

## Our day in court: Continued deluge of lawsuits threatening the foundation of extracurricular activities

Three wins. No losses. And two still undecided. That's the League's scorecard in court during the past month. And despite the victories, director Bailey Marshall sees much danger in the recent file-happy tendencies of rule violators.

In an Associated Press article written by Jack Keever, Marshall stated, "Where we run into problems are the emotional cases in which a judge elected by the people in the community issues an injunction against a League rule. By the time we appeal it, the season's over. That's what kills us. It's going to wreck the League's program if it continues to increase."

The most controversial of the recent lawsuits stemmed from the disqualification of a Greenville football player and the consequent forfeiture of five games. Two of those were district contests, costing the Lions the District 13-AAAAA championship.

U.S. Judge Barefoot Sanders denied a preliminary injunction, filed by John Byrd, the ineligible student in question, which would have reversed the UIL rule and placed Greenville in the playoffs.

"The task of the court is not to determine if the 19-year old rule is the best way or even a good way of accomplishing a legitimate state objective," Sanders said. "The court must only determine whether the classification makes sense in light of the purpose sought to be achieved."

### Regions:

#### Directors discuss mutual problems

Soon after Dr. Bailey Marshall was named UIL director, he made plans to bring all the regional meet contest directors to Austin for a two-day problem-solving, fat-chewing conference.

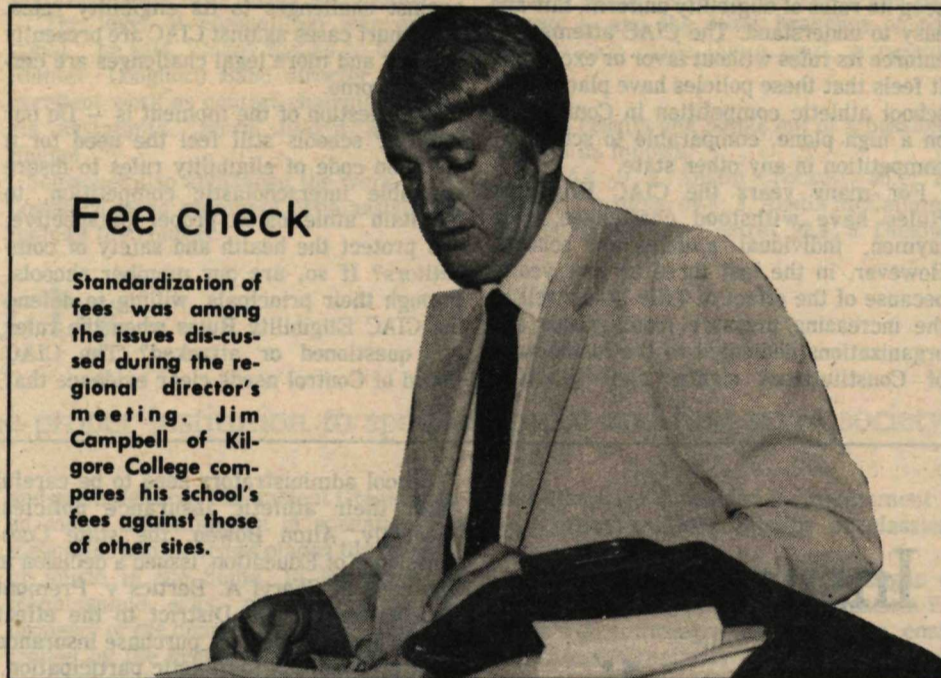
The meeting was viewed as a rare opportunity for those regional directors to discuss mutual problems and, hopefully, share solutions.

Having completed the third such meeting, Marshall feels the idea has been 100 percent successful.

"The bottom line is this: We've managed to standardize meets from region to region as best possible, to assist directors, conduct regional meets, and to provide the best educational opportunities to our students," Marshall said.

"The opportunity to get to know each other, to find out that, hey, we're not the only ones having problems, and then to work towards solving these problems has proved invaluable," he added.

The latest such meeting was held October 8 at the Villa Capri Hotel in Austin. Eighteen administrators representing 14 colleges and universities joined with the UIL staff and state contest directors to discuss rule changes, meet administration and contest scheduling.



#### Fee check

Standardization of fees was among the issues discussed during the regional director's meeting. Jim Campbell of Kilgore College compares his school's fees against those of other sites.

"Each year, we have a problem with a coach or contestant protesting a judge's decision," Marshall said. "We remind you of the Spring Meet Code, which says that contestants must compete in the spirit of

fairness and clean sportsmanship.

"If you encounter problems, simply remind the contestant or coach to conduct themselves in a better manner or they will be reported to the League office."

Marshall also urged regional meet directors to take full advantage of the regional executive committee and to impress upon those faculty and staff members running

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schools. Both were seniors but were ruled ineligible by the district executive committee, citing residency requirements. Their decision was that the move was made for athletic purposes and that the students were not part of a bonafide residence change.

The decision was challenged in court and upheld.

• Finally, a student lived in the Houston ISD, Madison zone but attended a Catholic school. He changed from the Catholic school to Lamar High School, was notified by the principal and head coach that he must live in the district in order to gain eligibility, and assured administrators that he had moved into the Lamar zone.

In fact, the student gave two addresses and the father of the student assured district executive committee members that a move had been completed. The committee later learned the move was never made and ruled the student ineligible.

A suit was filed but a state judge denied a request for a temporary restraining order allowing the student continued participation. Lawyers for the student then sought and received a restraining order from a federal court judge, who called for a temporary restraining hearing.

The hearing was held November 7. No decision was handed down. The point became moot upon the end of the football regular season.

### San Antonio case viewed

In one of the more controversial cases of the 1980 football season, South San Antonio High School was stripped of its district football championship after the district executive committee ruled and the State Executive Committee concurred that they had played an ineligible student.

The student, son of the football coach, violated the changing schools rule (Art. VIII, Sec. 13), the district committee ruled after twice declaring him eligible earlier this year.

Action leading up to the disqualification is as follows:

The coach accepted the head position at South San in the spring of 1980. Soon thereafter, he moved into the high school fieldhouse. His son followed soon thereafter. The remainder of the family moved to San Antonio in the late spring, setting up bonafide residence in the East Central School District.

At the boy's state track meet, the coach was told by UIL athletic director Bill Farney that he must establish bonafide residence in the South San district if his son hoped to play varsity football. Later in the summer, the district executive committee discussed the eligibility of the coaches' son and voted him ineligible.

Facts presented at that meeting are unclear at this time. Some district executive committee members say they never knew the coach lived in the fieldhouse and others claim they were told he would move into the South San zone in the near future.

The committee chairman from East Central High School, though voting for eligibility, reserved concern and wrote Dr. Farney asking for an interpretation. Farney again cautioned that bonafide residence must be established.

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#### Marching in



Neither rain nor wind nor bitter cold could keep the state's best bands from their appointed rounds. For full results, see page three. And don't miss the photo essay on page eight.

#### Runners



Over the river and through the woods came the cross country runners. As expected, the perennial powerhouses dominated again. State individual and team champs are on page seven.

#### Spikers



None of the volleys were blankd. And out of the barrage came five state volleyball tournament champions. See page six.

Official notices

Coaches, please note changes in baseball rules for 1981 and change in shoe requirements in 1984: 1) A throat protector is recommended for the 1981 baseball season and will become required equipment in 1982. 2) Beginning in 1984, metal cleats will be prohibited. The 1981, 82, and 83 seasons allow time to utilize existing stocks of shoes.

Basketball

**BASKETBALL PLAN**  
Add to Basketball Plan, Rule 4, Districts, insert for third graph: District games may not be played prior to December 15 except by unanimous consent of all district members. It is recommended that when feasible, the district schedule be set up on a round-robin basis. Districts may be sub-divided (see Rule 4, Item 3, page 143).

CRYSTAL CITY

Crystal City HS has been suspended by the State Executive Committee for the 1979-81 school year and placed on probation for the 1980-81 school year for violation of the Basketball Plan.

Rule 8 in the Basketball Plan on page 162 of the *Constitution and Contest Rules* should read:

"No high school team shall be eligible for district honors that has violated any portion of this rule. 'For definition of a 'high school team' see Article VII, Section 19.) The mandatory penalty for a team that violates any part of Rule 8 with a player who participated as a varsity member the current year is disqualification for district honors the current year. If detected after the season is completed, disqualification for district honors the next school year...."

SPRING HILL HIGH

Spring Hill High School in Longview has been placed on probation in girls' basketball for the 1980-81 school year for violation of Rule 3 of the Basketball Plan ("There shall be no organized or formal basketball practice for a contestant or team before or after school prior to October 15.").

JUNCTION

Junction has been placed on probation in boys basketball for 1980-81 for violation of the Athletic Code.

SAN DIEGO

San Diego High has been placed on probation in boys' basketball for 1980-81 for violation of the Athletic Code.

LINCOLN (Port Arthur)

Lincoln High of Port Arthur has been placed on probation for violation of Rule 9, Section G of the Basketball Plan; violation for girls' junior varsity.

JEFFERSON (Port Arthur)

Thomas Jefferson of Port Arthur has been placed on probation for violation of Rule 9, Section G of the Basketball Plan; violation for girls' junior varsity.

C&CR CHANGE

Rule 27 of the Basketball Plan on page 166 in the *Constitution and Contest Rules* should read: "No League member school shall play any basketball game, or conduct any formal practice, or teach any plays, formations, or skills in basketball on Sunday." The word "boys" has been eliminated in the third line (preceding basketball), since this rule pertains to both boys' and girls' basketball.

Other sports

CALHOUN

The State Executive Committee placed Calhoun High School of Port Lavaca on probation in baseball for the 1980-81 season for violation of the Athletic Code.

ESTACADO (Lubbock)

Estacado has been placed on probation in baseball for the 1980-81 school year for violation of Art. VIII, Section 10.

LEE (Tyler)

Robert E. Lee HS of Tyler has been placed on probation in volleyball for 1980-81 for violation of Rule 13 of the Volleyball Plan.

TRACK & FIELD

Page 168 of the *Constitution and Contest Rules* under the Boys' Track events — 300-meter intermediate hurdles should be listed as eight hurdles, 36 inches high, 45 meters or 147'-7½" from the starting line to the first hurdle, 35 meters or 114'-10" between hurdles and 10 meters or 32'-9½" from the last hurdle to the finish line.

Miscellaneous

PICTURE MEMORY

The following errors have been noted on the student-size picture purchased from Texas School Pictures, San Antonio: "Annunciation" is misspelled.

The artist's name should read "van Eyck."

In both cases, the Picture Memory Bulletin official list is correct.

OAP

These transfer changes apply to one-act play only. Region III-A — Transfer District 24 — Chireno and Woden to District 23 with Kennard, Apple Springs, Latexo and Wells.

C&CR CHANGE

Item k, page 23 of the *Constitution and Contest Rules* should read: "Items 'f' and 'h' of Art. VIII, Sec. 14 apply in this rule."

Music

PRESCRIBED MUSIC LIST

The Prescribed Music List is not current with the recent reclassification, in which Conference B was eliminated (see page 8, C&CR). Music directors and administrators should make certain that the new classification procedure is followed.

MUSIC LIST

The following corrections of the Prescribed Music List should be noted:

Page 25, English Horn Solos, Class I, Handel, Concerto in G minor, SMC.

On page 150, the title of event 433 should read "Miscellaneous String Ensembles" instead of "Miscellaneous String Solos."

POLYTECHNIC

Polytechnic High School (Fort Worth) choir has been placed on probation for the 1980-81 and 1981-82 by the Region V music executive committee for violation of Art. VII, Section 33, d. of the Music Competition Plan.

We're not alone:

Texas not the only state facing challenges of eligibility rules

Editor's note: Texas is not the only state facing severe tests of its rules for athletic and other extracurricular activities. This editorial, reprinted from the Bulletin of the Connecticut Association of Secondary Schools, pinpoints the challenges all states currently face. The points made are especially relevant to the League's situation.

The Connecticut secondary schools which originally banded together to form the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference in 1921 did so primarily because of a felt need for a common code of rules of eligibility which would govern interscholastic sports competition and thereby insure equitable competition among schools as well as maintain athletics in proper perspective with relation to the entire educational program.

Prior to the formation of the CIAC, individual coaches, athletic directors, principals or leagues were left pretty much to their own devices in the conduct of interscholastic athletics and the abuses were many and varied. Individual athletes and schools which played "fair and square" were at a disadvantage in competing with these individuals and schools which sought to "win at any cost."

Rules and regulations are necessary for any organization or activity to operate smoothly and effectively. The CIAC tries to keep its rules of eligibility uniform, fair and easy to understand. The CIAC attempts to enforce its rules without favor or exception. It feels that these policies have placed high school athletic competition in Connecticut on a high plane, comparable to scholastic competition in any other state.

For many years the CIAC Eligibility Rules have withstood challenges from laymen, individual athletes or schools. However, in the last three or four years, because of the effect of Title IX as well as the increasing pressure from groups and organizations dedicated to the furtherance of Constitutional rights, civil liberties,



Director's corner

By Bailey Marshall

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human rights and rights of minority groups, challenges to rules of eligibility have proliferated to the point where they are threatening the very core of existence of the CIAC and similar athletic governing boards throughout the nation.

Since April of 1980 it has cost the CIAC \$17,000 in legal fees to defend itself in court against challenges to its eligibility rules. Two court cases against CIAC are presently pending and more legal challenges are certain to come.

The question of the moment is — Do our member schools still feel the need for a common code of eligibility rules to insure equitable interscholastic competition, to maintain athletics in proper perspective, and protect the health and safety of competitors? If so, are our member schools, through their principals, willing to defend the CIAC Eligibility Rules when the rules are questioned or attacked? The CIAC Board of Control needs clear evidence that

our member school coaches, athletic directors and administrators want the rules; and that they feel the defense of the rules is worth the expenditure of necessary funds.

The time has come for the 188 schools in our membership to publicly affirm their belief in the need for the existence of CIAC Rules of Eligibility when the rules are challenged, whatever the source and nature of the challenge; to attest that they believe that the rules serve to protect the well-being of the vast majority of boys and girls participating in school athletics; and that to erode them for the few will lead to the harm of the many.

To do otherwise — sit back and "Let George do it" can only result in ultimately turning back the clock in Connecticut to 1921 and the confusing, unpleasant, inequitable situation which characterized much of our interscholastic athletic competition at that time.

Let's hear from you.

School administrators need to be careful with their athletic insurance policies. Recently, Alton Bowen, the state Commissioner of Education, issued a decision in the case of Cheryl A. Bertics v. Premont Independent School District to the effect that a student need not purchase insurance as a precondition to athletic participation.

The Commissioner ruled:

"It is therefore ordered that the decision of the Board of Trustees of Premont ISD, Respondent, to require Cheryl A. Bertics, Petitioner, to purchase, as a pre-condition to her participation in Respondent's school track program, a limited-coverage student accident insurance policy from an insurance company selected by Respondent be, and is hereby, reversed; and,

It is further ordered that Petitioner be issued a full refund by Respondent of the \$10 fee for student accident insurance paid under protest in 1980, and, if otherwise qualified, to participate in school athletic programs without payment of any involuntary fee for insurance, and without having to show proof of insurance, for so long as Petitioner is a student in the Texas public schools."

It is a good idea to check your school's insurance policies. Questions should be forwarded to the Texas Education Agency.

The decision will certainly generate some heated discussions. If you believe the law needs to be changed, contact either the TEA or your elected senator or representative.

Insurance policy ruling causes stir

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# Appointments to regional committees limited

By CHARLES SCHWOBEL  
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Last month, the Legislative Council approved limiting eligibility for appointment to the Regional Executive Committees to superintendents, associate superintendents, assistant superintendents, and high school principals. Given the responsibilities of the Regional Executive Committees, it is necessary for committee members to have an outlook of how the music system is organized within the framework of the public education systems and to maintain the framework of the public education systems and to maintain the guidelines established by the UIL.

As a result of this, Article III, Section 2.a, (page 115) will read, "The State Executive Committee shall appoint in each region an

executive committee composed of seven school administrators. These members shall serve three-year overlapping terms. Each committee shall elect its own chairman, who shall serve a one-year term or continue in office until a successor has been appointed; however, he may be re-elected. (Those administrators eligible for appointment to the Regional Executive Committee are superintendents, associate superintendents, assistant superintendents, and high school principals.)

The Division II parent group concert plaque has been a financial burden in some regions, in addition to the mixed response from music directors. This award has been eliminated for the 1981-82 school year. Although it is not mandatory for an organization to accept an award, regions should make this award available to qualify-

ing organizations through this spring's contest schedule.

The medium ensemble patch was conceived as an economical means of recognizing students in superior medium ensembles. Interest and participation in medium ensembles has grown in recent years and, since the entry fee per student is usually the same as for other ensembles, it is reasonable for the awards to be similar.

In 1981-82, Article IX, Section 39, b (II) will read, "A Gold Medium Ensemble Medal will be presented to each member of a medium ensemble, experimental, or pop ensemble which earns a Division I rating." At contests this spring, however, individual medium ensemble members will still receive the medium ensemble patch.

The final change regards intentional disqualification attempts by directors at sight

reading contests. A statewide survey in 1978 showed 93 percent of the school districts favored retaining the contest as it now exists. There has been concern about directors avoiding ratings at sight reading for whatever the reason.

Article VIII, Section 36 (2) (d) will read, "A band or orchestra whose director makes an obvious contribution to the performance by either singing with or speaking to the students while they are performing will be disqualified. (A judge's decision of what is obvious is final.) An obvious attempt by a director to be disqualified may result in a rating."

In other words, obvious assistance for the students benefit will result in disqualifications and an obvious attempt for disqualification may result in a rating.

# Five bands win bragging rights as Texas' best

Austin Crockett, Georgetown, Medina Valley, Howe and Iraan won bragging rights as the state's top marching bands by taking first place honors at the UIL's second annual Marching Band Contest, held at the University of Texas at Austin, November 24-25.

The two day musical extravaganza was cut short by a steady rain the second day of the event, forcing cancellation of the finals for Conferences AAAA, AAA AND A.

"The weather the first day of the contest was relatively favorable: Partly cloudy and slightly windy, perhaps a bit too cold," said Charles Schowobel, contest director. "The second day brought us what we feared most — a cold, steady rain.

"With no chance of clearing and a good possibility of the rain turning to sleet, we

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were forced to cancel the finals and determine the final standings from the preliminary ratings."

Despite the weather problems, Schwobel said the contest was highly successful.

"The level of competition was exceptional," he said. "Many thanks go to Glenn Richter, Longhorn Band director, for his excellent work as contest chairman and to his assistants, Jerry Junkin and Bill Haenel."

Schwobel also applauded the work of the Longhorn Band members, who assisted in running the contest.

"It is a difficult task to maintain a tight schedule with a contest of this scope," he added. "The cooperation of the band students, the directors, fans, the UIL office staff — particularly Vickie Wilson and Kin Lange — and the other branches of administration made this a most successful event."

Final results and points out of a possible 100 are as follows:

AAAAA — 1. Austin Crockett, 96.1; 2. Odessa Permian, 94.8; 3. Austin McCallum, 94.5; 4. San Angelo Central, 92.9; 5. Dickin-

son, 92.1.

AAAA — 1. Georgetown, 95.6; 2. Fredericksburg, 94; 3. DeSoto, 93.8; 4. Atlanta, 89.8; 5. San Antonio Southwest, 89.

AAA — 1. Medina Valley, 95.4; 2. Waco Robinson, 92.4; 3. Rockdale, 91; 4. Dripping Springs, 88.6; 5. Randolph (Universal City), 88.4.

AA — Howe, 89.2; 2. Early, 87.6; 3. Southlake Carroll, 85.8; 4. Rogers, 84; 5. West Hardin, 83.6.

A — 1. Iraan, 90.2; 2. Rankin, 84.8; 3. Falls City, 84.2; 4. Booker, 82.7; 5. Sundown, 81.

Medina Valley was the lone successful defending state marching band champion. Other defending champs include Round Rock, Fredericksburg, Southlake Carroll and Booker.

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Education the proper institution to sponsor music and best serve society

By NELSON G. PATRICK  
State Director of Music

In the three previous episodes, we merely scratched the surface of music basic to the culture and basic to the institutions of the society. We sincerely hope that the reports are sufficient to encourage each of you to delve more deeply into music as basic to education.

Earlier we pointed out the basics of music reinforcement of the three broad social institutions: politics, religion, and economics. Throughout the centuries, music has been sponsored by man's most cherished institutions. These sponsors have varied from time to time according to man's importance placed upon the institution and its relationships to music.

Primitive man sponsored music through religion and his limited educational processes. The tribal witch doctor was held responsible for the music of the tribe — the teaching and the performance. Mistakes in the performance of the music was paid for through human sacrifice of both performer and teacher. Music was treated as a mystical phenomenon — a concept which continued well into the Romantic period of music.

As civilization progressed, music became the responsibility of various agencies of the society, but as the agency lost favor music was transferred to another for preservation

and promulgation. The ancient Greeks placed music dissemination in education, the Egyptians and Hebrews placed the teaching of music in the home. In Medieval and Renaissance eras, music became the property of the church and was closely controlled by the institution. However, in the later Renaissance period music was transferred from church to patronage system, a form of control that existed in Europe when this country was founded.

We, in this country, tried several different sponsorships of music and for the first 200 years the patronage system was the primary sponsor of one kind of music: classical. Other music and the teaching of music became the responsibility of home, church, and chance tutorship.

Another part of our music was placed on the block of free enterprise, i.e., music was and still is bought and sold in the open market. That which was popular was sold in large quantities, that which was not popular was soon lost or dropped from sales.

However, that music that was generally called classical music was considered academically respectable and has gradually become lodged in education. We in effect have two musics: popular music and music of the academics. Our so called popular music, although accepted on the periphery of education by some, is largely still left to informal educational processes. We still have the patronage system to some extent,

but education supported by government is our primary music sponsor of classical music today.

After nearly 150 years, music began to move from many sponsors to education. We found that through education, we could educate the majority of our population in music unhindered by the prejudices of religion, home life, and other obstructions which failed to free music suitable for a democratic society. Today, in our democracy, education can and does sponsor music of the society to a greater depth and scope than ever known to man. Through education, music is fast becoming a part of every persons education well within the democratic principles basic to the precepts of our political system.

The functions and uses of music in our society are many and varied and are interwoven into the fabric of our social matrix. There is no way that we could or would do without it. If politics eliminates music from the educational system (I do not believe that it could or would), other sponsors would arise within the society. But for the democratic society such as ours, it is basic that music remain lodged in education where all may be served and music can be created to function uniformly to serve our society through its feeling-emotion reinforcements of all our social institutions for the best interests of all.

# Get ready for spring theory exam

By JERRY DEAN  
Music Theory Contest Director

Stay away from energy reductive patterns (sin, crime); Gobble healthy food, so that your cells produce good enzyme; Do important work, and set your vision high, and then climb upward, so you're ready for the theory contest in June!

Yes! It's true! It is time to start thinking about the 1981 TSSEC theory exam, and how your students can best prepare themselves for it!

Wat? WHAT? This doesn't sound exciting to you? Well, it is to me, because any creative dealings with basic musicianship skills will increase your students' capacity to enjoy musical experiences — maybe one small step, but what an important goal!

How to work on these skills? If you don't have a copy of last year's exam, you can order one from Music Office, University Interscholastic League, Box 8028, UT Station, Austin, Texas 78712. Also, there is a useful Handbook for the State Music Theory Contest which the office will send you for \$1.00. With these in hand, you should be able to give your students some suggestions about what to work on.

# Tie those loose ends to insure quality production

All schools entered in the one-act play contest have been notified. The actual entries total is 1033 or 90 percent of potential, the first time in UIL history. The entry total last month should have read 1028 and about five entries were lost in the mail.

Each school should have received their district entry list, an area meet list and Accredited Critic Judge List. Judges added will be published in February. All schools eligible for double representation have been notified and only one district transfer was made. Are you ready to start your contest play? It is certainly time for district planning meetings.

The planning meeting is a must for OAP directors and it is essential that administrators support this activity as a part of contest play preparation. The state office recognizes the need for recognizing planning hosts, but space is no longer available for publication. All planning meeting hosts identified to the state office are sent helpful information.

Directors who have not heard from the responsible person should start the organization on your own. The authority for the planning meeting is OAP Rule 3.a. You have all necessary information. Contact the play director at each school and refer to the *Handbook* for details. We will be happy to provide any additional information or help desired. If necessary, we will help you identify each director in your district. Get started now!

Planning meetings should be held as early in the year as possible and a written report of its recommendations should be submitted to the district executive committee. It is often helpful for one OAP director to appear at the district meeting to clarify director's recommendations.

It is advantageous for the potential district OAP contest manager to be involved in planning and presentation to the executive committee. If your district has an interested teacher or administrator who usually serves as contest manager, they



## Educational theatre

By Lynn Murray

**Theatre does not exist in a vacuum. A play contest without an audience is not much of a contest.**

should be invited to the planning session.

The need for zoning is a priority consideration for the district with eight or more schools. March 23-28 may be used for zone. Permission for this adjustment may be found in the OAP calendar, page 4 of the *Handbook* or in the *Constitution* calendar. Spring vacation is a major problem for many districts. It might be possible for you to have your zone early in the first district week. Special approval is required to deviate from the calendar and hold the district contest during the week allowed for zone. A contest held early requires materials prepared and mailed early. Numerous items to be considered at an OAP planning session are listed in the *Handbook*, but the calendar should be the first order of business.

The date of the play contest should not conflict with other spring meet events and the way to make certain is to schedule OAP on a day separate from other literary and academic contests. You should be aware that music contests are permitted during dis-

trict spring meet weeks only when there are no spring meet contests scheduled. You should also urge your executive committee not to schedule events on the area meet date assigned for your district. Area meets are scheduled April 6-11. The area schedule has been mailed to everyone. District OAP (except in conference AAAA-no areas) must be scheduled March 30-April 4, because the area meet week follows. About half of the area meets have been scheduled Thursday, April 9 or earlier in order to reduce conflicts.

Unfortunately, many area meet theatre facilities are available only on Friday or Saturday. We try to reduce conflicts, but some are inevitable, OAP winners from districts that violate Rule 1.d.3). will not be allowed to advance to area meets. Rules 1.d.3). and 4). should be checked in the current UIL *Constitution*. Violation of either section will disqualify winners from advancing.

Contest time is almost as important as date. Time should be so arranged as to have the largest audience possible. Theatre does

not exist in a vacuum. A play contest without an audience is not much of a contest.

Leave ample time for the critic judge to present a full oral critique of all entries. Please note that the *Handbook* requires the announcement of awards prior to the beginning of the critique. The contest manager is required under OAP Rule 3.b. to organize and conduct the contest according to the *Handbook*.

Recommend a list of potential critic judges. They should be contracted as early as possible to obtain your choice. Directors should be realistic in selecting a judge.

It is impossible to select any competent theatre person in your region who does not know some director in the district. Look for quality rather than anonymity.

What difference does it make if the critic has an ex-student in the contest? It is impossible to avoid. If directors will stop long enough to consider why judges subject themselves to the experience, most petty jealousies will disappear.

How can directors best teach their students? The critic that is the best teacher should be selected. The critic judge is and should be treated as a guest teacher for your students.

The school with the best facilities should host the contest and a contest manager should be recommended from interested individuals who are not participants. A good arrangement is a neutral high school or college. The site often determines the contest manager and the contest manager determines the success of the contest.

Greater care should be taken in OAP contest manager selection. This position is critical. The manager must be thoroughly familiar with OAP rules and willing to enforce them impartially. The same familiarity with the OAP *Handbook* is essential.

The ultimate goal of the OAP planning meeting should be to continuously promote quality play production and a productive educational experience for drama students. OAP is most productive when well planned.

## TETA convention: Full slate of activities planned in Corpus Christi

The tentative program for the 31st annual Texas Educational Theatre Association (TETA) convention in Corpus Christi has been released by vice-president for programming, James Henderson.

TETA has sections for university/college (UC), community/junior (CJ), secondary (SS), community theatre (CT) and child drama (CD) interests. TETA holds the convention jointly with United States Institute for Theatre Technology-Texas (USITT).

TETA will convene at the Holiday Inn Emerald Beach Feb. 5-7. Sessions planned will have a strong secondary school theatre orientation and will provide in-service credit for drama teachers from many school districts. Some administrators may not be aware of this quality training program for their teachers.

Economical air transportation round-trip to Corpus Christi from most metropolitan areas is available late night week-days and return on Sunday. Transportation is available from the airport to the Holiday Inn Emerald Beach by regular bus.

Convention fees are \$20 advance (Jan. 15), \$25 at convention, or \$10 daily. Student fees are the same except membership is only \$2. Holiday Inn rates are \$37 single, \$47 double, and \$4 for each additional person. Rates are \$3 per room higher for pool side

or ocean front, but there are a number of attractions. The pool is indoor heated and there is a disco, game room and putting green. Plan to double with a friend.

Sessions scheduled Thursday afternoon include Theatre Arts Curriculum in Texas Schools and Methods of Bilingual Performance. The UIL Advisory Committee will meet at 2:30 p.m. All theatre teachers and judges interested in the organization, administration or operation of the UIL one-act play contest are urged to attend. If you want any OAP rule changed, this meeting is the place to start! A special exhibitor's happy hour is later Thursday afternoon.

The opening ceremonies are set for 7:30 p.m. A UIL critic judging workshop is set following the official opening and the President's reception follows. Workshop demonstration scenes will be provided by two of the best secondary school theatre programs in Texas. Gregory-Portland High School with director Charlotte Brown won the UIL conference 4A (3A) in 1980. The school and director had appeared at the State Meet OAP three times previously and won a second and a third. Alice High School and director Don Howell won second in Conference 5A (4A) last May. The school had twice previously played at the State Meet.

### OAP Contest Dates

February 2 — Last day for requesting additions to the basic set and submitting plays NOT on Approved Lists for consideration as one-act play contest entries.

February 23 — Last day for filing One-Act Play Title Entry Cards.

March 23-28 — Zone one-act play contests may be held in districts with eight or more entries. Zones may also be held during district weeks.

March 30-April 4 — Week for District one-act play contests for districts affected by Area Meets (ALL CONFERENCES except AAAA).

April 6-11 — Last week for holding District one-act play in conference AAAA.

April 6-11 — Area one-act play contests for districts affected.

April 20-25 — Regional Spring Meets, Regional one-act play contest.

May 5-9 — State Meet one-act play contest.

The UIL Critic Judge Workshop is designed as a renewal for currently listed OAP judges and to certify new judges. It will also serve as an educational demonstration for secondary teachers and students. New, inexperienced or prospective OAP directors

will find the demonstration workshop an entertaining way to see UIL in action.

Friday morning registration will open at 8:30 a.m. and meetings and program sessions begin at 9 a.m. Programs featured will include an advanced makeup demonstration by Dana Nye (Ben Nye, Inc.) and Color and Light by Rosco Laboratories.

Friday afternoon sessions will cover liabilities of theatre people, photography for the theatre, doing something for nothing, acting, musical theatre, costumes, props and arts for the handicapped. The Friday evening highlight will be a performance of *Gershwin*.

Saturday, Feb. 7, workshops will include sessions on building secondary theatre programs, mime, scene painting, sound, dance, evaluating programs and involving administrators. A special surprise field trip is set for Friday afternoon and a performance of *Pippin* will be the climax of the convention.

Registration information will be mailed to all high schools, colleges, universities and community theatres in December. Further information may be obtained from Randall Buchanan, TETA President, Dept. of Communications and Theatre, Texas A&I University, Kingsville, Texas 78363.

# Convention policies cited

By SUZANNE HUBER  
ILPC President

Changes and additions have been numerous on the Interscholastic League Press Conference drawing board this year.

The most significant of these changes appears to be the officer election process. The traditional business meeting has been dropped in favor of a new method in which voting delegates vote for candidates by mail. Candidates submit their nominations by mail and campaign information will be mailed to members soon.

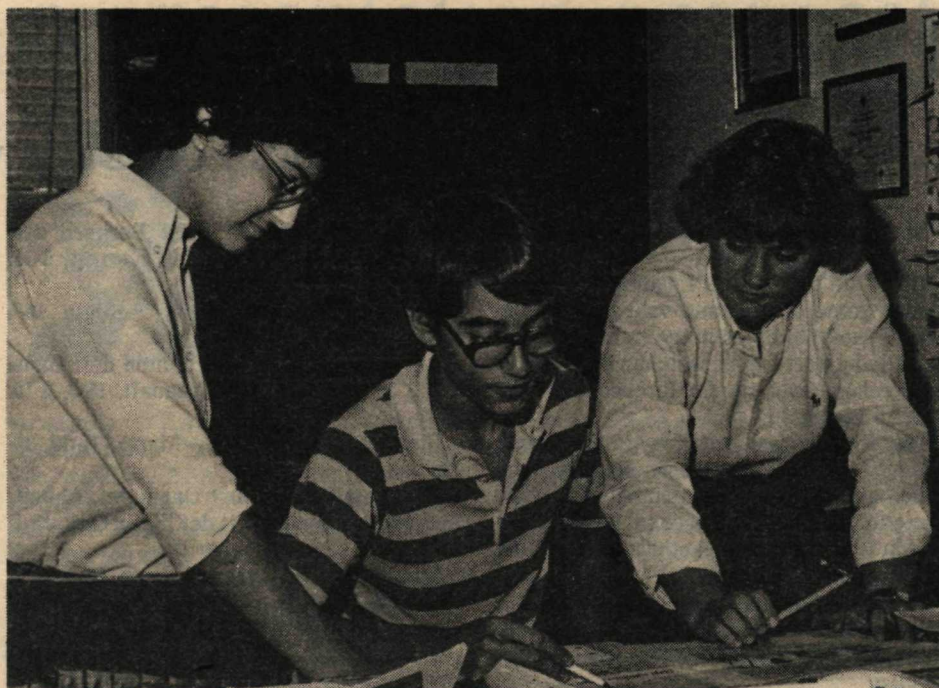
The business meeting was cancelled due to general nonparticipation in the process and the importance of students attending educational sessions, rather than sitting in on business meetings.

The addition of a session on Friday has also resulted from several meetings of the ILPC director, Bobby Hawthorne, myself, and other student officers, Frank Jannuzi and Regina Leal.

"We want to pack in as many sessions in two days as possible," Hawthorne said, "and adding another session Friday afternoon is the best way to do it."

All sessions will be held on the University of Texas campus, including the grand awards assembly. There will be a badge check at all sessions. Several schools have been caught attending sessions without paying registration fees.

An area of concern during the convention is the awards presentation. In addition to offering educational sessions, ILPC selects a number of "bests", including top newspaper, yearbook, and junior high publications.



ILPC student officers Regina Leal, Frank Jannuzi and Suzanne Huber go over preliminary plans for the March 13-14 state convention. The officers met in Austin recently to discuss changes and plot strategies for the 100-plus sessions scheduled.

"We utilize only the most qualified journalism experts available to rate newspapers and newsmagazines, and to judge the individual achievement awards entries," Hawthorne said. "We make certain these people are cognizant of the changes in scholastic journalism and the basic difference between high school and professional publications."

Judges must meet basic requirements which include the desire to help students, awareness of modern journalistic practices and willingness to work for love of labor.

"We have a new rating sheet and judges are required to follow it without fault," Hawthorne said.

The rating sheet distributes a number of points to each phase of a publication. The

more points a publication receives, the higher the rating. The top publication in each category is then placed into consideration for Tops in Texas.

Other awards presented by ILPC are the Max Haddick Teacher of the Year Award and the Edith Fox King Award.

The top teacher award goes to the high school journalism adviser who, in the opinion of the ILPC director and an advisory committee, has been the outstanding adviser during that school year. It is not a cumulative award, whereas the Edith Fox King award is presented to advisers who have distinguished themselves over several years and have, in turn, improved the overall level of Texas scholastic journalism.

# Membership packets sent

Hither and yon...

You should have received your ILPC membership packet. Most of it is self-explanatory if you take the time to read the stuff. Some won't and for you, I have no sympathy. My friends, one and all, admire my heart of gold but will admit that I have an evil streak, triggered when an adviser refuses to read the instructions and the student journalists suffer for it.

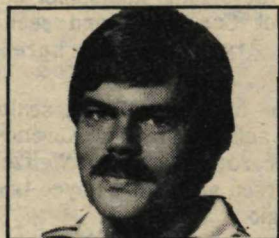
If you don't care to read it, have someone read it to you. A pox on those who fail.

Criticisms have been dispatched to the various judges and you should receive them soon. Only qualified journalists — most of whom are college journalism professors or award winning high school advisers — are used to critique papers. I do a few too.

Anyway, it is the purpose of the criticism to point out the good as well as the bad in your publication. The critic has no way of knowing all the nuances of each publication situation. He or she can only look at the finished product and critique it on its merits. If he suggests you go from 16 column layout to four column, and your printer refuses to go with anything but 16-column, then you just take the advice with a grain of salt.

In short, take all that they give you and use what you can.

Preparations are underway for the ILPC convention, March 13-14. A partial list of the



## Scholastic journalism

By Bobby Hawthorne

star attractions include:

Col. Charles "Chuck" Savedge, the nation's foremost yearbook expert. Probably the most popular scholastic journalism workshop figure in the country.

Dr. Mario Garcia of Syracuse University, one of the nation's leading newspaper design experts. Author of *The New Adviser* and the soon-to-be-released text, *Contemporary Newspaper Design: A Structural Approach*.

Grady Locklear of the University of South Carolina, reknown writing and magazine master as well as a popular speaker on the summer workshop campaign.

John Wheeler, adviser, *The Lion*, LaGrange, Illinois, one of the nation's finest student newspapers and a popular convention and workshop consultant.

Earl Straight, adviser to the award-winning *Mohican*, yearbook from Morgantown, West Virginia.

Bruce Watterson, publications adviser at north Little Rock Arkansas. ACSPA gold Key winner, state JEA director, and former state teacher of the year. His publications are perennial state and national award winners.

Ben Van Zante, adviser to the reknown *West Side Story* of West High School, Iowa City, Iowa. Another CSPA Gold Key winner, he has taught numerous workshops nationwide and is well known for his

publications "Survival Kit."

William O. "Bill" Seymour, photography professor at West Virginia University and a longtime ILPC friend. Bill is editor of *Bootstrap*, a bi-monthly publication of the National Press Photographers Association.

James F. "Jim" Paschal, director of the Oklahoma Interscholastic Press Association and former Texas high school publications adviser. Editor of the *School Press Review* and among the nation's foremost yearbook specialists.

In addition, the program will include many of the finest Texas high school publications advisers and professors from the University of Texas at Austin Department of Journalism. No doubt, the quality of consultants will rival any convention, anywhere.

If you have not made housing arrangements, do so immediately. You'll have more luck finding a snowball in the Sahara than a room in Austin the weekend of March 13-14. In addition to ILPC, the Capital City will be hosting the UIL swim meet and the NCAA Midwest basketball tournament.

The January issue, journalism section, of the *Leaguer* will be devoted to the UIL district meets. If you have questions of wish clarifications, please drop me a note and I'll include the query in a Q&A section.

Till then, have a safe and happy holiday.

## Dr. Boyle named year's top adviser

Regis Boyle, a national leader in scholastic journalism the past 38 years, was named national High School Journalism Teacher of the Year by the Newspaper Fund recently.

The Newspaper Fund, a non-profit foundation which encourages careers in journalism, has given the Teacher of the Year award since 1960.

Dr. Boyle, who teaches courses part-time in scholastic journalism at the University of Maryland, was honored at a special ceremony at Walt Whitman High School, Bethesda, Maryland, where she taught journalism during 1979-80 and for the past 13 years.

She was presented with a plaque noting her achievements by Thomas Engleman, Newspaper Fund executive director.

A \$1,000 college journalism scholarship will be awarded to a student from Walt Whitman who is judged to have done the best on a written journalistic exercise under deadline. A panel of journalism educators and editors will judge the results of that contest, to be conducted early next year.

The scholarship, which will be named in honor of Dr. Boyle, will be used by a student who plans to attend college to major in news-editorial journalism beginning in the fall of 1981.

Four other advisers were recognized as Distinguished Advisers by the Fund for their outstanding efforts in scholastic journalism: Wayne Brasler, University of Chicago Laboratory Schools; Marjorie Robinson, Loudonville (Ohio) High School; John Wheeler, Lyons Township High School, LaGrange, Ill.; and Molly Wiseman, DeKalb (Ill.) High School.

Dr. Boyle has received the Medal of Merit from the Journalism Education Association, the Pioneer Award from the National Scholastic Press Association, Maryland's Outstanding Teacher and Adviser award and the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gold Key.

"No one has given more to the field, helped more advisers, guided more students and advised more award winning publications than she has," said 1978 teacher of the year Charles Savedge. "The fruits of her labor are seen in the classrooms, in newspaper offices and in magazines."

## On review

*Programmed Journalism Editing*  
By James P. Alexander

You don't need to buy a stylebook. Buy this text instead. Not only will you get an excellent stylebook but lessons in editing symbols, headlines, captions, page makeup and writing.

Written for the high school or community college student, the text is straight-forward and easy to use. Especially valuable to the inexperienced journalism adviser and his or her staff.

Iowa State University Press, South State Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010.

*Programmed Journalism Writing*  
By James P. Alexander

The sister to the above text. And like the above, this text is written for the high school student in a clear, understandable manner. The text delves into the full writing experience, including news, features, interviews, editorials and sports. Perhaps too much emphasis is placed on the inverted pyramid and its offspring.

Still, the text would be a welcome addition to any journalism library.

Iowa State University Press, South State Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010.

*Grammar for Journalists (Third Edition)*  
By E.L. Callihan

One of Texas' great journalists has come up with a fitting encore to his already outstanding achievements with the third edition of this text. In a day when proper grammar usage seems to be on the wane, Callihan reemphasizes the journalists responsibility to accurate English usage in communicating the days news.

The credibility of the journalist is eroded by incorrect grammar use as well as publishing incorrect information. The text, along with the exercise and test supplement, is must reading for the adviser and staff dedicated to total accuracy.

Chilton Book Company, Radnor, Pennsylvania.



Junior Kari Ward of Arlington Bowie goes high in the Volunteers loss to Port Neches-Groves.

## Up from the ashes

### Frantic comeback hands Fort Davis volleyball championship

Nine points ahead. One point away from the state championship.

Then, the roof fell in. Leading 14-5 in the second game of the state volleyball finals, Leon Jewett stumbled in the wake of a frantic rally by Fort Davis, which in the upset of the weekend, won the Conference A crown, 9-15, 16-14, 14-10.

The West Texans, one foot in the grave, silenced a second game Leon barrage, then pulled off 11 consecutive points to force the game to a tiebreaker. Shocked, Leon simply couldn't pull itself together in the last minutes of the third game.

The game highlighted an exceptional two-days of play, which saw two defending state champs, Port Neches-Groves and Abbott, toppled.

Port Neches-Groves lost to Spring, 14-10, 9-15, 13-11 in the AAAAA finals while Abbott stumbled to Fort Davis, 6-15, 10-15, in the semifinals.

Full tournament results by conference is as follows:

**AAAAA — Semifinals:** Port Neches-Groves def. Arlington Bowie, 15-10, 15-7; Spring def. San Antonio Marshall, 15-3, 15-5.

**Finals:** Spring def. Port Neches-Groves, 14-10, 9-15, 13-11.

**AAAA — Semifinals:** Corsicana def. Del Valle, 14-16, 15-11, 15-6; Snyder def. Laredo United, 3-15, 15-8, 15-12.

**Finals:** Snyder def. Corsicana, 12-15, 15-13, 15-4.

**AAA — Semifinals:** East Bernard def. Van, 15-4, 15-3; Refugio def. Kermit, 6-15, 15-1, 15-5.

**Finals:** East Bernard def. Refugio, 15-7, 15-10.

**AA — Semifinals:** Jourdanton def. Bans, 15-13, 15-6; Marfa def. Crandall, 15-8, 8-15, 15-7.

**Finals:** Jourdanton def. Marfa, 15-12, 15-12.

**A — Semifinals:** Fort Davis def. Abbott, 15-6, 15-10; Leon Jewett def. Knox City, 15-1, 15-12.

**Finals:** Fort Davis def. Leon Jewett, 9-15, 16-14, 14-10.

#### Conference AAAAA

**District Winners:** 1. El Paso Burges; 2. El Paso Bel Air; 3. Amarillo Tascosa; 4. Lubbock Coronado; 5. San Angelo Central; 6. Sherman; 7. Fort Worth Wyatt; 8. Arlington Bowie; 9. Hurst Bell; 10. Mesquite North Mesquite; 11. Dallas South Oak Cliff; 12. Dallas Kimball; 13. Carrollton Turner; 14. Tyler Lee; 15. Round Rock; 16. Spring;

17. Houston Northbrook; 18. Houston Madison; 19. Houston Waltrip; 20. Houston Sterling; 21. Houston MacArthur; 22. Port Neches Port Neches-Groves; 23. Pasadena Rayburn; 24. League City Clear Lake;

25. Stafford Dulles; 26. Austin; 27. Alice; 28. Brownsville Hanna; 29. San Antonio South San Antonio; 30. San Antonio Marshall; 31. San Antonio Jefferson; 32. San Antonio Lee.

**Regional Winners:** Arlington Bowie, Spring, Port Neches Port Neches-Groves, San Antonio Marshall.

**State Winner:** Spring.

#### Conference AAAA

**District Winners:** 1. Lubbock Dunbar; 2. Snyder; 3. Graham; 4. Cleburne; 5. Fort Worth Castleberry; 6. Corsicana; 7. Sulphur Springs; 8. Palestine; 9. Beaumont South Park; 10. Houston King; 11. Gatesville; 12. Del Valle; 13. Kerrville Tivy; 14. Friendswood; 15. Gregory Gregory-Portland; 16. Laredo United.

**Regional Winners:** Snyder, Corsicana, Del Valle, Laredo United.

**State Winner:** Snyder.

#### Conference AAA

**District Winners:** 1. Perryton; 2. Muleshoe; 3. Bye; 4. Bye; 5. Kermit; 6. Crane; 7. Colorado City; 8. Bye;

9. Jacksboro; 10. Fort Worth Lake Worth; 11. Allen; 12. Midlothian; 13. Powderly North Lamar; 14. New Boston; 15. Van; 16. Whitehouse;

17. West; 18. Rusk; 19. Newton; 20. Kountze; 21. Splendora; 22. East Bernard; 23. Caldwell; 24. Dripping Springs;

25. Giddings; 26. Van Vleck; 27. Universal City Randolph; 28. Pearsall; 29. Goliad; 30. Refugio; 31. Freer; 32. Los Fresnos.

**Regional Winners:** Kermit, Van, East Bernard, Refugio.

**State Winner:** East Bernard.

#### Conference AA

**District Winners:** 1. Fritch Sanford-Fritch; 2. Bye; 3. Farwell; 4. Crosbyton; 5. Plains; 6. Marfa; 7. Crowell;

8. Tuscola Jim Ned; 9. Bye; 10. Bangs; 11. Hamilton; 12. Temple Academy; 13. Windthorst 14. Howe; 15. Coppell; 16. Bye;

17. Crandall; 18. Alto; 19. Longview Spring Hill; 20. Diana New Diana; 21. Karnack; 22. Garrison; 23. Corrigan Corrigan-Camden; 24. Franklin;

25. Daisetta Hull-Daisetta; 26. Vanderbilt Industrial; 27. Shiner; 28. Thorndale; 29. Comfort; 30. Jourdanton; 31. Nixon; 32. Woodboro.

**Regional Winners:** Marfa, Bangs, Crandall, Jourdanton.

**State Winner:** Jourdanton.

#### Conference A

**District Winners:** 1. Bye; 2. Bye; 3. Bye; 4. Bye; 5. Spade; 6. Whiteface; 7. Bye; 8. New Home; 9. Lenora Grady; 10. Bye;

11. Aspermont; 12. Bye; 13. Bronte; 14. Wink; 15. Anthony; 16. Fort Davis;

17. Harrold; 18. Knox City; 19. Woodson; 20. Byers;

21. Muenster; 22. Bye; 23. Paradise; 24. Bye; 25. Covington; 26. Jonesboro; 27. Moran; 28. Bye; 29. Novice; 30. Richland Springs; 31. Miles; 32. Bye;

33. Bye; 34. Bye; 35. Petty West Lamar; 36. Fruitvale;

37. Detroit; 38. Harleton; 39. Overton Leverett's Chapel; 40. Laneville; 41. Scurry Scurry-Rosser; 42. Abbott;

43. Trinidad; 44. Bye; 45. Latexo; 46. Kennard; 47. Bye; 48. Bye;

49. Goodrich; 50. Spurger; 51. Iola; 52. Carmine Round Top-Carmine; 53. Chilton; 54. Jewett Leon; 55. Jarrell; 56. Lago Vista; 57. Bye; 58. Seguin Navarro; 59. La Pryor; 60. Leakey;

61. Bye; 62. Tivoli Austwell-Tivoli; 63. Bye; 64. Agua Dulce.

**Regional Winners:** Fort Davis, Knox City, Abbott, Jewett Leon.

**State Winner:** Fort Davis.

## Regions -From page one-

contests to follow the rules as written.

"Many professors want to make up and run the contest by their own rules," he said. "It is not their responsibility to make up rules. They are to run the contests by the rules given. If they don't like the rules tell them to call our office and make the input through the proper channels.

"And, it is imperative that contest directors display a good attitude and to exhibit interest and concern to the students visiting your campus," Marshall said.

In other action, the directors:

—Discussed price increases on medals and trophies;

—Discussed various fees charged by the regional sites and compared methods of payment of judges and other meet assistants. Marshall reminded directors that fees should cover the actual expenses of conducting the meet, and are not to be used to create a profit or establish scholarships.

## San Antonio -From page one-

The district chairman then called the South San principal and the coach, urging that bonafide residence be established. On September 16, the district chairman received a letter from the coach giving an address in South San district. He had rented a trailer on the Poteet Highway in the South San district, but later said in the hearing before the State Executive Committee he had never lived in the trailerhouse.

At the August 15 meeting, the coach expected the district to vote his son eligible because there was no official definition of "bonafide residence" in the 1979-80 Constitution and Contest Rules. In an article published in a San Antonio newspaper, the coach said, "We used the 1979-80 rule book in our August meeting because the new one

## Victors dominate all-tourney

To the victors go the spoils of war, and no where is it less evident than in the 1980 girls' state volleyball tournament honor squad selections.

Only two girls on teams not making the finals were selected to the all-tourney teams and every state champion placed at least three members on the honor roster.

Already weighted with finalists, the all-tourney team also boasted a definite senior flavor. Only four juniors and one sophomore — Revis Ward of Fort Davis — were named to the possible 30 places.

Members of the respective all-tourney teams, selected by a panel of the Texas High School Girls' Coaches Association, are as follows:

**AAAAA — Sophomore** Trina Davis, senior Janet Braley and junior Amy Brown, all of Spring; senior Mona Sparrow, senior Cathy Pousson and senior Kelly Comstock, all of Port Neches-Groves.

**AAAA — Junior** Lisa Cobb, junior Toni Elrod and senior Sherry Mayes, all of Snyder; senior Lloyd Sims and senior Joy Thomas, both of Corsicana; and senior Maria Teresa Arguindegui of Laredo United.

**AAA — Senior** Maureen Marek, senior Sharon McCain and senior Judy Korenek, all of East Bernard; senior Kim Weitzel, senior Prissy Green and senior Joyce Loring, all of Refugio.

**AA — Senior** Denise Dornak, senior Rita Andrews and senior Kathy Hilburn, all of Jourdanton; senior Linda Webb and senior Gina Harris, both of Marfa; and senior Gale McKamey of Bangs.

**A — Senior** Paula Evans, senior Jo Padgett and junior Kathy Morrison, all of Leon Jewett; senior Tanya Ward, sophomore Revis Ward and senior Mickey Medley, all of Fort Davis.

wasn't out yet. And that book does not define bonafide residence. In September, after the season had started, the new book came out and it did have a definition of bonafide residence. That was a factor."

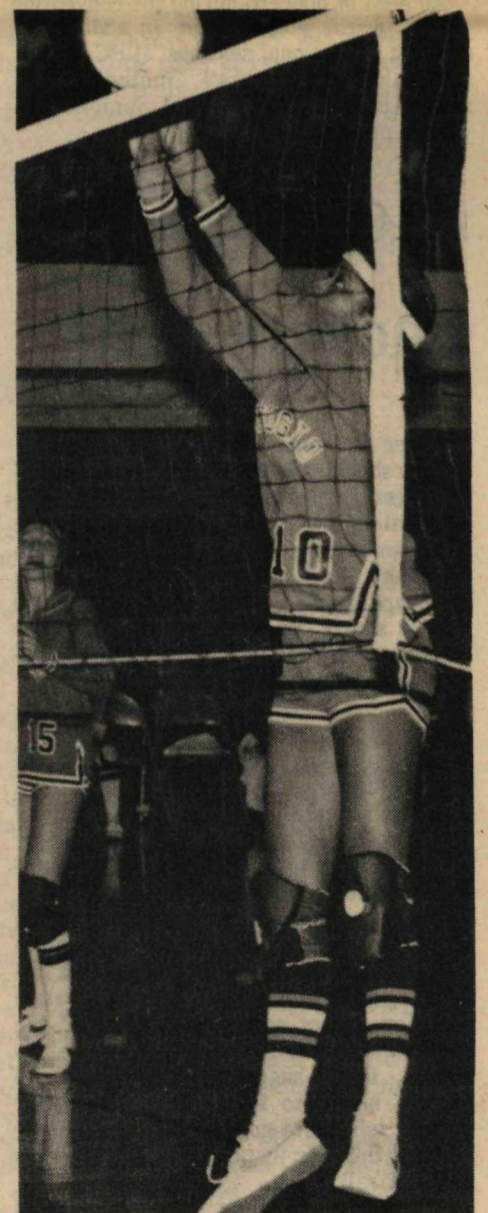
To quell the concern created by Farney's letter, the district executive committee called another meeting November 4 but again ruled the young man eligible. The district chairman then received a phone call from Dr. Bailey Marshall in Austin, saying it has been called to the attention of the League office that; South San had played an ineligible player and that another meeting should be called to solve the problem and certify a champion with the district committee members sizing the certification as prescribed in Rule 4 of the Athletic Plan.

That afternoon, the committee met and

voted 3-2 to certify second-place East Central as district champions. South San protested the ruling to the State Executive Committee, which met the next day and upheld the decision. It also accepted East Central as the certified district champion. The certificate was signed by five members of the committee.

"We hope in the future, the schools will be more attentive to the rules when they involve not only their own students but also the students of other schools," said Dr. Marshall. "When the rules are not upheld as written, a large number of students and fans are generally disappointed.

"If the schools are going to write rules, it is incumbent on all of us to abide by the rules or to go through the proper channels to have them changed," he added.



All-tourney Prissy Green of Refugio taps one over against Kermit. To the left is teammate Kim Weitzel, also named all-tournament.

# Dual playoff representation proposal outlined

The Legislative Council, at its November meeting, voted to place on the referendum ballot proposals which, if passed, would expand the playoffs in football, basketball, volleyball and baseball to the first and second place teams in each district.

Should these proposals be approved, we would be looking at the following format to administer the playoffs:

**Football** — Football would play the regular season in 10 weeks. Presently, we use 11 weeks to play a 10 game regular season. The first place team in district 1 would then play the second place in district 2. The second place team in district 1 would play the first place team in district 2. Districts 3 and 4 would follow this same format as would all other districts through the 16 districts in conferences AAAA and A, and the 32 districts in AAAAA, AAA and AA. Six-man has eight districts.

The conferences AAAAA, AAA and AA, the teams from the same district would then meet, if both continued to win, in the fourth round quarter finals. This method preserves the regional concept and would leave four winners representing the four individual regions of the state.

Playoff game number five would be the



## Postscripts on athletics

By Bill Farney

semifinals for AAAAA, AAA and AA and the championship game would fall sixth. Conferences AAAA and A would play five playoffs through the state championship. Six-man would play four playoff games through the state finals.

**Basketball and Volleyball** — This would differ slightly with the basic concept of the two teams from the same district meeting in the regional tournament finals.

**Regional tournament directors** would have to bracket teams from the same district in separate halves of the tournament brackets to insure that they would not meet until the finals.

Prior to the regional tournament, there would be an additional playoff game which is currently not played. For example:

Conference AAAAA would play a bi-district game, second round or area game, then the regional tournament.

**Baseball** — The structure would be similar to football since there is no regional tournament involved.

**General** — The expanded playoff system could pass in one sport and fail in the other. For example, football could be voted in and the others fail. Or, one or all of the others pass and football fail.

The ballot will be mailed to schools the first of February. Deadline for return is February 15 and the results will be announced March 7.

Finally, the day after the Legislative Council meeting, an Associated Press article stated that the expanded playoffs were

demanding by the Texas High School Coaches Association.

While THSCA officials requested the expanded playoffs, they did not demand them, nor did the League official, Bobby Hawthorne, cited in the article, make that claim.

The exact statement read to the AP reporter concerning the meeting is as follows:

"Also, the council placed on the ballot a proposal which would expand playoffs in football, basketball, baseball and volleyball. The vote came on the heels of a presentation by Buzzy Kieth of El Campo, urging that the League allow the first and second place finishers in each district advance in the state football playoffs. While the council placed the item on the ballot, it did not recommend its passage."

Never was the word "demand" spoken and its usage was a misinterpretation by the reporter.

Says Hawthorne, "Being a former newspaper reporter and having been charged with the same, I take certain pleasure in declaring, 'I was misquoted.'"

## Perennial powers top CC meet

The plot thickens but the characters and much of the action remains the same.

Despite realignment of the cross country system, resulting in the creation of a Conference AAA bracket, the schools which have dominated the sport in the recent years continue to do so.

Pasadena Dobie charged from a fifth place finish last year to capture its first state boys title, while the AAAA crown went to Falfurrias, with perennial powers Austin Westlake and A&M Consolidated taking second and third. In the newly-created AAA bracket, Hondo ran away with the team title.

In the girls divisions, A&M Consolidated slipped past Georgetown and New Caney for the AAAA title and Tulia rolled to a relatively easy win in the AAA division. Clear Lake took the AAAAA trophy, nudging El Paso by seven points.

Individually, Chris Meeks of Alief-Elsik knocked off defending AAAAA girls champ Patsy Norman of El Paso while Sheila Quigley of Austin Westlake took the AAAA gold medal. Sherri Painter of Tulia, fifth a year ago, won the AAA division.

Kyle Wright of McCullough High in Conroe defended his crown, running the three-mile course in 15:01, nine seconds ahead of Midland Lee's Robert Schooler.

Jose Martinez of Falfurrias led the AAAA field, coasting to a 15:43 timing while Fernando Maya of Mathis finished a full 14 seconds ahead of Andy Nelson of Tarkington in the AAA division.

In addition to the new conference, the meet was the first for boys to run three miles.

### Conference AAAAA Boys

Team totals — 1. Pasadena Dobie, 56; 2. Edinburg, 93; 3. El Paso Bel Air, 100; 4. Conroe McCullough, 131; 5. San Antonio Burbank, 143; 6. El Paso Burges, 158; 7. Baytown Sterling, 168; 8. El Paso Riverside, 172; 9. McAllen, 201; 10. Arlington, 208.

Individuals — 1. Kyle Wright, Conroe McCullough, 15:01; 2. Robert Schooler, Midland Lee, 15:10; 3. Carlos Quinones, Killeen, 15:16; 4. Roland Reina, San Antonio Jay, 15:21; 5. David Williams, Amarillo Tascosa, 15:26; 6. Bobby Aguirre, El



Aledo's Jason Herring swoops down one of the many hills on the Georgetown cross country course. In pursuit are John Warner (69) of Lubbock Roosevelt, Paul Garcia (461) of Hondo and Eliuth Barrera (64) of Aransas Pass.

Paso Riverside, 15:27; 7. Roland Rosales, San Antonio Burbank, 15:28; 8. Alfredo Trejo, El Paso Bowie, 15:36; 9. Sam Diaz, El Paso Bel Air, 15:37; 10. Gawain Guy, Pasadena Dobie, 15:39.

### Conference AAAAA Girls

Team totals — 1. League City Clear Lake, 86; 2. El Paso, 93; 3. Dallas Highland Park, 118; 4. Edinburg, 120; 5. El Paso Bel Air, 124; 6. McAllen, 124; 7. Alief, Elsie, 144; 8. El Paso Coronado, 168; 9. Pasadena Dobie, 201; 10. San Antonio Churchill, 209.

Individuals — 1. Chris Meeks, Alief Elsie, 11:09; 2. Patsy Norman, El Paso, 11:20; 3. Lisa Ellis, San Antonio Churchill, 11:20; 4. Mary Leslie Clements, Dallas Highland Park, 11:22; 5. Kimberly Cloud, Plano, 11:25; 6. Kirstyn Jorgenson, San Marcos, 11:26; 7. Janice Reina, San Antonio Jay, 11:28; 8. Sarah Triem, Pasadena Dobie, 11:28; 9. Eileen Reina, San Antonio Jay, 11:28; 10. Heidi Zieglschmid, League City Clear Lake, 11:32.

### Conference AAAA Boys

Team totals — 1. Falfurrias, 79; 2. Austin Westlake, 83; 3. College Station A&M Consolidated, 96; 4. Friendswood, 117; 5. Mansfield, 122; 6. Azle, 143; 7. Robstown, 160; 8. Dumas, 173; 9. Andrews, 193; 10. DeSoto, 241.

Individuals — 1. Jose A. Martinez, Falfurrias, 15:43; 2. Michael Trevino, Kerrville Tivy, 15:57; 3. Huey Treat, College Station A&M Consolidated, 16:03; 4. Troy Farris, Huntsville, 16:09; 5. Dan Bell, Laredo United, 16:12; 6. Raul Castro, Rockport Rockport-Fulton, 16:18; 7. Ricky Lopez, Sweetwater, 16:20; 8. Richard Timmer, Austin Westlake, 16:23; 9. James Mainer, Friendswood, 16:26; 10. John Vance, Azle, 16:28.

### Conference AAAA Girls

Team totals — 1. College Station A&M Consolidated, 78; 2. Georgetown, 94; 3. New Caney, 112; 4. Gatesville, 128; 5. Austin Westlake, 133; 6. Corpus Christi Flour Bluff, 144; 7. Waco Midway, 147; 8. Brenham, 191; 9. DeSoto, 204; 10. Stephenville,

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Individuals — 1. Sheila Quigley, Austin Westlake, 11:24; 2. Terri Turner, New Caney, 11:35; 3. Sophie Holguin, Friendswood, 11:38; 4. K. K. Felvey, Brenham, 11:39; 5. Bernice Narvaiz, Lubbock Dunbar, 11:39; 6. Florence Walker, Brenham, 11:48; 7. Andrea Ratkovic, Corpus Christi Flour Bluff, 11:57; 8. Paula Wiese, Waco Midway, 11:58; 9. Tracy Johnson, Austin Westlake, 12:10; 10. Sylvia Rodriguez, Gregory Gregory-Portland, 12:10.

### Conference AAA Boys

Team totals — 1. Hondo, 23; 2. Mathis, 52; 3. Floydada 77; 4. Boys Ranch, 142; 5. Waco Robinson, 165; 6. Winnie East Chambers, 169; 7. Kenedy, 209; 8. Midlothian, 211; 9. Lockney, 218; 10. Jonesboro, 249.

Individuals — 1. Fernsno Maya, Mathis, 16:02; 2. Andy Nelson, Cleveland Tarkington, 16:16; 3. Pat Garcia, Hondo, 16:26; 4. Jason A. Herring, Aledo, 16:26; 5. John Warner, Lubbock Roosevelt, 16:36; 6. Eliuth Barrera, Aransas Pass, 16:36; 7. Paul Garcia, Hondo, 16:41; 8. Joe Alexander, Whitesboro, 16:45; 9. Brad Crittenden, White Oak, 16:46; 10. Mike Barnett, Luling, 16:46.

### Conference AAA Girls

Team totals — 1. Tulia, 45; 2. Junction, 89; 3. Clyde, 119; 4. Mathis, 140; 5. Leonard, 159; 6. Winnie East Chambers, 176; 7. Mt. Vernon, 185; 8. Waller, 189; 9. Longview Spring Hill, 198; 10. Bandra, 203.

Individuals — 1. Sherri Painter, Tulia, 11:30; 2. Cecilia Robinson, Leonard, 11:35; 3. Ramona Irlbeck, Abernathy, 12:07; 4. Gae Futch, Clyde, 12:14; 5. Kim Schwartz, Junction, 12:17; 6. Susan Andrews, Junction, 12:18; 7. Debbie Bentley, Clyde, 12:19; 8. Shellon McCallie, May, 12:20; 9. Irene Pacheco, Mathis, 12:25; 10. Rhonda Benoit, Winnie East Chambers, 12:26.

## Calculator help ready

By JOHN COGDELL  
Calculator contest director

As an aid to launching the new calculator applications contest, three manuals have been produced. One of these manuals describes the contest goals and scope and has a section on solving stated problems.

The other two manuals contain practice calculator problems for drill purposes.

In order to guarantee that everyone has an equal opportunity to compete in the contest, the League has printed as many as three copies of each manual for every school in the state.

Three copies for each school is being reserved until mid-December. After that, the remaining copies will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Until the deadline, copies will not be sold to individuals or to junior high schools.

The manuals sell for \$3 per set and may be ordered by sending a check or purchase voucher to the University Interscholastic League, P.O. Box 8028, University Station, Austin 78712. Orders should be marked to the attention of Barbara Puckett.

Questions regarding the manuals or technical content should be directed to me UT, Department of Electrical Engineering, P.O. Box 7728, Austin 78712.

## Oldest rivalry?

There's no rivalry like an old rivalry. And perhaps the oldest in Texas has been going on up in the far Northeast corner of the state, where DeKalb and New Boston have been squaring off the past 52 consecutive years.

"The series began in 1929 and has continued until the present," said Johnny Lowe, DeKalb athletic director. "Once in the 30s and twice in the 70s, the teams met twice during the season for a total of 55 meetings.

"We feel it is the state's oldest rivalry."

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Uvalde High School

# No washout

## Rain fails to dampen band spirits

The cold front rolled into Austin about the same time as the school buses. Not bitter frigid, but cold enough to send spectators, players and judges alike curling under blankets or jackets, trying to take the bite out of the gusts of wind swirling through Memorial Stadium.

Lips chapped, noses ran and mild curses slipped through, damning the elements that made pressing the lips to the mouthpiece of a trombone or holding a pencil — even daring an uncovered ear — near misery.

So much for the good stuff. The next day, things really turned sour.

One of those fronts bashed into a pressure

system of some sort and out of it poured several inches of rain, the kind that creeps down the back of the neck, sending chills all over. Surely, these weren't the conditions you'd want to be out tromping about in. But tromp they did.

At Nelson Field just east of Reagan High School and at Memorial Stadium, the Conference A, AAA and AAAA bands performed their routines. If the drill called for full splits or laying flat back in the mud, well, there they went. It was an impressive display of dedication.

If ever a group of young people shook their fists at Mother Nature, this was it.



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Shivering spectators