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	ew	Total
Chapters	19	476
Members	398	12,445
Emblems Ordered	177	7,307
Report of Contests	1,636	46,593
Memoranda Issued	1,500	47,556
Degrees Granted:		
Degree of Honor	198	4,456
Degree of Excellence	116	2,273
Degree of Distinction	73	1,186

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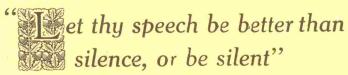
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# Challenges of a New School Year

This month opens up a new opportunity to the almost 500 NFL Chapters distributed through forty states of the Union. The beginning of a new school year provides an opportunity for each of these 500 chapters to make real record for itself in things forensic. Let the past bury the past; September, 1935, ushers in a series of challenges for every chapter in the NFL.

In some instances these challenges will come to progressive NFL chapters in the form of stirring questions as to whether these chapters can maintain the splendid activities which have already won for them a large measure of distinction in the field of speech. In other cases, these challenges represent new opportunities for lagging chapters to develop a program of chapter activities which will enable them to be of real service to the speech interests of their communities. For all chapters, these challenges should stimulate resolutions to the end that this new school year will result in growth and improvement in every chapter of the League.

The time to map out the year's program of forensic activities for an individual chapter is during the early months of the school year. Chapter officers should now be elected in those cases where last year's officers have not returned to school. A schedule of regular meeting dates and social events should be prepared. Chapter-sponsors should be selected. Early season speech contests, open-forum discussions, chapter-money-raising projects, interchapter meetings and banquets, chapter publicity programs, should all be planned and preparations begun for putting these activities into early operation. The NFL recognizes the important educational contribution made by speech tournaments and forensic contests, but it is also mindful of the fact that many of the most signif cant con ributions of League membership result from the year-around programs carried on by its chapters to the end that more students may become interested in perfecting their speech habits and secure the opportunity to gain practical experience in the speech arts. Alert chapters of the League will not neglect this important function of National Forensic League membership. The contest season in public speaking, at best, is a limited one; the opportunities for speech-serving activities on the part of our individual chapters is unlimited.

Energetic chapters of the League may well project their speech activities beyond the boundaries of the school campus. Chapters arrange to have their members make public appearances and gain practical speech experience by speaking before young peoples' societies, womens' clubs, service club organizations, and other public meetings which are desirous of securing talent for

their programs. Speaking is an art which is developed by experience and practice. It is the hope of the NFL that this year every one of our chapters will maintain a nine-months program of speech activities which will go for toward developing a broader appreciation of the value of speech in the school which it represents and which will improve speaking ability of its chapter members.

NFL

Mary Elizabeth Perkins of Sioux Falls, S. D., coach of last year's National Champion high school debaters, writes, "I want to tell you again how perfectly wonderful I think the National Forensic League Tournament is. This year I hope to do a good deal more in stimulating more interest in our high school forensic program. I really feel that participation in a National Forensic tournament is the most gratifying opportunity a high school student can have—either win or lose." Since Sioux Falls has annexed TWO national championships in its three years in the League, other schools may "view with alarm" this declaration that Miss Perkins intends to "stimulate more interest." However, Sioux Falls has no monoply on ambition-let other schools also start early, this year developing a well-rounded speech program.

#### NFL

What's happening to your school? Why not appoint an ACTIVE Chapter Correspondent, this year, who will send the editor of The Rostrum regular news items about your chapter? We want to hear about your activities and your plans. Your chapter is entitled to some publicity in The Rostrum! It's up to YOU to keep our mail box filled with news items about your school. If you have a school paper, why not put us on your mailing list and send us marked copies indicating the place of NFL in your school publication.

Question for Debate

The official statement of the question for debate as it will be used in the national speech tournament this year is as follows:

"Resolved; That the several states should enact legislation providing for a system of complete medical care available to all citizens at public expense."

# A Short Bibligraphy on the Socialization of Medicine

By JAMES N. HOLM, McKinley High School, Canton, Ohio

## Magazine Articles

Survey Graphic, Vol. 23, Dec., 1934—The entire issue is devoted to a discussion of the problem, with many authorities giving their opinions. Emphasis on the affirmative point of view.

Harpers, July, 1935: "Doctors, Patients, and the State," P. 220, J. A. Hartwell, M. D.—An excellent background, including the history of the development of socialized medicine. Shows how the affirmative trend of thought came into being, but is entirely fair to both sides.

#### Books

Harry H. Moore: "American Medicine and the People's Health," D. Appleton, 1927—Very good. Complete survey of the question, and easy for high school people to understand, although the book is not up to date in many tables and data.

American Medical Association: "Handbook of Sickness Insurance, State Medicine, and the Cost of Medical Care," A. M. A. Bureau of Medical Economics—A survey of opinions on both sides of the question. Mostly quotations from authorities. Especially complete on sickness insurance.

The Committee on the Costs of Medical Care—

- Falk, Rorem, and Ring: "The Costs of Medical Care," Report No. 27 of the Committee—A thorough report of the findings of the committee, with the latest tables and data. Invaluable and authoritative.
- The Committee: "Medical Care for the American People," Report No. 28 of the Committee—The recommendations and conclusions of the committee after its five-year survey. Includes minority reports. With Report No. 27 this will furnish almost all any debater will need to be completely versed on the question. Mostly affirmative, however.

  (Both published by the University of Chicago Press.)
- Sir Arthur Newsholme: "Medicine and the State," Williams and Wilkins Co., 1932—Another general survey of the question, but international in scope, going into the experience of the European countries with sickness insurance.
- Sir Arthur Newholme and John A. Kingsbury: "Red Medicine," Doubleday Doran, 1933—An evaluation of the work of the only completely socialized system of medicine in the world. Survey undertaken for the Milbank Memorial Fund. Findings mostly favorable to Soviet medicine.

# 1935 Speech Teachers' Convention Will Feature High School Speech

The Rostrum is glad to announce to its readers that this year's National Convention of Teachers of Speech to he held in Chicago next December, will emphasize the problems confronting the high school speech people of America. Dean Dennis spoke of this plan in Kent, and plans are already being perfected to make this year's convention the most helpful to the high school speech group of any National Speech Teachers' Convention ever held.

Miss Gladys Borchers of the University of Wisconsin, member of the National Board of Directors of the Speech Teachers' Association of America, is doing some special work preparing the high school section of the 1935 program. She has sent The Rostrum a resume of her early plans in this regard and we are glad to relay this information to our members. It is hoped that NFL will be widely represented this year at this Speech Convention, stressing the field of speech in which we operate.

Tentative plans for the 1935 program include the following:

- 1. There will be a program in Speech Correction of special interest to secondary schools. This will be planned and executed by Dr. Lee Travis of the University of Iowa, who is chairman of the National Association of Teachers of Speech Correction.
- 2. There will be a round table discussion on the new course of study in speech, and at this time we will hand out mimeographed copies of the following:
  - (a) A course of study for use in the high school where Speech is integrated with all subjects.
  - (b) A combination course of Speech and English.
  - (c) A one-semester or one-year fundamental course in Speech.
  - (d) A program for the large high school with two or more teachers.
- 3. Dean Dennis will present a program on what is new in forensic contests. He has an interesting plan which he is going to demonstrate at this meeting.
- 4. William Trufant Foster is planning to discuss the question of State Medicine. He will give an opportunity for members of the audience to ask questions at the close of his discussion.
- 5. A demonstration in dramatics by authorities in the field. We are hoping to hold this at the Blackstone Theatre or some other theatre where we can have stage and lighting facilities.

# Judges—Blind or Instructed?

By EARL PLANTY, Ilion, New York

Too many debates are decided by some harmless remark which a judge interprets as sarcasm, or by a failure to address the chair, or by any one of countless minor details which conscientious judges often magnify into deciding factors.

Holding one hundred debates a year in a small town presented us with the difficulty of securing competent judges—economically. After the mortification of winning debates we should have lost, and later losing for mispronouncing "bureacracy" (it's bu-ro' cracy you know), we decided to draw up a ballot which would prevent judges from expressing their economic prejudices or pedantic whims.

Need for such a ballot was intensifed by a critic judge, a lawyer, who gave us his whole comment after a debate on radio control: "As a conservative Republican, I find it difficult to

agree with the arguments of the affirmative."

We first used some of the common complicated ballots that require an Einstein to analyze a speech into six or eight components and marks each on a basis of six, nine, fifteen or eighteen points as perfection—all this to be done between speakers and during the moments applause with which considerate audiences should oblige

a judge.

After trials in over five hundred debates we evolved the following simple ballot. It was used last year in the New York State National Forensic League Tournament; it has been used in two invitation tournaments in New York this year and is used in states as distant as Texas and Nebraska. Last spring it was used here in a semi-final state tournament debate between two strong teams. The judges were two school superintendents, a minister, two debate coaches, and two college debaters. The decision was 7-0, three laymen and four specially trained men agreeing in a close debate!

One major failure of lawyers, teachers, ministers and business men as judges is that they stress delivery; they confuse debate with oratory. They minimize proof and clash of opinion and reward a learned and polished presentation. To correct this we compel judges to mark each speaker on his argument and rebuttal, allowing but one-third of a whole debate to delivery, which we call "expression," including style and vocabulary. Even then we cannot prevent a cultured voice and personal poise from making medicore facts sound brilliant. Who wants to?

Oftentimes judges fail to consider a debate as a whole. A final brilliant rebuttal or a clever advance speech, written by coach or parent, decides a whole debate. Our numerical ballot, by affording a record as the debate progresses, prevents this. The ballot stresses debaters and their manner of debating and minimizes the old fashioned burden of proof and establishment of the proposition.

After a debate a speaker can find where his work is weak. Coaches who are uncertain of the relative powers of two debaters ean settle the matter with a few ballot debates. If a speaker knows in advance the basis for decision; he can make more intelligent preparation.

We offer the ballot to schools who would like to use as judges

the intelligent banker, baker, or sermon maker.

In a recent debate with a neighboring school we used six student judges, three from Ilion and three from our opponent's school. The decision was five to one.

Ever try an even number of judges? Think it over; it has advantages.

#### Ballot

Mark each speaker on his arguments, expression, and rebuttal. Use 100 for perfection. Each could obtain 300 points. Total the marks for each speaker and team, and cast your ballot for the team with the higher total.

Teams that indulge in advanced refutation should not be penalized for poor organization.

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# **Chapter Membership Record**

The annual report of the membership attainments of the chapters is presented here in its customary form. The figure in the first column denotes the rank of the chapter within its group. The next figure indicates the change in this rank since last year, up next figure indicated. This marks the achievement of the chapter or down as indicated. This marks the achievement of the chapter as compared with other chapters holding membership for the as compared with other chapters holding membership for the same number of years. The final figure denotes the total number same numbers and degrees enrolled up to June 30, 1935.

of members and degrees embled up to a significant change in pro-In determining this final figure a significant change in procedure was made this year. Heretofore, that figure really reprecedure was made this year. Heretofore, that figure really represented, not only members and degrees, but extra votes as well. Sented, not only members and degrees, but extra votes as well. This year it is taken from a newly compiled listing of all the members and degrees enrolled since the founding of the League, indibers and degrees have to

The change affects the membership record in three ways.

No account is now taken in this record of extra votes acquired by a member in consequence of holding credit points in excess of one a member in consequence of holding credit points in excess of one hundred. Likewise extra votes formerly given instructors are hundred. In the third place, members transfering from now not included. In the third place, members transfering from one chapter to another are no longer counted twice, once at each one chapter. Now each chapter is credited with the membership or chapter. Now each chapter is credited with the membership or degrees obtained by the member through that particular chapter. In other words, the present record is strictly and literally a compilation of memberships and degrees enrolled by each NFL chapter.

Many chapters will notice their total for this year is lower than a year ago. This will be due to the changes in the basis of compilation and should not discourage the chapter in its attainment of the 100 members and degrees conveying a certificate of entry to the national speech tournament and five citations toward the Distinguished Service Award.

The chance of error in the report as now compiled is small. Yet if any chapter feels an error might have been made in its record, send the national office a list of the members and degrees the chapter records show and it will be compared with the national records for adjustment of discrepancies.

Study the standing of your own chapter and those nearest above and below you. Conjecture the change in standing next year which you can bring about by enrolling 10, 15, or 20 degrees during this season. In most cases the results will be startling. Survey your situation; set a reasonable but ambitious goal and then keep that before the chapter through the year, measuring each month against the attainment of the objective. See that a sufficient number of students get speech contest opportunities to keep your enrollment schedule and next September the annual report will be a source of real gratification for your chapter and school.

Rank	Up or Down	Members Degrees		Up or Down	Member Degrees
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1	0	Aurora-East, Ill131	5	$\pm 2$	Catasauqua, Pa13
2	+1	Albany, N. Y	6	-4	Denver-Manual, Colo128
3	-1	Sheboygan, Wis112	7	-1	Kan. City-Wyandotte11
4	0	Mankato, Minn 77	8	+1.	Lebanon, Ind11
5	+1	Laconia, N. H 67	9	-5	Presho, S. D10
6	-1	Burlington, Iowa	10	+3	North Judson, Ind 9
7	+1	Pekin, Ill	11	-1	Hutchinson, Kan 9
s s	-3	Richland Center, Wis 59	12	-1	Fayette, Mo 7
9	-3	Florence, Kan 51	13	+1	Peoria-Kingman, Ill 6
	0	Freehold, N. J. 45	14	+3	Paola, Kan 6
10	0	Oconto Falls, Wis 44	15	+11	Washington, Ohio 6
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1	0	Webster Groves, Mo190	18	+3	Gladstone, Mich 5
2	ő	Slatington, Pa190	19	+3	Menasha, Wis
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6	-2	Watertown, S. D. 144	23	0	Toronto, Ohio 4
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9	0	Phoenix, Ariz	27	+2	Morgan Park, Ill 3
10	0	Sartoga Springs, N. Y108	28	-4	Montgomery, Mo 3
11		Huron, S. D. 95	29	+1	Fairmont, W. Va 3
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13		Geddes, S. D. 75	31	0	Austin, Minn 3
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15	+4	Norwich, N. Y	33	-1	Kingfield, Me 2
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19	-7	London, Ohio 38	34	-1	Mahanoy City, Pa 5
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21	_7	Carrollton, Mo 36	-1	+4	Columbia City, Ind 53
22	+2	Buffalo, Wyo35	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	Alverton, Pa. 41
23	+1	La Grange, Ill	3	+14	Derry, Pa
24	-3	Evansville-Bosse, Ind 33	4	-1	Frankfort, Ind
25	+6	Emaus, Pa	5	-4	Dwight, Ill 36
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40	<del>-3</del>	Watseka, Ill 7	20	-16	Dupo, Ill 21
41	$-1 \\ +1$	Philip, S. D	21-	- 15	Boston-Mission, Mass 21
42 43	-1	Rapid City, S. D 5	22	+18	Hurst Twp., Pa 21
44	0	Horicon, Wis 5	23	$\pm 29$	Scottsbluff, Nebr
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1	0	Joplin, Mo178	26	-13	Wessington Spgs., S. D. 19
2	0	Sioux Falls, S. D. 61	27	-2	DeKalb, Ill
3	0	Brownsville, Pa 52		$^{0}_{+1}$	Ft. Worth-Masonic, Tex. 18
4	+1	Emerson, Nebr. 50	29   30	<del>-8</del>	Midland, S. D. 17
5	+16	Kewanna, Ind	31		New Ulm, Minn
6	$-2 \\ +3$	West Allis, Wis 39		+1	State College, Pa 17
7 8	+6	Arlington, N. Y. 37	33	-22	Tekoa, Wash 16
9	-3	Warren-Harding, O 35		+18	Red Lake Falls, Minn 15
10	$\pm 12$	McPherson, Kan 33	35	+17	Newark, Ohio 15
11	+2	Warren-Howland, O 31	36	-21	Cincinnati, Ohio14
12	-1	Hermann, Mo 28		-13	Cape Girardeau, Mo 14
13	-5	Columbus, Ind 27	38	-4	Lexington, Mo
14	+8	Waverly, Ill 27	39	-4	Vandalia, Ill
15	+11	Rankin, Ill 24	40	$^{+12}_{+11}$	Tulare, S. D. 13
16	+2	Euclid-Shore, O	41 42	+10	East Pike Run, Pa 13
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19 20	+5	Ft. Collins. Colo 20	45	-6	Potomac, III12
21	+9	Miami, Okla 20		-4	Omaha-Tech., Nebr 12
22	0	Evansville-Reitz, Ind 19	47	+5	West Frankfort, Ill 12
23	+1	Santa Maria, Calif 19	18	-27	St. Francis, Kan
24	-14	Baxter Sem., Tenn 18	49	12	Pt. Marion, Pa
25	+7	Caldwell, Idaho 18	50	-23	Glasgow, Mo
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60	-22	Harvey, Ill.				Bunker Hill, Ill.
61	-9	Memphis-Tech., Tenn				
62	-21	St. Joseph, Mo				St. Louis-Cleveland, Mo. 8
63	-11	St. Joseph, Mo. Minn. MplsUniversity, Minn.	1	1		Bath, Ohio
64	-21	MplsUniversity,	1	8		Two Rivers, Wis
65	-21	Avon, Ill	1	9		Valley City, N. D
66	-21	Cookeville, Tenn	5 2	) -		So. Fayette, Pa.
67	-19	Brainerd, Minn	5 2	1		Ft. Worth-Stripling Tex.
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Chapters 59	428
Chapters 1 636	12,871
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Emblems Ordered 680 Report of Contests 7,909	47,607
Memoranda Issued	48,930
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Degrees Granted:	1 700
Degree of Honor	4,763
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	1,263
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#### The Leaders at a Glance

These are the all-time leaders in members and degrees enrolled during their indicated years of membership:

Charleroi, Pa. (5)216	Niles, O. (10)182
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Poughkeepsie, Joplin, and Ravenna are the new names on the list. The others were also the leaders last year.

#### 100 Members and Degrees

The following chapters in addition to the 31 published last February have completed the enrollment of 100 members and degrees and are accordingly granted certificates of entry to the National Speech Tournament:

Charleroi, Pennsylvania. Lebanon, Indiana. Mayville, Wisconsin. Adrian, Michigan.

Waynesburg, Pennsylvania. Omaha-North, Nebraska. Peekskill, New York.

#### Large Membership Last Year

The number of members and degrees added by these chapters in spite of the change in method of compilation is an index of their extensive speech activity and should serve as an incentive to others to do likewise in the coming year.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	72	Ft. Wayne-North, Ind.	33
Joplin, Mo.	54	DuQuoin, Ill	29
Lewiston, Idaho	42	Columbia City, Ind.	29
California, Pa.	38	Kewanna, Ind.	28
	37	Niles, Ohio	27
Peekskill, N. Y.	36		

Joplin, Youngstown-Chaney, and Niles were on the list last year too.

### Rapid Advances

Notable advance in relative standing in their groups were achieved by a number of chapters, of which these are outstanding:

Washington C. H., Ohio.
Ft. Wayne-North, Indiana.
Centerville, Pennsylvania.
Syracuse-Central, New York.
Hammond, Indiana.
Portland, Maine.

Poughkeepsie, New York. Omaha-Benson, Nebraska. Gregory, South Dakota. Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Flint, Michigan. Wakefield, Nebraska.

# From the Secretary's Desk

District Chairmen Elected

Meet your District Chairmen for the year 1935-6. These were elected by the ballots received at the national office on or before May 25th as provided by General Order of the Executive Council in carrying out the recommendation of the business meeting at the national tournament at Kent. They are listed in the order in which the districts ranked on June 30th.

Lucille Stephens, Poughkeepsie, New York. Chester C. Diettert, North Judson, Indiana. Leslie D. Schreiver, Charleroi, Pennsylvania. W. Francis English, Carrollton, Missouri.

Sarah A. Ryan, Central High, Omaha, Nebraska.

E. J. Diller, Chaney High, Youngstown, Ohio. O. A. Swanson, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

R. P. Hibbs, DuQuoin, Illinois. Nedra Smith, River Rouge, Michigan.

Joe W. Griffin, Newton, Iowa. A. F. Olney, Phoenix, Arizona.

A. E. Rogers, Presho, South Dakota.

S. Stanley Knapp, North Dallas, Texas.

Lola M. Berry, Lewiston, Idaho.

Levi Osterhus, Roosevelt High, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

P. W. Clarke, Moorefield, West Virginia. James A. Tracy, Fort Collins, Colorado.

H. Bruce Perrill, Hutchinson, Kansas.

J. Weston Walch, Portland High, Portland, Maine.

**New Chapters** 

The following new chapters are welcomed into the League since the publication of the June Rostrum:

Frankfort, Ky.

Turlock, Calif.

Ft. Worth-Stripling, Texas.

Macomb, Ill. Boulder, Colo.

Morris, Ill. Blunt, S. D.

Sisseston, S. D.

Degrees of Distinction

Eleanor Odell, Peekskill, N. Y. Miss Beulah Hutchens, Olney, Ill. Eddie Johnson, Roosevelt H. S., Mpls. Ellsworth Dawson, Enid, Okla. Suzanne Puhan, Sandwich, Ill. Lorin Bess, Sandwich, Ill. Annette Boyd, Sandwich, Ill. Jean Potter, Sandwich, Ill. F. G. Floyd, Brownwood, Texas. Ruby Corrington, Kadoka, S. D. Mindella Silverman, Portland, Me. Abraham, Elowitch, Portland, Me. Frances M. Hall, Independence, Mo. William Bloom, Columbia City, Ind Miss Bertha Thornburgh, Columbia City James Hammer. Columbia City, Ind Alberta Arnold, Eau Claire, Wis. Robert Anderson, Eau Claire, Wis.

Erva Strand, Eau Claire, Wis. Pearl H. Wiedeman, Gregory, S. D. Wayne Wilson, Enid, Okla. Rosella Anderson, Enid, Okla. Marion Conrad, West Allis, Wis. Dorothy J. Wilson, Olney, Ill. Lewis Spencer, Frankfort, Ind. Richey Sims, Frankfort, Ind. Chas, R. Wiedner, Roosevelt H. S. Colin Gunn, Watertown, S. D. Orville Sigurdson, Watertown, S. D. Robert Beckett, Watertown, S. D. Richard Marquardt, Watertown, S. D. Eugene Stevens, Omaha-North, Nebr.

Denver-Cathedral H. S., Colo.



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