

Wisconsin High School Forensic Association

A symposium-forum on "Toward a New Speech Curriculum" will conclude the program. Leading speech educators in our state will be the speakers: Dr. Joseph B. Laine, Chairman of the Department of Speech at the Wisconsin State University at Oshkosh, and President of the Wisconsin Speech Association; Miss Carrie Rasmussen, long-time elementary school teacher of speech in the Madison Public Schools; and Dr. R. R. Allen, Assistant Professor of Speech and Education, University of Wisconsin. An open forum will follow the symposium.

The Conference is open to all interested persons, and there is no fee. Registration begins at 9:00 A. M. in the Center on the day of the Conference.

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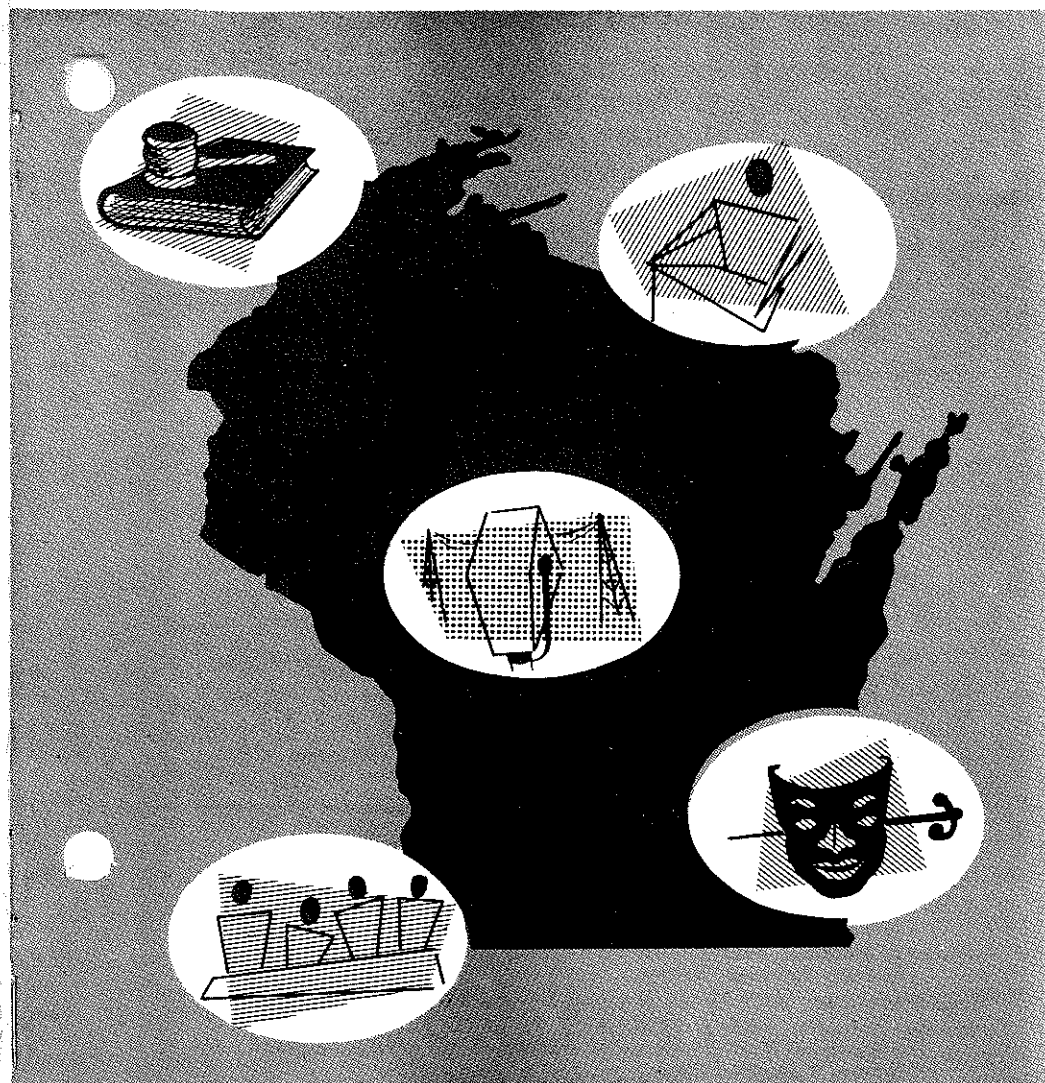
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THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR FOR 1965-66

Latest Dates for Contests

	Drama	Debate	Speech
Sub-District - - - - -	Oct. 30	-----	March 19
District - - - - -	Nov. 13	Jan. 29	April 2
Sectional- - - - -	Nov. 20	Feb. 12	-----
State- - - - -	Dec. 11*	Feb. 25-26	April 23

* At Wisconsin State University, Platteville
WEA Convention - November 4-5
Easter - April 10, 1966

Board of Control Meetings

The Wisconsin Center, Madison, May 6-7, 1965

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SUMMER DEBATE INSTITUTES

In addition to the summer debate institutes at Eau Claire and Madison, discussed in the February Newsletter, WSU at Oshkosh has announced a program for this year. The Oshkosh High School Institute will begin on June 19 and operate for two weeks. Staffed by Dr. Joseph Lain and John Schmidt, the institute will be under the direction of Dr. Joseph Mazza.

The registration fee of \$75 will cover the cost of room and board, books, supplies, and recreation. Further information and application blanks can be obtained from Dr. Mazza at WSU, Oshkosh.

FALL ELECTIONS

Four positions on the Board of Control of WHSFA will be open this fall. Elections will be held in September in the following areas.

Incumbent

Eau Claire District	John Hoar
La Crosse District	Edwin Sievers
River Falls District	Fred Lundberg
Southern Section	Arthur McMillion

RESULTS OF STATE DEBATE TOURNAMENT

With more schools participating in debate than ever before in Wisconsin a record number of twenty-seven teams participated in the State Debate Tournament at the University of Wisconsin on February 26-27 this year.

Whitefish Bay won first place honors with a perfect record of eight wins and no losses. Kenosha Tremper and La Crosse Aquinas shared second place with records of seven wins and one loss. Merrill, Waukesha Catholic Memorial and West Bend tied for third place with six wins and two losses.

The participating debators from first and second place schools received individual gold medals and a school plaque. Debators from third place schools received individual gold medals and a Certificate of Achievement.

STATE SPEECH CONTEST

April 10, 1965

Spring Speech in 1965 broke all records in the number of students participating. A total of 1696 individuals took part in the annual state event at the University of Wisconsin. This compares with a total of 1564 contestants in 1964, an increase of 132 students

ANNUAL SWEA MEETING

The annual meeting of the Southern Wisconsin Education Association was held on the campus of the University of Wisconsin on February 26. The Speech Sectional programs were devoted to discussions of various aspects of the high school speech program. Julia Mailer, Ruth McCarty, and Robert Scott dealt with "Declamations" and their part in forensics. Barbara Nora, William Dunwiddie, Art McMillion, and Professor Balsom discussed improvement in high school debate programs. William Hintz, David Peterson, and Tom Tews presented problems in the staging of musical comedy.

The luncheon meeting featured an address by Dr. William E. White, Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh. He challenged teachers to look upon speech as an academic discipline and to seek improvement in content and manner of speech instruction.

Officers elected for 1966 included Barbara Nora, Beloit, Chairman; William Hintz, Lake Geneva, Vice-chairman; and Sandralee De Sombre, Delavan-Darien, Secretary-Treasurer.

PRACTICE DEBATE TOURNAMENTS

A tentative listing of practice debate tournaments for 1965-66 is now available. Developed by the participants at the meeting of debate coaches in Greenfield High School on April 1, the list contains a considerable number of tournaments, spread out over many of the week-ends during the season. Copies may be obtained by writing to the state office of WHSFA.

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IN MEMORIAM

Emeritus Professor, Gertrude E. Johnson of the University of Wisconsin Speech Department from 1910 to 1945 died March 28 leaving many friends among the teachers and professional people of this country. Her name was a legend to speech people whether they had sat in her classes or not. Many were the stories of her unique way of making a student think and develop his own individuality. She believed intensely in the study of Interpretative Reading and made her greatest contributions in this area. She believed a student could increase his own personal growth through the understanding of literature, the inner experiencing of it and communicating his reactions orally. She was not primarily interested in developing professional readers or actors.

Miss Johnson judged many of the forensic contests in the high schools in Wisconsin from her earliest days in the state. She was a familiar figure driving on the country roads in her "roadster" all through the Middle West. She gave generously of her time and strength at lectures, contests, and workshops to further the ideas of the teaching of oral reading. She leaves as a reminder for us several oral interpretation books which are still being used in the United States and her spirit lives on for us in the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association and for all in the field of speech.

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1965 SUMMER SPEECH CONFERENCE

University of Wisconsin, Madison

"Project English and the Teaching of Speech" is the theme of the 15th Annual Summer Speech Conference in Madison on Thursday, July 8, 1965. The one-day meeting, sponsored by the University of Wisconsin Department of Speech and the School of Education will be held in the Wisconsin Center.

This year's theme was chosen because of the interest evidenced by speech teachers when the topic was discussed at the last two annual meetings of the Wisconsin Speech Association in Milwaukee. A major purpose of the Conference is to provide teachers of speech with a better understanding of "project English," or the "Wisconsin English-Language-Arts Curriculum Project" as it is called in our state. Another objective is to examine the impact which the project will have on the teaching of speech in Wisconsin.

In the morning session Dr. Robert C. Pooley, Director of the English-Language-Arts Curriculum Center for the State of Wisconsin will speak on "The Wisconsin English-Language-Arts Curriculum Project: What It Is." This presentation will be followed by an exposition "The Wisconsin English-Language-Arts Curriculum Project: How It Is Being Conducted" by Dr. L. V. Kosinski, Coordinator of the Project.

The afternoon session will feature Dr. Thorrel B. Fest, Chairman of the Department of Speech and Drama, University of Colorado, who will talk on "Implications of Project English for Speech and Communication." As a member and former Chairman of the Committee on Curricula and Certification of the Speech Association of America Dr. Fest is especially qualified to discuss this subject