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## Marshall Named League Director-General

### New UIL Chief Admits: 'It'll Be A Challenge'

Dr. Bailey M. Marshall, assistant to the UIL director for one month short of five years, has been named director-general of the League effective Sept. 1.

He replaced Dr. Rhea H. Williams, who retired at the end of August after serving as director of the UIL since 1968. The two men share a background in sports and both have served as UIL athletic director.

### Editorial Assistant Appointed

Bobby Frank Hawthorne, 25, a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, has been named ILPC coordinator and UIL editorial assistant, announced Dr. Bailey Marshall, director-general.

Hawthorne comes to the League from Tyler, where he was employed more than a year as wire editor and city hall reporter for the Tyler Courier-Times and Morning Telegraph.

Before that, he was city editor of the weekly Placencia, Calif. News-Times. He also worked part-time while attending high school and junior college for the Longview News-Journal as a statistician and sportswriter.

Hawthorne has been in the newspaper field since 1970.

A graduate of White Oak High School, he won UIL journalism awards both his junior and senior years, finishing fourth in feature writing his junior year at the State Meet in Austin and first in editorial writing, second in headline writing, and third in feature writing his senior year.

Hawthorne also won the ILPC top sportswriting award in 1971.

"I have been associated with the League—in varying degrees—for several years now and am proud to be a fulltime employee," he said. "I am looking forward to a successful career here."

His duties will include coordinating the ILPC, editing the Interscholastic Leaguer, and various other responsibilities.

### Marshall Due At Federation Baseball Meet

League Director-General Bailey Marshall will chair a meeting of the National Federation Baseball Rules Committee, which is set for Oct. 5-6, in Elgin, Ill.

Topics expected to be discussed include new safety rules, rules to speed up the game and further editing and clarifying of the Federation's rules and regulations.

Other members of the committee include Fred Barry of Bangor, Maine; Buford Clary of Columbia, S.C.; Joseph F. Reed of Westminster, Calif.; Richard Seltz of Austin, Minn.; Gene Bunnelle of Aurora, Colo.; John Hilsenteger of Tigard, Ore.; Ken Schriber of LaPorte, Ind.; and Louis Stout of Lexington, Ky.

Marshall becomes the fifth director-general of the largest organization of its type in the world.

"Of course, I'm pleased. I appreciate the compliment of the school people who recommended me and the confidence of those here at the University," Marshall said. "It'll be quite a challenge, especially at this time of a changing society."

**Time of Problems**  
As athletic director, the Georgetown native guided the UIL's sports program through perhaps its stormiest days.

"We've come through some trying times: Integration of our schools and the influx of girls athletes," he said. "But we've made the transition smoothly and the UIL athletic program for boys and girls is stronger now than ever."

"And I certainly appreciate the work of all people in the local schools because it is really those people that made the League go—not me as athletic director," he added. "It's the people out in the field."

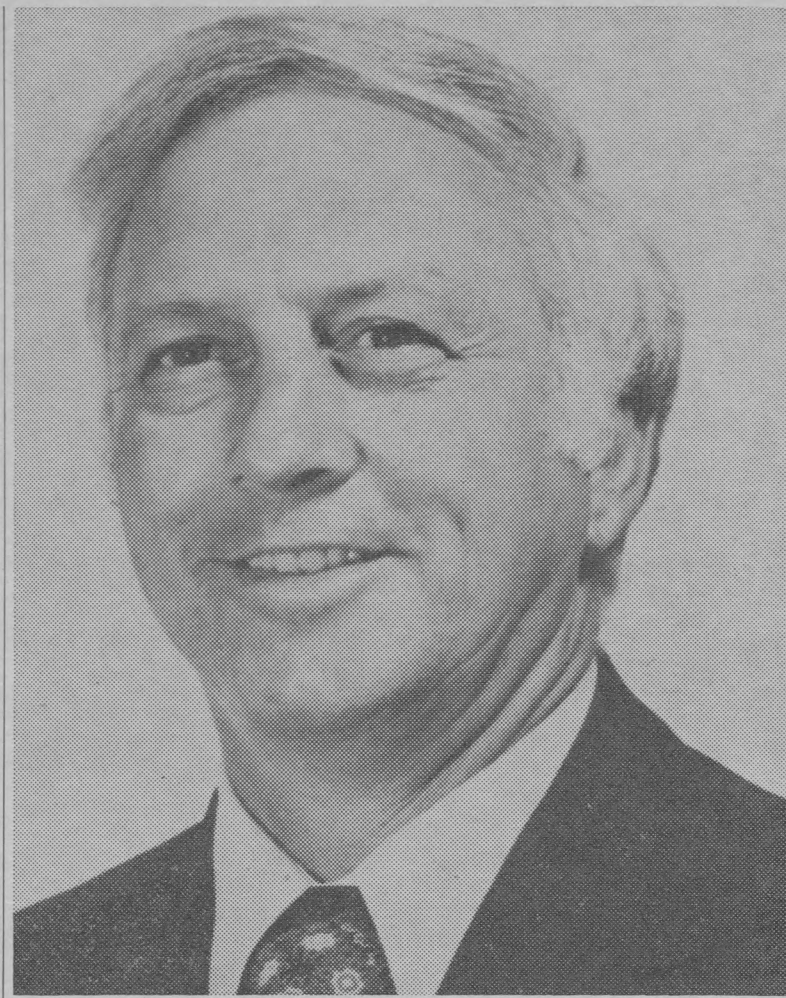
Prior to joining the UIL, Marshall turned in outstanding performances in high school and college in several sports. He attended Georgetown High School and lettered in football, basketball, track and baseball.

**Little All-America**  
At Stephen F. Austin State University, he lettered four years in football, was team captain and was both All-Conference and Little All-America selection.

He has been a teacher and an administrator in public schools in Gladewater, White Oak and Lockhart, and achieved a winning record as football and track coach at White Oak.

Marshall joined the UIL as assistant athletic director in 1967 while completing work on a Ph.D. in educational administration at the University of Texas at Austin. He became athletic director of the League in 1968.

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FORMER LEAGUE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR DR. BAILEY M. MARSHALL (Left) SUCCEEDS DR. RHEA H. WILLIAMS AS DIRECTOR-GENERAL. Williams Remains With The League By Heading The UIL Scholarship Foundation Program.



### Williams To Head TILF Scholarship Program

A 30-year career of service to Texas public schools ended Aug. 31 with the retirement of Dr. Rhea H. Williams as UIL director-general, a position he had held since 1968.

He will remain involved with the UIL as head of the League's foundation scholarship program, which in 1977 awarded 130 new scholarships worth more than \$186,000 to deserving high school graduates.

"I felt the time was right for me to step down," Williams said. "And I know I'm leaving the League in good hands. Bailey (Dr. Marshall) is definitely a qualified educator and I have confidence he will be an outstanding director."

But Williams did not abandon his position without being duly honored.

#### Honored by Coaches

During the summer months, he was applauded by both the Texas High School Coaches Association and the Texas High School Girls Coaches Association and was named honorary lifetime member of the Southwest Football Officials Association.

Former UIL director-general Rodney J. Kidd said Williams did an "outstanding" job during his years as UIL chief and accolades came from other educational groups from around the state.

Williams said he was pleased with the growth of the League and its role in Texas education since he joined the organization in October, 1946.

#### Major Accomplishments

He cited four major accomplishments:

—Expansion of boys' athletics. "When I came to the League, there were 425 football schools and about 600 basketball schools. Since then, the League has grown to include about 1,000 schools participating in football and about 1,200 basketball schools. In addition, we've added many new activities in the athletic area for boys and I'm proud these additions have been made in an orderly way."

#### Girls Athletics

—Expansion of girls' athletics. "We're also proud of the fact that girls' athletics has been given

equal emphasis during my regime. When I came to the League, the UIL sponsored only one athletic event for girls: tennis. Now, we've gone into a full program and have a League-sponsored sport for girls to match every activity offered boys, with the exception of tackle football."

He said girls can participate in volleyball during boys football season, thus giving them a full seasonal sports schedule.

—Integration. "Texas was one of the few states in the nation that went through integration without any major upheavals and we're very proud of that fact."

—Expansion of literary and academic programs. "Our literary and academic program has grown

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### Liquor Ban At Contests

Administrators and other officials are not being arbitrary when they will not permit liquor upon public school grounds. House Bill No. 531 forbids the bringing or carrying of intoxicating beverages into any stadium or field where high school athletic events are being carried on. This Bill is quoted below, for the benefit of all public school officials:

"Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to bring or carry into any enclosure, field or stadium, where athletic events, sponsored or participated in by the public schools of this state, are being held, any intoxicating beverage in his possession while in or on said enclosure, field or stadium.

"Section 2. Provided that if any officer of this State sees any person or persons violating the terms of Section 1 of this Act, he shall immediately seize such intoxicating beverage and shall within a reasonable time thereafter deliver same to the County or District Attorney."

## Crawford Administrator New League Director Of Athletics

William Doyle "Bill" Farney, superintendent of the Crawford Independent School District and veteran coach and administrator, has been named League athletic director, replacing Dr. Bailey Marshall.

The announcement was made by Dr. Rhea H. Williams in early August.

A longtime proponent of UIL activities, the 37-year-old Farney said, "I'm sold on the philosophy of

the League. I realize as time goes by, changes will have to be made. Sometimes you have to change to remain the same.

#### Praises League

"But the UIL is the finest organization of its kind anywhere," he continued. "The people involved are without exception the best educators and professionals in their field and I look at this opportunity as a challenge and privilege."

Dr. Marshall likewise applauded

the selection of Farney.

"Bill is an outstanding coach and school administrator and we feel most fortunate to have him joining our staff," he said.

#### Chilton High Grad

Farney graduated from Chilton High School in 1958 and attended Paris Junior College and Tulsa University on football scholarships. After a successful collegiate career, highlighted in 1964 when he received a bachelors degree in

English and a minor in physical education and social studies, Farney began coaching at Tulsa's Madison Junior High School.

He later coached at Will Rogers High School in Tulsa before returning to Texas as football, basketball, track and junior high girls' basketball coach at Lorena High School.

During his coaching stint at Lorena, he produced the 1965 state basketball semifinalist, which lost to eventual state champ West Sabine.

#### Waco Principal-Coach

From 1967 through the fall of 1969, Farney was high school principal and coach at Waco Robinson High School. In January of 1970, he moved to Crawford as superintendent and coach. In the seven years since, he has coached a 1973 quarterfinals football team, more than a half dozen district champion girls' basketball teams, and a Class B state championship girls' basketball team in 1975.

His girls track team won district honors six consecutive years and was runner-up at the 1977 Girls' State Track and Field Meet.

Farney's overall coaching record includes a 52-46-5 football slate and an impressive 360-92 basketball ledger.

#### Baylor Graduate

In the summer of 1966, he began work towards his masters degree in education at Baylor University and received his degree in 1968. Farney is presently working towards his doctorate in educational administration and plans to complete coursework in the next year and a half.

He is married to the former Shirley Johnson of Paris and they have three children: Bryan, 17; Brent, 14; and Susan, 10.

## 9 Student Activities Conferences Slated

Thousands of Texas high school students will take the first step towards possible successful careers in League competition when they attend one of nine Student Activities Conferences, slated across the state through Nov. 19.

The meetings, coordinated by League Drama Director Lynn Murray, are scheduled by the League and the host institutions and will be held as follows:

- Canyon, West Texas State University, Sept. 17;
- Austin, the University of Texas at Austin, Sept. 24;
- Odessa, Odessa College, Oct. 1;
- Arlington, the University of Texas at Arlington, Oct. 15;
- Houston, the University of Houston, Oct. 22;
- Kilgore, Kilgore College, Oct. 29;
- Huntsville, Sam Houston State University, Nov. 6;
- Wichita Falls, Midwestern University, Nov. 12;
- Kingsville, Texas A&I University, Nov. 19.

The student activities conferences are designed to provide a "trial run" on many contests for students and coaches, and to furnish new ideas for training for the competition, said Dr. Bailey Marshall, League director-general.

Demonstrations and practice tests are planned to give students a taste of competition and to build up their confidence, he added.

"The student activity conferences are training grounds for many academic and literary champions," said Dr. Marshall. "I urge students and sponsors to attend the conferences nearest to them."

Instructional sessions in journalism, drama, ready writing, slide rule, number sense, science and all speech events including debate will be offered. Some conferences will also offer sessions in spelling.

Information regarding the conferences will be mailed to League

schools in early September, Marshall said. Approximately three weeks prior to each conference, a special invitation will be mailed to all schools in the area.

There is no limit to the number who may attend from any one school and there will be no registration or other fees. The sessions are free to all students and teachers interested in League academic and literary contests.

"We will have information at all conferences concerning the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation scholarships that go to selected State Meet participants and to some runners-up in regional meets," Marshall said.

"In June, we awarded more than \$185,000 in TILF grants," he added. "We hope to build upon that in the coming years."

All State Meet competitors in academic and literary contests, and all regional meet runners-up are eligible to apply for the TILF grants.

## League Rules:

### A Better Job Of Education Needed

By DR. BAILEY MARSHALL  
UIL Director-General

We have reached a time in our society when all established organizations are being challenged regarding their authority. This challenge of authority is being felt by the UIL and all other interscholastic leagues throughout the nation.

We, the school administrators, contest directors and UIL administrators, must meet this challenge in order to keep activities in our school educational and on an amateur level. It is imperative that the League administrators and school

people do a better job of educating teachers, sponsors, coaches, students, parents and laymen concerning the rules and organizational structure of the League.

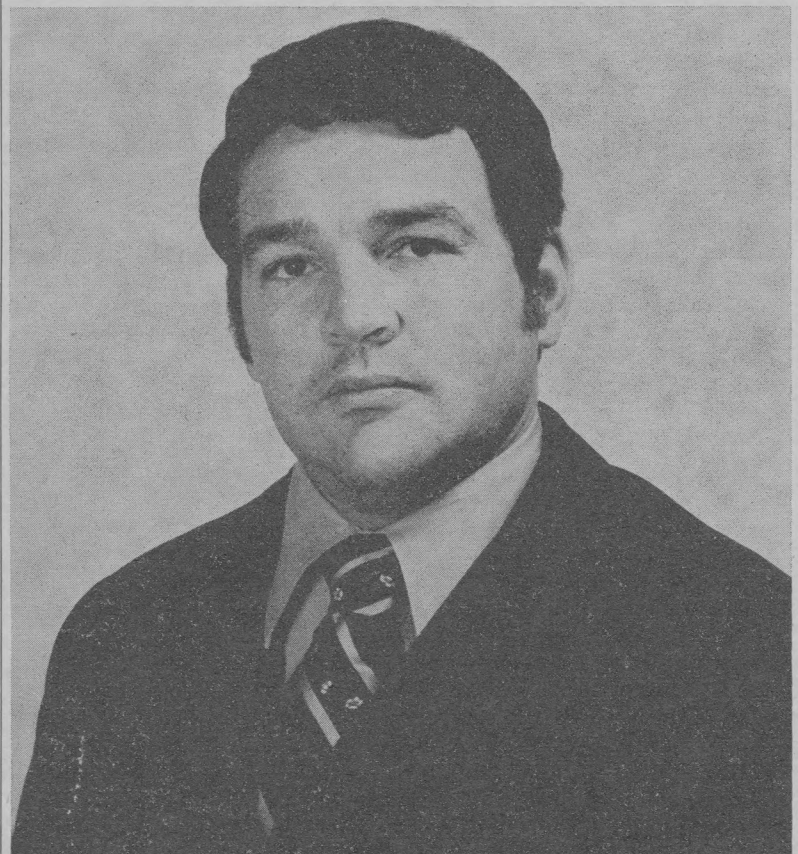
We can no longer sit back and say, "You're eligible because the UIL says you are." Or, "You can't do that because it is against the rules." Instead, we must: (1) Inform these groups what the rules are; (2) explain how the rules and policies are made; and (3) explain why the rules were made.

#### Not Impossible Tasks

Informing people about the rules and how they are made are not impossible tasks. The League Office publishes the *Constitution and Contest Rules*, which contains the eligibility rules and rules for various activities. Most of these rules are self-explanatory, though certain rules are open for interpretation.

The Amateur Rule, the Changing Schools Rule, the One-Year Rule, and the Awards Rule are the most open for interpretation. Opinions and interpretations regarding

See League Rules, Page 2



BILL FARNEY NAMED LEAGUE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR. Ex-Crawford Superintendent Succeeds Dr. Marshall

## Teacher Cites Key To Success

### Veteran UIL Sponsor Reflects On Contests, Career

In 26 years as a Texas high school business teacher and UIL sponsor, B. J. Eudy has admittedly seen it all. To wit:

—A student once relied on a tranquilizer to calm his nerves before a district typing contest. It didn't work. He passed out during the second five-minute test.

—Another student broke her right wrist prior to the district typing contest. Undaunted, Eudy requisitioned a righthand carriage return typewriter and—against doctor's orders—she competed and

placed fourth in the contest.

Eudy has sponsored in various UIL contests a girl who couldn't read, a midget typist, a Japanese exchange student who knew little English, and an assortment of other unique students involved in less than normal circumstances at various contests.

And, not to be forgotten, he has sponsored a number of champions—on all levels of competition.

In his quarter-century in education, Eudy, presently business teacher at Lubbock Roosevelt High

School, has cradled along 133 students who have placed either first, second or third in UIL competi-

tion. On the State Meet level alone, he has sponsored 25 contestants. See Teacher Cites, Page 4



ELIZABETH HARRIS . . . Director of Spelling

### UT's Harris Named New League Spelling Director

University of Texas at Austin assistant professor of English Elizabeth Hall Harris has been appointed UIL director of spelling for the 1977-78 school year, announced Dr. Bailey Marshall, League director-general.

Harris, a native of Fort Worth, attended high school in Pittsburgh, Penn. and received her bachelors and masters degrees from Carnegie-Mellon University and Boston University respectively.

She began her doctorate works in 1972 at Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland and completed requirements at Stanford University in 1976.

Harris specializes in Anglo-Irish literature, emphasizing on the late 19th and early 20th century English literature, and teaches writing.

She was a Danforth Fellow from 1973 to 1976, a Fellow of the Society for Values in Higher Educa-

tion, and a member of the Modern Language Association.



# You All Come

Ten Texas Universities and colleges join the League this fall in presenting Student Activities Conferences to help students and teachers in the preparation for competition in UIL Spring Meet academic and literary contests.

These conferences help schools to get a real head start in preparation for the contests. The conferences are open to all Texas students and teachers involved in the competition. There are no charges or fees of any kind.

If your school plans to compete in UIL Spring Meet contests your coaches and students should have the benefit of these training sessions. The schedule of conferences is on page one of this issue of the Leaguer.

Choose the conference or conferences nearest you and bring your students and teachers to these fine training sessions. The only purpose in offering these conferences is to help you. We can't help you if you do not attend.

# Speak Up For Athletics

Dr. Juliam I. Barish, a New York psychiatrist and secretary of The American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry, said, "Competitive sports are necessary for many youngsters. They are as important to them as music and art are to other students. Competition in sports should always be an option because for many young people it is useful. Depriving them of sports can be a serious mistake."

In a national family magazine, Dr. Merritt B. Low, noted authority on sports and young athletes, was quoted as saying, "In the long run, organized sports help to teach a child how to attain success (hopefully in a fair way) and also how to cope with failure and loss—the aims of all education and worthwhile discipline."

The New York City Department of Education directs one of the biggest interscholastic programs in the country, Assistant Director of New York's Health and Physical Education Department, John Glattin, firmly stand in favor of school sports. "There is no question in my mind as to the value of interscholastic competition. We have the best weapons against the two most pressing foes of modern education—drugs and quitting school. We find that athletes tend to stay away from drugs and the drop-out rate is much lower than that of non-athletes."

The American Medical Association's Committee on Medical Aspects of Sports has on file a report which points out advantages of children's organized athletics. A spokeswoman for the committee, commenting on the report, said that when there are qualified supervision, adequate safety measures and protective equipment (which most schools and organized sponsors offer), a child is much safer than playing "sandlot ball." The AMA spokeswoman also said that "another benefit of school sports is the required physical before participation which children playing in the street don't have."

# Pre-High Schoolers Catching Number Sense Contest Fever

By DR. MAX R. HADDICK

The League Number Sense Contest has achieved great popularity in Texas high schools, but students below ninth grade are just now catching the mental mathematics fever.

One of the oldest UIL contests, Number Sense develops in the competitors the ability to rapidly solve many numbers problems without resorting to scratch paper and pencil calculating. The students, following the methods described fully in the Developing Number Sense book, achieve startling speed and accuracy in handling simple calculations.

One sixth grader, seeking a means of showing off his newly acquired skill, asked his dad, "Can you tell me what 45 times 45 is?" The father started to scribble down the numbers, but before he could get the problem written down his son proudly announced, "It is 2025, and I can multiply a lot of numbers ending in 5 by themselves in my head."

"OK," Dad said dubiously, "What is 65 times 65?" "No sweat," bragged the boy. "The answer is 4225."

That stumped the man for a moment, but the boy proudly explained the trick involved in squaring numbers ending in 5 and the father was impressed.

"But that is a bit limited in use," dad said. "You don't have that many occasions to multiply

numbers ending in 5 by themselves.

"Sure," the boy countered, "But I can use that trick in many other problems. For instance if I have to multiply 24 times 25, I just multiply 25 times 25 and then subtract 25. That gives me 600."

In the conversation that followed the boy proudly demonstrated how he could divide by 25 by multiplying by 4, divide by 12 1/2 by multiplying by 4, extract square roots of small numbers mentally, and check answers by a simple estimation process.

### Students Take Pride In Computation

"The League Number Sense Contest can be of great value to elementary and junior high students as well as high school students," said Dr. Rhea H. Williams, former director of the UIL. "Thousands of youngsters develop a sense of numbers by following the simple directions in the League booklet. They seem to lose their dread of computation and take real pride in handling numbers. I hope that we can encourage more elementary and junior high schools to give their students the chance to study the book and work the exercises that are available at very low cost."

Williams added that the study of Number Sense is of great value by itself, but if combined with inter-

**RICHARDS HIGH**  
Richards High School has been placed on probation in Boys Basketball for the 1977-78 school year by the District Executive Committee for violation of Rule 15 of the Boys' Basketball Plan.

**CORSICANA**  
Corsicana High School is disqualified for district honors in Boys Basketball by the District Executive Committee for the 1977-78 season for violation of Rules 13 and 15 of the Boys' Basketball Plan and Article VIII, Section 16.

**WESTBROOK HIGH**  
The District Executive Committee has placed Westbrook High School on probation for a period of one year from January 21, 1977 to January 21, 1978 in Boys' Basketball for a violation of the Athletic Code.

**KALEPSMAN HIGH**  
The District Executive Committee of District 13AAA has placed Kaufman High School on probation in Girls' Basketball for the 1977-78 school year for a violation of the Athletic Code.

**HAWLEY HIGH**  
Hawley High School was placed on probation by the State Executive Committee in Boys' Basketball for the 1977-78 school year for violation of the Athletic Code of the League.

**COMMERCE HIGH**  
The State Executive Committee has placed Commerce High School on probation for the 1977-78 season in Boys' Basketball for violation of Article VII, Section 32, item 3.

**CLARKSVILLE HIGH**  
The State Executive Committee has placed Clarksville High School on probation for the 1977-78 season in Boys' Basketball for violation of the Athletic Code of the League.

**KALEPSMAN HIGH**  
The District Executive Committee of District 13AAA has placed Kaufman High School on probation in Girls' Basketball for the 1977-78 school year for a violation of the Athletic Code.

**FLOUR BLUFF HIGH**  
The Executive Committee of District 15AAA voted to place Flour Bluff High School on probation for the 1977-78 school year for violation of Rule 24 of the Football Plan and that suspension from the League be recommended to the State Executive Committee should Rule 24 again be violated by Flour Bluff High School during the said probation period.

**MOODY HIGH**  
The District Executive Committee of District 11A has placed Moody High School on probation in football for the 1977-78 season for violation of Rule 10 of the Football Plan.

**BELLS HIGH**  
Bells High School has been placed on probation in football for the 1977 season by the District Executive Committee for violation of the Athletic Code Rule 2 of the League rules.

**KASIMERE (HOUSTON)**  
The State Executive Committee has placed Kasimere High School of Houston on probation in football for the 1977 season for violation of the Athletic Code Rule 2 of the League rules.

**CAHOUN HIGH**  
Cahoun High School of Port Lavaca has been placed on probation in football for the 1977 season by the District Executive Committee.

**GROVETON HIGH**  
Groveton High School has been placed on probation in Boys' Basketball for the 1977-78 school year for violation of Rule 1 of the Boys' Basketball Plan by the District Executive Committee.

**WILSON HIGH**  
District 18B has placed Wilson High School on probation in Boys' Basketball for the 1977-78 school year for violation of the Athletic Code.

**BRYAN ADAMS (Dallas), and W. W. SAMUEL (Dallas)**  
Bryan Adams High School and W. W. Samuel High School of Dallas have been placed on probation for violation of the Athletic Code by the 11AAA District Executive Committee in Boys' Basketball for the 1977-78 school year.

**PRESCRIBED MUSIC LIST**  
Page 66—Should read "Sinfonico Quartette" by Reicha (play one).

**PAGE 178—PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**, first paragraph should read: "All Class I and Class II vocal solos will be sung in any published key."

**PAGE 124, Article III, Section 5**, should read: "AAAA—High schools with an average membership of 1200 or more students in grades 9-10-11-12."

**AAA—High schools with an average membership of 500-1219 students, inclusive, in grades 9-10-11-12.**

**AA—High schools with an average membership of 240-549 students, inclusive, in grades 9-10-11-12.**

**A—High schools with an average membership of 125-239 students, inclusive, in grades 9-10-11-12.**

That selections indicated on the contest list as "(with organ)" be changed to read "(optional organ)".

**SMILEY HIGH (Houston)**  
The Smiley High School Choir of North Forest Independent School District in Houston has been disqualified from Music Activities for the 1977-78 school year by the Region IX ULL Music Executive Committee for violation of the University Interscholastic League Constitution and Rules, Music Plan, Article VII, Section 32, item 3.

**BRYAN ADAMS HIGH (Dallas)**  
The Bryan Adams High School Second Band of Dallas has been disqualified from participation in any ULL music activities during the 1977-78 school year by the Region III Music Executive Committee.

**ROOSEVELT HIGH (Dallas)**  
The Roosevelt High School Band of Dallas has been disqualified from participation in school year by the Region III Music Executive Committee.

**ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 14**  
The State Executive Committee has given the interpretation to include in Article VIII, Section 14 of the CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES, to allow a student who did not participate in football or basketball in school B for football and basketball if he meets all other requirements.

**ARTICLE XVI, SCHOLARSHIP RULE**  
The State Executive Committee has given the following interpretation concerning Vocational Adjustment Classes as regards Article XVI, the Scholarship Rule of the League: "Vocational Adjustment Class pupils working full time during their last year of eligibility are in compliance with Article XVI, the Scholarship Rule of the League."

**PICTURE MEMORY BULLETIN**  
The artist El Greco appears in error in the Picture Memory Bulletin on pages 1 and 26 as El Greco. Please make the correction to appear El Greco.

**MINOLA HIGH SCHOOL**  
Minola High School has been placed on probation in football for the 1977-78 school year for violation of Rule 24 of the Football Plan by the District Executive Committee.

**JEFF DAVIS HIGH**  
Jeff Davis High School of Houston has been placed on probation by the District Executive Committee for violation of eligibility rules for the 1977-78 school year.

**BOYS' AND GIRLS' BASKETBALL**  
Use of the rule regarding players raising their hand after fouling will continue for the 1977-78 season.

**KNOX CITY HIGH**  
Knox City High School has been placed on probation by the District Executive Committee for the 1977-78 school year in boys' golf for failure to submit an eligibility blank on their team.

**KITTY HAWK JR. HIGH**  
Music Executive Committee Region XII has disqualified Kitty Hawk Junior High School in Universal City for the 1976-77 band concert for eligibility contest and has placed them on probation for the 1977-78 school year in band for a violation of Article III, item 9 of the Music Plan.

**BOVINA**  
Bovina High School has been placed on probation in football by the District Executive Committee for violation of Rule 24, Item 9, for the 1977-78 school year.

**LEE (MIDLAND)**  
Lee High School of Midland has been disqualified for district honors in football by the District Executive Committee for violation of Rule 24 of the Football Plan for the 1977-78 school year.

**MARSHALL**  
Author of a number of articles on organization, administration and interscholastic activities, his particular interest are the prevention of high school football injuries and fatalities, organizational theory and management theory.

**Stephen F. Austin Graduate**  
He holds a bachelor's and master's degrees from Stephen F. Austin State University.

**Dr. Marshall is listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities and is a member of Alpha Chi (an honor society), Phi Delta Kappa and the National Federation of State High School Associations, and is chairman of the National Federation Baseball Rules Committee.**

He has served as an officer in the local Texas State Teachers Association, the Parent-Teachers Association and church organizations.

He is married to the former Shirley Sanders of Georgetown. They have four children: Jackie, Steve, Jana and LeAnn.



FIRST UIL DIRECTOR MORTON BROWN  
Beloved Actor, Director, Educator Dead

# League's First Drama Director Dead At 94

By LYNN MURRAY  
Drama Director

Morton Brown, the League's first drama director and founder of the Drama Loan Library, died Aug. 5 at age 94, ending a career of service to Texas drama students and educators which spanned more than four decades.

He will long be remembered for his love of the theatre and his hard work and unending efforts in assisting Texas students fulfill successful drama careers.

Son of a distinguished Austin businessman, Morton attended the University of Texas one year, until the death of his father forced him to quit school and assume responsibility of his mother, sisters and several aunts.

He became manager of the family's restaurant while taking charge of his own education—an endeavor which included hours upon hours of practicing Shakespeare in his spare time. He eventually became knowledgeable in literature, the fine arts and business.

It was while working at the family restaurant that Morton met Rebecca Young Schofield, who was later to become his private tutor. She encouraged him to attend summer sessions at the Rocky Mountain Artists Colony School of Expression and Dramatic Art at Estes Park, Colorado.

There, his efforts were further encouraged. With the advice of Mrs. Schofield and Oliver Hinsdel, founder of the Dallas Little Theatre and a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios director, Morton went to New York and was accepted for study with Richard Boleslavsky and Madame Ouspenskaya at the Stanislavsky School.

Two years later, he was forced to return to Austin, where his love for the theatre was to eventually touch the lives of thousands of students and teachers alike.

He returned to Austin in 1928 and was recruited by League director Roy Bedichek to serve as manager of the second annual play contest. He was manager of the third annual State Meet One-Act Play tournament in 1929 and was named League director of drama in February of 1930.

During his tenure, he initiated a column for the Leaguer, "Teachers Guide to Good Plays," a forerunner of the "Educational Theatre" column. Also during his regime, theatre contest entries increased to more than 600.

Reasons Often Explained  
Informing the school personnel and the public of the necessity of rules is a more difficult task. Occasionally, articles are written in the Leaguer to explain the "whys" of certain rules.

This policy will be continued in the future. Quite frequently, however, it is necessary to write a letter or call the League Office to find out why a rule was placed in the Constitution.

League administrators deal with interpretations of the rules, how they are made, and why they were made every day.

This most important thing to remember is that every rule in the Constitution was placed there for a reason. The rules are continually reviewed by the Legislative Council, as well as other school officials to determine if those reasons remain important enough to justify the rule. In some instances, we find the reasons may have changed, but the rule is still necessary because of other factors.

The time has come for all of us to work harder as a group in order to: (1) Improve the information flow and to sell the many outstanding points of the UIL; (2) inform students and parents of eligibility standards so they can protect their eligibility; (3) accentuate the positive aspects of our youth organization, and (4) speak out in defense of retaining an interscholastic program which is purely amateur—for an activities program which is not amateur cannot be justified as a part of a high school curriculum.

## Scholastic Journalism

# Changes Galore At ILPC Office

By DR. MAX R. HADDICK

Many changes have been made in the ILPC office since our last issue. Alicia McKinney has resigned and is now in Colorado. Jan House, the indefatigable secretary, has become a teacher in Austin. We wish both of them the very best in their new ventures.

Bobby Hawthorne, the new ILPC assistant, has been hard at work for a couple of months getting the Leaguer ready, membership mailings done, and about a jillion other chores. He is a former city editor, reporter, League journalism contestant and a great journalist. We are lucky to have him to work with us. He will be coordinator for the convention and will work in all phases of ILPC this year. Look for him at a number of the student activities conferences.

Mrs. Darlene Reynolds is the new secretary. She has a couple of years experience at the League and knows much about our procedures. She is a great organizer and will help us to serve you better.

### Membership Mailings

The newspaper membership mailing just went out. You should get your forms very soon. Now is the time to join to take advantage of all the contests and services. Fill out the forms carefully and get right into the year's activities. We are planning a full range of new pamphlets, extra services, super student activities conferences and other things. The sooner you join, the more you can benefit.

### Yearbook Mailings To Come

We are getting critic-judges lined up and will have the yearbook mailings out in a day or two. It is a big chore and has to be done right.

Be sure to get yours completed and returned as quickly as possible.

### Criticism Blues

Newspaper and yearbook criticisms are a major problem—even a pain in the neck for us. The big problem is getting the criticism issues sent in to us as soon as possible. For the past several years we have had bushels of papers and yearbooks come in for criticism on the very last day. That puts a very heavy, nearly impossible load on our critics.

If you order a newspaper criticism, send in your first three issues in an envelope marked "FOR CRITICISM." Do not wait for your best issues. There is no connection between criticisms and ratings. Actually, you get much more value if you send in your first three issues, no matter how far off your standards they may be. This way you get your critique early and can use it this year in helping to make your newspaper better.

### Yearbook Criticism Rating

Those who join for yearbook and order the criticism-rating should send in their books and checks immediately. Note that all yearbooks and the critic-judging fees must be sent to the judge. They must not be sent to ILPC. The sooner you get your book in, the quicker you get your critique. The book is already published and there is no advantage in waiting. Please help us by rushing those books to the critics.

Full information on fees, mailing instructions and other information will come to you in your yearbook.

Choose Your Words Carefully  
Recently I met a publications adviser in the Hancock Center parking lot. This adviser, noting that we were standing next to a brand new Honda 550 Super Sport motorcycle, proceeded to tell me that anyone who rode a motorcycle was insane, lacking in judgment, a bit off, short on mental marbles and not very nice. I had no reply to make, so I just mounted my Honda and quietly rode away.

However, I still say you meet the nicest folks on motorcycles. Let's make this the best year yet.

Let's make this the best year yet.

## Girls Track...

an 856, and its second team posted a third place finish at 918.

Barry Ratcliff of Houston Clear Lake finished first medalist overall with a 145, while Doug Nelle of Austin LBJ fired a 147 to finish as second medalist.

Kim Bauer shot a 152 to take low-score honors in the girls' division and lead Conroe to the Class AAAA championship.

Columbus won the Class AA girls' title while Dallas Highland Park took the Class AAAA boys' crown. Decatur won the Class AA boys' cup and Throckmorton did the same in Class B.

Freeman Tennis Champ  
In addition to its golfing heroics, Dallas Highland Park was also the featured performer on the Penick Courts, claiming the boys' singles champion in Reed Freeman, the girls' doubles champions and the boys' doubles runner-up.

Freeman finished off David Zimmerman of Abilene Cooper 6-3, 6-2, to cap a brilliant season, while Susie Low and Jan Johansen teamed to whip Houston Memorial's Mary Joe Giampalva and Eva Branisa, 6-4, 6-4, and claim the girls' doubles title.

John Low and Dan Cooper, also of Highland Park, lost the doubles title to Martin Saldana and Victor Longoria of Corpus Christi Miller, 7-5, 1-6, 6-3.

## Books & Magazines

**MAGAZINE EDITING AND PRODUCTION** by J. W. Ullek and Russell N. Baird of Ohio University. Wm. C. Brown Co., Publishers, Dubuque, Iowa, 1974.

This large format, 274-page text devotes three chapters to excellent and pragmatic history of the magazine industry, its growth and current trends, liberally illustrated with detailed examples from the nation's most famous successes and failures.

Practical emphasis is on planning, matching format to objectives and objectives to audience with the ever-present consideration of finances. The description of physical production techniques is excellent and pragmatic, while discussion of current styles in layout design are limited to lists of tips generally agreed upon in the trade or found in results of readership studies.

Through a concentrated, well-annotated exploration of the professional magazine field, the book will make a most valuable study tool for high school journalism classes, particularly those producing a newsmagazine. AH.

**HOW TO WRITE AND PUBLISH A BOOK** by Lenore Harris Hughes, Hughes Publishing Co., El Paso, Texas 79912, 1977.

A short yet specific and informative thumbnail sketch of how to get your book published. In Mrs. Hughes' own words, the book's purpose is to "whet a curiosity for all phases of getting a book published."

She succeeds admirably. The book is well indexed, simple to read, and contains common sense rules. It gives good discussion of the function and methods of each media with suggested projects for research and student presentations. There is enough of the technical detail of each media to make it meaningful, but not so much as to render it confusing.

This is an excellent media survey book, recommended for school libraries, language arts classes and journalism classes. MRF.

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# Wise Telephone Use Saves Time & Money For Schools

Want to improve telephone communications with the League office and save time and money to boot?

If so, take into consideration these simple suggestions.

Call between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays. These are the periods the staff is most available for telephone calls.

In speaking to the League receptionist, state: (1) Your name, position and school; and (2) nature of your call (be it to place an order, question an eligibility rule or workout dates, etc.).

And know who it is you need to speak to in settling a specific problem. Questions on League organization should be directed to Dr. Bailey Marshall or Bill Farney. Eligibility questions to Dr. Marshall, Farney or Bonnie Northcutt. Music: Nelson Patrick or Ike Nail. Journalism: Dr. Max R. Haddick or Bobby Hawthorne. Drama: Lynn Murray.

Frieda Ryden is the best source in questions concerning spring meet materials. Membership: Sandra Graham. Athletic plans: Bill Farney and Bonnie Northcutt. The Texas Interscholastic League

Foundation (8 a.m. to 12 noon only): Dr. Rhea H. Williams or Janet Wiman.

Questions concerning acceptance cards should be directed to the department involved and various orders for forms, rule books and pamphlets to the order clerk.

In some cases, the telephone calls should be made person-to-person. Directors are often away from the office in order to attend conferences or meetings, making station-to-station telephoning risky and expensive.



Music Matters

# Welcome To 31 Years Of Music Competition

NELSON G. PATRICK

Welcome to the 31st year of Music competition in the League and the 53rd year of organized competition for schools in Texas. Prior to 1924 there were music contests, but these were sponsored by and for municipal bands, industrial organizations, Chamber of Commercés, and other civic or industrial associations. None of these early contests, however, approached the size or scope of our present meets.

The past school year was a little better than average. I am using the word "average" in terms of participation and rate of growth and not in reference to the quality of performance.

Our records show that we had 772 marching bands, 1497 concert bands, 168 orchestras, 651 mixed choirs, 428 treble choirs, and 144 tenor-bass choirs. In addition there were 38,482 solo participants and 12,682 ensembles. Convert all of the above to individual students and we have a total of 325,000 students participating in all contests.

The ratings given are also interesting:

Event	Div. I	Div. II
Marching Bands	315	39.50
Concert Bands	500	33.40
Concert Band Sight Reading	601	40.14
Mixed Choirs Concert	187	28.72
Mixed Choirs Sight Reading	176	27.03
Treble Choirs Concert	125	29.20
Treble Choirs Sight Reading	89	20.79
Tenor-Bass Choirs Concert	61	42.36
Tenor-Bass Choir Sight Reading	37	25.69
Orchestra Concert	72	42.85
Orchestra Sight Reading	63	37.50

These are impressive statistics and we can rightfully congratulate ourselves on the achievement, but what they mean in terms of educational advancement can be determined only by individual teachers and students. There are several questions which sooner or later have to be answered. Among these questions are the following:

- (1) Did our students develop musically because of their participation in contests?
- (2) Are our students more aware of their musical heritages as a result of their contest experiences?
- (3) What has our state and our society at large gained from this type of musical instruction?
- (4) Do our contests encourage the development of other musical curricula not included in the contests?



ROMEO AND JULIET—Snyder High School produced scenes from Romeo and Juliet, the winning play in Conference AAA, at the 1977 State OAP Contest. Above are Kim Massingill and Marca Parham. Massingill was named to the AAA All-Star Cast and Miss Parham received the Samuel French Award for Outstanding Performer in Conference AAA. Greg Pavlik and Paula Wolfe were chosen as Honorable Mention All-Star Cast members. Jerry Worsham directed the production.

## Terms Of 6 Legislative Council Members Expire

Six members will be elected to the Legislative Council this year due to expiration of terms.

Conferences and regions affected are I-AAAA, II-AA, III-A, I-B, and II-B.

Council members still in the region and conference may be reelected and, in fact, often are. Their experience and advice serves the League and their constituents in good stead. The Council is the body which screens all proposed innovations and rule changes, and common sense and counsel of council members are invaluable to the public schools.

Ballots were mailed to each public school in the six regions involved in August, and nominations are now being received and tabulated in the League office. The five administrators receiving the most votes in any area will be named on the final ballot to be mailed about September 20.

Those whose terms have expired are Supt. Ed Irons, Lubbock; Supt. Glenn Reeves, Saginaw; Supt. A. C. Newsome, Quitman; Supt. Horace Francis, Garrison; Supt. James McLeroy, Gail; and Supt. Earl R. Tate of Paradise.

# One-Act Play Contest Winners Listed

Forty companies represented the 925 actual participating schools in five conferences at the 51st Annual State One-Act Play Contest last May.

"The quality was outstanding in all conferences," said Lynn Murray, League drama director. "Theatre goers have not seen the height of the theatre season unless they attend the State Meet in Texas. Theatre professionals witnessing the OAP Contest for the

first time do not believe they are watching secondary school theatre. They are amazed at the quality and variety."

The winners of the 51st Annual State OAP Contest and recipients of the Texas Educational Theatre Association and International Thespian Society Certificates of Excellence, the UIL Plaque and a year subscription to *Dramatics* magazine or the UIL Certificate of Recognition were as follows:

Conference B—1. Meadow, *The Serpent*, Mrs. Noyce Burleson, Director. 2. Penelope, *The Torch Bearers—Act II*, Mrs. Janice Trompler, Director. 3. Collinsville, *Asylum*, Mrs. Sandra Harper, Director.

Conference A—1. Coppell, *The Odd Couple*, Mr. Whelton Wilson, Director. 2. Schulenburg, *Pygmalion*, Mr. I. E. Clark, Director. 3. Longview Spring Hill, *Bilko*, Mrs. Margaret Rhenquist, Director.

Conference AA—1. Boys Ranch, *Luther*, Mrs. Pat Stuart, Director. 2. Clyde, *The Apple Tree—Act I*, Mrs. Lloyd D. Huff, Director. 3. Crowley, *at Elizabeth I*, Mrs. Nancy Poynter, Director.

Conference AAA—1. Snyder, *of Romeo and Juliet*, Mr. Jerry Worsham, Director. 2. Fort Worth Diamond Hill-Jarvis, *The Miser*, Mrs. Beverly Houck, Director. Round Rock, *Persephone*, Mr. Ford Almsworth, Director.

Conference AAAA—1. La Marque, *of J. B.*, Mr. Richard Hogg, Director. 2. Hurst, *of The Comedy of Errors*, Mr. Tom A. Dickson, Director. 3. Waco Richfield, *at Mother Courage and Her Children*, Mr. J. E. Masters, Director.

All-Star Cast members received UIL Silver Medals and International Thespian Certificates of Recognition. Best Actor and Best Actress received International Thespian Certificates of Recognition and UIL Gold Medals. The Outstanding Performer in each conference was awarded the International Thespian Certificate of Recognition and the Samuel French plaque. The three top individual award winners were eligible to apply for UT Austin Department of Drama \$500 awards.

Outstanding Performer, Best Actor, Best Actress and All-Star Cast members in the various conferences were:

Conference B—Kenny Lenart, Penelope, Best Actor; Sandy Mason, Meadow, Best Actress; Karen Fabian, Penelope, Outstanding Performer and winner of Samuel French Award; Leah Barbee, Bronte; Maria Reza, Austin, Texas School for the Blind; Cindy Hoffman, Penelope; Nikki Washam, Collinsville; Kirby Keese, Meadow; Duncan Porter, Lorena; Larry Marek, Penelope; Kerry Cato, Meadow.

Conference A—Cash Jetton, Junction, Best Actor; Robin Clark, Schulenburg, Best Actress; Mike Arthur Coppell, Outstanding Performer and Winner of Samuel French Award; Tammy Rice, Longview Spring Hill; Becky Schroeder, Mart; Lisa Hale, Rotan; Mary Madarilyn, Claridon; Todd Freeman, Coppell; John Secord, Longview Spring Hill; Yancy Arthur, Coppell; Greg Miskay, Schulenburg.

Conference AA—Mike Riley, Boys Ranch, Best Actor; Tammy King, Best Actress; Danny Alford, Boys Ranch, Outstanding Performer and winner of Samuel French Award; Diane Seidel, Bastrop; Karl Stanfield, Crowley; Bruce Wieland, Yorktown; Johnny Dugan, Clyde; Billy Reasons, Crowley; David Ratten, Boys Ranch; Alan Dore, Boys Ranch; Henry Saint, Crowley.

Conference AAA—Kim Massingill, Snyder, Best Actor; Annie McHugh, Round Rock, Best Actress; Stephen Olson, Outstanding Performer and winner of Samuel French Award; Patricia Inabnet, La Marque; Pam Young, League City Clear Creek; Robin Bludworth, League City Clear Creek; Ricky Moore, Hurst Bell; Billy Richards, Hurst Bell; Randy Dollar, Amarillo Caprock; Bill Sheffield, Austin LBJ; Steve Hardison, Austin Anderson.

Honorable Mention Award winners and recipients of the International Thespian Society Certificates of Recognition in the various conferences were:

Conference B—Steven Jones, Meadow; Marilyn Williams, Austin Texas School for the Blind; Martha Ritz, Meadow; Jimmy Mose, Valley Mills; Penny Proffitt, Ropesville Ropes.

Conference A—Bruce Kemp, Mart; Vicki Riddling, Mart; Susan Cloud, Longview Spring Hill; Alisa Jackson, Coppell.

Conference AA—Melissa Marsh, Caldwell; Kim Pawlik, George West; Joey Cox, Kermit; Duane Clemons, Boys Ranch; Bill Kizlar, Boys Ranch.

Conference AAA—Paul Davidson, Sweetwater; Greg Pavlik, Snyder; Ken Wilson, Round Rock; Mike Prior, Sinton; Leslie Maness, Freeport Brazosport; Paula Wolfe, Snyder.

Conference AAAA—Champion Inabnet, La Marque; Rick Russwell, Waco Richfield; Susan Scheller, League City Clear Creek; Julie Fielding, Amarillo Caprock; David Carver, Austin LBJ; Rhonda Ballard, Hurst Bell; Julie White, Austin Anderson. Outstanding Technician Award winners and recipients of the UT Austin Drama Award of \$500 were:

Conference AAAA—Curtis Dean Logsdon, Conference AA—William Andrew McKinley and Peter Timothy Taylor.



THE MISER—Fort Worth's Diamond Hill-Jarvis High School produced *The Miser* for its first appearance at the State Meet OAP Contest. Shelbron Barnes, Glenn Sanders, Ray Hanson and David Smith are pictured above. Ray Hanson and Glenn Sanders were chosen as All-Star Cast members. The production was the first runner-up in Conference AAA and directed by Mrs. Beverly Houck.

## Picture Memory Contestants Appreciate Art Masterpieces

By BOBBY HAWTHORNE

Could you distinguish a Monet from a Manet? A van Gogh from a Goya? A Remoisir from a Rousseau?

Fourth and fifth grade students participating in League Picture Memory contests usually can, as well as provide a brief description of the artist and the time in which he lived.

"An appreciation of art is as important to a well-rounded education as learning one's multiplication tables," said Mrs. Bessie May Hill, Picture Memory contest director.

"Taken on face value, art is a joy—a pleasure to experience," she added. "It is the opportunity to view the talents of persons living centuries ago.

"But art is also the gauge of civilization. Whatever the times, man has depended on art as a means of expressions and in most instances, these expressions were of the social and economic conditions at the particular place and time.

### Pulsebeat of Civilization

"Art is man's historical mirror." Added Dr. Rhea H. Williams, former director-general:

"Art is not a thing apart. It is the pulsebeat of civilization. The creator and the culture may pass

## Questions And Answers

Q. May a student participate in a rodeo, win a prize of valuable consideration, and remain eligible for UIL athletic activities?

A. Yes. Rodeo was removed from the Amateur Rule and the Awards Rule.

Q. Will it be counted as a track meet if three schools participate against each other in track if none of the schools lose school time in going to or participating in the meet.

A. No. It is not counted as a track meet if three or fewer schools compete when none of the schools miss any school time.

but art remains. Archaeologists and historians recognize that creative expression is inherent in man and that art is as necessary to the primitive tribesman as to the metropolitan intellectual.

For example: Through the works of the American artist Thomas Cole, who lived in the early 1800's, we can grasp the personality of the American wilderness.

Or, we can understand the suffering of the brilliant French artist Vincent van Gogh. In a masterpiece, *The Olive Orchard*—one of the Picture Memory contest entries—van Gogh described on canvas the torture of a poverty-stricken, twisted life—probably his own.

### Share Universal Heritage

"Every child should share this universal heritage and explore these riches and beauties of the world about him," said Dr. Williams. "If artistry is discovered or talent is rescued from oblivion, teacher and student may consider this an additional reward.

"Art should be an integral part of the curriculum."

Dr. Williams said the Picture Memory contest is not designed to encourage the study of art merely for the student to memorize certain data to be recalled during the actual contest. But rather, to "expand the visual perception of the student."

"Picture Memory is to expose the student to pictures representing various ages and schools and to awaken his aesthetic instincts," he

## Williams...

in numbers and scope. One reason it has grown is our Texas Interscholastic League Foundation, started around 1956 by (former UIL director) Rodney J. Kidd. It has given those people something to strive for."

### Tribute To Youth

Williams said UIL participation has reached the point where "one out of every two students in Texas public schools has at some time or another participated in some phase of the UIL program. And making

said. "Through experience and appreciation, the student should learn to project his own judgment in exploring the world of art and natural beauties about him."

The League's "Picture Memory Contest Bulletin" is available to schools for 25 cents. The 53-page publication lists and gives the official spelling, titles and an appreciative discussion of the prints used in the contest.

The League Constitution and Contest Rules book provides full rules and procedures for contests in Picture Memory.



CARL KNIGHT... Top Administrator

## Lubbock Principal Named "Administrator Of Year"

Carl Knight, assistant principal at Lubbock Coronado High School, was named "Administrator of the Year" by the Texas Association of Journalism Directors at a luncheon meeting during the ILPC, held March 18-19 in Austin.

The award was made in recognition of Knights enthusiastic support of all journalism activities, a TAJD spokesman said, adding he has been helpful in suggesting story ideas and has been a "steady source of support and encouragement."

Jan Johnson of Clear Lake, chairman of the event, presented a plaque to Knight at the luncheon meeting, the third such award given to Texas administrators who

distinguish themselves through support and assistance of student journalists and their publications.

A graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and Texas Tech University, Knight served as a classroom teacher and basketball coach at Lubbock Monterey High School before coming to Coronado as assistant principal in the fall of 1973.

He was nominated for the honor by Mrs. Marjorie Wilson, publications director at Coronado and past president of TAJD. Mrs. Wilson said Knight "truly believes in freedom of the student press and treating publications staffers with respect."

A member of numerous civic groups, he is listed in Who's Who in American Education and Who's Who in the Southwest in Education. He was presented the National Coaches Association "Award of Merit" for outstanding service in the field of athletics and for the past three years has served on the Executive Committee of the National Federation of State High School Associations. He is presently vice president of that organization.

Educational Theatre

# Summer ATA Workshop Tops

By LYNN MURRAY  
State Drama Director

The first year of a new One-Act Play Contest era was super. What can we do to top that 51st year? The 925 actual participants can be increased. My personal goal is 1,000 enrollment. This can be done only with your encouragement and support.

Most of you don't really realize that your drama programs are far superior to most other states' and I won't often brag on your accomplishments for fear of encouraging you to rest and decline in quality. We must place a greater emphasis on continued improvement, but I must tell you that I have not seen secondary school programs any better than Texas in seven years of evaluating programs in California, Minnesota, Illinois, Michigan, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Louisiana and Washington, D.C.

In August, I attended the American Theatre Association Convention in Chicago and saw several examples of the best and worst in theatre programming. High school teachers from Odessa, San Antonio, Austin, Snyder, Schulenburg, Houston, Dallas, Garland, Amarillo and other Texas cities were there and you should urge them to share their observations. Their enthusiasm will encourage you to get ATA listed in your schedule of professional growth events. I hope you will plan to be in New Orleans next August.

Richard Weaver, theatre director at Texas Tech is the 1975 ATA Program Chairman and I am sure all of Texas will get the information.

### New Format Idea

I was especially impressed by the group from New Trier High School West, Northfield, Ill. and their director, Michael Routhenberg. They compare favorably with our better Conference 4A drama programs and were especially impressive in their work dealing with improvisational theatre from classroom to performance. Their improvisational troupe provided a delightful experience and gave me an idea for a new contest format that might warrant consideration.

My most delightful performance experience at the convention came from the Minneapolis-based Dudley Riggs' *Brave New Workshop*. Their form of theatre was satire and topical comedy. Some of it was structured from audience suggestions. The group was funny, clever, candid and showed professional quality.

They are managed by SRO Productions, 2910 Bloomington Ave. So., Minneapolis and they plan a Texas tour this fall. Classroom workshop sessions and a performance date with this group would enhance any theatre season and would stimulate quality high school and college theatre students. I am told they plan to flood Texas with brochures. Don't miss the opportunity to see or work with this group. I seldom recommend or review, but this marvelous group captured by attention and intelligently delighted me twice with the same material.

### Where-To-Find-It?

The convention reminded me of the value of commercial exhibits and what might be learned from such a visit. Where do you find what you want when you need it? Unless you are an avid collector of supply catalogues, the best source is *Simon's Directory of Theatrical Materials, Services and Information*. It is the only "where-to-find-it" guide comprising all the field of theatre arts in the U.S. The directory is a classified guide to the theatrical marketplace for directors, craftsmen and managers. It is in an almanac of records, statistics, teaching materials, periodical sources and play tournaments, including the UIL. It contains an abundance of theatrical information that has not been brought together anywhere else. The directory is listed in the OAP Handbook but the address has changed to 1501 Broadway. The \$8.95 per copy is not expensive for the information available.

### Critical Changes

Most OAP rules changes are administrative corrections, but the few major changes are critical. Districts affected by area meets are now required by the rules to hold the district contest prior to the area week. This affects everybody but Regions I, III and IV in Conference AAA. All others hold their district OAP meets prior to April 10. Winners of districts that violate Rule 1.4.3) will not be allowed to participate at Area.

Winners at all levels should also note the major revision of Rule 1.4.4). Eligibility notices should be postmarked within 24 hours after winning a contest, but must be mailed no later than the following Monday. Failure to do so will make the school ineligible for the next

level of competition. It is absurd having to include such a requirement, but the problem is major. Area and Regional Contest Managers are not receiving needed information. Some Eligibility Notices for the State Meet last year were not mailed to this office until after the State Meet program deadline had passed. Several directors waited more than a week to mail this essential material.

### Crew Certification

Rule 2.3.3), "Number in Company" has been further clarified and some terms have changed. The cast is still 15 and the crew is 3. Four company alternates may be certified as eligible students on the Official Eligibility Notice for each level, but the alternate may not be used in any capacity at the contest site unless certified as a substitute for cast or crew. Certification must be made by the director in writing to the Contest Manager. This rule still allows the use of a crew member as a cast substitute.

Two additions have been made to Rule 2.5.5), "Sets and Props." The need for standardization in light plot is recorded and clarified. The explanation has been the State Office interpretation for many years. In simple terms, what is available to one must be available to all unless special approval has been granted. Host schools can no longer focus exclusively for their show without violation of Rule 2.5.5).

Trees, houses or other scenic devices attached to actors will no longer circumvent the set rule. Scenic devices attached to actors as costumes require approval unless such devices are described by the playwright as a character in the original script. You will no longer be able to have actors carry on scenic device just to make them legal.

### Technical Support

Rule 3.3.3, "Site Crews" has been added. I have been made aware that in many cases no technical support was being provided by the Contest Manager. State Meet crews of University students have been used since 1927. No State Meet entry has even been disqualified for violation of the set and strike time rule because of this technical support. The Contest Manager is allowed to appoint crews to assist all companies and operate technical equipment at the contest site. Site crew members, appointed by the Contest Manager and equally available to all entries do not count against the three eligible students allowed as crew members for each company. Site crew members do not have to be eligible high school students.

There are numerous wording changes in the OAP Rules that will be discussed at Student Activities Conferences. My special focus this year will be Contest Management. All administrators, potential Contest Managers and interested drama directors are invited to join me for a three hour management session at each SAC. Canyon is the first—September 17.

### Conferences Scheduled

A total of nine Student Activities Conferences are scheduled this fall. Sites and dates are on page 1. In addition to the special OAP management sessions, each conference will have special sessions dealing with basic acting problems. All conferences have programs scheduled from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and some sites have drama sessions scheduled for the afternoon. The first all day conference is Sept. 24 at 9 a.m. in the Drama Building at UT-Austin. We will mail each school details of each conference.

We plan to publish the Area meet list and Critic Judge List prior to Oct. 15, the first day for organizing Spring Meet districts and director's planning meetings for the One-Act Play Contest. We will also try to list new library acquisitions in the *Leaguer* as space permits.

Best wishes for the best year possible and Good Show!



# Sharpstown, Uvalde Capture Baseball Crowns

## Postscripts on Athletics

### Take A Hard Look At Changing Society

By BILL FARNEY  
Athletic Director

As we approach the school year, I look forward to working with the University Interscholastic League with full realizations that many problems we shall face will not be satisfactorily answered. We live in a time of general dissatisfaction. Many coaches are unhappy with their lack of voice in the activity they have chosen to make a living. It seems that too many people outside scholastic sports make the decisions affecting the coaches' livelihood.

Administrators are unhappy with the tremendous load of red tape they attempt to unravel daily. They prepare more reports each year and have more invasions into their time needed to administer the school districts. Teachers are discontent. Too often, they are left with the thankless task of implementing procedures and conditions upon their classroom with neither teacher nor student having a part in the pre-planning process.

#### Rights vs. Responsibilities

The public is rumbling. Parents cannot understand why the school has to have rules and why their children, in order to participate in activities, must abide by these rules. We live in an age that focuses on the human rights of all peoples, but surely the minority groups still face an uphill battle. Their rights are defended each day, and the courts are busy—even far behind in processing cases. More and more traditions and regulations that we have followed for years are being questioned in court. Life is more difficult for all people.

If life is no longer simple for the grown-ups, then we know it is not at all simple for the adolescent. He is being bombarded constantly with pressures from college, society, from school and parents, and from his peer group. His anxiety increases each year.

#### League Can Help

The most plausible answer to these problems is a well-organized student activity program co-existing with a strong program of academics, fitted to the abilities and interests of each child. The University Interscholastic League has provided such an organization of interest and activities since 1910, and is continually looking for ways to improve its service to schools. It cannot answer all of the needs and problems of society, but it can provide a viable source of competition at both the academic and athletic level to polish the skills of our young men and women for full use in their adult lives. Today's young people are maturing earlier than their parents. They desire and seek activities to test their skills and imagination. The League should continue to provide these activities.

#### Rule-Making Procedure

One of the most common criticisms of the League is the oft repeated, "I don't have a voice in the rule making. Dr. Williams (or Dr. Marshall) makes the rules and we have to abide by them." This is not true. There is a patterned way of altering the rules and providing for change. All rules are voted into the Constitution by our member schools. Authority is not vested in a single person but in the Legislative Council, composed of 20 administrators elected by fellow school administrators and representing the twenty regions and all conferences in the state.

All rules changes which involve penalties are submitted to member schools for a vote. Rules can only be placed in or taken out of the

Constitution by majority vote of member schools. It is the professional duty of each school teacher, coach, or sponsor to develop a working relationship with the administrator in his school district. Your opinions will be heard, and you will have an active voice in the League.

#### League Background

I grew up in Texas with the UIL, and participated in district, area, and regional contests as a contestant and through to state championships as a coach. Typewriting, One-Act Play, number sense, declamation, ready writing, poetry reading, track, basketball, football, spring softball and volleyball were activities that contributed to my development as a student. It was my privilege to attend college on a football scholarship. Much of what I do today I owe to that sport and to the many coaches who worked with me.

As an English teacher, principal, and superintendent I have sponsored one-act plays and served as district one-act play chairman, served as Spring Meet Chairman, Football Chairman, and have coached a basketball team to state championship, football team to the state quarterfinals, and track relay teams to two state titles. It has been an honor to have worked in the boys' and girls' coaching associations.

#### We Have a Challenge

We have a challenge before us. We can either be a part of the solution and attempt to answer some of the problems and dedicate ourselves to working toward the reasonable solutions to the others, or we as coaches, teachers, and administrators can sit back and let someone else do it. If I know the caliber of personnel in Texas public schools, they will not sit back. They will contribute their support, constructively criticize, inform all persons about what the UIL is, what it does, and the philosophy behind it. Behind all of our motives lies the well-being of our students.

If, as Dr. Rhea Williams has often said, our greatest natural resource is the children of our state, then certainly we should not squander the most precious of all commodities—their productive lives as thinking, active citizens.

It is an exciting opportunity to be able to work with Dr. Marshall and all of the personnel at the University Interscholastic League office. We heartily request your support as we begin this year. May you have the best of luck in your professional and personal responsibilities.



AAAA CHAMPS—Members of the 1977 Houston Sharpstown Conference AAAA state championship baseball team include: (Front row, l-r) Jim Trevathan, Bronk Morgan, Mike McGee, David Rice, Tony Cooz, George Sarmiento and Randy Walker; (Second Row, l-r) Chris Day, Randy Richards, Kevin Shannon, Dale Satriano, Rick Nixon, and Guy Whittington; (Back row, l-r) Matt Rogers, Cody Mueller, Keith Corrigan, Curtis Kouba, Greg Hughes, Mike Minturn and Coach Dick Jansé.



STATE AAA CHAMPS—Members of the 1977 Uvalde Coyote state championship baseball team are: (Front row, l-r) Tommy Ellinger, Steven Ramble, Jeff Scott, Eugene Alejandro, Pepe Salinas and Richard Contreras; (Second row, l-r) Oscar Alejandro, Roy Flores, John Aviles, Greg Kolinek, Steve Cargil, Jesse Garcia, and Gary Schwarzlose, manager; (Back row, l-r) Coach Dan Matocha, Bolo Alderson, Ted Neutze, Blake Underwood, Brian McLaughlin, Van McElroy, Joe Sansom and Assistant Coach Bill McCabe.

## Girls' Track Performances Highlight 'Successful' Spring Sports Schedule

By BOBBY HAWTHORNE

The boys kept on trackin'. Golfers ironed out their problems noticeably well. And tennis buffs served up as good a game as can be found anywhere in the nation.

But the real story behind the 1977 University Interscholastic League spring sports schedule was the incredible performances of the lady tracksters during the May 6-7 state meet in Austin. And what more can be said than, "You've come a long way, baby!"

In 15 events per conference, Class B girls set 8 new records; Class A girls set 8 records; 10 records were set and one tied in Class AA; 8 records were set and 2 tied in Class AAA; and Class AAAA girls established 10 new marks. It computes to 44 records set and 3 ties out of a possible 60. Quite a remarkable feat.

**17 Records Broken**  
In addition—and this is equally incredible—10 state records and 7 national records fell during the two-day girls' meet. Nowhere in America is girls track booming like it is across Texas.

Three Fort Worth schools, Trimble Tech, Wyatt and Eastern Hills, stole the Class AAAA show, finishing 1-2-3 in the standings and between them setting four state records and three national records. Trimble Tech was responsible for two of the fallen marks, having posted a 46.7 timing in the 440-yard relay and a 3:50.2 clocking in the mile relay.

Meridian took home the Class B title with 54 points; Paducah edged out Longview Spring Hill for the Class A title with 48 points; Marble Falls eased past Belville for the Class AA crown with 58 points; and Canyon easily outdistanced the Class AAA field to wrap up that championship.

**Boys Track**  
The boys' track and field competition was equally exciting, if not as record smashing. And a large portion of that excitement came on the heels of two record-setting performances by West Columbia's Carl Williams, who showed it really isn't all that difficult to keep

up with the (Johnny) Jones. Williams blazed to a 9.2 timing in the 100-yard dash, and then clicked off a 20.9-second reading in the 220-yard dash. It was the finest spring performance ever given by a Texas high school trackster.

While Williams was making short change of state sprint marks, Port Lavaca's Randy Hall was doing the same to the pole vault record, only on the national level. Hall cleared 16-feet, 8-inches to establish a new national and state mark. The past records were held by Casey Carrigan of

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#### King of the Keyboards

Although his champions have come in several events—journalism and shorthand, for example—Eudy's forte is the keyboard. In his time, he has seen typing contests change considerably—from the early 12-minute tests to 10-minute tests to the present two five-minute test format.

"I personally think the 10-minute test reveals the real typist," he said. "The automation factor of the longer tests give high priority to 10-minute writings and that is why I still give them in both beginning and advanced typing classes. The key to teaching championship caliber typists, Eudy said, is getting the student interested enough to give it all he's got."

#### Work To Win at State

"It is no secret that hard work, plus lots of practice and desire to win takes the student to State," he said.

"At the start of the typing course, I want every student to excel in the subject and I give each student close, individual attention all year. I do not concentrate my attention only on the top two or three students because I have had about 10 'average' students go all the way to the State Meet."

An example: "A 'B' student of mine won first in district and regional and fourth in state state," he said. "Since he had no student competition to type with him after school, I had to take UIL tests with him—to build in him a competitive edge."

#### Winning Tradition Helps

"Once a winning tradition is started in UIL, it is not difficult at all to find students with the moti-

vation to complete and win," he said. "I am a strong believer in UIL and always have been. Ever since I started in UIL contests, I have worked hard to produce winners. And I know there's more to UIL winning of medals—it helps a person want to be a winner at any job and it helps a person get a better job and go farther with himself in life."

#### Contest Format Changed

In 1978, UIL typing contests will be conducted on electric typewriters instead of the manual counterparts. Eudy welcomes the change.

"Through the past 17 years, typing teachers have been counting tiny gaps, 'very, very' slightly raised capitals, and slight crowded letters as errors and I'm glad to see we'll be using the electric to eliminate the questionable errors. 'I'm ready for a change, but I personally don't think we will see too much noticeable increase in speeds," he added, pointing out "A student has a little more freedom on a manual. There are too many chances of accidental errors on the electric."

"There is also that 'psychological' slowdown the manual typist does not have to confront." Despite past accomplishments, Eudy has not lost his UIL contest enthusiasm.

"After a student or teacher gets UIL in his blood, he longs to be or instruct a state champion," he said. "The competition never ceases, even after a person wins or loses."

"He will carry that competitive spirit with him the rest of his life."

## Duncanville, Pecos Finish In Second; District, Regional Champions Listed

Houston Sharpstown whipped Duncanville 6-1 to win the 1977 AAAA boys baseball championship. The Sharpstown victory shattered the Panthers' bid to become the first team in Texas schoolboy history to win three back-to-back state titles.

The Apollos defeated another Metroplex team, Fort Worth Southwest, 10-4 in the semifinals while Duncanville qualified for the title game by knocking off Victoria Stroman, 11-5.

In Class AAA, Uvalde wrapped up the winning trophy by taking a 9-1 win over Pecos. Semifinal action saw Uvalde edge Waco Midway 4-3 and Pecos defeat DeSoto, 7-3.

### 1976-77 BASEBALL CHAMPIONS

**Conference AAAA**  
District Winners: 1. Burges (El Paso), 2. Eastwood (El Paso), 3. Amarillo, 4. Monterey (Lubbock), 5. Cooper (Abilene), 6. Trinity (Eules), 7. Southwest (Fort Worth), 8. Cleburne, 9. Duncanville, 10. North Mesquite, 11. Jefferson (Dallas), 12. Kimball (Dallas), 13. Paris, 14. Lufkin, 15. Corsicana, 16. Bryan, 17. Spring Branch (Houston), 18. Sharpstown (Houston), 19. Waltrip (Houston), 20. Milby (Houston), 21. Lee (Baytown), 22. Jefferson (Port Arthur), 23. Bayburn (Pasadena), 24. Alvin, 25. Stroman (Victoria), 26. Anderson (Austin), 27. Carroll (Corpus Christi), 28. Pharr-San Juan-Alamo (Pharr), 29. South San Antonio (San Antonio), 30. Marshall (San Antonio), 31. Jefferson (San Antonio), 32. Roosevelt (San Antonio).

**Bi-District Winners:** Eastwood (El Paso), Amarillo, Trinity (Eules), Southwest (Fort Worth), Duncanville, Jefferson (Dallas), Lufkin, Bryan, Sharpstown (Houston), Milby (Houston), Jefferson (Port Arthur), Alvin, Stroman (Victoria), Carroll (Corpus Christi), Marshall (San Antonio), Roosevelt (San Antonio).

**Quarter-Finalists:** Amarillo, Southwest (Fort Worth), Duncanville, Bryan, Sharpstown (Houston), Alvin, Stroman (Victoria), Marshall.

**Regional Winners:** Southwest (Fort Worth), Duncanville, Sharpstown (Houston), Stroman (Victoria).  
State Winner: SHARPSTOWN (HOUSTON).

### Conference AAA

District Winners: 1. Canyon, 2. Pecos, 3. Snyder, 4. Burk Burnett, 5. Everman, 6. DeSoto, 7. Liberty-Eylau (Texarkana), 8. Center, 9. Bridge City, 10. Eisenhower-Alding (Houston), 11. Midway (Waco), 12. Westlake (Austin), 13. Uvalde, 14. Wheaton, 15. Gregory-Portland (Gregory), 16. Donna.  
Bi-District Winners: Pecos, Snyder, DeSoto, Center, Bridge City, Midway (Waco), Uvalde, Gregory-Portland (Gregory).  
Regional Winners: Pecos, DeSoto, Midway (Waco), Uvalde.  
State Winner: UVALDE.

### Conference AA

District Winners: 1. Bye, 2. Bye, 3. Kermit, 4. Fabens, 5. Electra, 6. Lake Worth (Fort Worth), 7. Wylie, 8. Prairiland (Pattersonville), 9. Linden-Kildare (Linden), 10. Whitehouse, 11. Brownshoro, 12. Ruak, 13. San Augustine, 14. Lumberton, 15. Huffman, 16. Bye, (Waco), 20. Bye, 21. Pflugerville, 22. Marble Falls, 23. Cole (San Antonio), 24. Medina Valley (Castro-

ville), 25. Kenedy, 26. George West, 27. Hebbronville, 28. La Joya.  
Bi-District Winners: Kermit, Electra, Wylie, Linden-Kildare (Linden), Ruak, Lumberton, Huffman, La Grange, Robinson (Waco), Pflugerville, Medina Valley (Castroville), Kenedy, Hebbronville.  
Regional Winners: Kermit, Wylie, Linden-Kildare (Linden), Lumberton, La Grange, Medina Valley (Castroville), Kenedy.

### Conference A

District Winners: 1. Bovina, 2. Bye, 3. McCamey, 4. Junction, 5. China Spring, 6. Alamo, 7. Callisburg (Gainesville), 8. Saenger, 9. Coppell, 10. Whitewright, 11. Kerens, 12. Elkhart, 13. Union Grove (Gladewater), 14. Maud, 15. Waskom, 16. Central (Pollock), 17. Shepherd, 18. Mart, 19. Deweyville, 20. Burton, 21. Liberty Hill, 22. Comfort, 23. Poth, 24. Orange Grove.  
Bi-District Winners: Bovina, Junction, Alamo, Callisburg (Gainesville), Whitewright, Elkhart, Maud, Central (Pollock), Shepherd, Burton, Liberty Hill, Poth.  
Regional Winners: Junction, Callisburg (Gainesville), Elkhart, Central (Pollock), Burton, Poth.

### Conference B

District Winners: 1. Darrowzett, 2. Mobeetie, 3. Bye, 4. Bye, 5. Novice, 6. Bye, 7. Waco, 8. Blum, 9. Ivory, 10. Bye, 11. Santo, 12. Windthorst, 13. Porager, 14. Savoy, 15. Delmar (Paris), 16. Caddo Mills, 17. Woden, 18. Oakwood, 19. Palmer, 20. Wortham, 21. Evadale, 22. Colmesnel, 23. Normange, 24. Crawford, 25. Salado, 26. Jarrell, 27. Round Top-Carmine (Carmine), Mouton, 29. D'Hanis, 30. Bruni, 31. Port Aransas, 32. Bye.  
Bi-District Winners: Darrowzett, Novice, Blum, Ivory, Santo, Prosper, Delmar (Paris), Woden, Palmer, Evadale, Normange, Salado, Round Top-Carmine (Carmine), D'Hanis, Port Aransas.

## Schools Okay Various Rules Changes In Spring Balloting

A measure forbidding students or teams representing member schools from participating in more than eight tournaments during the school year, exclusive of district, regional and state meets, was approved by League schools, 872-55, and added to the Tennis and Golf Plans.

The measure, passed during spring balloting, also rules a meeting of three or fewer teams with out loss of school time "shall not be considered a meet."

This rule does not affect teams below the varsity level. If the district executive committee votes to play the five-layer game at the non-varsity level, the decision will be enacted and final. In non-district games and in districts where the decision is left to the schools involved, the two schools involved, the two schools may play whatever type of game they agree on.

In the case of disagreement, the home team shall determine what type of game will be played.

### Playing Rule Revisions for 1977-78

#### Volleyball

1-3-1—The 1980 net specifications permit either a rope or a flexible steel cable in the bottom; and the side rods will be optional.  
1-4-1—Permits the ball to be made of either genuine or simulated leather.  
3-2-4—Provides that team benches shall be designated by the host team, thus eliminating the need for exchanging benches after the coin toss.

4-4-1a—Clarifies that it is considered a block not only when the ball is stopped from crossing the net or returned immediately but also when the downward motion of the ball is deflected.  
6-2-5—Provides that an injured player who intends to remain in the game shall have up to 60 seconds to recuperate before that player is changed a time-out.  
7-2-5—Specifies that if the first contact by a team is during an action to block, the team shall have three more plays.

7-3-2—Provides that contacting the referee's platform, whether attached to the net or free standing, is not permitted and is considered a net foul.  
9-4-3c—Penalizes a team when a player enters or requests to enter a game for a fourth time.  
2-2—Players may not wear jewelry.  
3-10—Provides full coverage for the correction of an error when more than one free throw is involved.

5-5 Note 2—Playing periods for non-varsity games may be reduced by mutual agreement.  
6-7—Exception (1d) On a try for field goal or free throw, the ball remains alive if a defender swings his or her arms or elbows.

#### Other Rules Changes

In other rule changes:  
—Conference AA, A and B schools voted 394-222 to amend the Typewriting Contest Plan, Rule 24 to read: "Only electrically operated machines will be used."  
—Schools voted to change the League girls' basketball format from a six-player to five-player game. The rule, approved 482-456, goes into effect for the 1978-79 school year and all varsity girls basketball teams in 1977-78 will play the six-player game, unless they are playing a team from another state, in that state.

#### Many Join in Drive

Joining in the organization efforts were the board of directors of the Southwest Football Officials Association, Southwest Basketball Officials Association, Southwest Baseball Umpires Association, Dr. Bailey Marshall and Cliff Speegle and Half Lahar of the Southwest Conference.

#### Six Basic Goals

The group established six primary goals:  
—To educate all officials as to proper game mechanics and contest rules to insure as far as possible consistent officiating through-

out the state;  
—To provide rules and mechanics books and other teaching aids for all local officials chapters and individual member officials;  
—To furnish correct rules interpretations and clarifications for officials, coaches, players, fans and the news media;  
—To recruit, educate and encourage new and young officials;  
—To retain competent officials in the program through a sound rating and promotion system;  
—And to improve the relationship between the officials and all of those interested in the interscholastic athletic program.

#### More May Join

Meetings are now being held so that the Texas Volleyball Officials Association may join the organization also, the spokesman said.

School administrators and coaches are encouraged to contact Dotsen Lewis, executive director, SWOA, at P. O. Box 7185, 4310-H Westside Drive, Dallas, Texas, 75209, AC 214-528-3181 for assistance.

## Southwest Officials Organization Formed

The combined efforts of several officials' and umpires' associations, the UIL and the Southwest Conference resulted in the formation of a group designed to administer the needs for officials by the member schools of the League.

The organization, Southwest Officials Association, Inc., was formed this past summer to provide "the best officiating possible for all interscholastic athletic competition," a group spokesman said.

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## Grid Playoff Broadcasting Contract Signed For 1977

For 1977 and for the eighth consecutive year the Diamond Shamrock Company will broadcast all AAAA football games from the regional through the state championship playoffs.  
Diamond Shamrock has an exclusive contract for the 1977 Conference AAA final championship game.  
"The League is proud to cooperate with Diamond Shamrock Com-

pany in bringing the broadcasts of football championship games in Conferences AAAA and AAA to thousands of fans over the state. This is a most worthwhile activity and we hope that we will have many more years of continued cooperation with Diamond Shamrock in providing this great service to Texas citizens," said Dr. Bailey M. Marshall, League director.