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## 11 Student Activities Conferences Scheduled Emergency Rule Approved By Referendum Ballot, 801-31

When the Legislative Council met Nov. 2, 1963, it authorized that a referendum be submitted to member schools on providing an "emergency clause" for the Basketball Plan and amending Rule 30 of the Football Plan to permit spring football practice by Conference AAAA ninth graders.

A preferential ballot for selecting the debate proposition was also

authorized. These were discussed in the November and December issues of the *Interscholastic Leaguer*, and ballots were mailed to member schools last April.

The "Emergency Rule" was approved 807 to 31, and reads: "The district executive committee may permit district basketball games postponed by weather or public disaster (not including illness) to be played as an exception to the two-matched-games-a-week rule, pro-

vided that they are played on non-school nights (Friday or Saturday)." This has been incorporated into the Basketball Plan.

The amendment to Rule 30 of the Football Plan was approved by a 94-31 vote and provides that ninth graders may participate in Conference AAAA spring football practice. This rule becomes effective during the 1964-65 school year and reads: "Students in the ninth grade may participate in spring football

training in Conference AAAA schools provided (1) that such participation is on a site and at the same time as the high school squad practices and (2) that said high school is the one which the junior high school students will attend the following fall."

The debate proposition chosen by member schools is: Resolved, that nuclear weapons should be controlled by an international organization."



MENARD PLAYERS AT STATE—For the fourth year, Menard High School under the direction of Mrs. J. D. Noguess has won the Conference B State One-Act Play Contest. Johnny Gibbs (left) who played Serafino in "This Bull Ate Nutmeg" by Josephina Niggli was named Best Actor and winner of Samuel French Award. Fred Hendricks (right) appeared as Don Pancho. Also participating but not pictured were Keith Winslow; Sharan Spiller, Best Actress; Eddie Mears; Belvin Brummett; Cary Jay Williams; Sandra Sheen; Rick Canales; and Carl Martin.

## Students, Teachers Invited to Sessions

Student Activities Conferences have been planned for ten sites throughout the state this school year.

Co-sponsored by the University Interscholastic League and the host colleges, the sessions are designed to give maximum information about League contests and to aid teachers and students in preparing for the events.

Hosts this year are Texas Christian University, Odessa College, the University of Houston, Kilgore College, Sam Houston State College, Abilene Christian College, College of Arts and Industries, Uvalde High School, Tarleton State College, and The University of Texas.

At the general student activities conferences, experts in the contests will discuss the philosophy, rules, and proper preparation for the events. Sessions will be open for teachers and students to question any League work and obtain any information needed.

Any teacher and student interested in the contest areas is welcome to attend any of the sessions. The League and host schools will mail information material about the meets and invitations to schools to send delegates.

League directors of drama, slide rule, number sense, science, journalism, and other contests will attend as many sessions as possible.

The University of Texas has supplied Dr. Ernest Sharpe, Prof. Bill McReynolds, Dr. Norris Davis, Dr. C. Richard King, Prof. Olin Hinkle, Dr. Mary Gardner, Dr. Alan Scott, and others in journalism; Professors Martin Todaro and Rex Wier in speech.

Dr. Loren Winship, Wayne Pevey, and Roy Brown in drama; Drs. Powell Stewart, Edwin T. Bowden, Richard D. Lehan, Roger H. Wilson, Roger Abrahams, and Prof. John A. Walker in ready writing.

Prof. James M. Hurt in number sense has been present with Prof. Jack Lenhart in slide rule and Dr. Irwin Spear in science.

The host colleges and surrounding institutions have also provided dozens of consultants for the conferences.

Attendance at student activities conferences has grown each year. Sponsors and students have expressed a desire to continue them each year.

No limit is placed on the number of delegates a school may send. The sessions start early on Saturday mornings and run until noon.

## Nuclear Topic Debate Data Now Available

By DR. J. REX WIER

One of the most important problems facing the leaders of the world today forms the basic nucleus of the 1964-65 NUEA debate topic, Resolved: That Nuclear Weapons Should Be Controlled by an International Organization.

Each debater, as well as debate coach, will need broad knowledge of nuclear weapons and disarmament proposals. The League has prepared the usual packet of materials pertaining to the topic, however, there are certain other sources that must be obtained individually by each teacher. This is especially true of background materials which can facilitate understanding of the topic area.

Those teachers and students who visited the US Atomic Energy Commission's exhibit at the World's Fair Hall of Science may have seen some of the valuable booklets that the Commission has prepared for understanding the atom. The following titles are recommended: (1) Fallout From Nuclear Tests, (2) Nuclear Terms, A Brief Glossary, (3) Our Atomic World, and (4) Nuclear Reactors. Single copies are free on request from USAEC, P. O. Box 62, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831.

*Current History* has devoted the three summer (1964) issues to weapons control. A debate guide, outlining the principal points in each article, is also available. The topics treated include: June, "Disarmament in Perspective, What progress has been made?" July, "Weapons Control Today, What are the key problems?" and August, "The US and Weapons Control, What should our policy be?" Information regarding prices and quantities may be obtained from Current History, 1822 Ludlow St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19103.

Colleges and universities debated a similar topic in 1957-58, dealing with the prohibition of further nuclear testing by international agreement. Some of those materials are germane to the present topic. A demonstration debate will be given at the Texas Speech Association Meeting in Houston, Oct. 3.

## Record Number To Vie in UIL

The Interscholastic League's 1964 Football Season will feature teams from 944 high schools in Texas, eight more than took part in the 1963 season.

Texas will field more high school squads than any other state. This fall there will be approximately 7,500 A, B, and junior high school football games played with an estimated 100,000 boys playing before approximately 10,000,000 people.

The 1964 breakdown is AAAA, 145 schools; AAA, 115; AA, 182; A, 201; B, 180; eight-man, 59; six-man, 62.

## Student Activities Conference Schedule

Student activities conferences scheduled for the 1964-65 school year are as follows:

- October 10: Fort Worth, Texas Christian University
- October 17: Odessa, Odessa College
- October 24: Houston, the University of Houston
- October 31: El Paso, Texas Western College (Drama only)
- November 7: Kilgore, Kilgore College
- November 14: Huntsville, Sam Houston State College (Drama and Speech only)
- December 4: Abilene, Abilene Christian College
- December 12: Kingsville, College of Arts & Industries
- January 16: Uvalde, Uvalde High School
- February 6: Stephenville, Tarleton State College
- University of Texas date pending.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Kidd:

Thank you very much for the Scholarship Dinner. I really appreciated the opportunity to meet and talk with some of the faculty members, donors, and other students. It makes me feel good to know that people do care about us and about what happens to us. The dinner was delicious! I'm sure that everyone else enjoyed it, too—almost as much as I did.

I feel deeply indebted to the University Interscholastic League for many reasons. First of all, just the participation in the district, regional, and state meets is something I shall never forget. I met numerous people and enjoyed many new experiences. Next, the scholarship I received played an important part in the financing of my first year at Texas. It helped take quite a burden off my parents. Last, but, as the saying goes, certainly not least, is the fact I decided only after coming to the State Meet to attend the University. I had considered going to Tech, but after I spent a day and a half here I knew that *this* was the place for me. I had a more difficult time finding my way around the campus than the proverbial freshman, but everyone I asked for directions was polite, friendly, and glad to be able to be of some service. The atmosphere all over the campus was so pleasant and inviting. After coming here, I could not picture myself at any other school. I could never tell all that the UIL has done for me.

Thank you again for everything—the dinner and especially the UIL. If there is ever anything I can do to help you in any way, please be sure to call on me.

Sincerely yours,  
Marcia Whitmore

## Local Study of League Rules Advised of Superintendents

By R. J. KIDD

The superintendent of schools is charged with the responsibility of seeing all League rules are strictly observed in every League contest in which his pupils participate. Each administrator is urged to advise his coaches and sponsors to read carefully the *Constitution and Contest Rules*, and especially the following:

1. Article VIII, page 18. This article charges the superintendent and principal with the responsibility of strictly enforcing all rules for every contest, both literary and athletic, in which the pupils from their school are engaged.

2. Article VIII, page 20, and Football and Basketball Plans. Coaches should be reminded that "B" and "scrub" teams must also adhere to the rules and regulations set forth in the various plans for competition, as well as the "A" or "varsity" squads and teams. Such a reminder

may prevent a violation by B team players which would disqualify the school for competing for League honors. While eligibility rules are not enforced on "B" and "scrub" teams, all tournament rules of the athletic plans are, such as number of games played, tournament participation, and participation by individual players in inter-school games.

3. Police and crowd control. Each school is responsible for courtesies due each visiting team and each game official, as well as the safety of teams, officials and fans. Administrators should insist upon adequate police protection for each game, each track and field tournament. See Football and Basketball Codes.

4. Rules for various contests. Administrators usually insist that coaches for athletic events review the rules governing their players. It is an excellent precaution for the superintendent to remind his choir, orchestra, and band directors to review the eligibility and contest rules applying to music competition. The coaches and sponsors of the literary and academic contests should also read again the rules for their particular events.

## By Academic Contests

# Scholarship Winners Begin College Study

This year, 47 students who competed in the League literary and academic contests at the state meet will attend college or university under Texas Interscholastic League Foundation scholarships. This is the greatest number of winners and the largest sum the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation Board has ever provided.

The 33 recipients chosen this year will receive \$68,500; the 14 recipients whose scholarships have not yet terminated will receive \$31,050, a grand total of \$99,550. This includes the last half of a one-year scholarship given a boy last year; he was injured and unable to utilize the funds until this fall.

These awards include ten scholarships given by the Welch Foundation in the amount of \$1000 a year for four years; five scholarships of the Moody Foundation in the amount of \$1000 a year for four

years; ten Jesse Jones scholarships in the amount of \$500 each for one year; two Texas Laundry and Dry Cleaning Association scholarships in the amount of \$800 each (funds to be distributed over two years), one in the amount of \$500 given by J. O. Webb and a similar sum given by J. B. Cook, both of Houston and both Board members.

Two scholarships of \$100 each were given in honor of Roy Bedichek and Dean Shelby, respectively. The Henry Beckman slide rule scholarship was for \$200, and the Henry Beckman number sense award was for \$500. Mr. Beckman's scholarship, given annually for many years now, was the "mustard seed" which inspired the founding of the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation and the securing of additional grants for other League contestants in the literary and academic competition at the State Meet.

### Recipients to College

Of the 47 students, 10 chose to attend Rice University, 25 The University of Texas, 1 A & M, 2 North Texas State University, 2 Texas Tech, 2 Baylor University, 1 The University of Houston, 1 Southwest Texas State College and 1 McMurry College. Note that these winners are attending nine different institutions in Texas. Jones scholarship awardees are restricted to The University of Texas or Texas Western University at El Paso.

"Those who compete in the literary and academic events expend as much effort as those who march down the football field or break the tape at track meets. Their talent is, I believe, equally deserving of recognition. It was a pleasure to award these scholarships. I only regret that the Foundation has no more funds to award more of the talented boys and girls being graduated from our Texas high schools annually." This was Mr. R. J. Kidd's summary of the work of the Foundation.

### Welch Winners

The ten Welch Foundation scholarship winners, the contest in which each competed at State Meet, and

the school are:

Robert Joel Barnhart, science, Pettus; Stuart Neil Carriker, science, Roby; Clinton Alton Hassell, science, Seagraves; John Carl Ingram, science, Lanier (Austin); Lawrence N. Kremer, science, Jefferson (Dallas); James Austin Maglothlin, science, Wichita Falls; Dennis E. Sorrensen, slide rule and number sense, Bridge City; Harold Dean Victory, Jr., number sense, Gladewater; James Benjamin Walker, science, Hirschi (Wichita Falls); and Bryan Jay Wolf, science and persuasive speaking, Austin (Houston).

The Moody Foundation scholarship winners (the sixth receiving a three-year scholarship which had been dropped by a previous contestant) are:

Johnny Virgil Boley, number sense, Monterey (Lubbock); Enrique Gonzalez, number sense, McAllen; Coy Lewis May, number sense, Rider (Wichita Falls); Larry Earl Meyer, number sense, Schulenberg; Terry F. Satterwhite, debate, San Marcos; and Richard L. Kerr, journalism, Highlands (San Antonio).

The two students receiving the Texas Laundry and Dry Cleaning See Winners, Page 3.

## Nuclear Arms Debate Topic

The high school debate topic for the 1964-65 school year is "Resolved, that nuclear weapons should be controlled by an international organization."

Each debater should secure a debate packet, which contains both volumes of the NUEA bulletin and such additional pamphlets, books and articles upon control of nuclear weapons as could be secured.

To secure a debate kit, send check or money order for \$4 to the University Interscholastic League, Box 8028, University Station, Austin, Texas 78712.

to the discouragement of the average child?

Are these activities not conducive to create leaders for our nation?

These two questions came in a letter from a school executive who said he was preparing a paper discussing the value of Interscholastic League participation.

We replied as follows: We would answer your first question by saying that League contests might discourage the "average" child if the school centers on only one or two contests. For instance, suppose a school went in solely for debate. The result would be that half a dozen quite bright pupils in a small school would soon monopolize all the attention, and others whose abilities did not happen to lie in that field would be quite discouraged.

Again, suppose a school went in solely for football, as many of them do. Pupils not fitted naturally for that activity feel a great handicap, and all the to-do made over the team tends to give those not equipped for this rugged sport a feeling of inferiority.

The League presupposes a contest program, that is, it presupposes putting on sufficient variety of contests to accommodate the various types of ability found in the school. If so inaugurated, it is a great stimulation and need not discourage any considerable percentage of pupils. Some pupils bring their inferiority complexes to school with them, and bring their inability to cooperate, their laziness, their lack of ambition. All the school can do is to offer an opportunity. There is generally a certain percentage of pupils who do not profit either by the extracurricular or by the regular school program. The discouraging of the rather dull pupil is much more apt to be accomplished by sticking strictly to the curriculum and making the only distinction the achieving of high scholarship, or high grades. The extracurricular program broadens the base of possible achievement.

Your second question we answer definitely in the affirmative. Opportunities for practicing leadership under existing or trying conditions are given more often in team games, including debating, dramatics and others than in any other school activity.

## Hico Teacher Wins Award

From scaling fish to scaling numbers, Mrs. Lucille Brummett succeeds. A teacher of mathematics and science for 11 years at Hico High School, Mrs. Brummett was awarded one of the 1964 Actuaries Club of the Southwest teaching and coaching awards.



WACO UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL WINNERS—Five 13AAA first place State Meet winners were from University High School. Winners and events are: Mike Robins (second from left), high hurdles; Mary Ellen Mathews, girls' poetry; Nan Booker, girls' extemporaneous speaking; Jarrell Marshall, boys' poetry; and Larry Lynch, boys' prose. Track coach Robert Duty (left end) and Mrs. Gladys Hughes (right end), speech coach, share honors with their students.





