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"**I**f all my possessions and powers were to be taken from me with one exception, I would choose to keep the power of speech, for by it I could soon recover all the rest."

—Daniel Webster



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The National Forensic League Program

1. To encourage and recognize with suitable award a high degree of excellence in the effective use of the spoken word.
2. To work toward the end that every standard high school in America will offer courses in public speaking which will be taught by teachers especially trained for this service.
3. To advocate that speech teachers who coach debate and direct public speaking activities of an extra-curricular nature shall be given the same consideration as is accorded coaches of athletic activities.
4. To develop a recognition for the significance and value of speech training which will give speech courses and speech teachers the same academic rating which is now given to the subjects and instructors of such highly valuable courses as English, History, Science, or Mathematics.

"Vocabulation"—The Cardinal Vice

Students of speech should learn early in their careers that there is much more to developing a reputation for effective speaking than the mere mastery of the rules of oral emphasis or the arts of clear enunciation, correct pronunciation, adequate projection, and compelling gesticulation. While all of these principles of correct speaking must be mastered, together with many more the student of speech should never lose sight of the fundamental fact that the first requisite of a good speech is to have something authentic and accurate to say.

I used to attend a college which had a president who had a habit of saying that the first ingredient in the recipe for making rabbit pie was to Get The Rabbit! Paraphrased a bit, I pass this solemn observation along—the first ingredient in making a good speech is to have something to say. America, today, is suffering from too many facile tongues wagging about things of too little consequence. If I were the author of a dictionary and could presume to coin a word for the English vocabulary, I would add the word "Vocabulation" and define it as "the iniquitous art of speaking glibly about things on which the speaker has no authentic or complete information" and I would label a "Vocabulator" as a loose-tongued individual who repeated gossip and rumor with all the solemnity and earnestness of a real Orator proclaiming the privileges of human liberty. And since my dictionary would be a very original and unorthodox compilation of facts I would add

the observation in italicized type that "vocabulation" was one of the greatest of human vices and that a "Vocabulator" was an individual completely to be scorned and whose existence was a menace to the community!

Vocabulation is a vicious practice and speech students can do much to depopularize it. They should first of all, resolve definitely to avoid being guilty of this vice and then they should do their best to eradicate it from their circles of contact. Facts should be checked and rechecked before being utilized in a speech, private or public, and sources of all information should be carefully examined and definitely authenticated before being trusted to supply a basis for speech materials. Speakers should refrain from quoting unreliable sources of material and they should look beneath the surface before transforming newspaper accounts, general information, sensational discoveries, unsubstantiated figures and quotation into the substance from which significant speeches are and should come.

Newspapers protect themselves from libel while stirring the sensational impulses of their readers by prefixing the phrases, "it is alleged" or "it is rumored" before printing an unsubstantiated and gossipy piece of misinformation. Altho these phrases give the newspaper fraternity legal immunity, they do not prevent them from causing many unnecessary heartaches and from disseminating much inaccurate reading. Speakers, practioneers as they are of a more noble and a more personal art than journalists, should protect themselves from such deceptions and practices by declining firmly and consistently to speak on anything until and unless they have carefully checked the accuracy of their information. By insisting that facts, not fancy provide the basis for their speech, public speakers can discourage gossip by showing the effectivness of a more reliable discourse.

High School and college students of speech soon learn the value of validity in communication. They should share this information with their less-enlighted colleagues whose educational courses have not so clearly demonstrated the insipid aspects of the great American parlor game of gossip. Speech students can serve America well by showing-up the so termed gossip adict as a naughty, near-sighted, nuisance and by supplanting these loud speakers of loose information with forceful speakers of authentic facts.

The noble art of speaking is too significant to be utilized for the unholy communication of gossip. Let speech students, everywhere, become leaders in the movement to condemn "Vocabulators" as the treacherous traitors which they are and let these speech students, too, look well to their own speaking to be certain that before they mount the plaform they have first of all mastered some important facts from which they can build a compelling and a convincing speech.

---Karl E. Mundt

Committee Report on Sweepstakes Award

(All chapters should read this carefully as it continues some of the official business of the National Tournament-convention in Kent, Ohio).

Mr. Karl E. Mundt, president of the NFL, appointed a committee last Spring at the National Forensic League meeting in Kent, Ohio, to study the idea of giving an annual National Sweepstakes Award.

Our committee now has the following report to submit:

- 1—A Sweepstakes Award shall be given annually.
- 2—The Executive Council shall decide what this award shall be.
- 3—An outside organization may be the donor of the award, if approved by the Executive Council.
- 4—The award shall be presented to the school having earned the most cumulative points at the close of each National Tournament.
- 5—The following schedule of points shall be used to determine the winner each year:
 - a—For individual events, one point for every round of participation in the National Tournament.
 - b—For debate—two points for every round of participation in the National Tournament.
- 6—The record shall commence with the 1931 Tournament which was held in Ripon, Wisconsin.
- 7—A school, having won the award, must begin at zero again and accumulate points.

The committee urges that if the plan is not acceptable to the chapters, they write in their objections and offer constructive criticism. Do not delay in this matter. This plan will be presented for adoption at the Annual Business meeting in Chicago during the Christmas vacation.

Signed, The committee:

O. A. Swanson,
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

Rankin Jones,
Brownsville, Penn.

J. Edmund Mayer, Chairman,
Topeka, Kansas.

—NFL—

All NFL-ers should remember December 30, 31, and January 1, as the dates of the annual convention of the National Speech Teachers Association. This year's convention will be held in Chicago and special stress is being given to the speech problems of teachers in secondary school. A joint forensic-society luncheon is being planned and further details will be available in the December ROSTRUM.

Sioux Falls Stimulates Debate Interest

As a part of the program for one of the regular meetings of the Sioux Falls, S. D. chapter of NFL, the club members wrote some special short essays giving expression to their opinions under the title, "The Value of Debating". Miss Perkins, debate director, informs THE ROSTRUM that the students brought out some of the genuinely significant values of debating in these essays and that keen competition was developed to see whose essay would be voted the best. Two of these essays are reprinted, herewith; one of them stresses the value of debate and the other one lists an important chapter policy for securing emblems for members and this policy might well be emulated by other schools.

"The Subject of Debating"

In my earlier years, I always looked at debating as a subject which gave you about as much freedom as a slave; and I used to look upon the debater as some intellectual giant who becomes more of a book-worm as he grows older. This I believe to be the viewpoint of many who do NOT get the full meaning of debate.

My first thoughts, I still believe, are right to a certain extent for you most certainly can become a slave of this most interesting subject. However, do not let me be misunderstood—the debater does not become a slave of debating because a teacher is going to force him to do a certain amount of work every night; the exact opposite, in fact is true—debate is a subject which you take for your own betterment and one must always keep in mind that one gets no more out of debate than what one puts into it.

My second thoughts, I now see, were quite inane. The debater is not a human store-house of facts. Of course, he has studied and read enough so that many facts are firmly embedded in his mind. But the debater is not a bookworm as so many people have been falsely led to believe. He naturally reads a great deal but the material he reads does not make him stale but instead it keeps him up to date on subjects which otherwise he might not have read. In conclusion, I now believe that instead of becoming a slave of the subject, debating affords a broader view and permits greater freedom of self-expression to the students who engage in it.

---Roger Koenig

"How Our Chapter Gets Its Emblems"

All of our debate class realizes the value of debating and the high honor of earning a debate key. It is each debater's duty in our class to work and strive for the National Forensic League emblem by means of the specified rules in the League constitution.

It is the class duty as a whole to earn the money to pay for these emblems when they have been earned. To do this, we sponsor a candy sale in the school every Tuesday and Thursday after school and each member volunteers to sell candy at least once every two weeks. In this way we all cooperate in earning the keys and consequently we feel more worthy of them.

Mary Jean Lohmiller

Something of This—Something of That

A recent letter from one of the editors of THE SCHOLASTIC compliments THE ROSTRUM on its contents and composition and asks to be put on our permanent exchange list. Incidentally, THE SCHOLASTIC has added a speech section to the magazine, this year, and is running a series of articles on the national debate question which will be much appreciated by its many readers throughout the country. Every year, additional magazines are recognizing the importance of the Speech Group in America and are including special sections in their periodicals for this rapidly growing classification of readers.

—NFL—

According to a recent issue of "The East High Auroran", Aurora, Illinois, a new plan for giving additional students forensic experience has recently been adopted in East High School. A total forensic squad of 36 members will be maintained throughout the year, with 24 enrolled in debate and 12 in oratory. A study of fundamental speech techniques will be carried on throughout the year and every student in both types of work will be given actual experience before the termination of the school year. Melvin Attig is debate coach and is responsible for developing this program of increased student participation.

—NFL—

Winner, South Dakota, has recently applied for a charter in the NFL and the September 16 issue of "The Rodeo", Winner High School paper, carries a front page story announcing this forward-looking action on the part of the school. John W. Headley, formerly superintendent of Colman, South Dakota (which was represented at the Kent tournament last May) is now Principal in Winner and he is very much interested in developing a strong speech program in Winner High School.

—NFL—

THE ROSTRUM acknowledges regular receipt of "The Auroran", a splendid weekly high school paper published in Muscatine, Iowa. Every issue has had a front page article based on the forensic activities of the school. Of special interest to our readers is a news item stating that W. H. McIlrath (remembered for his activities as imprompt "impresario" at the Kent Tournament) has been appointed to a new position and is now director of debating in the Abraham Lincoln High School of Council Bluffs, Iowa. The Council Bluffs school has held the championship of Iowa on several occasions and "Mac" is determined to continue its fine forensic record. If energy and punch will perpetuate the winning streak of Council Bluffs, other schools in that vicinity may depend upon it that they will have hard work in bringing this victory string to an early conclusion. Edson Attleson is the new debate director at Muscatine and he is rated as an A-1 man for the position so we shall look for both Muscatine and Council Bluffs to battle vigorously for the privilege of representing the Tall Corners in the National Tournament next May.

Some More of This—Some More of That

Approximately 50 of our NFL chapters are now keeping THE ROSTRUM regularly informed of their forensic activities either by sending in copies of their High School papers or by having an Official Chapter Reporter send in newspaper clippings, typewritten news notes, programs, handbills, and other information which will help win recognition for his chapter and help inspire other chapters to function better. **Every chapter in NFL should have a chapter reporter responsible for sending news items to the Rostrum at regular intervals.** Put Your Chapter "on the forensic map" by keeping Your Magazine informed of Your Activities!

—NFL—

This month's cover legend was suggested by Leslie Schreiber of Charleroi, Pennsylvania, who is one of NFL's great and good workers and who is always on the look-out for anything likely to be helpful to the country's speech interests.

—NFL—

The October Rostrum should have stated that the ritual published therein was not an official adoption as the League has no prescribed ritual. Each Chapter is free to adopt or not adopt its own induction ceremony. The ritual devised by the Eveleth Chapter was published as a fine elaboration of the ceremony devised several years ago by Manual High School Chapter in Denver and published in the Manual for Chapters as a guide to other chapters in devising suitable induction ceremonies for their use.

—NFL—

"The Central Texan", published by the Central Texas School of Oratory, in Brownwood, Texas, has an interesting article concerning this year's plans for forensic activity. Chapter 513 is located in this school and Charlie Mae Scott is the new president of the chapter, and it is already making plans to attend the convention-tournament next spring.

—NFL—

The National Council of the National Forensic League will meet in Chicago just before or just after the annual Speech Convention which will be held in the Stevens Hotel this year. NFL-ers in Chicago for the Convention are invited to submit any proposals for League betterment at this Council Meeting.

—NFL—

Delta Sigma Rho, senior college speech fraternity of America, now has 314 members of its fraternity listed in "Who's Who in America". Just another indication that Speech People Do Things . . . NFL is still a young organization but before very long we'll be finding the names of our NFL members on the pages of "Who's Who". It will be interesting to watch and see who will be the FIRST NFL-er to win mention in "Who's Who".

—NFL—

A good speech always ends before the audience wants it to!

Pennsylvania's Speech Opportunity

National Director Leslie D. Schreiber of Charleroi, Pennsylvania, who is also State Chairman of the Pennsylvania NFL District, has sent THE ROSTRUM and air-mail announcement containing the encouraging news that this year the State Educational Association has arranged to include a Round Table for Speech Teachers in the convention program which will take place in Harrisburg, December 28.

The National Forensic League rejoices in this forward-looking step on the part of the Pennsylvania Educational Association and urges every speech teacher in Pennsylvania to attend this important Round Table Meeting. Director Schreiber was one of the leading forces in securing this addition to the State Convention Program and it is now the obligation of the speech teachers of the State to help make this Round Table Section a well-attended and enthusiastic success.

An interesting program is being arranged for this meeting and it is hoped that this Round Table meeting will be so completely successful that it will become a permanent feature of the State Convention program.

Pennsylvania should watch for the December issue of the State School Journal for additional details concerning this Speech Round Table.

—NFL—

Topeka, Kansas Initiates Ten Members

Topeka Chapter, number 235 of NFL, reports by its special Chapter Reporter that a class of ten new debaters and orators were admitted to League membership last month. J. Edmund Mayer, genial host to the 1933 national tournament, continues as Chapter Sponsor.

The Initiation Service consisted of the following program:

Chairman	Mary Ann Porterfield
Meaning of NFL	Clifton Stratton
History of the THS Chapter	Corrine Hobbs
Introduction of New Members	Hart Speigel, Betty Warren
Address—Founder of Chapter	Carmie Wolfe
Pledge	J. Edmund Mayer

The following pledge was taken by the class of initiates:

PLEDGE

As a member of the National Forensic League, I pledge myself to the best of my ability;

- 1—To judge no man nor cause until I have weighed the evidence carefully.
- 2—To think before I speak.
- 3—To lay aside personal prejudices.
- 4—To make my criticisms constructive.
- 5—To use my influence and ability to secure for my school, my community, my state, and my country, a citizenship dedicated to the highest American ideals.

Lewiston, Idaho, Chapter Earns Money By Helping Theater With Benefit Shows

In the course of two years, we have had four so-called "benefit" picture shows with vaudeville furnished by our National Forensic League Chapter, here in Lewiston. Before choosing the play, we always study all possibilities ahead. For example, we might select a picture such as "Gabriel Over The White House" or "Washington Merry-go-Round" if we felt the American History and Civics Classes would be interested in that type of thing. We also check ahead to find out what school clubs or community organizations will be interested in a theater party and then try to choose a time that will accommodate the most people. We usually have at least one club interested, and in Lewiston we also get excellent cooperation from the various school departments and the athletic coach.

The terms we have made with the Theater management, after telling them our plans, are as follows: (1) We keep half of all the money from our own ticket sales (prices 25c, 15c, and 10c). (2) We get one third of all ticket sales at the box office. (3) We mimeograph our tickets to save the price of printing them. (4) We furnish ushers for both matinee and evening performances. (5) We also furnish a door man. (6) We furnish the vaudeville between the feature picture and the shorts. (7) We mimeograph the handbills (about one thousand, usually) and the League members distribute them. (8) We often put on a contest in the art department and give so many tickets for the best posters made for our show. (9) Sometimes, we sell candy, gum, popcorn, etcetra, in the lobby.

At one show, "Washington Merry-go-Round", we cleared over \$40.

With one of our benefit shows we credited each League member with the profit he made from selling tickets. This gave each League member the opportunity to make the price of his League dues—or perhaps, to buy his pin or key if he proved to be a real good salesman. This was a great impetus to our ticket-selling! The profit from the box office receipts, however, always goes entirely into our general fund for debate trips and chapter activities.

It takes a lot of thinking, work, and effort to make a success of a show like this. Of course, the organization must know the necessity of making good on the project or else the theater management will not consider them again. We, therefore, always, have several call meetings where enthusiastic workers give pep talks. Too, we always advertise in our assemblies and manage to have our shows mentioned in the Sunday School Notes in the local paper.

Contributed by George Blake,
Treasurer, Lewiston, Idaho NFL Chapter.

Financial Statement for the Year Ending June 30, 1935

Profit and Loss Statement

Receipts	
Charter Fees (97)	\$ 485.00
Membership Fees (1,636)	2,454.00
Degree Fees (1,663)	831.50
Annual Dues	179.50
Reinstatement Fees	12.00
Merchandise	23.27
Tournament Receipts	1,777.50
Registration Fees	\$977.50
Kent Guarantee	800.00
Vouchers Not Presented	34.95
Rostrum Advertising	94.72
Total Receipts	\$5,892.44

Disbursements	
National Tournament	\$518.90
Judges	401.55
Trophies	281.63
Officers Travel	81.80
Badges	297.37
Printing, postage	38.27
Miscellaneous	\$1,619.52
Clerical Help	535.90
Secretary's Salary	1,200.00
Printing	1,054.00
Postage	332.60
Travel	440.95
The Rostrum	517.57
General Expense:	
Depreciation	201.78
Moving	197.59
Charters	44.30
Interest	22.11
Office Supplies	59.91
Miscellaneous	107.70
Total Disbursements	\$6,334.45

Total Deficit for the Year	\$ 442.01
Surplus from Last Year	900.71
Present Surplus	458.70

Balance Sheet

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash in Bank	\$ 390.22	Trust Fund Deposits	\$2,534.00
Accounts Receivable	234.00	Trust Income Account	5.99
Trust Investments	2,000.00	Vouchers Outstanding	415.93
Fixtures	907.10	Accounts Payable	116.70
		Surplus	458.70
			\$3,361.32
	\$3,361.32		\$3,361.32

Trust Income Account

Receipts		Disbursements	
Balance, July 1, 1934	\$ 40.03	To Pay Dues for 63 Chapters	\$ 63.00
Interest from Investments	94.85	Remitted to Chapters	102.80
Interest from Balance with		Balance in Account	5.99
General Funds	9.31		
Unclaimed Vouchers	27.60		
	\$ 171.79		\$ 171.79

Trust Fund Account

Receipts		Disbursements	
Balance, July 1, 1934	\$2,565.00	Investments	\$2,000.00
Deposits by Chapters	63.00	Withdrawals	94.00
		With General Funds	534.00
	\$2,628.00		\$2,628.00

The Annual Statement

In making a comparative analysis of the financial report with a similar one for last year, the first factor of note is the decrease in revenue. The increase in membership requirements effected by first reducing the points awarded for contests and then raising the membership requirements by 50 per cent naturally resulted in reduced revenue from this principal source of League income. Doubling the charter requirements—really tripling them if the reduced point schedule is considered—also reduced income from charter fees since fewer charters were granted.

Greater activity and accomplishments of the League brought with them greater costs and altogether a nominal deficit for the year resulted. But worth while things were done. The Rostrum was increased in size from eight pages to sixteen with self-contained cover. Badly needed office furniture and equipment was added, increasing our assets in fixtures by \$300. For the first time all members of the Executive Council were able to attend the annual midyear Council meeting, especially important this year since the ten-year revision of the constitution was undertaken.

Increased demand for the appearance of NFL officers advanced the travel cost, but brought many worth while contacts to the League. President Mundt first took a memorable part in the nation-wide radio debate on the NBC network speaking from Chicago, and later addressed one of the meetings of the National Association of Teachers of Speeches in New Orleans. The Secretary spoke at the meeting of the Western Association of Teachers of Speech in Salt Lake City and represented the League at the N. U. E. A. meetings in Kansas City and again in Lincoln. While these items affect the Profit and Loss statement adversely, they are real assets in the balance sheet of intangible values.

The salary of the Secretary was increased so as to approach nominal compensation, a step recommended by the members in their annual convention as early as 1931.

Tournament income and tournament expenses remained about the same as for the previous year. Excluding administrative overhead and considering only direct tournament expenses, the tournament was again self-sustaining and even returned a small balance to the general fund to partially off-set the heavy deficits incurred during the first years it was held.

Although a deficit occurred, a surplus still remains. Furthermore, had each Chapter enrolled just one more member last year, a balanced statement would have resulted. This achievement will be the objective of the officers of the League for 1936.

Book Review

Principles and Types of Speech, Alan H. Monroe, Scott, Foresman & Co.

Professor Alan Monroe of Purdue University has added a brilliant contribution to the speech texts of America in bringing out his new college textbook, "Principles and Types of Speech." This text gives a comprehensive consideration to almost every phase of modern speaking and offers a splendid background of study for the beginning student of the Speech Arts.

Stressing the importance of teaching the "how" of speech education as well as the "what" of it, Professor Monroe has adequately exemplified and illustrated the principles he considers so that the learner is given a practical and utilitarian approach to his early problems in speech development. Very rightfully, also, the author has stepped up the stress given to "audience reactions" and has brought the speech-listener into the picture very definitely as the ultimate critic and the final judge of what, after all, may be considered effective speech.

An interesting section of the book undertakes to present a background of training for participation in group discussion which is an aspect of modern speaking which is becoming increasingly popular with the development of speech forums and the tendency to bring the listeners into the discussion by a question and answer period following many important addresses.

While the textbook is written at a college level and is pointed to the beginning college speech classes, it is a textbook which might well be included in the personal library of every high school teacher and it is basic and readable enough to be used as a text in many of our more advanced high schools.—Karl E. Mundt.

Handbook for Students and Coaches of Speech Contests, Fern McGaughey and J. Fred McGaughey, The Willis N. Bugbee Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

This interesting and inexpensive little paper-clad volume contains a storehouse of practical information for the teacher who is confronted with the problem of coaching high school speech contests and who has not been fortunate enough to have had a specialized type of speech training in college.

Consideration is given to value and to the proper coaching methods to be used in such contest work as Declamation, Oratory, Extemporaneous Speaking, Story-Telling, Debate, and One Act Play Contests. Some important hints are also given on the hazardous art of contest judging. The handbook is thoroughly modern and will prove exceedingly helpful to the inexperienced speech coach.

NFL

Josh Billings used to say: "I don't care how much people talk if they will only say it in a few words."

From the Secretary's Desk

Thank You, Enid!

Two of the missing numbers of the NFL Bulletin have been supplied promptly by Miss Hazel A. Hatch of Enid, Oklahoma, and we gratefully acknowledge the helpful service. Now, can someone else furnish the last missing number—December, 1929—so we can have a complete file bound and preserved for future reference? The Secretary nominates both Miss Hatch and the next donor for Citations of Service.

Go-Getters

These chapters have added to the membership standing by enrolling new members and degrees during October:

California, Pa.	Topeka, Kans.
Oklahoma City-Classen.	Turlock, Calif.
Denver-Cathedral, Colo.	Adrian, Mich.
Mascoutah, Ill.	Columbia, Mo.
Henning, Ill.	Port Clinton, Ohio.
Tekoa, Wash.	Olney, Ill.
Wichita, Kans.	St. Vincent's, Pa.
Cherryvale, Kans.	Evansville-Bosse, Ind.
Ames, Iowa.	Marshall, Mo.
Minnehaha, Minn.	St. Louis-Cleveland, Mo.

New Chapters

The Charter Committee announces the granting of charters to:	
Plymouth, Wisconsin.	Winnemucca, Nevada.
Douglas, Wyoming.	Winner, South Dakota.

Back Again

After an absence of nearly four weeks due to illness, the Secretary is glad to be back at work again trying to take care of the needs and wishes of the chapters. The office assistant tried to supply whatever material and information he was able to, but if mistakes or omissions occurred, chapters are asked to report them at once so they may be rectified. The patience of those affected by this unavoidable delay in attending to their wishes is genuinely appreciated.

Write Your Committee

At the National Tournament at Kent last May a committee was appointed to investigate the matter of eligibility of mid-year graduates to participate in the national contests. This committee will make its recommendations to the Executive Council at the mid-year meeting in December. The views of the chapters in every state are desired so that a policy fair to everyone can be worked out. Write your recommendations or views at once to a member of the committee. The members are: Mr. Harold M. Jordan, Watertown, S. D.; Miss Kathryn Moran, Joplin, Mo., and Mrs. Mildred Simpson, Central High School, Syracuse, N. Y.

Statistical Diet

District Standing

Rank	Up or Down	District	Av. No. Members	Leading Chapter	Members & Degrees
1.	0	New York	11.6	Poughkeepsie	64
2.	0	Indiana	9.7	Bloomington	26
3.	0	Missouri	7.0	Joplin	50
4.	0	Nebraska	6.8	Emerson	21
5.	+1	Pennsylvania	6.6	Charleroi	44
6.	+4	Michigan	5.9	River Rouge	18
7.	-2	Wisconsin	5.8	Mayville	26
8.	0	Ohio	5.6	Chaney	49
9.	0	Illinois	5.2	DuQuoin	34
10.	-3	Texas	5.0	Enid, Okla.	30
11.	+4	Kansas	4.3	Topeka	42
12.	-1	Iowa	4.0	Oskaloosa	25
13.	+1	Washington	4.0	Lewiston, Idaho	36
14.	-1	California	3.5	Phoenix, Arizona	13
15.	-3	Dakota	3.3	Presho	17
16.	0	Minnesota	3.1	Mpls-Roosevelt	18
17.	0	Colorado	2.3	Fort Collins	10
18.	0	Southern	2.0	Moorefield, W. Va.	12
19.	0	New England	1.3	Foxcroft Academy	8
		National	5.2	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	64

Our Second Decalet of Leaders

Coaches	Students
Levi Osterhaus, Minneapolis	507 H. Goldstein, Brownsville
Florence Willet, Conton	430 Sam Shapiro, Wooster, O.
T. C. Bond, Niles, Ohio	424 Rinard Hart, Brownsville
R. S. Cartwright, Elgin, Ill.	393 Betty Dorsey, Pittsburg, Kan.
Helen M. Hall, Passaic, N. J.	383 F. Highbarger, Muscatine
W. F. English, Carrollton	366 Mary A. Porterfield, Topeka
Mildred Dunham, Hornell	352 Nancy Town, Oconomowoc
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