director and budding playwright in the state would read the excellent preface in this book. It carries a message which overly-dramatic directors might well heed.

Short Plays-by Edwin Knickerbocker. Henry Holt & Co.,

New York City. Price, \$1.50. This is one of the finest antholo- Speech Squad Loses gies we have read in a long time. Several by Graduation Not only is it an anthology of outstanding plays, but it also contains enough material to be of value as a text. Sections on reading and studying the short play, reading plays aloud in character, acting plays in the class room, and pre- year. They are preparing, to any director,

The plays are among the best in the field of one-acts. Tragedy, won second place in the Regional the basketball team. He also letfarce and fantasy are represented. Meet at Abilene in debate. Billie tered in football. Billy Allcorn is as doing extempore work. Almost any one has a splendid rec- Ward is a senior, this year, and a freshman at Baylor University ord of production. For those who she is continuing her work in de-this year. He is a member of the want an outstanding collection of bate and extemporaneous speaking freshman debate team; he is studyplays and a simple concise text on also. She attended the speech insti- ing pre-law work. In high school play production, all in one, we tute at Baylor University last sum- he was president of the student highly recommend this book.

ELEMENTARY STAGE-

CRAFT

speech later in her college work. E. F. Smith won 27 out of 32 de-Maritia Shaw is a freshman at bates last year.) Howard Payne College this year. THIS GROUP of pupils other work-which includes all the employed by one of the local busispeech courses available to fresh- ness firms. She won first place in men. (Last year, she and Billie four speech tournaments-winning

Top picture, left to right, back row, Billy Allcorn and E. F. Smith, debaters, and Billy Tom Field,

extemporaneous speaker. Front row, Maritia Shaw and Billie Ward, debaters, and Frances Long,

Speech Pupils in Brownwood High School

E. F. Smith and Billy Allcorn contest. She won third place at paring a play for production are with a few recruits, and minus were eliminated in the first round the regional meet. well and concisely written. There two or three of last year's of debate at the regional meet last sophomore year, won first place in 9:30-10:00 Registration. is a significant comment on each performers, to enter the play which will prove very helpful performers, to enter the vear and he is continuing his work year and he is continuing his work poraneous speaking. At the in debate. He is president of the regional meet he placed second. Maritia Shaw and Billie Ward student body and is a member of He is continuing his work this mer, and she plans on majoring in body and head yell leader. (He and

good quality unbleached muslin for other, a set of flats needs a good

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Mollie Jo Wells

ers College next year-majoring in

speech. Molly Jo is continuing her

Of the 1939 State Meet

IN ORDER to win the Jour-

terscholastic League, a con-

testant must turn in a higher

Donald Cowan

nalism contest of the In-

declamation work this year.

Molly Jo Wells placed second in

about nine flats, none of which Before starting the actual paintdown scenery more than 3' high is on scenery for details of mixing sometimes desirable, but as muslin and using scene paint. If the diincreases sharply in price as it rector is careful to see that sound comes wider than 36 inches, the 3' professional methods of painting height is recommended for those are used by the students, thus in- the regional contest. She is a with a very limited budget.) For suring adequate results, an appre- senior this year. She plans on a stage 30' wide and 12' deep, the ciation will be developed for well entering North Texas State Teach-

Cut down scenery should be lively structing a flat, and the basic set with black drapes, because black Champion Journalist ing the set pieces, but drapes of any color behind the scenery serve adequately as the upper part of the Obviously, the size of the basic walls, and may carry pictures and

Light into cut-down scenery flats, the director will find them use- should be focused low. Care should total of points than any other The term "cut-down scenery" is ful in laying out the ground plan be exercised in keeping the light contestant in five different not a literal name for the method, for each new show. Moreover, the on the actors and scenery, and in events: Reporting, Editorial, not a literal name for the method, in that it does not always mean that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in the does not always mean that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving that the height of the scenery has serving the part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving the part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving the part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving the part of the process in flexibility to the light set-up of a live that the height of the scenery has serving the part of the process in the scenery has serving the part of the process in the scenery has serving the part of the process in the scenery has serving the part of the process in the scenery has the part of the process in the scenery has serving the part of th certain characteristic features of a When set pieces should be higher the use of the new spotlight bulbs— must be a pretty good allthere is a bibliography and ques- entire atmosphere of the place. The cut small pieces of beaver board or flectors to accomplish this end.

to the Moon," "Till the Day I Die," ing specific locale with a literal Painted scenery need not be avoided means and bear the stamp of amainterested in his works, you will and quickly, and students may bring colored pictures from maga- a method used and used effectively well enough to be used over and painting. Frequently it is this same methods as those used in some over again. Moreover, audience re- problem in design and execution scenes of Broadway productions of, Contemporary One-Act Plays-by action is more complete where the which will enlist the interest and "Two on an Island," "Johnny John-B. Roland Lewis. Chas. Scrib- problem of setting each new play cooperation of boys not otherwise son," and "Abe Lincoln in Illinois." they are less likely to be satisfied Chicago, Ill. Price, \$1.50, sub- dents as a problem in design. (See Dry colors may be purchased or with shoddy mounting of the plays

Bear-Grass and Sacahuiste

These are favorite folk names for certain plants native in the Southwest. The Yucca family furnishes most of the bear-grass. There are two species of Yucca called also "sacahuiste," namely, Nolina lindheimeriana and Nolina Texana. When these two plants are called bear-grass at all, it is usual

locally as "sacahuiste." Dr. B. C. Southwest may be so named.

Nothing is ever accomplished by a committee unless it consists of

editor.

the Longhorn Band.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T.

Margaret Mayorga. Samuel approximately three (3) dollars. casein paint does not wash off quite cess like a gentleman; and to meet French, 25 West 45th St., New The initial expenditure would in- so easily, and after a certain num- disaster like a man.-Lord Birken- Cowan, live at 2324 West Rose- We hope to have a large num-

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. Com-munications should be sent to John W. Brandstetter, San Jacinto High School, Houston, Texas, "Historian" of the Asso-ciation, and editor of this column.—Editor. THE PROGRAM which fol-

lows gives some indication of the interesting Speech Clinic which will take place in Odessa, Feb. 21, 22. It is sponsored by the Odessa Senpartment. Already, a large I. College of Kingsville was held number of schools have ac- there January 18. A large group Schools in this general area ing Debate, Declamation, Extemp are certain to have a very Speaking, and One-act Play were Frances Long was a senior last pleasant and profitable time at discussed in the lively sectional She is taking voice along with her year. Upon graduation she was the clinic. It is especially ap- meetings scheduled. Speakers were propriate at this time, just Gladys Sands, Corpus Christi, and before the advent of the Interscholastic League officials Regional Meet in Abilene last Ward won 22 out of 27 debates.) a \$50 scholarship to A. C. C. in one League contest season.

ODESSA, FEBRUARY 21-22 FRIDAY

Program—Odessa Senior High School.

10:30-12:00 Declamation Demonstration: Individual Criticism iors, 2 boys, 2 girls.

-F. L. Winship.

Odessa.

you to bring the talk.

SATURDAY

9:00-12:00 Demonstration Debate. Criticism and Discussion of the Question-by Thomas Rousse.

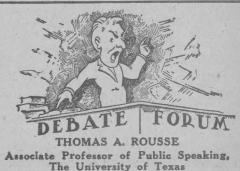
1:30-2:00 Speech Contests Are Not For the Few at the Expense of Many-Roy Bedichek. 2:00-4:30 One-Act Play Demonstration. Critic Judging and Discussion-F. L. Winship.

The fourth annual Speech Conior High School Speech De- ference sponsored by Texas A. & cepted the invitation to attend. of students and teachers enjoyed the Conference. Problems concernfrom Austin. Miss Pecaut, Chairman of the Department of Speech at A. & I. College, and the administration officials of the school are to be congratulated upon having the oldest continuous general Speech Conference in the state.

Join Association

It is hard to believe that there -by Thomas Rousse, Roy are only 120 Texas Speech teachers Bedichek and F. L. Winship. who belong to their State Associa-Seniors, 2 boys, 2 girls; Jun- tion. Yet, only that small number, out of the 600 Speech teachers in 1:30-2:15 Why Use Contests in the state, have paid their dues to Speech Work?—Roy Bedichek. Secretary J. Clark Weaver, TSCW, 2:15-4:00 Extemporaneous Denton. The Association has been Speaking Demonstrations; In- responsible for the adoption by the dividual criticisms—by Thomas State Department of Education of Rousse, Roy Bedichek and F. three units of Speech for affilia-L. Winship (4 boys, 4 girls). tion. It has written the adopted 4:00-4:30 Speech Rule Changes Speech course of study. It has brought about the adoption of texts 5:30-6:30 Chuck Wagon Feed, in Speech for the senior high school, served by the well known the junior high school, and a sup-"Chuck Wagon Gang" of plementary text for interpretative reading. Fourteen members think 7:00-9:00 Speech Teachers' enough of the welfare of the As-Round Table. This will be an sociation to become sustaining old-fashioned affair with coffee members, paying dues of \$5.00 per and cake and talk. We expect year. A regular membership is only \$1.50.





Other Topics If you haven't submitted your preference, please do so at your Administration" as a debatable through these declamations. Let's question? Some have suggested frown on such practices. the question of "State Regulation of Trucks," and the latest suggestion to be received has been a himself he makes a very small question on "A Military Alliance parcel. Between the United States, Mexico,

Other honors which Donald won and Canada." while in high school form a rather What Is A Good Question? impressive list, as follows: Graduing the unqualified "bear-grass" ated Magna Cum Laude; member might be suggested that in order to designate another species of National Honor Society; Pace- to have a good proposition, it must Yucca, as sotol, Spanish dagger, maker Award (highest Journalism meet the following tests. First of twisted-leaved Yucca, or whatever Award for outstanding work on all, the proposition must be debatother species happens to be found Jacket Journal); one of ten best able. That means that it must in the locality. Other common editorial writers in United States have two or more sides to it, rather names for "slender bear-grass" (Quill and Scroll); Business Man-evenly divided. In the second are Devil's shoestring, bunch grass ager of Jacket Journal Weekly; place, the proposition should be or basket grass, and, as above Editor Jacket Journal Weekly as timely-of some current interest Journalism 2 student; Assistant to the people of the State. It has The "slender bear-grass" is not Editor of Yellow Jacket Annual; been the policy of the League, inthe only plant called in Texas Editor Senior Journal (Senior cidentally, to encourage timely "sacahuiste." On the Texas coast, Class Publication); Lieutenant- questions, especially those that inthe salt marsh grass with stickers Colonel in High School R.O.T.C.; volve Texas problems. In the Editor Listening Post (R.O.T.C. third place, the question of debate Tharp says that almost any Camp Dallas publication); Special material is important, and we do coarse, dry-looking grass in the Efficiency Award from Camp Commander for outstanding work as and rebuttals either. We mean discussions in book and magazine At eighteen, Don is a pre-law form by various authorities in the sophomore in The University of field. And last but not least, we Texas, residing in Brackenridge should keep in mind the fact that Hall 101A. On freshman entrance high school boys and girls will be

Let's Hear From You

dale Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas. ber of questions by the end of

LIST of over one hundred February, and your contribution A LIST of over one number will be appreciated. We would like to have the League question modest stage may be obtained by ing. In short, a contestant the use of the new spotlight bulbs— must be a pretty good alllocale are selected to suggest the chan the basic 3', it is possible to entire atmosphere of the place. The cut small pieces of beaver board or coöperation or cooperation. The cut small pieces of beaver board or cooperation or cooperation. tions on the one-act play. At the end of each play there is a discussion of that play there is a discussion of the play the play there is a discussion of the play the pla In most cases the actual state- tion. Worth, in the 1939 State Meet, but we had better deal with It would be almost inappropriate Although there is something to won the distinction of scoring only the topic at present. not to take a moment and discuss In the spaces between these units job will completely disguise the fact certain pieces of built scenery are that any "piecing" has been done.

Although there is something to won the distinction of scoring be said for the economy and simble highest: second, Headline at least once a year. Aside from Six Plays of Clifford Odets.

Random House, 20 East 57th

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St., New York City. Price 95c. "Waiting for Lefty," "Awake choosing significant detail, the pos- laid across the base of a door trans- show, they are methods, which, ob- writing and in Editorial Reorganization of the State," in north as well as south Texas, it and "Military Training" have is also the poorest type of debate

> the most votes. of State Employees."

Just to refresh your memory, it as punitive expeditions." examinations, he scored among the debating the subject. Consehighest 10 per cent. He made his quently, we should select one which letter last year as a member of falls within the scope of their in-

terest and knowledge.

"Canned" Rebuttals

coaching, and it should be vigor-Next in order in popularity are ously condemned. If our debaters "Limiting the Term of the Presi- are expected to develop their thinkdent," "The Abolition of the Elec- ing abilities by participating in toral College," "Equalization on debate, let's give them the op-Per Capita Basis for Education in portunity to do their own work. the United States," "Abolition of "Canned" main and rebuttal the Poll Tax," and "Civil Service speeches in a debate turn the contest into a poor declamation fight. If coaches and professional speech writers insist on doing all the thinking for the debaters, then it earliest convenience, because we is suggested that we award the want to receive as many sugges- medals to the gentlemen who have tions as possible. What do you done the work and not to these think of the "Federal Housing poor, misguided automatons who go

When a man is wrapped up in

"Elaborate puns," says Max Eastman, "are not so much puns

DECLAMATION HINTS

The following speeches appear in the January 15, 1941, issue of "Vital Speeches." Copies of this magazine can be secured for 15c each by writing to City News Publishing Co., 33 West 42nd Street, New York City, New York. Copies are not available through the Interscholastic League or the Extension Loan Library. These speeches will make excellent senior declamations with some cutting.

Preservation of American Independence by Franklin D. Roosevelt. The State of Education in This Troubled Age by Walter Lippman. The Industrial Policy for Tomorrow's Children by E. W. Palmer.

Do not fail to read the revised rules for both senior and junior declamation contests. Failure to do this might very well cause your student to be barred from the contest.



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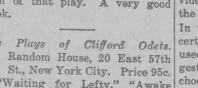
thologies of plays. They should and Sing," "Golden By, "Rocket sibilities are endless for suggest forms the doorway into a window, viously are dictated by limited Writing. be known to teachers if for no and "Paradise Lost" are the plays economy of means. Because the director has had no teur. The use of cut-down scenery, other reason than their value included in this volume. There is erally, these set pieces are small, "art training." Many times a few on the other hand, has the ad-

ject to discount.

play and an approach to the study of the one-act play, the compiler Snook and Edenburn. Row- plays. One might question the ap-Peterson & Co., Evanston, Ill. pearance of a few of them in this volume. Among those included are For six years this company has plays by newer authors as well as

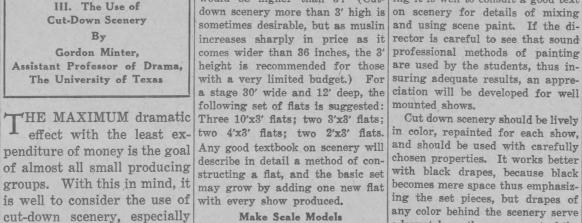
> ster. Houghton Mifflin, 715 Browder St., Dallas. Price, \$1.28.

The authors have contrived to include some very good, but not generally used plays in this anthology. The plays are by standard authors and include Wilde, and Production-by S. Marion Lady Gregory. They are divided up Tucker. Ginn & Co., 1510 into three groups: Plays of Fancy, Young St., Dallas. Price, Plays with Literary Background, Plays Based on History and Tradi-The twelve plays in this book tion. About one hundred pages of re standard and usable. Plays by the book are given over to a study ich authors as Dunsany, Wilde, of the plays contained in it, play



Beginning with an able discussion of the structure of a one-act

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in cases where lack of time, scenic backgrounds.

Term Defined ner's Son, 320 E. 21st St., has been approached by the stu-attracted by dramatic activity.

building and covering a set of scrubbing. would be higher than 3'. (Cut- ing it is well to consult a good text following set of flats is suggested: mounted shows. describe in detail a method of con- chosen properties. It works better

extemporaneous speaker.

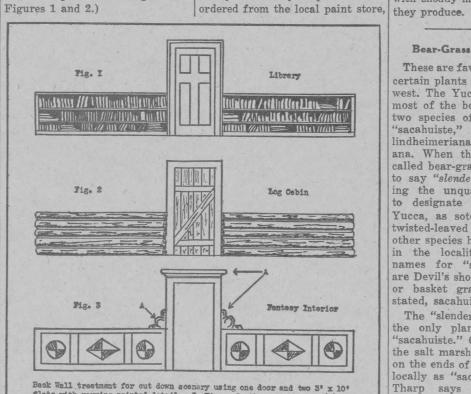
speech contests again.

made a fine record at the

Make Scale Models

money, and available facilities set of flats would be determined by other essential "trim." prevent the use of complete the size of the stage to be used regularly. If some student will make scale models of this set of

sion of that play. A very good vided just as they would be, were of flats and over doors before any riety stores. the show to be "done in drapes." of the painting is done. A paint



flets with varying painted detail. In Figure 3, the parts marked (A) are made from Beaverboard and are nailed to the door and top of the flats.

ten (10) dollars, and the cost of color is more desirable than any Holiday, Vol. II. Edited by each show may be held down to mine, which contains casein. A clude the best quality lumber and ber of paint jobs, one on top of the head.

where ground glue may also be sethree members, one of whom hap-The initial cost for using this cured. A water solution of the pens to be sick and another absent. method need not run higher than ground glue mixed with the dry -Hendrick Van Loon.

My advice to you is to meet suc-

High School Football Coaches Association—News and Notes

The Texas High School Football Coaches
Association conducts this column through
its correspondent, Mr. Harris. Officers of
the Association are: Ted Jeffries, President; Eck Curtin, Vice-President; Fryan
Schley, Secretary-Treasurer.—Editor.

(37) Pearsall; (38) Kenedy; (39)
Alice; (40) Mission.

Bi-District matches, week ending December 6, districts being

rell St., Ft. Worth, Texas)

THE annual meeting of the of- ducah, 19-2; Colorado, 18-3; Wink, association is scheduled for Jan- 6-6 (won on penetrations); Buckuary 10-11 in Athens, Texas. ner Home, 6-6 (won on penetra-Sports writers, Chamber of Com- tions); Mart, 20-0; Plano, 46-6; merce representatives, and South- Mt. Pleasant, 0-0 (won on penewest conference coaches are in- trations); Center, 6-0; Gaston, vited to attend. Plans for the 45-12; Huntsville, 7-0; French, 1941 school are to be arranged at 9-6; Pasadena, 38-21; Smithville,

Our association is to be represented by Ted Jeffries, President; and Bryan Schley, Secretarytreasurer at the football coaches convention in New York City during the holiday season. Mr. Schley is an accredited member of the rules recommendation com-

Masonic Home and School teams should be designated as the outstanding example of grit, determination, and skill in the entire Interscholastic League organizamale nunils from which to select a reached the semi-finals for the state championship in 1932 only to be defeated by Corsicana on penetrations in a great game. Plano, 19-6; Center over Gaston H. N. (Rusty) Russell, a former 20-15; French over Huntsville, sociation, is the production man- 18-6; Fredericksburg over San ager and motivating agent produc- Marcos, 0-0 (won by penetraing great Masonic Home and tions). Pearsall over Alice, 6-0.

P. E. Shotwell, Longview, Howard Lynch, Amarillo, and Harry the important task of revising the outmoded constitution of the High School Football Coaches Association. The growth of the Association and the expansion of the work Lewisville; (14) Howe; (15) in behalf of the members of the Birdville (Ft. Worth); (16) Lan-

son is not complete until all reports Meridian; (24) Lott; (25) Worare filed with the Interscholastic tham; (26) Marquez; (27) Round League. The Officials of the Rock; (28) Bertram; (29) Bar-League need this data that they bers Hill; (30) Sealy; (31) Basmay catalogue trends and better trop; (32) Port Lavaca; (33) meet the future needs of the mem- Smiley; (34) Lytle; (35) Ingle-

petition: Conference AA

Falls; (3) Big Spring; (4) El Lyford, 31-19; Red Oak, 27-0. Paso; (5) Paris; (6) Greenville; (7) Masonic Home; (8) Sunset District winners follows, nu-(Dallas); (9) Stephenville; (10) meral indicating district: Temple; (11) Longview; (12) (1) Crescent (Wharton); (2) Lufkin; (13) Jefferson Davis D'Hanis; (3) Prairie Lea; (4) (Houston); (14) Port Arthur; Allen; (5) South Lockett (Ver-(15) Brackenridge (San An- non); (6) Danbury; (7) Oglesby; tonio); (16) Corpus Christi.

December 7, districts being paired, Buena Vista; (12) Westbrook; 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, etc., were won as (13) High Island; (14) Divide follows: Amarillo, 42-7; El Paso, (Nolan); (15) Groom; (16) 27-27 (won on penetrations); Caddo; (17) Shepherd; (18) Poth; Paris, 7-6; Masonic Home, 7-7 (19) Mattson (Haskell); (20) (won on penetrations); Temple, Tuscola; (21) Harleton; (22) 7-7 (won on penetrations); Long- Hemphill; (23) Richland. view, 19-12; Jefferson Davis, 13-0; Corpus Christi, 14-13.

Quarter-final games were won as follows: Temple over Longview, 24-13; Amarillo over El Paso, 27-0; Masonic Home over Paris, 6-6 (won on penetrations); Cor- Mary Blanche Ware, Neches; One-Ac pus Christi over Jefferson Davis,

Semi-final games were won as Home, 14-7; Temple over Corpus

Director General, O. G. Speer, Christi, 28-0.

In the state championship game played between Temple and Ama- boll rillo at Dallas on December 28th,

Amarillo defeated Temple 20-7.

Conference A

District winners in Conference A football, season 1940, follow, numeral indicating the district:

(1) Hereford; (2) Phillips; (3) Brownfield; (6) Colorado; (7)
Wink; (8) Ballinger; (9) Chillilips, Megargel; Typewriting and Short hand, W. S. Thomas, Holliday; Rhythm cothe; (10) Hamlin; (11) Bowie; Story-Telling, Mamie Keefe, Megargel; Choral Singing, Mae Roselind, Holliday. (14) Buckner Home; (15) Mart; (16) Teague; (17) Plano: (18) Honey Grove; (19) Mt. Pleasant; Declamation, M. (20) Grand Saline; (21) Linden; (22) Center; (23) Union Grove (Gladewater); (24) Gaston (Join-Sudan erville); (25) Huntsville; (26) Jasper; (27) Hull-Daisetta; (28) French (Beaumont); (29) Pasadena; (30) Boling; (31) Smithville; (32) Navasota; (33) Taylor; (34) Fredericksburg; (35) M

(By W. C. O. Harris, 3001 Cock- paired, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, etc., were won as follows: Phillips, 40-0; Paficers and directors of the 39-12; Chillicothe, 25-6; Bowie, 18-2; Fredericksburg, 7-6; San Marcos, 44-12; Pearsall, 25-7;

> "It has been my pleasure to either broadcast or witness every state championship game in Texas during the past ten years. The Amarillo-Temple ing games, and one of the best. from a players and coaches standpoint, that I have ever seen during this period. It also rated tops from an officiating and management standpoint."

CY LELAND

Bowie, 18-0: Mart over Buckner Home, 13-12; Mt. Pleasant over president and director of our as- 13-0; Smithville over Pasadena,

B football, season of 1940, follow,

Deal (Lubbock); (6) Seminole; (7) Ft. Stockton: (8) Eldorado: (9) Robert Lee; (10) Rockwood; organization necessitates some caster; (17) De Kalb; (18) Wolfe City; (19) Tatum; (20) Malakoff; Remember the 1940 football sea- (21) Italy; (22) Gustine; (23) side; (36) Lyford; (37) Red Oak;

(38) Sidney. Bi-District matches, week ending -FOOTBALL RECORD- December 6, districts being paired, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, etc., were won as 6-6 (won on penetrations); Semischools are divided for this com- nole, 14-0; Eldorado, 20-0; Robert ian; Number Sense, Monroe Kruse, Lee, 28-0; Clyde, 27-0; Lewisville, 46-6; Lancaster, 13-6; Wolfe City, 20-0; Malakoff, 19-7; Italy, O. R. Jenson, Uniton; Choral Har-District winners in Conference 37-0; Meridian, 7-7 (won on pene-AA football, season 1940, follow, trations); Wortham, 14-0; Round Springs. numeral indicating the district: | Rock, 46-0; Barbers Hill, 38-0; | (1) Amarillo; (2) Wichita Port Lavaca, 19-12; Lytle, 46-6; D

Six-Man Football

(8) Los Fresnos; (9) Sparenburg Bi-District matches, week ending (Lamesa); (10) Hallettsville; (11)

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