Hancock Department

DISTRICT MEET IS COMING HERE

Upper Peninsula Oratorical Contests at Kerredge Theater

Announcement was made Saturday by Superintendent LaRowe that the district contest of the Michigan State Oratorical association will be held in the Kerredge theater on the evening of April 25. Superintendent King of the Escanaba schools is chairman of the committee having charge of the association's work in this district and his consent to this end was secured Saturday.

The sub-district oratorical contest will be held at the Calumet high school on Wednesday evening and a large crowd of Hancock students will attend. The Hancock students will probably make the trip by special car while the Houghton and Painesdale students will probably go in a special train over the Copper Range.

The sub-district declamation contest which will be held at the Kerredge theater the following evening will be under the direction of the Houghton high school. The winners in the two sub-district contests will take part in the district contest here on April 25.

Copper country educators and students still have hope that the state contest will eventually be landed by Hancock. Superintendent Jeffers of Painesdale is president of the state association and his presence on the board will be of great weight with the state association.

This will be the second time that the district contest will have been held in the copper country, the first time being two years ago when Houghton was the host to the peninsula's representatives.

The Oratorical Contest.

The sub-district declamation contest will be held in the Kerredge theater next Wednesday night under the direction of the Houghton high school. The Houghton high school orchestra and glee club will provide the music for the occasion.

Below is the program for the declamation contest to be held Wednesday:

"The Character of Napoleon"—William Roehm, Calumet high school.

"The New South"—Miss Lois Bennalleck, Houghton high school.

"An Appeal to Arms"—Wilbert Bennetts, Hancock high school.

"Napoleon"—Elizabeth Taylor, Adams township high school.

"Toussaint L'Overture" — Lydia Erickson, Dollar Bay high school.

"A Plea for Cuba"—Hiram Gray, Lake Linden high school.

BRAM'S LEAD INCREASES.

Delayed returns from Hancock township, show that Andrew Bram, the nominee of the Republican party, has 24 votes to two each for Curto and MacDonald.

CAPONI TO MEET ART ALLARD HERE

Big Match Is Scheduled for April 22 at the Amphidrome

Art Allard, the Lake Linden-Butte middleweight, and Tony Caponi, the Italian-American fighter, have been matched by the Houghton County Boxing club to meet on April 22 at the Amphidrome.

Allard is well known here, having met Godfrey here recently. He also appeared in Houghton against Eddie McGoorty. There can be no doubt that Allard will be meeting the best man he has ever faced at least before a copper country audience when he faces Caponi and while Allard has demonstrated great ability to take punishment, it looks now like he would have considerable to absorb when he meets Caponi.

Caponi is well known in the copper country, both by his former reputation and by his recent match here with Billy Perkins, the Rhinelander man who had a string of twenty-one victories to his credit when he met his Waterloo at Caponi's hands.

Caponi was at one time counted among the top-notchers at his weight but later he began to retrograde. He seems now to be in a fair way to come back as his recent long string of victories would indicate and he is expected to put up a great exhibition against Allard. The Lake Linden man is "made of iron" according to the men he has met and defeated recently and it remains to be seen whether or not the hard punching Caponi can dent him or not.

SERIES OF LECTURES.

Suomi College Faculty Will Address Students Each Week.

A series of lectures, one to be delivered each Friday night by the faculty of Suomi college during the months of April and May, has been mapped out by the president of the school. These lectures will be for the benefit of the students who are planning to teach in a summer school or to take schools in the rural dsitricts.

Following is the complete program of the lectures:

April 4—"Discipline," Miss Lydia Kangas.

April 11—"Daily Program," Minnie Pertilla.

April 11—"Teaching Beginners," E. Merijavi.

April 25—"How Bible History Should be Taught," Rev. R. Hartman.

May 2—"Teaching Catechism," Otto Maki.

May 9—"Teaching the Finnish Language," speaker to be selected later.

May 16—"Music and Other Subjects," A. Immonen.

A meeting of the alumni association of the college was held during the past week when plans for the summer work of the alumni were discussed and the sum of $50 was donated to the college. The alumni has planned for a series of concerts to be given, the first one at Mohawk the early part of April, the second at South Range in the same month and the third at Hancock during the first week of May.

The basketball teams of the college have disbanded after a successful season and the students are now turning their attention toward baseball and track athletics. The students plan to form a four-team league which will play regular schedule. There is also the possibility that a cup will be put up for the winning team.

PROGRESSIVE MEETING.

Bull Moose Party Will Open City Campaign on April 1.

The municipal campaign of the Progressive party will open tomorrow night in Germania hall, when a mass meeting of voters will be called and addressed by some of the leading members of the party.

Among the scheduled addresses is one by Victor A. Fredd, deputy city clerk and Bull Moose candidate to succeed Angus F. MacDonald in the clerkship. Mr. Fredd will speak on the state of the city finances and compare the financial planks in the United City and Progressive platforms in an endeavor to show the superiority of the Progressive plan for administering city affairs. He will be followed by W. H. Burritt, the mayoralty candidate.

Another meeting will be held April 4 when it is understood Mayor W. H. Dodge will speak in behalf of the Progressives.

NOT TO MEET AT CUBS.

Dover Unwilling to Play Bickle on the Calumet Alleys.

Carl Bickle and Charlie Dover will meet Tuesday evening on the Mitchell alleys in the second match of their series for the championship of the copper country. Dover beat Bickle by 81 pins in their match at Copper City last week and the match Tuesday night probably will terminate the series.

Should Dover beat Bickle Tuesday he will regard the series as closed and will refuse to play again on any alleys as the original agreement called for but the two matches.

The match on the Hancock alleys likely will consist of seven games.

WANDERERS WIN AGAIN.

The Dollar Bay Wanderers won from the Lake Superior Smelting works team at the Dollar Bay rink Thursday by a score of 12 to 8, the Wanderers thereby completing their season with a perfect percentage. The two teams have met four times this winter and the Wanderers took all four games. The Wanderers have been anxious to meet both the Calumet and Portage Lake junior teams but the mix-up between the two teams has prevented any other team from having a chance to meet them. The Wanderers have a claim to the intermediate championship as they were beaten this year.

MANY MEN WANTED.

Western Contractors Want 2,500 Men for Work in That District.

Leonard Meola, Hancock employment agency man, has received advices from the west stating that some big construction work is planned for that district this spring and that all the men he can send west, up to 5,000 in number, will be taken care of.

Mr. Meola stated that he doubts if it would be possible to send any men west as he had orders from copper country concerns for about all the men he expected to be able to secure.

Mr. Meola also stated that the lumber camps are now breaking up and that there were now more lumberjacks in Hancock than he had seen in years. The summer camps are making ready for opening and it is not likely that it will be long before the men are back in the woods.

FLORTICULTURAL NOTES.

We ought to grow more popies. If a brilliant show of color is wanted—one that is rich in tone without being in the least course—nothing will produce it more effectively than the Shirley strain of this flower. To secure most pleasing results sow thickly and broadcast. Do this, and you will get the effect of a self-sown plant which will be far more satisfactory than that resulting from sowing this plant in beds of rows. This less prinness and formality in its culture the better says Eben E. Rexford in Farm and Home.

The great double poppy, with fringed petals it, to the annual flower garden, what the peony is to a collection of perennials. And the oriental variety, with its enormous flowers as magnificent in coloring as in size, deserve a place in the border, where it can do more than any other plant I can think of, just now, to make the garden glorious in summer. Cover its roots well with leaves in fall, and it will prove quite hardy at the north.

The "branching" variety of aster is far and away the best of its family for cutting. This kind has flowers of good size and perfect form, each one borne on a stalk a foot or more in length. This makes it easy to do effective work with it in vases or bowls. I would advise three colors—pale pink, pure white and delicate lavender. These colors, either singly or in combination, are always sure to please, and so dainty are they in tone and general effect that they take away our liking for the varieties of stronger color, to a great extent. They harmonize so charmingly that one never tires of them. The same is true of the sweet pea, if we confine our selection of colors to pink, white, lavender and pale yellow. Grow these delicately tinted sorts, and you will not care for the dark reds, blues and purples.

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