



A TEXAS ex-student, now with the military government in Germany, recently requested that I gather information for his work in the education program now in progress in Germany. He is particularly anxious to get information along the lines of conducting debates in the same manner as these speech contests are carried on by the University Interscholastic League.

It seems that debating is quite a strange thing to the education program now being experienced by the German youth under American supervision.

I understand that they are capable of preparing one side of an issue very well, but are considerably at a loss to understand that both sides of an issue must be prepared and rendered with equal ease.

Please send me debate material on the current year's subject both for our system and for forwarding to Lt. Fredrick Jungemann in Germany.—B. C. Homeyer, Librarian, New Braunfels Public Schools.

Drinking at Games Strongly Protested

We, the executive committee of District 34A Football Conference, representing Bay City, Boling, El Campo, Richmond, Rosenberg, West Columbia and Wharton, look with alarm and regret on the ever increasing use of alcohol on school property during football games. We, as educators of the youth in these schools, believe that the example set by adults who drink openly, and often in the very midst of students, is detrimental to the morals of the students, and certainly nullifies the effect of our instruction regarding the harm of alcohol.

Therefore, we, the schools represented do hereby resolve:

1. That the respective City Governments of the cities represented be petitioned to pass such ordinances as may be necessary to control this situation.
 2. That the public be informed through the newspapers of our problem, and that they be asked to cooperate with us for the betterment of our youth.
- E. J. Myers, Principal, Wharton High School, Chairman 34A Football District.

High Schools Featured On "Music Is Yours"

HIGH schools and colleges throughout the state are contributing their musical talents to the "Music Is Yours" radio series presented by the Texas School of the Air this year.

Musical organizations appearing during the year will be the College of Mines Choir, El Paso; The University of Texas; elementary and high school organizations at El Paso; the Cecil T. Burleigh Choir, Lincoln High School, Dallas; the Beaumont High School Orchestra; a musical unit from Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth; and Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio.

These programs, originating from Radio House at The University of Texas, began October 4 and are carried by the Texas Quality Network over stations WBAP, Fort Worth; WFAA, Dallas; WOAI, San Antonio, and KPRC, Houston. Supplementary stations are KGNC, Amarillo; KRGV, Weslaco, and KTSM, El Paso.

Hereford Moves to Mexia

C. S. Hereford, former superintendent at Hallettsville, is now head of the Mexia Public Schools.

Breakfast Tickets Available

Make sure of your place at the League Breakfast November 30 by forwarding 75c to Miss Willie Thompson, secretary, Box H, University Station, Austin, Texas.

Search For Fresh Material Urges State Director Roach

Adaptations of Long Plays Highly Recommended For One-Act Play Contests; Current Magazine Articles Make Excellent Declamations

By **Bruce Roach**, Director Speech Activities

SEND me something new and good for contest use! Thus the plea comes in from one-act play directors all over the state. We have many new one-acts from the publishers, but sad to tell, not many of them meet League requirements or are of the quality for contest use. So this year you will find that not very many new titles have been added to the Prescribed List.

There is a bright side, however. The State Office gets innumerable requests to approve plays not on the list. To us, this interest of the directors in discovering new material seems a splendid thing. The fact is, a number of the titles included on the Prescribed List this year came from just that source. Perhaps you can help to make the list your own by suggesting or adding new titles that have not come to the attention of this office. If a title appears on the list, it is, of course, acceptable for contest use (with a few minor changes in some of the plays). But we would like to encourage you to try out new and fresh material not included there. Send a copy of your discovery along with us in plenty of time so we may read it and pass on its acceptability before the February 2 deadline.

In looking over the files of requests for approval in the past it has been noted that a number of applications have been made to use parts of long plays. The first request of which we have a record was made in 1938. Since that time, parts of well-written long plays have appeared in the State Meet seven times. Of these seven appearances, three were first place winners. Draw your own conclusions.

Long Plays Recommended

Offhand, there come to mind these titles of long plays that might be adapted for contest use: *Our Town*, Act II; *Torchbearers*, Act II; *George and Margaret*, Act I; *The Enemy*, Act III; *The Globe Theater Shakespeare Plays*; the Pyramus and Thisbe Scene from *Midsummer-Night's Dream*; *Skin of Our Teeth*, Act I; *What a Life*, Act III; *Taming of the Shrew* (Katherine's Wedding); *My Heart's in the Highlands*. We could go on and on. Of course, all of these have to be cut, re-worked and adapted to contest standards. To us, that seems an advantage rather than a liability in the use of such material. You can then make the play your own.

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New Assistant Director Named

Former Teacher of Avery, Franklin and Southwestern Added to Staff

RHEA WILLIAMS, former director of health and physical education at Southwestern University, will serve as assistant director of the League until February 1, with the organization and promotion of athletic contests as his chief duties.

During his service in the Navy, Mr. Williams was with the Carrier Aircraft Service Unit, engaged in maintaining planes aboard carriers, and took part in air-sea rescue work, surface and physical training. Prior to his enlistment, was on the staff at Southwestern University for four years. He was principal and coach at the high school in Avery, his home town, and coached and was principal at Franklin High School. He has also served as director of health and physical education at Edinburg Junior College.

Mr. Williams lettered in baseball and basketball while attending S.M.U., and was named All-Southwest Conference forward in 1931 and 1932. He was captain of the baseball team and selected All-Conference outfielder in 1932. In addition to his duties with the League, Mr. Williams is completing his work toward a Ph.D. degree at The University of Texas.

Interest in Slide Rule Increasing

THEY are making sure they keep up their good reputation in Slide Rule Contests of the League out at Stephen F. Austin High School, El Paso.

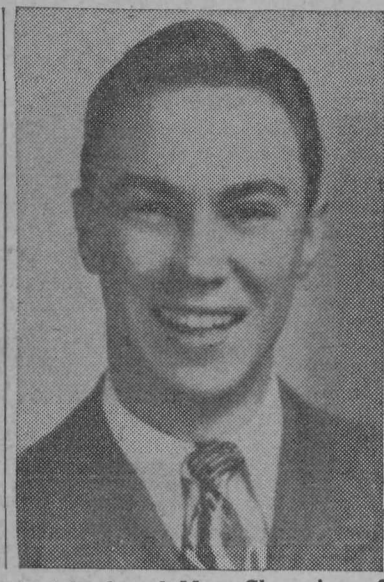
For the first time Austin High School is offering a course in Slide Rule for credit. This school took first honors in the 1944 League contest and third place last year.

"Ability to use a slide rule should save students a great deal of time and effort in computation," says Mrs. Willie Ingels, head of the mathematics department. "They can use it in their mathematics, chemistry, physics and in their life's work after finishing school."

International Weather Report: Dark war clouds over Europe; continued fog over Washington.—Walter Winchell.



Jeannette Griffin of Abilene High School and Matt Champion of Amarillo High School were selected Best Actress and Best Actor at 1946 State Meet.



Abilene-Amarillo Students Receive Top Acting Awards

BOTH OF THE State Meet winners in the One-Act Play contest were versatile during their high-school careers, taking part in speech work, musical organizations and other school activities.

Award of Best Actress was given to Jeannette Griffin of Abilene at the 1946 State One-Act Play contest for her outstanding performance as Emily Webb in Act II of "Our Town." She was a member of the All-Star Cast.

Jeannette has taken an active part in dramatics throughout her high-school career. Also interested in declamation, she won second place in girls' declamation at a speech meet at Sunset High School, Dallas, in the spring.

This summer this talented girl produced a radio program for which she gathered the material, selected the cast, directed rehearsals, and appeared personally during the 15 minute show. During her senior year at Abilene High School, Jeannette plans to give several student directed plays.

Her ambition is to become a stage actress, and she hopes to attend Pasadena Playhouse following her graduation in 1947.

Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nuckols, 1826 Cedar Street, Abilene.

Matt Champion, senior student at Amarillo High School, was selected Best Actor of the 1946 State Meet One-Act Play contest for his performance in the production "This Night Shall Pass," and was a member of the All-Star Cast.

He was cheerleader in 1945-46, and also held the rank of Major in the R.O.T.C. unit at Amarillo High School. Talented along musical lines also, Matt was a member of the High School A Capella Choir and a member of a very popular quartet called "Four Hits and a Miss."

This July Matt entered the U. S. Navy. After his tour of duty he plans to enter college, but has not yet made his choice.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Champion, 4221 West 9th, Amarillo.

Williams Lists Media Vital To Public Relations Program

By **Rhea Williams**, Assistant Director, University Interscholastic League

IN order to organize effectively a school public relations program, it is essential that you have administrative planning. The public relations committee has been proved to be one of the best administrative aids for this purpose.

In most cities and in rural areas the public relations work may be efficiently directed by a single com-

mittee consisting of three to seven members. In larger cities you could use a citywide committee to plan general policies and let local committees adapt them to meet their needs. The superintendent of schools should serve either as an ex-officio member of the public relations committee or as consultant on policies and procedures in order to prevent conflict and to insure unity of purpose.

The committee should give all individuals connected with the schools a greater "awareness" of the importance of public relations, suggest improvements of the school program, and give unity of purpose to the program.

Use Proper Media

With the objectives for the year determined, the next step is selecting the media which will obtain the best results for each particular objective.

Teachers, the most natural and one of the best mediums, are in a unique position to establish vital personal relations through concern for the welfare of their pupils and sympathetic understanding of their individual problems.

The other main natural source for public relations is the child. The average parent gets most of his information from his child. It is, therefore, necessary that the student get the correct information regarding school activities so that the parents will get it straight.

People learn to know and respect each other by working together. Public interest in school and education may be developed by teachers and parents working together in such activities as the P-T-A., study clubs, adult classes, civic clubs, church work, etc.

Press Is Important

The newspaper reaches more of the public than any other medium of publicity. Yet school news often fails to get proper coverage because the fundamentals of news reporting have been neglected. If there is not a trained journalist on the staff of the school, or someone with some writing ability, arrange

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Speech Contests to Receive Special Emphasis at 24th Annual Breakfast

Heavy Program Faces Council

Muchly Disputed Athletic Questions Await Action November 2

SOME highly controversial issues are included on the agenda of the Legislative Advisory Council which will hold its annual session Saturday, November 2, in Austin, at the Driskill Hotel.

Under head of new business will be the discussions on the following topics: Return of the semester rule; the practice of allowing coaches a percentage of athletic gate receipts; and high-school football trips to college and bowl games.

Special committee reports will be made on reclassification; baseball; restoration of boys' and girls' debate in Conference AA; and the spring training rule.

In addition, there will be suggestions from various member schools presented through their Advisory Council representative.

The meeting gets underway at 7:30 with a breakfast in the Maxilian Room where the business will also be conducted. Luncheon will be served as promptly as possible, and the Council will adjourn in time for the Texas-S.M.U. game.

Kansas Stresses Club Activities

Extra-Curricular Needs of High School Students Brings New Program

EXTRA-CURRICULAR activities have assumed such a prominent position in Kansas high school life that a program has been set up under the sponsorship of the Activities Association.

The entire program is built around the interests of the high-school boys and girls, and their needs, and will include organization meetings during school hours as well as outside social affairs.

Two directors, one heading the girls' activities and one for the boys' will be in charge. Names of clubs will be prepared; copies of constitutions, mottoes, creed, and material for their programs will be available.

First to be set up is the girls' association which will be open to all girls interested in its objectives which include: The development of qualities of leadership; contributions to the growth of their schools, homes and communities; improvement of their personalities; cultivation of a greater appreciation of the arts; and a vitalization of their religious beliefs; plus less serious but equally important—the art of "having fun."

Club government rests in the hands of a local board of directors with sponsors constituting the advisory board.

Jefferson's Radio Club to Broadcast

AN amateur station by November 1 is the goal of the Radio Club at Thomas Jefferson High School, San Antonio, with members contacting other cities and foreign countries.

A new program is being initiated this year which provides for the division of the club into four groups: the amateur, for those interested in obtaining a license; the technical, offering broadcasting experience; the announcing, for those wishing instruction in this phase of radio work; and the beginners' group, an experimental section.

YMCA Will Be League Headquarters November 30

Iowa U. Professor To Address League

Former OWI Specialist Will Discuss Debating at Annual Breakfast

EDITOR, author, lecturer, Dr. Orville A. Hitchcock, formerly associated with The Town Hall radio program, will deliver the main address

Athletic and Speech Section Meetings Are Scheduled

THE theme of the first post-war Breakfast and Section meeting of the University Interscholastic League in Houston November 30 in conjunction with the State Teachers' Convention, will be "1946-47—Speech Year."

The Breakfast will begin at 7:30 A.M. in the Young Men's Christian Association building.

Is 24th Breakfast

Although the twenty-fourth session of its kind, this will be the first League Breakfast since 1941, which is also the date of the last State Teachers' Convention.

School administrators and teachers throughout the state will attend the breakfast to hear Dr. Orville A. Hitchcock, associate professor of speech at the University of Iowa. He will be presented by Bruce Roach, new speech director of the Interscholastic League.

Dean Shelby to Preside

Dean T. H. Shelby, chairman of the State Executive Committee, will preside.

After the main address, there will be an opportunity for open forum discussions. The section meetings will fall into two classifications—athletics and speech. School administrators with athletic problems will have a chance to confer with League officials. Mr. Roach will be in charge of the speech meetings.

Speech Association to Meet

The Texas Speech Association will hold its annual meeting during the convention. Thomas Rouse, professor of speech at The University of Texas, is president of that organization.

Pat McClarney Featured In New York Production

ONE of the League's most attractive State Winners was Pat McClarney, a vivacious little Irish girl from Amarillo who won the title of "best actress" in the 1942 One-Act Play contest.

Pat is now playing the feminine lead in the current Broadway production, *The Front Page*. This is the second title role Pat has played, as she was starred in *Girl from Nantucket* last November.

While a student at The University of Texas, she received a key for her outstanding work in the department of drama. During the war she gave over a hundred performances for hospitalized men of the armed forces.

Debate Material Ready

NUEA Handbook—75c
Handbook Supplement—75c
Special Debate Number of Congressional Digest—35c
Editorial Research Reports—30c
Socialized Medicine Debate Bulletin (1939-40) by Joseph Ray—25c
Pkg. of free material with each Handbook purchased.

Atomic power to light and heat homes and drive factory machinery in place of electricity will be produced at less than a cent per kilowatt hour, according to Oak Ridge scientists. This makes the atomic industry potentially one of the largest employers of labor, which in turn will make the atom plant unions the most important in the country.

From Acids to Zulus-Range U.T. Loan Library Requests

A LIBRARY whose patrons live in every county in Texas and whose material covers almost every conceivable subject is The University of Texas Package Loan Library, in the Division of Extension.

Texas literally flood the Package Loan Library with requests each year, and the informational packets containing the most up-to-date information on the subject loaned find their way into homes, schools, organization headquarters, and offices.

During the past scholastic biennium (ending August 31, 1946),

50,906 package libraries of material were sent to 1,137 towns and rural districts in 248 counties, Miss LeNoir Dimmitt, librarian, reports.

Sixty new subjects were added in the biennium, 147 new packages were prepared, and 336 packages of material were revised.

The Package Loan Library Bureau was established 32 years ago, and it is one of two agencies through which adults can obtain free reading material. The other agency is the state library, which lends books. According to Miss Dimmitt's records, the greatest number of borrowers are schools and women's clubs.



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BOTH PROFESSIONAL and small-time gamblers are moving in on high-school football, and no protests seem to be heard. Stadiums are just as much a part of the school grounds as the auditorium or lunchroom. Betting on the outcome of a debate or running a dice game during the noon hour is verboten—but gambling on the outcome of a football game is becoming as common a practice as eating peanuts.

If the boys on the field violate a rule, they are ousted from play. Why should some spectators in the stands be permitted to break laws—both of the state and of good sportsmanship?

Damage to a school's athletic record through a few losses isn't nearly as serious as the black eye a school's reputation can get through the misconduct of a group of its students and fans, who are there to bet instead of watch. Stadiums were never designed as branch offices of bookie shops!

GETTING A HOTEL room in Austin during the Basketball Tournament in February will be about as easy as buying a ticket to the Texas-A. & M. game on the 50 yard line now. If you have any auld acquaintances in Austin (with empty guest rooms), now's the time to be renewing your contacts.

IT HAS BEEN brought to the attention of the State Office that some districts are revising eligibility rules to suit their own convenience. If that becomes known to the State Executive Committee, these districts will be subject to disqualification, and these schools will probably be suspended.

When a school accepts the football plan it agrees to abide by all eligibility rules and regulations. It is mandatory that League members abide by League eligibility rules.

When a superintendent sends an eligibility blank to the State Office, he has certified that all contestants on that blank are eligible.

A STEP TOWARD the solution of the "migratory children" problem of the Rio Grande Valley will be taken this year by the experiments conducted in four or five demonstration schools.

"These schools should be regarded as an 'educational service' and not as a substitute for the usual school," states an editorial in *The Austin American*. "There are more than 14,000 white school-age children who swarm out of the Valley as the cotton harvest is in a white wave across Texas. When these youngsters straggle back to the Valley in November and December, they do not fit into classes started in September. If the schools can prove their point—that is, provide primary education in off-season months for a fair sampling of children—the way will be open to ask for legislation and appropriations to expand the program."

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Constitution and Rules of the Interscholastic League (1946), No. 4627, 111 pages, 15 cents per copy.

Contains rules and regulations governing all contests of The University Interscholastic League. Free copy is sent to the person remitting the fee for a school.

Medical Care. Official debate handbook for 1946-47 scholastic year. Volume I, 75 cents per copy. Supplement 75 cents per copy.

The Official Debate Handbook has more than two hundred pages and contains arguments pro and con on the debate-question adopted by the League as the official question, stated on page 28 of this edition of the Constitution and Rules. Although there is much material on both sides of this question available, this bulletin is considered basic and every debater should have a copy. The supplement will contain approximately two hundred and twenty pages.

Word Lists for Interscholastic League Spelling Contest (1946-47), No. 4633, 16 pages, 5 cents per copy.

The word lists for the three divisions in this contest are published in this bulletin, making a supplementary list for those appearing in the State adopted texts. Both the texts and the word lists are necessary for preparing pupils to engage in this contest. In quantities, 90 cents per dozen or \$1.50 per hundred, postpaid.

Reducing Voting Age to Eighteen, 60 cents per copy (1944), 200 pages.

Briefs and selected arguments on the 1944-45 debate question. Equalization of Educational Opportunity (1941), No. 4138, 250 pages, single copies 35 cents, four copies for \$1.

This bulletin contains arguments pro and con on the Interscholastic League debate query for the school year 1941-42. It also contains affirmative, negative and general briefs, as well as an exhaustive analysis of the question and a classified bibliography. It was prepared by Dr. Joseph Ray, Professor of Government in the North Texas State Teachers College.

On the same subject, there are available two handbooks, Vol. I and Vol. II, entitled "Equalizing Educational Opportunity," at \$2.50 per volume. These bulletins are both good-sized volumes of 200 or 210 pages each.

The Natural Resource Tax (1940), No. 4038, 250 pages, single copies 35 cents, four copies for \$1.

The debate question for the school year 1940-41 proposed an increase in taxes on natural resources, and this bulletin contains a wealth of material, both negative and affirmative. It also contains suggestive briefs. It was prepared under the direction of Professor Thomas A. Rousse, of the Public Speaking Department, The University of Texas.

Songs for Choral Singing Contests, 1946 Song Book, 24 pages, single copies 15 cents, per dozen \$1.50.

This is a new collection of songs prepared for the Choral Singing Contest. For a list of the songs refer to Choral Singing Rules and Regulations. Price to be announced in Officers Notice Column by League.

The Sales Tax, No. 3838, 250 pages, single copies 35 cents, four copies for \$1.

This was the League handbook on the debate query for the school year 1938-39. It contains suggestive briefs, selected arguments, bibliography, etc., all bearing on the debate query, "Resolved, That Texas Should Adopt a Uniform Retail Sales Tax." It was prepared by Professor George Hester and Professor Thomas A. Rousse.

Texas Legislature: One House or Two? No. 3738, 250 pages, single copies 35 cents, four copies for \$1.

This was the League handbook on the debate query for the school year 1937-38. It contains suggestive briefs, selected arguments, bibliography, etc., all bearing on the debate query, "Resolved, That Texas Should Adopt the One-House Legislature." It was prepared by Dr. Joe M. Ray, Associate Professor of Government in the North Texas State Teachers College.

"Government Control of Cotton Production," No. 3538, 311 pages. Single copies 20 cents. Eight copies for \$1.

This was the League handbook on the debate query for the school year 1936-37. It contains both negative and affirmative briefs, articles from standard authorities giving a general survey of the cotton situation, as well as selected arguments from those who favor and from those who oppose government control of production. The material in this bulletin is arranged in a manner designed to furnish the high-school debater with a fairly comprehensive treatment of the subject. It was prepared by Professor Thomas A. Rousse, Debate Coach, The University of Texas.

"Radio Control," Debate Handbook, 224 pages, 20 cents.

Contains bibliography and selected articles for and against the following debate query: "Resolved, That the United States Should Adopt the Essential Features of the British System of Radio Control and Operation." Eight copies for \$1.

"Trial by Jury," No. 3028, 10 cents.

Contains briefs and arguments pro and con on the following query: "Resolved, That a substitute for trial by jury should be adopted." This question was debated in the League debating contests during the 1930-31 scholastic year.

"Limiting Taxes on Tangible Property" (1932), No. 3228, 10 cents.

Contains briefs, selected arguments and authoritative statistics on the following debate query: "Resolved, That at least one-half of all State and local revenues in Texas should be derived from taxes on tangible property." The bulletin was prepared by C. A. Duval, Ph.D., instructor in Economics, The University of Texas.

"Equalizing Educational Opportunity," two volumes, 1934, Vol. I, 220 pages; Vol. II, 224 pages, 25 cents per volume.

These two bulletins were prepared by Mr. Bower Aly for debate in the League during the school year of 1934-35. This is an excellent debate question, especially so since the question has become very much alive during the past session of Congress. Debate classes, literary societies, and debate clubs will find a discussion of this question very stimulating.

"Nationalization of Munitions" (1936), No. 3638, 225 pages, 10 cents.

The question for debate in all Interscholastic League matched debates for the 1936-37 school year was: "Resolved, That the Manufacture of Munitions of War Should Be a Government Monopoly." Professor Thomas A. Rousse, Debate Coach at The University of Texas, prepared this bulletin covering practically every phase of the query. The bulletin contains general, negative, and affirmative briefs, bibliography, selected arguments, etc., using, of course, only the most eminent authorities in the field. Single copies, 10 cents.

"Making Friends in Music Land," Book II (1928), No. 2637, 75 pages, 10 cents.

This bulletin was prepared by Dr. Lota Spell for use in the Music Memory contests in the League a number of years ago. It is an excellent supplementary reader and may be correlated with music appreciation work. Twenty classical selections are treated. Five cents per copy in quantities of ten or more. Single copies, 10 cents.

"Making Friends in Music Land," Book VI (1935), No. 3540, 80 pages, 10 cents.

Same description as Book II, except that different selections are treated. Single copies 10 cents; twelve copies for \$1.00.

"Making Friends in Music Land," Book VIII (1941), No. 4140, 100 pages, price 15 cents per copy.

Each of the selections contained in the 1942-43 music memory list receives attention in this bulletin. Also there are suggestions to teachers and pupils which assist in the study of the various requirements of the Interscholastic League contest in Music Appreciation. Teachers find this little book of great help in enlisting the interest of pupils, and in systematizing the study of the selections.

"Developing Number Sense" (1945), No. 4526, 32 pages, 10 cents.

Written by John W. Calhoun, Professor of Applied Mathematics, The University of Texas. This bulletin is a revision of the bulletin issued by the League under the same title in 1925. It contains directions to the teacher and to the student for developing "number sense," that is, an ability to solve quickly arithmetical problems with a fair degree of accuracy without the use of pencil or paper. It is old-fashioned "mental" arithmetic systematically presented. This bulletin is used as a basis for preparing "number sense" contests, and is available in a quantity suitable for study by children. Each pupil in the picture memory class should have an individual copy of this publication.

"Picture Study in Elementary Grades" (1936), No. 3634, 50 pages, 10 cents per copy.

This is a collection of articles published in the Interscholastic Leaguer under the title, "Picture Appreciation," by Miss Florence Lowe, Head, Art Department, San Houston State Teachers College. The article contains many helpful hints to teachers who have charge of picture appreciation study in the fourth and fifth grades, as well as a great deal of general information concerning the technical aspects of painting, sculpture, and architecture.

Art Appreciation Studies (1943), No. 4336, 62 pages. 15 cents per copy, 10 copies for \$1.00. By Waldine Hunter.

This bulletin describes briefly pictures selected for their suitability in illustrating various phases of the "art appreciation" part of the curriculum in art for intermediate grades approved by the State Department of Education. They are excellent art print, 8 x 10 reproducing pictures of the great classical artists. Packages are mailed on cost-of-postage basis, and on guaranty by the school of payment in cash when pictures are damaged.

A Prescribed List of Plays. For 1946-47, No. 4625, 12 pages.

A list of 350 One-Act Play titles for use in League contests. Listed according to title, author, number of characters, type, royalty, and publisher.

A Prescribed List of Junior Declamations, No. 4144. Price 10 cents.

A list of 8,000 titles of poems for use in League contests. Listed alphabetically according to author, and the books in which each poem is found. Contains bibliography of 85 books of poetry.

The Speech Teacher and Competition (1941), No. 4142, 75 pages, 25 cents per copy.

Part I of this bulletin, the use of competitions as a method of teaching is discussed from a historical and theoretical standpoint by Roy Bedikch, Director of The University Interscholastic League. Part II is written by F. L. Winship, Director of Speech Activities in the Interscholastic League. It is designed to be of practical assistance to teachers who have undertaken the work of sponsoring dramatic, extemporaneous speech or declamation contests in their respective schools. Even experienced teachers will find Part II quite worthy of study; those assigned contest duties but inexperienced in this field, will find it invaluable.

Practice Songs for Choral Singing, 1942 and 1943 Song Books, two pamphlets, 32 pages each, 5 cents per copy, \$50 per dozen.

These songs were used in League Contests during 1942 and 1943. The books are now available for practice purposes at a reduced price.

Sing We All Noël, Christmas and Twelfth Night Suggestions for Home, School, Church, Recreation Center, Club and Community, by Augustus Delafeld Zanzig, No. 4147, 42 pages. Price 15 cents per copy.

Now is the time to begin preparation for a big Christmas celebration in school and community. Music is the soul of the Christmas celebration, and here in this bulletin you will find many suggestions for music but for various occasions. Lists of suitable plays, festivals, pageants, and lists of carols are appended, very valuable for reference.

Senior Declamation Bibliography.

A list of thirty-four books and publications containing Senior Declamations. Some contain both Senior and Junior Declamations. This bibliography is sent free.

Relationship of Scholarship in School to Later Success in Life.

Fifteen-page pamphlet containing reprint of a series of articles by Dr. H. Y. Benedict, late President of The University of Texas, published in *The Interscholastic Leaguer*. It disposes finally of the old contention that the poor student stands best chance of later success in life. The problem is attacked statistically and the answer is conclusive. Many superintendents and principals will want to pass this information on to high-school pupils through auditorium talks and on other occasions. Sent only in case legal-sized stamped and addressed envelope is enclosed with request.

Athletics—For Better or Worse. By Dr. Chas. W. Flint, formerly Chancellor, Syracuse University, 30 pages.

Dr. Flint is a recognized authority on athletics. His analysis of the evils of athletics is keen and searching, while his estimate of the educational value of athletics is based not only on theoretical study, but upon years of experience in practical administration of the same in school and college. Free on request to member schools; to others, 5 cents per copy.

Typewriting and Shorthand Tests.

Fifty-five typing tests, of the same nature as tests used in Interscholastic League writing tournaments, spaces counted. Two cents per copy, fifteen cents per dozen. Sixty-word, seventy-word, and eighty-word shorthand tests, as used in Shorthand Tournaments, 5 cents per set.

"Number Sense" Test Sheets.

For practice tests in "number sense." One cent per sheet. Key for grading problems is sent with each order. No order filled for less than ten copies of a given test. Be careful in ordering to call for "Number Sense" tests.

The Interscholastic Leaguer. Monthly publication, official organ of the League, mailed free on request to any teacher in Texas who is coaching or training pupils for participation in League contests.

Speech Teaching: A Vital Problem in Public Education, by Harry G. Barnes, Ph.D.

The Interscholastic League Breakfast and Section Meeting, November 27, 1936, voted unanimously to request the League to issue Dr. Barnes' address in pamphlet form. This was accordingly done, and it is now available for anyone interested who will enclose with request a legal sized stamped and addressed envelope.

How to Use a Slide Rule, 20 cents per copy.

Bulletin of 27 pages giving detailed instruction in use of slide rule and many illustrations. Also tests are available at 1 cent per copy, 10 cents per dozen.

Compulsory Military Training. Official debate handbook for 1945-46 scholastic year. \$75 per copy.

This bulletin of more than two hundred pages contains arguments pro and con on the debate-question adopted by the League as the official question, stated on page 28 of this edition of the Constitution and Rules. Although there is much material on both sides of this question available, this bulletin is considered basic and every debater should have a copy.

"The Three-R Contest" (1927), No. 2639.

A large folder containing the Ayres writing scale. Five cents per copy.

Make Algebra Talk. By Dr. John W. Calhoun, Professor of Applied Mathematics, The University of Texas, No. 4623, 20 pages, 5 cents each, 25 cents per dozen or \$1.00 per 100.

Practical methods of teaching algebra which appeared as a series of articles in *The Interscholastic Leaguer*.

How to Teach Number Sense, a Handbook for Teachers (1938), Bulletin No. 3842, 28 pages, 25 cents per copy.

A teacher who has been sponsoring this contest since it was included in the League schedule ten years ago has taken great pains to outline exactly how she presents this material to her classes. She has done an excellent job, and many teachers will find in it a great time-saver in preparing lesson-plans as well as many suggestions for short-cut methods, record-keeping, etc. It is not designed for pupils, but for the guidance of the teacher.

All orders for bulletins or other League publications should be addressed to

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PERSONALITIES IN THE LEAGUE

When the League last knew Weldon Draper he was a two-times winner in the 1925 State Meet, winning the 100 yard dash and the 220 yard dash for Central High School, Fort Worth. Now we find him a concessionaire of the Nicaraguan government and owner of some 1000 square miles of very rich gold placer areas in the heart of the Nicaraguan jungle.

During his last year at Central, he ran 45 competitive races against high school athletes, and was beaten only once. His best time was 9.6 for the 100 yard dash and 21.4 in the 220. He was sent to the National meet in Chicago where he placed second.

At the University of Southern California, Draper was awarded nineteen gold watches, fifty-three gold medals, sixteen silver and ten bronze medals for various track honors.

After electing to become an engineer, he followed that path for the past fifteen years, acting as superintendent in charge of raw materials for the Henry J. Kaiser steel mill during the war.

Foy Draper, a younger brother, and also a champion, was killed during the Kasserine Pass battle in North Africa. He was squadron leader and captain during the Roosevelt-Churchill meeting in Casablanca.

Between trips between the states and Nicaragua, Draper's address is 1401 South Del Mar, San Gabriel, Calif.

Louis Seliger, winner of the 1925 State Declamation Contest for Berger High School, is now working on a master's degree in International Relations at the University of Chicago.

About his present activity, Seliger writes, "I think it highly indicative of a new international consciousness that the School of International Relations here has grown as rapidly as it has, and also that such a high percentage of the students are veterans. It is more than mere dreams that activate many of these students... it is the earnest desire to equip themselves to aid in some manner in the prevention of war."

Seliger graduated from the Kansas City Junior College and then majored in radio speech at the University of Iowa. In December, 1942, he received his B.A. degree and twelve days later received his notice of induction into the Army Air Forces. His address is 1010 E. 59th St., 55 Gates Hall, Chicago, 37, Ill.

A girl debater who has been quite a bit of the world is Miss Olivia Baldesarelli, who won the State Meet debate championship in 1922 for Main Avenue High School, San Antonio.

After her graduation, Miss Baldesarelli worked as librarian



MUCH of their pre-war vigor shows itself to have returned to the high-school papers that have been flowing into our office since the opening of school. Several staffs met new students at the steps with the first issue of the paper, prepared in the weeks before registration by a loyal set of volunteers. Many others produced an issue during the first week of school. Several have changed from semi-monthlies to weeklies. The *Western World* of Lubbock had already printed four issues by the end of September. We like that brisk, new spirit. Keep up the pace, and we will set some records in Texas high-school journalism circles this year.

You should make the acquaintance of a few new personalities this year. Officers for the I.L.P.C. for 1946-1947 are as follows: (Ft. Worth) *Pantherette*, president; Helen Hall, of the *Lamar Lancer* (Houston), vice president; and Mary Blair, of the *Belton Tiger*, secretary.

Hestir—At Your Service

For Assistant Director of the I.L.P.C. we were fortunate to secure the services of Bluford Hestir. Now enrolled for graduate work in The University of Texas, Mr. Hestir received a Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University several years ago, served as telegraph and make-up editor of the *San Angelo Evening Standard* for six months, edited a trade magazine for eighteen months, and then enlisted in the armed services during the war. You will hear from him now and then throughout the year. Our last year's assistant director, Miss Jimmie Grove, is now happily married and living at College Station.

One of the first papers to reach us this fall was *The McAllen Wheel*, beginning its twenty-third year. Don Irwin, hard-working English teacher who guided the paper through the war years, got the paper started this year and then turned over the sponsorship to the school's new journalism teacher, Miss Kay Wharton. Miss Wharton, a journalism graduate of The University of Texas, some years ago attended McAllen High. An alert *Wheel* reporter spotted her name in an example story, taken from the *Wheel* of her student days, which was reprinted in a high-school journalism text.

Names of special columns in *The Wheel* are carefully chosen to fit into the theme suggested by the name of the paper. Example columns: "Old Tires" (personals about ex-students), "New Tires" (personals about new students), "Loose Lugs" (personality sketches), "Free Wheeling" (gossip).

Picture as You Go

For an excellent use of pictures, read the current issues of *The Pony Express*, *Newman High Sweetwater*. Many pictures are used to give life and reader interest to the paper. They are informal, sharply in focus, and trimmed so as to avoid "waste space" and to show clearly the faces of the persons photographed. One picture shows the "custodians" of the school buildings; it is an excellent idea to give some recognition to the janitors who toil to keep the school buildings properly clean.

The *Tyler Lion's Tale* prints a calendar of events for the coming week on the front page of each issue. Such calendars were printed by many papers before the war, but few have been maintained. Though a calendar, properly prepared, necessitates considerable work, nevertheless it performs a valuable service for the reader and for the organizations whose meetings are thus announced.

Editor for Each Page?

The *Lion's Tale* follows another policy that is distinctive: different students are chosen to serve as "Page 1 editor," "page 2 editor," "page 3 editor," and "page 4 editor."

The *Austin (El Paso) Pioneer* is running a style feature in which a girl student is pictured in each issue modeling a dress or accessories from a local store.

The *Bonhi* of Bonham High has blossomed forth in this, its twenty-ninth year, as an independent four-page weekly. In past years the *Bonhi* has been printed as a full-page in the local city paper. The I.L.P.C. wishes to congratulate the staff on the movement forward and to wish the new *Bonhi* continued success. You will remember that Larry Denton of the *Bonhi* won the gold medal at the I.L.P.C. State Convention last spring by scoring the highest number of points in the contests. Larry is

Mary Cumbie Wins Essay Contest

Foreign Mission Career Is Chosen by Outstanding Abernathy Graduate



Mary Cumbie Abernathy High School

MARY CUMBIE, winner of the Essay Writing Contest, Conference B, at the State Meet, distinguished herself in many fields during her high-school career at Abernathy.

She was voted the most popular girl in the senior class, was associate editor of the school paper, took leading roles in both junior and senior plays; she was cheer leader, a member of both the basketball and volleyball teams, and with all of this activity, made an all A record during her senior year.

The first six weeks of this summer Mary attended Texas Tech where she is now enrolled for the fall term. After finishing at Tech, she plans to study at Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.; her chosen life's work is foreign missions.

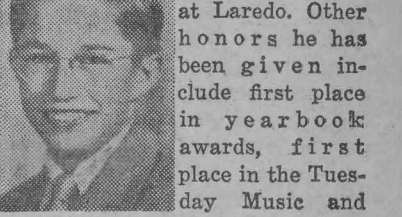
Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Griffith, Route 2, Abernathy.

Laredo Senior Wins Copy Reading Event

Ira Lowry Enters University of Texas to Continue Journalism Work

WINNER of two places in the Journalism Contest at the 1946 State Meet was a Laredo High School senior, Ira Lowry, who took top honors in Copy Reading and second place honors in Headline Writing.

Ira won first place in Copy Reading in 1945 and received the sweater award for first place in Journalism work at Laredo. Other honors he has been given include first place in yearbook awards, first place in the Tuesday Music and Literature Club essay contest, and presented the "L" award.



Ira Lowry Laredo

During his high-school career he was a member of the band, a National Thespian, served as co-editor on the annual staff and was co-editor of the *Journal*.

After an interesting trip to New York and Canada this summer where he attended outstanding plays and some big league baseball games, he returned to enter The University of Texas.

He is the son of Dr. Ruby S. Lowry, 2202 Aldama Street, Laredo.

attending T.C.U. this year and plans to study journalism. Second-place winner in last spring's contests, Jeanine Emlin of Austin High (Houston), enrolled this September in The University of Texas.

New Sponsor

A new sponsor to Texas high-school journalism is Charles Taylor, a graduate of Rice and former assistant commandant of River-side Military Academy in Georgia. Mr. Taylor took over the direction of *The Reagan Statesman* (Houston). We wish him well in the job. Miss Louise Allison, who for several years directed the paper, has attended many I.L.P.C. meetings and is well-known among high-school journalism teachers. Doubtless she breathes a bit more freely now that she can be relieved of the responsibilities of the school paper and go back to classroom teaching.

If you have not yet enrolled your paper in the I.L.P.C., we urge you to do so. You can secure enrollment forms by writing to De Witt Reddick, The University of Texas, Austin



TEACHERS' GUIDE TO GOOD PLAYS



By Bruce Roach

YOU have probably been receiving many play catalogues from the various publishers listing a host of new plays. We have most of those plays on our desk, and shall review them as fast as we can. And though we may not get to mention all the new titles listed in the fall catalogues, if you are interested in any new plays (or old ones either), send for reading copies from the Drama Loan Library.

In addition to an epitome of the plays each month, we shall add two items that may meet with your approval. The first is the use in our opinion to which the play may be put. The second is a summation of structure, writing and playability into one evaluation: Superior, Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor.

Heritage of Wimpole Street, by Robert Knipe. Baker, Royalty \$5., 2m3w, comedy-drama, 35c, one-act.

This is a period play of 1856 concerning the father, sisters and son of Elizabeth Barrett Browning. The hard heart of the father is softened when he meets his grandson. The resulting changes in the household give the daughters more freedom. Love walks in. Everybody is happy. The play is well written and has good pace. The elder Moulton-Barrett is a wonderfully strong character. Although this is a costume piece, the production can be very simple done.

Uses: Contest, Assemblies, English Literature Programs. Reviewer's opinion: Excellent.

"I, William Holloway," by Isabella Holt. Samuel French, Roy. \$5., 4m3w, comedy, 35c, one-act. This is a human interest comedy about an old man who makes his will, leaving all his interests in the hands of a conservative banker and his managing, forceful daughter. But when his grandson appears with the granddaughter of an old sweetheart, and the two of them have some fresh ideas about running the factories, the old man writes a new will which will explode in all directions after his death. This play is well written, with good down-to-earth qualities. The big production drawback is that William Holloway plays the entire act in bed.

Uses: Contest, Assembly. Reviewer's opinion: Excellent.

Old Mrs. Brown, by Marian Gould. Samuel French, Roy. \$5., 9w, comedy, 35c, one-act.

Old Mrs. Brown, bedridden, lives with one maid on the outskirts of a small town. Her daughters (what characters!) want her to move into town and leave all the gossiping she loves so much. To move into a small apartment is the last thing Mrs. Brown wants. She cleverly nips this idea short when she says she will live with each daughter in turn. That does it. The play has all age groups included from a young girl to old Mrs. Brown. The play has much of the flavor of "The Neighbors" by Zona Gale.

Uses: Assembly, Women's Clubs, Contest. Reviewer's opinion: Excellent.

The Sisters McIntosh, by Richard Corson. Samuel French, Roy. \$5., 1m2w, comedy, 35c, one-act.

The women in this play remind one of the sisters in "Arsenic and Old Lace." But the McIntosh girls (aged circa 60) do not have the homicidal tendencies of the "Arsenic" characters. All they want to do is scare the wits out of a poor unsuspecting young man. They do. It does not take much effort for them to act as though they were "off the rails." This play should give a great deal of fun to the group producing it.

Uses: Assembly, Dramatics classes, Contest. Reviewer's opinion: Good.

The Governor, by Jack Stuart Knapp. Baker, Roy. \$5., 6m4w, comedy-drama, 35c, one-act.

A dishonest state machine that has controlled the state for years closes in on a new governor. The

new governor almost plays along with the machine till he gets the news that his son has been nearly killed because of a faulty road built by the grafting state machine. The governor finally sees the light, tosses the politicians out, takes the reins of government in his own hands, and regains his own self-respect. The play is quite well written and should play very well. Plot could stand a little more strength.

Uses: Civic programs, Assemblies. Reviewer's opinion: Good.

When Shakespeare's Gentlemen Get Together, by Charles George Baker. Roy. \$5., 6m, comedy, 35c, one-act.

Romeo, Othello, Antony and Hamlet all have spendthrift wives and come to Shylock to borrow money. But before a deal can be made, Petruchio, who has tamed a shrew, skips in and tells them the secret of handling women. The play ends on a happy and optimistic note (for the men) as each of the four poor husbands sets out to follow Petruchio's advice.

Uses: Assembly, Literature programs, novelty entertainment. Reviewer's opinion: Good.

Galley Cat, by Alan Coult. Samuel French, Roy. \$5., 6m, farce, 35c, one-act.

This play is an exercise in dialects: Swedish, Mexican, Southern, Irish, and what have you. The story is set on a ship where the cat is supposedly stealing food from the galley. The sailors who love the cat concoct a scheme to catch the real thief. But the cat gets sick. It looks bad for the poor cat, since the illness seems to have come from over-eating. Then the real thief (a voracious seaman) confesses and the illness of the cat is plainly shown to be the result of listening to the "Four Singing Seamen." The audience may be in the same position as the cat at the end of this one.

Uses: Workshop, Assemblies, Dramatic classes. Reviewer's opinion: Fair.

Little Darling, by Peggy Oliver. Samuel French, Roy. \$5., comedy, 2m4w, 35c, one-act.

This is another of those perky (?) little comedies about a precocious child who sets everything in the household right by her seemingly ill-warranted actions. The "little darling" has two older sisters who are having boy-friend troubles. The glamorous sister takes the not-so-glamorous one's heart-throb away from her. "Little darling" goes into action and gets the be-dazzled male straightened out.

Uses: Assembly, Workshop. Reviewer's opinion: Fair.

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Dallas Declaimer Adds to Laurels

Drama, Music and Radio Are Interests of Versatile Mary Ann Bennett

THIS year's State Winner in Declamation, Mary Ann Bennett, junior at Sunset High School, Dallas, has already made quite a name for herself in the speech field.

Mary Ann entered the One-Act Play contest at the State Meet also; she tied for the title of "best actress" at the Regional Meet. She won first place in the 1946



Mary Ann Bennett, Sunset High School, Dallas

National Forensic League in dramatic declamation and second place in oratorical declamation.

Other honors include winning the North Dallas Tri-State Speech Tournament in 1945; she tied for first place in 1946.

Organizations of which she is a member include Public Speaking Class, Dramatic Club, Speakers' Club, National Thespian Club, National Forensic League, Junior Red Cross, and Student Council.

Interested in music as well, Mary Ann is an accomplished pianist and harpist. She has studied for six years at the Cooke School of Expression where she recently appeared as Jo in Little Women. She has been in several radio productions and is able to write and edit script for radio presentations.

Her plans for the future include attending Hockaday, Southern Methodist University, The University of Texas, and finally the American Academy of Dramatics. Her ultimate goal is Little Theatre work in Dallas and the legitimate stage.

Teaching Bureau Has New Director

DR. JAMES KNIGHT, associate professor of educational psychology, has been appointed director of the Extension Teaching Bureau of The University of Texas.

During the war, Dr. Knight was with the pilot training program on the Gulf Coast, was director of ground school at Majors Airfield, Greenville, and served overseas in England, France and Germany with the Army educational program of the United States Air Forces, returning to the campus in January, 1946.

During the summer he was director of the special education workshop on the campus. Since 1931, he has traveled over 350,000 miles in his work with the Extension Teaching Bureau. Before the war he established teaching centers in Houston, Harlingen, and the lower Rio Grande Valley region.

VA Medico Fears Socialized Plan

MAJOR GENERAL Paul H. Hawley, medical director of the Veterans Administration, told medical students recently that medicine will be socialized by the government unless doctors offer a workable plan.

Medical care, he said, "became so expensive as to place it in the class of luxuries" and added "we are all going to be working for the government" unless some means is found to lower costs.

Speaking at George Washington University, he said he was "amazed" to find how few physicians "realize just how close we are to some form of socialization of medicine."

"They have been drugged into believing that bills before the Congress are merely the ideas of crackpots which have no chance of ever becoming law," he said, "Nothing could be further from the truth. The solutions introduced in the Congress may be unsound. They may not become law this year. But, just as sure as we are here together today, if medicine does not offer a workable solution to this real problem, some plan will be forced upon the medical profession."—Austin American.

DEBATE FORUM

By Edd Miller

Question-box: Mr. Miller, debate coach of the University Debate squad, is willing to answer as best he can, questions arising in connection with this debate. It will be well if you write him a letter requesting information to enclose a stamped and addressed envelope for reply. Address: Edd Miller, University Station, Austin, Texas.

FOR most of you school has been under way now for about a month. How far along, then, should you be in your preparation for the debate season? In most cases, by this time you should have your debate squad selected or at least those of you who are interested in debate should be meeting together at regular intervals for the purpose of exchanging ideas on debating and on the medical care question. This may seem early to be preparing for an activity which won't take place until spring, but the earlier you begin your work, the better job you will be able to do when actual debating begins. So, if you have not already selected your squad, you should do so in the very near future.

Start Material Search

After your squad is selected, the next step should be the accumulation of as much material on the subject of public medical care as you can get together. How can you gather this material? Well, there are several useful methods that can be employed. First of all, of course, you should make full use of whatever library facilities might be available. Some of you live in large cities and have large libraries at your command; others of you have smaller libraries in which to work. In either case, though, the library is a good starting point, and, large or small, your library will undoubtedly have some good foundation material that you would profit by reading.

Read Widely

The question this year, like most of our debate questions, happens to be one of a great degree of importance. That means there will inevitably be a great many articles in current magazines and newspapers on the subject. So don't overlook your daily or weekly paper and such potential magazine sources as Time, Newsweek, Reader's Digest, Colliers, The Saturday Evening Post, and other more or less popular magazines. Read widely and always be on the lookout for material on your subject.

In addition to your reading, you can make good use of interviews to gather material on this year's question. Talk to your local doctor about public medical care; talk to the director of your local hospital or to the school public health officer. As a matter of fact, most of the civic leaders in your community will be able to give you some ideas on this subject. And, if you pick people who know something about the subject, you will be accumulating valuable material.

Use Discussion Method

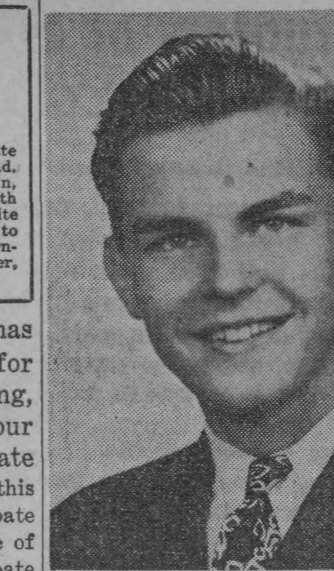
After you have gathered this material, how can you make the best possible use of it? For one thing, use the method of group discussion to talk about the material you have gathered. Have each member of your group read two or three articles or interview two or three people and then report to the group on what he has found. Then the whole group can ask questions and make comments about these items of information. In that way, you will be sharing your information with the others, and, incidentally, engaging in a valuable speech activity.

Start "Debate Library"

One other useful method of making information on the subject readily available to all is to accumulate your own "Debate Library." There will, of course, be a certain amount of free literature on this subject sent to you, so put in a place where everyone can easily find and make use of them not only this propaganda type of material, but also as many copies of articles and books and magazines containing information on the subject as you can assemble. Don't hoard any items of material that might come your way. Put them in the "Debate Library" and let others use them too. I think you will be surprised to find how quickly this library will grow into a very useful source of information on the subject.

Sail for Europe

Three Ft. Worth teachers who have been granted leaves of absence are Misses Clarice Jackson, Maurine Hammack and Glennie Zent who will teach in Austria this year.



Kenneth Reed



Raymond Lankford

Reagan Jrs. Win AA Contest

RAYMOND LANKFORD and Kenneth Reed, both juniors at Reagan High School, Houston, won the AA Debate Contest at the 1946 State Meet.

Honors won by Raymond during his high-school career to date include first place in the Levy Oratorical Contest in 1946 and the "Quiz of Two Cities" in 1945; he is captain in the R.O.T.C., treasurer of the Debate Club, and a member of the National Honor Society.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Lankford, 1006 Bayland, Houston.

Kenneth Reed, won first place in the Levy Essay Contest in 1946, received his Journalism letter, is a member of the American Legion Club and of the National Honor Society, and served last year as vice-president of the Debate Club.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Reed, 215 West 18th Street, Houston.

The Speech Arts In Texas Schools

THIS column belongs to Texas Speech teachers for discussion of speech problems and news concerning speech activities in Texas high schools. Communications should be sent to Mr. Bruce Roach, Box H, University Station, Austin, Texas. who is editor of this column.

This year should be the greatest year that Texas has ever seen in Speech work. From the many letters that have come in concerning speech activities all over the state, a revived interest in Speech is already making this a banner year. This interest is indeed gratifying to all the people interested in Speech, since it is conceded that Speech has one of the greatest "carry-over" values of any subject taught in the curriculum. The Speech activities give the teaching of Speech an immediate use value. The activities reported in this column show the definite tie-up between Speech instruction and participation. Let's keep up the good work, and by all means let us hear from you concerning your work in this field.

Miss Elizabeth McDaniel of Huntsville is the new Speech instructor at Alvin High School. The teaching of Speech has been resumed at Alvin after several years absence from the curriculum.

The first major production by the University of Texas Drama Department will be "Angel Street," directed by Darrell Ross. The show is scheduled for late October.

The National Thespians of Abilene High School have organized for the year with Billy Griffin as president and Jeannette Griffin as vice-president. Both students appeared in the first place winning play at the last State Meet. Ernest Sublett is again directing the activities of the dramatics club.

F. L. Winship, formerly Director of Speech Activities for the Interscholastic League, is now Professor of Drama on the staff of the University of Texas Drama Department. Mr. Winship served four years with the Army Air Forces and received his discharge in June.

The Dramatics Club at Reagan High School, Houston, has been renamed "Footlight Players" and Chester Doby has been re-elected president. Floyd Dougherty, sponsor of the club, has just returned from a summer spent at Pasadena Playhouse in California.

The Reagan chapter of the National Forensic League and the Speakers' Forum has elected as its officers Kenneth Reed and Raymond Lankford, first place winning team in Conference AA Debate at the last State Meet. All Speech activities in the school are getting started early in anticipation of another successful year.

The fall semester finds Guy Bizzell back in the Speech Department at Austin High School after several years service with the armed forces.

James R. Burton has returned to his teaching duties at El Paso

Sources of Speech Material Suggested

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If you are interested in doing a section of a long play, write the publisher direct for quotations on royalties. The publishers are very fair about royalties on part of a show, and the rates are comparable to regular one-act prices. If you decide to do a part of a three-act, be sure to send us your version of the play for reading.

Send in Your Cards

It is impossible to meet all the sponsors of the various speech activities in every school in the state, but we would like to know you are anyway. For that reason we have sent to principals and superintendents in the state a "request for information" card on which we hope they will send us the names of you sponsors of speech contests. Check with them to make sure they have sent in your names. In addition, write us about any problems you may have, or suggestions you want to make concerning any of the speech contests.

The card we get back from your principal is merely an information card, not an official entry blank. Your one-act play official entry card will be sent to you later.

When you get this official entry card for one-act play, note that it is to be filled out COMPLETELY and returned to the State Office. In the past, it seems that the entry card could be sent in without the play title and the title could be supplied at a later date. This practice has caused a great deal of confusion in the records. Choose a good one-act play early, and when your entry card gets to you, you will have complete information ready to go.

Choosing Senior Declarations

First of all, let it be urged that each director and sponsor read carefully the Declaration section in the Constitution and Rules published July 15, 1946. Here you will find the limits to the topics that may be used.

In general, however, the Senior Declaration contest can do an immeasurable amount in helping build good sound Americanism and solid thinking on citizenship among the boys and girls of the state. Certainly, no higher goal can be sought at this present time of world-reorganization.

The State Office has prepared a list of books of orations and speeches which you may find helpful in finding a Senior Declaration. Order the books or titles directly from the publisher. None of the books are "approved" or "disapproved" by being on the list we send you. Each individual declaration must conform to League rules.

Do not overlook the excellent material being written in the various magazines. Reader's Digest quite often has articles that are excellent for Declaration when they are adapted to that use.

The editorial page of your newspaper may answer your need. Often this is an excellent source of straight, direct material which will fit your speaker better than anything else you can find.

Keep It Simple

The best suggestion we can make in regard to choosing a declaration, as well as coaching its presentation, is to make it "plain vanilla." In other words, get something that is simple and sincere; avoid the flights of fancy. Read over the Declaration Judging standards and be guided accordingly.

Choosing Junior Declarations

The prescribed list of poems issued by the State Office (Bulletin No. 4144, price, 10 cents) contains all the poems that can be used in this contest. If your poem is not on the list, we are genuinely sorry; but if you read the list carefully, you will probably be able to find something similar, since all sorts, forms and styles are included. You have no idea how much poor material has been read to get these fairly good poems together.

It seems to us that the most important item to remember in choosing a poem for Juniors is this: get stand. (And, incidentally, get one that you can understand yourself.) Be sure your speaker gets the poem that the speaker can understand. Then he has a fighting chance that the audience may understand him. At best, poetry is hard to get across. The average junior declaimer is pretty unintelligible. Do your best to help him by choosing suitable material. Again, let us caution you to read the judging standards and be guided by them.

Debate Material

Elsewhere in the LEAGUER, Edd Miller goes into greater detail on the problems confronting you in Debate. Read that column carefully each month, and write Mr. Miller concerning your needs. Or if there is anything we can do, write to us.

LET US SPEAK

Thomas A. Rousseau, President, Texas Speech Ass'n., Professor of Speech, Chairman, Department of Speech, The University of Texas

ON TO HOUSTON

is the cry of all speech teachers, if the report reaching us is an indication of the number who expect to attend the first postwar meeting of the Texas Speech Association. Headquarters for the T.S.A. session will be at the Texas State Hotel and the time will be Friday and Saturday, November 29-30, 1946. J. R. Holcomb, Reagan High School, is the chairman of the Local Arrangements Committee, and we expect a typical Houstonian welcome. The Houston speech teachers, always outstanding in their contribution to the profession, assure us the best possible arrangement.

Dr. Hitchcock to Speak

Through the courtesy of the Interscholastic League, Rodney Kidd and Bruce Roach, Director of Speech Activities for the League, the main speaker for the Saturday morning breakfast will be a speech man: Dr. Orville Hitchcock of the University of Iowa. Dr. Hitchcock will have a busy day Saturday! After his breakfast speech, he will address the Texas Speech Association meeting at 10 A.M., and again at the noon luncheon of the Association.

T.S.A. Program Announced

In addition to the two speeches by Dr. Hitchcock, the program of T.S.A. will include the following:

Friday, 9-12: Meeting of T.S.A. Executive Council, Texas State Hotel, Registration.

2-5: Opening Session.

Saturday, 7:30: League Breakfast (Speech teachers are cordially invited. Dr. Hitchcock will be the main speaker. Cost of the breakfast, 75c.)

10-12: General Session, Dr. Orville Hitchcock, Other Speakers, Business Session.

12-1: T.S.A. Luncheon, Program, Dr. Hitchcock. Induction of new officers.

Miss Wilhelmina Hedde, of Dallas, assisted by the several chairmen of our standing committees, will announce the complete program shortly and we can expect outstanding contributions.

When the program has been prepared, we hope to have it printed and distributed to the various schools and speech teachers over the state. If you do not receive your program by November 1, drop us a post card and we will mail it to you.

And, incidentally, if you have not paid your yearly dues, be sure to enclose a check for \$2.50!

Dr. Larson Resigns

Dr. P. Merville Larson, formerly of A. & L., and acting Secretary of T.S.A., is now teaching at Southern Illinois State Normal University, Carbondale, Illinois, and we are forced to appoint a new acting secretary-treasurer. We had hoped that Dr. Seabury, the secretary-treasurer, would be with us this fall but we understand that he will not return to Southwestern State College, San Marcos, until next year. We hope to announce shortly the name of the new acting secretary-treasurer who will serve until the November meeting. In the meantime, your president is the sole custodian of the treasury and has in his safe-keeping the total sum of \$44.00 which represents the income from twenty-seven paid-up memberships!

Membership of 400 Expected

Twenty-seven (27) paid members is a small number but we feel that this group will be multiplied at least by twenty and we confidently expect to "sign-up" four hundred speech teachers by, and during, the November meeting. Truly, our first postwar speech session will be a revival and we hope you will be there to help us establish a new record for the Texas Speech Association.

New Junior Colleges Open for Business

A "new day" has arrived in Texas for the junior college. Five new junior colleges opened in September, with four of them county colleges.

Counties and cities still making plans for junior colleges are: Brazoria county with the college to be located at Alvin or Freeport; Midland, Laredo, San Patricio County, Sweetwater, Pampa, Pecos County, Odessa and Uvalde. At Uvalde the Southwest Texas Joint County Junior College serving Zavala, Real and Uvalde counties is being established.

There are now 54 junior colleges in Texas, 23 private and 31 public. These figures include four junior colleges for negroes.—The University News Service.

Spring Training Faults Probed

Prin. Nelson Favors Well-Rounded Yearly Athletic Program

(By James F. Nelson, Principal, Grand Saline High School)

It seems to me it is high time some of us did a little constructive thinking in regard to some of the policies of the Interscholastic League. I do not condemn the League officials for these policies, because they were only the executors of a mandate of the football coaches of the State. I speak in regard to the effect of Spring training on the other sports which have become so much a part of the modern high school. Nine years of coaching in addition to being principal has given me an insight into both sides of the picture, and I feel that a few changes should be made.

The situation as exists in the class "A" high schools is this. There are not enough boys in the schools to carry on a well-rounded system of Spring sports, and as a result the same boys are part of every sport played during the year.

With Spring training coming in anywhere from January to May, there is little chance of carrying it on without conflict with basketball, track, and baseball. The result is that every sport then tends to become a part of and subservient to football and therefore each sport loses its individuality as a part of competitive athletics. We all know that nine months of one sport eventually becomes boring.

Naturally these ideas do not conform to the ideas of the coaches of the State because they are essentially football minded, and their reputations depend on a successful football season. That is a result of over-emphasizing football and de-emphasizing other sports in our colleges and high schools. I can see in the future a generation of coaches and players that know nothing other than football, except that learned in physical education classes forced on the football coaches.

One of the main faults I find in the present rule is that our first games in the fall are played from two to three weeks after start of practice. We usually find the boys over-trained in theory and under-trained physically. I haven't checked the injury report, but I feel sure that over half the serious injuries occur in the early part of the season.

I propose going back to the old system of a well-rounded yearly athletic program, where each sport retains its individuality as a sport. Omit spring training in football and start the fall season around August 20, with the first game to be played at least after the middle of September.

I also feel that a mistake was made in abandoning the old semester rule. I know it had its faults, but the present rule places a premium on being deficient in studies. Some schools take the welfare of the boys to heart and insist that they graduate, others insist that they drop or fail subjects in order to remain another year. Naturally if a few schools participate in this unethical practice, then all must do so for protection.

My appreciation of athletics as it applies to the building of the mental, physical, and spiritual education is unbounding in scope and my sincere hope is that we will have American boys who can after graduation, do more than coach football (only) from the sidelines and quarterback clubs.

Violation Costs Marshall Title

Violation of the University Interscholastic League's "composite-team" rule last winter cost Marshall their bi-district championship.

Marshall played a junior high school boy in their bi-district match with Lufkin December 7, according to evidence revealed at a recent State Executive Committee meeting.

As a result of this violation by Marshall High School, the Executive Committee ruled that the game which Marshall won by a score of 13-8 when the ineligible player was used, must be forfeited. Marshall went to the quarter finals, losing to Waco, 13-0.

Scott Enters Ministry

J. Cleo Scott resigned his post as superintendent of the Haskell public schools to become pastor of the Hamlin Church of Christ.



Bobby Harris (left) and Alan Hardy (right) defeated El Paso's team 6-2, 6-4, 6-2, to win the State Championship tennis crown during the State Meet finals. Early rounds were won over Highland Park and Amarillo.

Bobby, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harris, 305 Baker Drive, and Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hardy, 461 McLeod Drive, were both '46 graduates of Corpus Christi High School.

Rice Institute was the destination of Bobby this fall, where he will major in Business Administration and play on the Rice tennis team.

Questions and Answers

The answers in this column are in no sense "official interpretations." Only the State Executive Committee is authorized under the rules to make official interpretations. The following answers were made to inquiries received in the course of routine correspondence with the State Office.

Q. A boy making passing grades quit school at mid-term in 1943, and entered the Navy. He did not represent that school in athletics. This year he enrolled in the same school. Will he be eligible to represent this school this season in football?

A. Yes. A contestant who has been out of school for a year or more is eligible provided he attended a major portion of and made three half units the last semester he was in school. (Appendix III, Section 14.) Provided his parents live in your school district. (Article VIII, Section 13.)

Q. Suppose a 12-year-old boy received a \$25 model airplane in a city contest and later came out for athletics. Would his eligibility be involved under the amateur rule or the awards rule?

A. No. See Article VIII, Section 8.

Q. Suppose a pupil won a scholarship in a local art or music contest sponsored by a newspaper. Would that pupil be ineligible for League contests under the awards rule?

A. No. For the reason that the award was not given for participation in an interschool contest.

Q. A boy receives an unsigned "dummy" diploma at graduation exercises. Is he eligible under Article VIII, Section 2?

A. The opinion is that he is ineligible. (Article VIII, Section 2.)

Q. May a Conference B school employ a part-time coach?

A. No. (Rule 2, Football and Basketball Plan.)

Q. May a person employed, on a full-time basis, to drive the school bus and supervise care of the buses be used as a high-school coach?

A. Yes. Since this person is a full-time employee of the school. (Rule 2, Football and Basketball Plan.)

Q. What constitutes a "full-time" coach?

A. A full-time coach is an individual employed by the school board on the same basis as the rest of the staff as far as hours and salary are concerned. (Rule 2, Football and Basketball Plan.)

Q. Is a boy's eligibility in high school affected by awards he received in junior high school athletics?

A. Yes. Whenever a boy violates the amateur rule, he becomes ineligible for further participation in League contests, Article VIII, Section 8.

Q. If a boy is 18 on May 1st, is he eligible to play football and basketball?

A. No. (Article VIII, Section 1.)

Q. A boy playing with the B squad is eligible in every way, but he plays with ineligible players on the B squad. Is this boy ineligible to play on the varsity because he has participated with ineligible players on the B squad?

A. The boy will be eligible for the varsity provided he qualifies under Article VIII.

Public Relations Pointers Revealed

(Continued from page 1)

Interviews with the local press. But have your facts and statements well in hand before the interview. Keep in mind the school newspaper, magazines, programs, bulletins, leaflets, etc., all give excellent opportunities for informing the public.

Radio is a "natural" for public relations activity; however, some trained person is necessary for radio productions. Use as many students as possible in programs that are broadcast—more parents will listen. Utilize your local station as often as you can.

Community activities offer excellent means for dispersing information about the school. The public relations committee should meet with all civic groups, Red Cross, and others, placing the services of the school at their disposal.

Use Holidays in Program
Special events such as American Education Week, national holidays, all give chances for planned programs featuring the school.

The administration should always keep in mind this fact as stated by O. A. Crosby, president of the School Public Relations Association, "Impress the home with the fact that the child is the most important item of business of the entire school." For that is the keynote to the entire school public relation program.

"To know is difficult; to act is easy."—Chiang Kai-Shek.

Promoters of Soccer Football Want Intercollegiate Games

By Al Collins, Deputy Commissioner, Texas Soccer Commission
SOCCER, soccer football, association football or "futbol" as it is variously known in the 54 countries where it forms the major competitive outdoor sport, is rapidly becoming an important game in the United States. In most of the states, particularly along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, and in the central states, soccer is popular and spreading fast.

Dallas Is Soccer Center

In Texas, Dallas has been the center of soccer for the past 16 years, but present indications are that the game will be played all over the state this coming season. Interest has already been established in Oklahoma and it is hoped to see a Southwestern Soccer Championship game between Oklahoma and Texas in the near future.

Several colleges in Texas now have a little soccer, but interest would grow apace in intercollegiate soccer if the athletic directors, in position to do so, would organize the sport on a sound basis. Possibly the ex-G.I.'s, who are strong promoters of the sport, in the student ranks may be able to create sufficient demand and get soccer really started in this state.

Easy to Play

The game is easy to learn, and when played clean and according to rules, is comparatively free from injuries. It is an excellent winter conditioner.

Football and soccer do not conflict as football provides training for only a limited number of men for a team, whereas the thousands of students left out would probably be glad of some good athletic activity of their own such as this sport.

Soccer, one of the leading international games, would also give our college boys the opportunity to help the good neighbor policy as soccer "futbol" is the leading game from the Rio Grande to Cape Horn.

Building Experts Call Conference

School Heads Planning New Gyms Can Obtain Hints And Save on Costs

SCHOOLS planning new gyms, athletic fields and other recreation facilities will be interested in knowing that a national conference of experts in this line has been called for December.

The conference will provide a system of standards which will provide communities with the "musts" and "must nots" of planning and constructing which will save millions of dollars by preventing the erection of improper facilities. The meeting has been set for December 1 to 15 at Jackson's Mill, West Virginia.

Topics in Field Called
Organized as The National Conference on Facilities for Athletics, Recreation, Health and Physical Education, this group will bring together professional leaders of that nature plus outstanding recreation architects, landscape architects and engineers.

The standards outlined by the group will apply to the development of facilities in elementary and secondary grade school districts.

Millions Wasted
Surveys made prior to the war showed that millions of dollars were wasted through the building of improperly planned facilities which failed to meet the all-around needs of the community.

The price for the bulletin "Developing Number Sense, No. 4526, is \$3.00 per 100, 10 cents each, 50 cents per dozen.

DEADLINE WARNING REPEATED

ANY HIGH SCHOOL planning to participate in basketball this season must have its name on the official list issued November 15." R. J. Kidd, acting director, warns all school administrators.

The fact that a school has paid its membership fee does NOT qualify that school for basketball play in the League. It is the responsibility of the individual school to see that they are assigned to a district.

The tentative basketball list has been mailed to schools participating last year and to those requesting assignment for this year.

If for any reason a school did not get the 1946-47 tentative basketball list, a copy should be requested from the State Office immediately.

"Acceptance cards must be on file in the League Office by November 15, according to Rule 1 of the Basketball Plan, or else a school will not be allowed to participate in basketball," Mr. Kidd says.

Basketball district executive committees should organize not later than the third Monday in October, as provided for under Rule 5 of the Basketball Plan.

Porter Condemns Trips-Bowl Games

Entire School Shouldn't Be Penalized for One Small Group

"High schools do not need the cancerous type of athletic growth which would come from the over-stimulation of national or sectional 'bowl' games," writes H. V. Porter, secretary of the National Football Committee in a recent bulletin.

Cross-country jaunts and other "bowl" affairs require excessive coaching attention and department expense for a small group which has already received its share of benefits, he points out.

"Great numbers with lesser talents have a stake in the school program and they are often in greater need of training which will not be given if the school staff is short-handed during the week of a trip. The whole school program may be disrupted because of the widely publicized event.

"English or algebra might need that kind of stimulation to encourage students to enter these classes," Mr. Porter maintains, "but sports get sufficient stimulation from the local contests in a reasonable regulation season's schedule."

Wilson Approves New Band Set-Up

(By Joe H. Wilson, Superintendent Westlaco Public Schools)

AS THE Interscholastic League has taken over school band activities, I wish to express my attitude toward this action.

To me the Interscholastic League is the organization which, insofar as possible, should control interschool activities. Through its efforts and guidance, the schools of Texas are considered to have one of the best all-around activity programs in the United States. As this is generally conceded and as there is much interest in regard to bands and their contests, I am highly in favor of the League having charge of these contests.

Why the Delay?
Since school people, through the election of their representatives, control actions of the League and make their own rules and regulations, to me it is a wonder why we were quite so slow in putting over the idea of the League having charge of Band Contests just as it does in the athletic and literary fields.

On many occasions I have heard statements from administrators that costs of contests exceeded their worth. Although I do not entirely agree with this, I think we can be careful in requiring schools to spend money or, at least, we should be able to see that any money expended is worthwhile. My personal opinion is that the expenditure, if not excessive in comparison to other school activities, should be made as long as we have hand contests a part of the school. I certainly am in favor of the schools having complete and final control of any contest or event, whether it costs money or not, if our students are involved.

Heads Junior College

The new president of the Navarro County Junior College is Roy Walker, formerly at Dawson public schools.

Andy Kerr Directs Gridiron Films

SOMETHING different for football coaches are the three new text films, produced in collaboration with Andrew Kerr, coach of Colgate University, now available to junior and senior high schools through the Visual Instruction Bureau of The University of Texas.

D. W. McCavick, director, now

has ready for distribution three 16 mm. sound football films stressing the fundamentals of good blocking, good tackling and good ball handling.

Shows Standard Tackles

Tackling in Football, a 11-minute sound film, describes the shoulder and cross body tackles and demonstrates a half dozen variations of

these. Ways of reducing the shock of tackling are shown as well as practicing techniques to lessen the risk of injury. Interesting game shots illustrate all points in both slow and stop motion.

Illustrating the principles of good blocking—position, speed, drive and follow-through, the 11-minute film Blocking in Football will aid coaches in this phase of the game.

Ball Handling in Football, 11-minutes of careful analysis of ball handling fundamentals, illustrates points such as stance, grip, "feel" of the ball, finger tip control, receiving and catching passes, catching punts, and others.

Costs Little
Each of these films rent for \$1.50 for two days from the Bureau.

Another football film available from the Bureau is Football Up to Date, which contains a great deal of informative material, but is based on the National High School Association's rules instead of the N.C.A.A. rules that are followed by all Texas high schools and colleges.

Don Sparks Sets New Mile Record

Ft. Worth Technical Track Star Places Fifth at National Meet



Don Sparks Ft. Worth Technical

DON SPARKS, Ft. Worth Technical track star, shattered a record for breaking records this summer. For four successive weeks he ran the mile for a new time in each meet he entered, finishing this period with the State Championship title and a new U.I.L. record of 4:30.

Entering the Mile his senior year for the first time in his track career, he set a new record at the District Meet, running the race in 4:35. The following week he won the Regional Meet at Dallas, and seven days later at the Fort Worth-Dallas dual meet ran the fastest mile ever run by a high-school boy in the State of Texas, finishing with a time of 4:29. Then in May at the League State Meet he broke the record established by Charles Hanshaw, Woodrow Wilson trackman in 1933, for 4:31.2 with a faster time of 4:30.9.

Don accepted the invitation to run in the National Meet at San Antonio, competing against college men, and as the only high-school boy in the meet. There were fourteen in the race, and Don placed fifth in the nation, running an unofficial 4:25 mile to better his own record.

During his three years in high school, Don was awarded three jackets, two sweaters and eleven medals. He lettered two years in football as halfback. Track scholarships to every college in Texas and several out-of-state colleges were offered him, but he registered at The University of Texas this fall.

Texas High-School Coaches Association--News and Notes

Rural Schools Re-Join League

THE Association is witnessing its greatest growth and also its largest membership. On October 1, the total membership was 725, and additional members are coming in at the rate of three or four a day. We anticipate at least 800 before the year is over.

The demand for the film of the past two State Championship football games continues unabated, and even though we have six copies or more in circulation, D. W. McCavick of the Visual Instruction Bureau of The University of Texas reports that he has a tight schedule of bookings through this year and on into next year. This picture has become a very popular part of our program. We appreciate the service rendered by McCavick and his staff.

Most schools now seem to have coaches, judging from reports from all over the state. Every coach has a job if he wants one, but there is still a greater demand for coaches than there is supply of qualified men.

Of much interest to the coaches of Texas was the first issue of the Southern Coach and Athlete, in which appeared an article by Standard Lambert of Austin High School. Other Texas mentors will write for this publication during the year.

Conference B schools are all "pepped up" over the opportunity to play through to a Regional Championship. The sporting eyes of the state are focused on these new play-offs.

Basketball coaches are alerting themselves for an equally colorful season, judging from the number writing in for films, rule books and other information. The Association offers many services to these coaches, and we hope they will take advantage of them.

The chief complaint of the football season is coming from the crowds—every fan wants seats on the 50 yard line! Attendance records are being broken by nearly every school.

In Redwood City, Calif., members of the local OPA board were astounded by an overnight change in the office: the ceiling had collapsed.—Time Magazine.

Travel Difficulties Overcome, Long-Time Members to Compete in '47

AFTER an absence of three years, because of wartime transportation difficulties, rural schools are being welcomed back into the University Interscholastic League this season.

Rural schools have played an important part in the history of the League since 1919 until they were forced to drop their memberships in 1943, although their number declined following the tendency toward consolidation.

Defined in the Constitution and Rules as those with not more than four teachers, which cannot qualify as high schools, the rural schools organize their own local meets. Winners in high-school number sense, ready writers and declamation qualify to the next higher meet and compete as Conference B schools in Area, Regional and the State Meets.

Principals of the schools, or persons designated by them, compose the Executive Committee and enforce League regulations.

Contests Listed
Contests open to this group are: number sense, playground ball, ready writers, declamation, spelling and plain writing, junior track and field, junior tennis, volleyball and choral singing.

No fee is required, only registration with the League headquarters before January 15th.

Principals of rural schools will be contacted through their county superintendents concerning the competitive program offered by the League.

CLOSING DATES

JANUARY 15—Last day for paying membership and basketball fees.
FEBRUARY 2—Last day for filing One-Act Play entry.

Tennis Talk

By Dr. D. A. Penick

A Tennis Quiz

Why play tennis?

1. Because it is good exercise and good fun.
2. Because only two are needed for a game or, at most, four.
3. Because it is a game for all ages; young, middle-aged, old, an all-life game.
4. Because little space and little equipment are required.
5. Because it is usually played by only the highest type of sportsmen and sportswomen.
6. Because it is a game of the mind requiring concentration and mental discipline.

Is it easy to learn how to play tennis?
No. Long, hard practice is required, also patience and perseverance. These qualities developed constitute some of the values of the game.

What are some of the fundamental requirements for a successful tennis player?

1. Use of the eyes. You have to keep your eyes on the ball every minute.
2. Use of the feet. You have to get to the ball in the right position to hit it correctly.
3. Proper grip of the racket for most effective stroking.
4. Use of the mind—you must have the will to win, complete concentration, perseverance against odds, and self-control.

When should tennis lessons begin?
At the age of 10, 11 or 12, depending somewhat on the child's physical development. Begin with proper instruction, if possible in order that wrong beginnings will not have to be "unlearned."

The following questions have been submitted during the past month:

Q. Suppose team No. 1 hits the ball; it goes over the net to team No. 2's side of the court before team No. 2 realizes it. What is the decision on this, and if the decision is in favor of team No. 1, how could team No. 2 have made a point on this play?

A. Team No. 1 wins the point. Only by getting the ball back before it bounced back could team No. 2 have made a point.

Q. While the ball is in play, one player steps out of the court to return a ball that has not bounced. The ball hits the player. The point is counted for which team?

A. The player hit by the ball loses.

Q. On the second serve does the server have to wait until the receiver is ready?

A. Yes.

Q. Is it permissible for the receiver to stand outside the court on the left or right side of the court?

A. Yes. He can stand anywhere he wishes.

Q. What is the exact interpretation of a foot fault?

A. Both feet behind the back line and one foot on the ground until the ball is hit.

Q. Is it ever permissible for a player to contact the ball over on the opponent's side of the net?

A. No. He must hit the ball on his side of the net, but his racket may follow the ball over the net—provided it does not touch the net.