

A TRIBUTE TO HOWARD C. HANSEN

The Wisconsin High School Forensic Association wishes to express appreciation for the contributions of the late Howard C. Hansen, Professor of Speech and Chairman of the Department of Speech at Ripon College. Professor Hansen was vitally interested in the cause of extra-curricular speech activities in Wisconsin. His outstanding abilities as a teacher and a judge helped to promote excellence in drama, debate, and speech in Wisconsin. During the past two years he served on a joint committee of the Wisconsin Speech Association and the WHSFA to improve ballots for debate. We are all indebted to him for the inspiration and positive direction that he brought to speech programs at both the high school and college levels.

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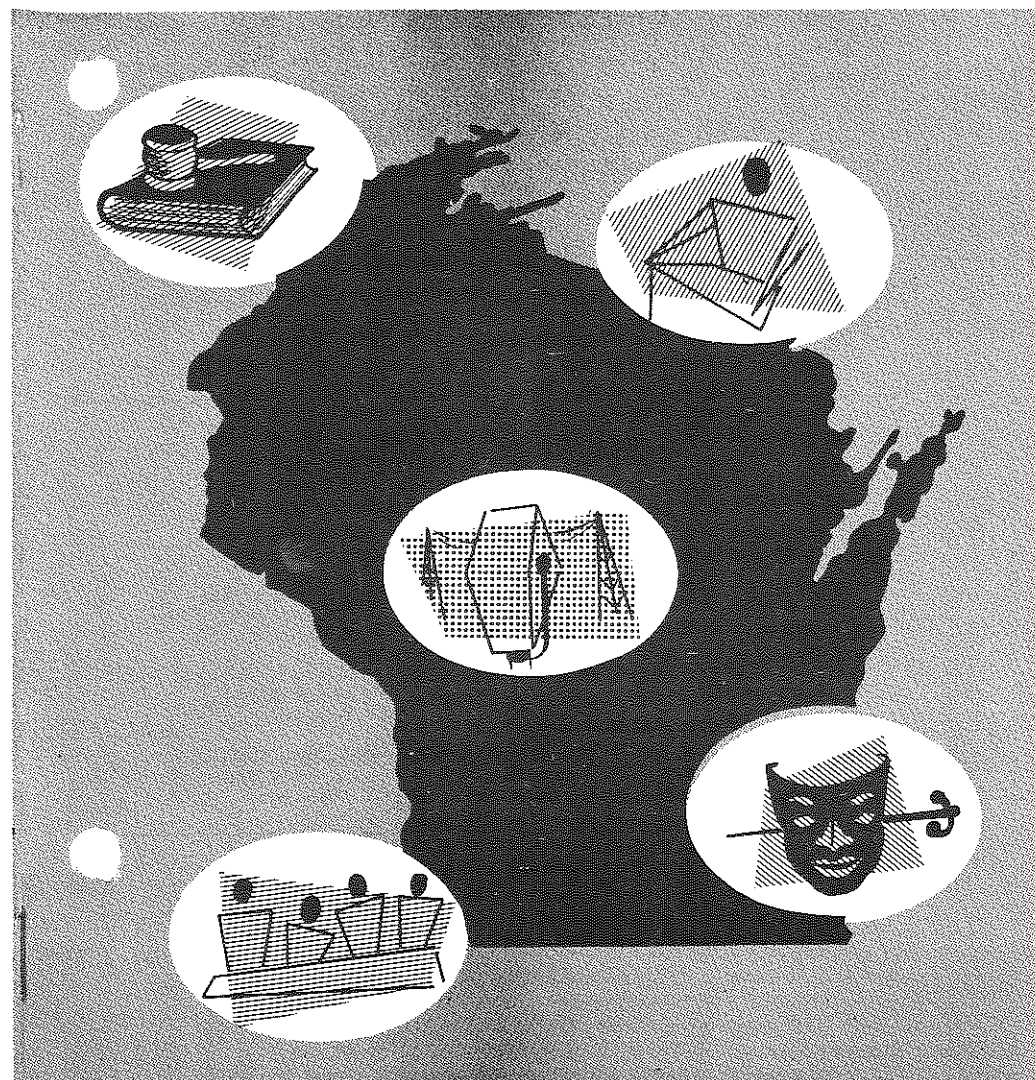
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THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR FOR 1964-65

Latest Dates for Contests	Drama	Debate	Speech
Sub-District	Oct. 31	March 6
District	Nov. 14	Jan. 30	March 20
Sectional	Nov. 21	Feb. 13
State	Dec. 5*	Feb. 26-7	April

* At Wisconsin State University, Eau Claire

Easter -- April 18, 1965

Board of Control Meetings

Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Nov. 3-4, 1964

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

BOARD OF CONTROL

Northern Section	Central Section	Southern Section
MARYLOU PATTERSON Eau Claire Memorial	E. C. MARQUARDT Wausau	A. S. McMILLION West Bend
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BOARD OF CONTROL ELECTION

Board of Control elections were held in the Northern Section, La Crosse District, Milwaukee District, Stevens Point District and Superior District. The following were elected to the Board of Control:

District or Section

Northern Section - Marylou Patterson, Eau Claire

La Crosse District - Edwin Sievers, Viroqua

Milwaukee District - Frank Sirianni, Menomonee Falls

Stevens Point District - J. C. Gillmann, Marathon
(re-elected)

Superior District - Gordon L. Nelson, Maple
(re-elected)

RETIRING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

The Wisconsin High School Forensic Association program of institutes and contests could not be carried on without the unlimited cooperation and leadership provided by the members of the Board of Control. They not only serve as legislative officers but more importantly are responsible for the operation of the district and sectional contests. For these and countless other services, the following retiring members of the Board deserve our thanks and recognition:

Miss Helen Weiser, of Hurley, represented the Northern Section from 1961 - to 1964.

Mr. Royal K. Tice, Administrator of Brookfield Central High School, represented the Milwaukee District from 1961-1964.

Mr. K. A. Curran, Administrator at Tomah, previously served the Board as the representative from the La Crosse District from 1944-1959 and was appointed in 1963 to fill out the term of Mr. Herman Laatsch, who moved out of the District.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING

November 3-4, 1964

Mr. J. C. Gillmann, Marathon, Stevens Point District Chairman, was re-elected Chairman of the Board of Control; Mr. Gordon Nelson, Maple, Superior District Chairman, was re-elected Vice-chairman.

The large increase (167-271) in the number of schools participating in debate was noted and attributed in part to the various institutes, held at the state universities, which fostered an interest in this area.

Mr. Kamarck, Advisor in Drama to the WHSFA, discussed at length the Approved Play List and set forth two recommendations which were approved by the Board. These were:

1. Drama coaches are requested to send in any three-act plays (or titles) they wish for consideration on the Approved Play List. These are to be sent in the spring preceding the school year they are to be used.

2. More three-act plays will be included on the Approved Play List to give teachers and students a wider variety of dramatic materials for the one-act play contest.

The continued cooperation with the state universities throughout the state was noted by a poll taken of the sectional and district chairmen--showing that at least one of the three district or sectional events is being held at the state university in the area of the district or section.

Mr. Frederick E. Haug, Jr., was appointed as the official delegate of the WHSFA to the NUEA meeting, December 28-30, in Chicago. Mr. Art McMillion, Southern Sectional Chairman, was appointed by the Board to accompany Mr. Haug as an un-official observer in order to help acquaint debate coaches in Wisconsin with the procedure of the NUEA Committee on Discussion and Debate.

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OFFICIAL DEBATE PROPOSITION

The official 1964-65 debate proposition for Wisconsin high schools is:

Resolved: That nuclear weapons should be controlled by an international organization.

Included with this Newsletter is a list of practice debate tournaments being held throughout the state. If you are interested in participating in any of these, contact the individuals in charge.

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL
FOR DISCUSSION AND DEBATE SCHOOLS

The state office has a limited supply of WAR SAFETY CONTROL REPORT, a conceptual study of an all-nation defense system; and NUCLEAR AMBUSH, by Earl H. Voss. These may be obtained on a first-come basis by sending 40 cents for mailing costs to the state office.

LOAN MATERIAL ON DEBATE PROPOSITION

The University Extension Division Library has debate materials available on a loan basis for schools of WHSFA. The materials are mainly clippings, magazines, pamphlets, government documents and mimeographed materials. Interested persons should write to:

Reference Loan Service
University Extension Division
Madison, Wisconsin 53706

WISCONSIN SPEECH ASSOCIATION NEWS

The Annual meeting of the Wisconsin Speech Association was held on November 6. Vice-President Joseph B. Laine, Chairman of the Speech Department at Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh, presided in the absence of the President, the late Professor Howard C. Hansen, Chairman of the Speech Department at Ripon College.

The program began with a tribute to Professor Hansen, delivered by Dean Graunke, Instructor in Speech, University Extension. Mr. Graunke formerly served with Professor Hansen on the faculty at Ripon College. A copy of the eulogy is enclosed with this Newsletter.

Robert T. Oliver, President of the Speech Association of America and Professor of Speech at Pennsylvania State University, delivered the main address, "Speech Training in Primary and Secondary Education." Dr. Oliver praised speech teaching and referred to the challenge facing the profession today. He specifically outlined the distinctiveness of the speech field by describing the ideas that speech teachers advance, the textbooks that are used, and the teaching techniques that are employed. He pointed out the particular contribution of speech teachers in developing individual differences among students.

Dr. Leonard Kozinski, Associate Director of the "Project English" program in Wisconsin, addressed the group on the past activities and future plans of the project. He outlined the plans for 1964-65 which include a study of "Speaking and Writing" in Wisconsin high schools.

Professor Joseph B. Laine presided over the business meeting of the Wisconsin Speech Association. Principal recommendations and actions that were passed include the following:

(1) Recommendation to "Project English" to include three one-semester speech courses in the high school curriculum, specifically in fundamentals, acting and interpretation, and public address.

(2) Voted to contribute \$50 to the "Howard C. Hansen Memorial Fund."

(3) Current officers of the WSA retain their posts: Joseph B. Laine, advanced to President, Miss Helen Herman, Sheboygan North High School, Secretary-Treasurer.

(4) Executive Board positions include: Ron Allen, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Hermione Knapp, Janesville High School, and Joseph Mazza, Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh.

Two sectional meetings were held, one concerning "Speech Training in Elementary Schools" and the other on "Speech Training in the Secondary School."

The former group included: Eileen O'Brien and Betty Overton, Campus School, Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh; Gertrude Efferty, Milwaukee; and Robert Law, Neenah. The panel discussion on secondary speech was composed of Joseph Mazza, Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh; Susan Sovish, Racine; Irene Gray, Wisconsin State University, Stevens Point; George Kanzelberger, Manitowoc; and Richard Whalen, Oconomowoc.

STATE DRAMA CONTEST AT EAU CLAIRE

The State Drama Contest will be held at Wisconsin State University, Eau Claire, on December 5, 1964. Judges at this contest will be:

Mrs. Fannie Hicklin, WSU, Whitewater
Professor Blanche Davis, WSU, River Falls
Professor Wayne Wolfert, WSU, Eau Claire

This year promises to be a good one for the one-act play contest. Schools interested in attending this event are welcome. Admission is free.

ONE ACT PLAYS NEEDED FOR APPROVED LIST

The assignment of responsibility for compiling the one-act play list has been given again this year to Professor Edward L. Kamarck, Extension Division Department of Speech, and Advisor in Drama to WHSFA and to Mrs. Julia Mailer, Drama Librarian of the University Extension Division.

Each year a concerted effort is made to place worthwhile and acceptable plays on the list. The APPROVED PLAY LIST is designed to provide opportunities for students to take part in plays of high quality. WHSFA is always interested in encouraging high school students and teachers to suggest plays to be added to this list. If you or any of your colleagues know of a play that you think should be added to the list, please send the title, author and publisher to Mr. Edward L. Kamarck, Room 623, University Extension Division, Madison, Wisconsin 53706.

USE OF COPYRIGHTED CONTEST MATERIALS

While we have published the following information several times in the past, it is a perennial problem that needs emphasis.

Many of the selections that are used by WHSFA students in declamation, interpretative reading of poetry, interpretative reading of prose, and play-reading are taken from copyrighted materials. The Board of Control highly recommends that any school planning to use materials from such sources secure permission in writing from the publisher. In cases where copyrighted materials are being used for contest purposes some publishers will make special arrangements. It is better, however, to make sure at an early date that the stories or articles being used in contests are cleared by the publisher.

The declamations on the lists circulated by the state office of WHSFA in the fall membership packet have been cleared. It is not necessary to secure further permission for these materials. The selections on the list of APPROVED PLAYS 1964, however, should be cleared. This list has been approved by the publishers, but in many cases royalties are involved.

The problem of copyrighted materials is not an easy one to solve. The state office does feel responsible for informing schools on the importance of clearing all copyrighted material with publishers.

QUALITY CONTEST MATERIALS

Schools competing in WHSFA contests have always been noted for the excellent quality of the materials used in contests. In addition to the "Sources for Cuttings" listed in the 1964 Aims, Definitions, Rules of Speech, Drama and Debate Contests, coaches should explore other available works of literature that will provide students with exposure to superior literary efforts. Many of the outstanding interpretative readings and declamations in the past have been taken from high school literature anthologies, both in textbook form and paperback. The declamations provided by the state office need not be an end in themselves, but can serve as examples of worthwhile material and, hopefully, may direct the student to explore other possibilities on his own.

PUBLIC ADDRESS TOPICS
FOR
SUB-DISTRICT, DISTRICT AND STATE CONTESTS

The general area for the Public Address contest is: How can poverty best be alleviated in the United States?

At the sub-district, district, and state contest a student must deliver a speech on the particular aspect of the general area designated for that contest level. In other words, the student is required to change his speech as he moves from one contest to another.

A complete explanation of the Public Address contest and the rules appear in both the September, 1964 Newsletter and the Aims, Definitions, and Rules of Speech, Drama, and Debate Contests.

NEWSLETTERS AND MATERIALS

Newsletters are published in September, November, February, and May of each year. Two copies are mailed to every member school of WHSFA. If you are not receiving all of these publications, or if you would like additional copies, please notify the state office.

Materials such as Aims, Definitions, and Rules of Speech, Drama, and Debate Contests, packages of declamations, Winning Orations, and debate materials are sent to schools upon receipt of their dues. If your school has paid its dues and has not yet received membership materials, please notify the state office.

SPEECH EVENTS CALENDAR AVAILABLE

A Speech Events Calendar covering activities in Wisconsin Colleges and Universities for the 1964-65 school year has been prepared by Professor Herman H. Brockhaus, Chairman, University Extension Division, Department of Speech. If you did not receive a copy at the November 6 meeting of the Wisconsin Speech Association in Milwaukee, write to Professor Brockhaus, University Extension Division, Department of Speech, 432 North Lake Street, Madison 6, Wisconsin.