

WINS HONORS
ST. JOHN'S SENIOR VICTOR IN FINALS FOR THE STAR AREA. MARYLAND GIRL SECOND.



CHARLES W. THOMAS, Dunbar High School student who captured third place in the Star area finals of the National Oratorical Contest today.

For victory, the judges heard Tayloria Amanda Dick, Armstrong's champion. Speaking in a high key and working at high pressure, in interesting comparison with the preceding orators, Miss Dick was impressive. She was introduced by J. B. Hunter, faculty sponsor for the contest and debates at the school, and her speaking time was eight minutes and five seconds.

The judges reached Business High School only a few minutes behind their schedule. Stanley Segal, the school's veteran champion, was presented by Allen Davis, principal. She was introduced by her speech on "The Development of Democracy Under the American Constitution." The conventional one of the introductory did not continue, however, for Segal soon rose to eloquent heights. His time was 8 minutes 14-15 seconds.

John C. Betts, Central High School's spokesman, was the next orator to be heard. Introduced by Alvin W. Miller, principal, Betts gave his oration on "The Origins of the Constitution" in a remarkable style. His style was characterized by ease of delivery in which there was no strain. There were naturalness and sincerity which were convincing. Betts brought his speech to a dramatic close after 8 minutes and 48 seconds.

Judges Go to Western. Then the judges headed for Georgetown and Western High School. At Western, Vladimir Boris Grinoff was waiting to deliver the oration on "Forward, America," with which he won the Western finals. Dr. Elmer S. Preston, principal of the school, presented young Grinoff and the orator began speaking at 11:17 o'clock.

Grinoff's oratory was marked by fervor and poise. His gestures were few, but naturally executed, and the audience listened closely to him. His time was 9 minutes 13-15 seconds.

Western High School's share of the contest was one of the most artistically staged of the day. The auditorium was dark, while a single spotlight cast a beam across the stage from the left wing. The blue velvet hanging provided an effective background. A copper bowl of crimson tulips provided an interesting bit of color.

Leaving Western, the judges turned back toward downtown Washington where, in the National Museum's auditorium, they were to hear the last three speakers.

Orator Is Fiercely. The first of the three orators to make their bids in the museum's auditorium was Butsch. He whipped into his oration on "The Constitution and the Individual" with fire.

Larger physically than his opponents, Butsch's verbal strength, too, is powerful. And yet this time he spoke with a calm deliberateness that paid tribute to his 15 years. She spoke for 9 minutes and 20-25 seconds.

At the conclusion of the young Virginian's speech the judges retired from the auditorium to decide the winner.

REICHSBANK RAISES RATE, DAWES PLAN HELD ENDANGERED

It thus, under its functioning, Germany might even be released from payment of part or all of any annuities until the situation was remedied. The situation as presented to the transfer committee yesterday probably was this: That the monetary circulation of Germany amounts to between five and six billion marks; that the minimum gold reserve covering this should be, by law, 40 per cent, or about 2,400,000,000 marks; that since January, as a result of successful withdrawal of Reichsbank's gold reserve has dropped to 2,500,000,000 marks, or only 100,000,000 marks (about \$25,000,000) above the legal minimum.

SIMMONS REJECTS CARUSI'S PROPOSAL ON SCHOOL BUDGET

Believe that the school estimates should be entitled to any other rule of consideration than that granted to other divisions of the District government. To make an exception in the case of the schools would, of course, be to discredit the District Commissioners in their action and to limit their very necessary activity in submitting a balanced budget to the Budget Bureau and Congress and to that extent break down the budget law.

The budget law has resulted in vast economies to the taxpayer. To make an exception in the case of the schools of Washington is to open the gates for the ultimate breaking down of the law in the Federal departments. In my judgment, Congress will not do this and the country will not approve that course. Whether or not that is your intention, most certainly that is the effect of the proposal which has been very vigorously advanced from certain quarters in Washington.

The responsibility of finally passing upon the expenses of the schools for the District government rests with Congress, which body relies largely upon the study of and recommendations of the appropriate committees of the two Houses. That responsibility should be performed by the two Houses when these matters are submitted in their course to us by the Bureau of the Budget, and not before.

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CHICAGO DENTIST SLAIN BY GUNMEN

Doctor's Death Discloses Sinister Circumstances in City's Criminal Activities.

By the Associated Press. CHICAGO, April 25.—Dr. Frank L. Brady, a West Side dentist, had two callers last night who weren't listed on his appointment book and one of them shot him dead.

Dr. Brady, 32, had extracted a tooth for a woman patient and given her a chair in a private office that she might recover from the effects of the local anesthetic. A man patient then sat down in the dentist's chair, while Dr. R. H. Best, a physician assisting officer with Dr. Brady, watched over the woman.

Two men pushed open the door leading from the corridor to the room in which the patient, Mrs. Edna Walsh, was sitting. Dr. Brady was on the point of returning to his other office when the men appeared.

One of the men carried a revolver, which he pointed at Dr. Brady, saying, "We've got you now."

The dentist cried "Don't!" and reached out to grab the gun muzzle. The gunman fired and Dr. Brady fell. Another shot was fired into his body as he lay on the floor and the killer said: "There, you'll never try a stunt like that again."

He pocketed his gun, glanced at his companion sitting in the room in the corridor and out of the building.

Gained Wealth Suddenly. With the killing of Dr. Brady several sinister circumstances came to light. It was revealed that the dentist, after years of struggle with a small practice, suddenly became prosperous about four years ago; that he was the son of Mrs. Anna Beauchamp, who killed herself during the murder trial of Herman J. Midget; that Dr. Brady himself had been under police investigation for a long time in connection with the search for large sums of money; that Midget stole and which have never been accounted for.

Pernekes, one of the deadliest figures in Chicago criminal history, is serving a life sentence in prison. During his trial the officers of Dr. Brady were raided, but early efforts to prosecute failed, and the case was abandoned. Deputy Police Commissioner John Stege said today that the dentist's subsequent activities have been carefully watched.

Several patients were in the waiting room when the killing of Dr. Brady was accomplished. Dr. Best, who witnessed the slaying, said he would be able to identify the slayers. Mrs. Walsh described the men and said she would know them should she see them again.

Dr. Brady's wife learned of the murder when she went to police headquarters early today. She said she had no knowledge of her husband's business affairs.

Midget Pernekes' sentence followed conviction on a robbery charge. Five years ago, while awaiting trial for murder, he attempted to dynamite his way out of the county jail without success. He long has been notorious as a safecracker and arch plotter. Ever since sent to prison, Pernekes has continued to plot elaborate crimes, police believe.

Moultrie, Ga., farmers have adopted a slogan of "Bigger and better peanuts," but are not satisfied with present production.

STORMS TAKE TOLL OVER WESTERN U.S.

Blizzard Paralyzes Wyoming. Texas Tornadoes Kill 7. Nebraska Is Hit.

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000 in other parts of the State. The casualty list of Wyoming blizzards usually is composed largely of sheep herders, and stockmen were apprehensive as to the safety of men tending their flocks. Other possible victims were those caught in automobiles in the desolate sections of the State. Until telephone trouble ceased, traveling in tractors to the town was, succeed in connecting Wyoming cities by telegraph and telephone, what have the storm has wrought cannot determine.

Last reports received here before communication was cut off said many streams were being transformed into raging torrents.

From several points in Colorado came reports of streams nearing flood stage from the heavy precipitation and near-Craig, Colo., the Yampa River was carrying out bridges and endangering a Texas oil company refinery as the ordinarily small stream was assuming the dimensions of a torrent.

TORNADOES LASH EAST TEXAS.

Two Children, Fleeing to Schoolhouse for Haven, Among Seven Killed. FAYETTEVILLE, Tex., April 25 (AP).—Two tornadoes lashed three East Texas hamlets yesterday, killing 7 persons, injuring at least 21 and causing property damage estimated at \$250,000.

Two of the most severe of the windstorms roared down a path of 3 miles wide, twisted the little town of Slocum, 15 miles east of here, into a mass of rubble and killed 7, then dipped again 4 miles to the east and wiped out Benson Springs without injury to any of its inhabitants.

Another twister of lesser intensity hit the James community, near Center, Tex., leaving 75 homeless and 1 casually, a woman injured.

P. E. McDaniel, about 50; Mrs. P. E. McDaniel, about 50; Mrs. Ben Kirkwood, 30, and her two sons, aged 7; Mrs. Edna Gattlin, 30, and Claude McDaniel, about 30.

The injured, several of whom are expected to die, were being cared for in hospitals here. The Red Cross and relief committees from nearby towns furnished shelter and food for the homeless.

Two of those killed at Slocum were school children. About 150 children were on the school playgrounds during the noon recess, when a major twister struck the schoolhouse, but the storm destroyed it just as they entered. Several other children were injured.

STORM AND WIND HIT NEBRASKA.

Rain, Snow, Hail, Sleet and Tornadoes Leave Havoc in Path. OMAHA, Neb., April 25 (AP).—Tornadoes, rain, snow, hail and sleet raked Nebraska today, causing heavy property damage and injuring at least two persons.

While two tornadoes struck in East Nebraska, the major action of the State was being swept by snow and rain. In some sections cloudbursts occurred and at least two towns suffered from flood waters. Snow was driven by a 50-mile gale.

A tornado cut a path 14 miles long through the farming community between Ulysses and Day, killing thousands of dollars' worth of property damage. Hesse Howe, a farmer, was slightly injured when struck by flying debris. The home of Henry Beck, Representative from Butler County, was destroyed.

Another tornado of lesser intensity wrecked several farm buildings in the Nebraska town of Ashland, between Omaha and Lincoln. Charles R. Sprague, a farmer, suffered slight injuries when his automobile was hurled into a ditch near Papillion.

A terrific hailstorm preceded the tornado in the vicinity of David City. Hail stones ruined the tops of scores of automobiles, broke windows and damaged the wheat crop.

Cambridge was partly flooded by waters from Medicine Creek. Within an hour Cambridge was surrounded by water and the city park was flooded to a depth of several feet.

HOMES OF 4,000 IMPERILED.

Rain in Watershed Threatens New Rise Along Mississippi. QUINCY, Ill., April 25.—The homes of 4,000 people and the safety of over \$4,000,000 worth of property lay at the mercy of the Mississippi today, and the prospects of compassion from the mighty river seemed woefully slight.

Rain poured last night into the rivers to the north in Iowa, Illinois, and Missouri and heavy showers the day before had caused a six-inch rise at Keokuk, and the Government observer here said the river would unquestionably rise again.

A sensation was caused in the flood region last night, with the report that damage faced the Sni drainage district, just below the now flooded South Quincy tract. The Sni area, heretofore believed entirely safe, comprises 10,000 acres and is said to be the largest drainage district in the world protected by a single levee. Approximately 600 families live there.

Veteran flood observers said that another rise like the one last week end would push down the Sni dikes and bring damage that might reach \$3,000,000.

Only the heroic efforts of a skilled engineering and construction crew working on improvements have saved the 14,000-acre Lima Lake district this long, residents stated, and the continued safety of the Gregory district, below Warsaw, Ill., on the Missouri side, is attributed to more good luck.

NEAR EAST RELIEF WORKERS



Left to right: Rahel Davies and Nancy Beale, who are among the society girls co-operating with the woman's committee of the District for Near East Relief, which is sponsoring plans for Bunde day Monday, when the public is asked to donate clothing for Near East refugees. The girls are under direction of Mrs. Walter R. Tuckerman, committee chairman. The costumes in the photograph typify nationalities in the Near East which will be aided on Bunde day.

TO SAVED IN OCEAN AFTER NINE DAYS DRIFTING IN BOAT

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haunted, and the men had gone without water for two days.

News of the rescue was received in a wireless message by the Radio Corporation of America.

"Schooner James E. Coburn, owner J. Fonceca, New Bedford, founded 250 miles north of Bermuda, April 17. Crew picked up 10 Greenway meridian time latitude 34.25 north, longitude 64.35 west. Names of survivors: Master, J. Pereira; mate, Edward Rice; engineer, W. Milliken; mess boy, Eugenio Scudlo; seamen, Joseph Delgado, Manuel Silva, Henry Adres, R. Montero; boatswain, John Britto; purser, Joseph Madero. Cook, W. Sargent, died from exposure last night. Crew in lifeboat nine days. (Signed) 'Master yacht Amida, McLOUGHLIN'.

The res- ship is owned by Ernest R. Behrend of Newport, R. I., and Erie, Pa. Behrend is president and general manager of the Hammermill Paper Co. of Erie.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., April 25 (AP).—The four-masted schooner James E. Coburn, whose lifeboat is reported to have been picked up at sea, was commanded by J. Pereira of this city.

Marine circles here said the schooner carried a crew of about 10 men, and most of them shipped from Perth Amboy, N. J.

ITALY'S NAVAL AIM CALLED OBSTACLE TO GENEVA ACCORD

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general and representative of Benito Mussolini, and Count Massigli, tall, slender French delegate, and was over the subject of division of air fleets into home and overseas forces.

Delegates Show Interest. In the light of Italy's expected contention when naval disarmament proposals reach the negotiation stage that she have a sea power equal to that of France this first clash created absorbing interest and was followed word for word by those present.

Gen. Marinis urged a sharp division of airplanes at home and overseas so as to know exactly how many airplanes any country might have at its disposal at home and in time of crisis. He insisted upon fixing the distance within which aircraft would be regarded as belonging to home forces and though

R. M. King Is Commissioned. Russell M. King, Federal Trade Commission, 2000 D street, has been commissioned by the War Department a second lieutenant, Coast Artillery, Reserve Corps of the Army.

LIQUOR DISPENSARY LEAGUE LAYS PLANS

Organization to Seek Law to Take Place of Eighteenth Amendment.

To work for prohibition legislation to substitute for the eighteenth amendment to permit the manufacture and sale of wines, beers and spirits for home consumption under a Federal dispensary plan, the Federal Dispensary Tax Reduction League has been organized here and plans made for extension of the organization into all the States.

A finance committee, with authority to function under the title of national executive committee of the league, composed mainly of men of Washington and the vicinity, has been named and the following officers of the league have been elected: Rice Hooe, attorney, president; Joseph McReynolds, automobile dealer, first vice president; Leo P. Harlow, attorney, second vice president; W. Profit, hotel man, treasurer, and Elmer F. Nagel, recording secretary.

In addition to the officers, the finance and executive committee includes: Russell Balderson, president of the Balderson Co.; Harry G. Burke, president of the Burke & Herbert Bank, Alexandria, Va.; Ward Brown, architect; Col. Charles H. Consovo, hotel operator; A. T. Coniella, realty dealer; Dr. John A. Fooks, dean of the Medical School of Georgetown University; Dr. Custis Lee Hall, Wilton J. Lambert, attorney; E. E. Lawler, Whitney Leary, K. D. McRary, Herbert Bank, Alexandria, Va.; Harold Scarborough, Mrs. Elsie W. Schafer, Dr. Camp Stanley, J. T. Stephenson, W. J. Strobel, former U. S. Senator from Colorado, O. H. Tracy and O. M. Weise.

EARLY WASHINGTON PAPERS DISPLAYED

Betty W. Lewis' Signature Pro-nounced Genuine by Descendant of Family.

Documents found in the trunk of Betty Washington Lewis, sister of George Washington, recently located in Fredericksburg, Va., were displayed today by Henry Woodhouse, president of the Aerial League of America, at the second of the series of "Spring memorials" conducted by the league at the Willard Hotel.

A number of men and women who said they were descendants of the Washington and Lewis families, viewed the contents of the trunk. They included Mrs. Ellie Knox-Gore Keckler, descendant of Betty Washington and niece of Mrs. Meta Pollock Taylor, who sold the trunk to Mr. Woodhouse.

H. Latane Lewis, local business man, a descendant of Col. Charles Lewis, brother of Polding Lewis, showed particular interest in what Mr. Woodhouse said was the only existing signature of Betty Lewis. Mr. Lewis said that the document and signature undoubtedly were authentic.

George Washington and his brothers, Charles and Samuel Washington, are named in one of the old papers, which is signed by Col. Bushrod Ball, executor of the estate of Mrs. Mary Washington, mother of George. The latter is recorded as having received 100 pounds. He said what Brookhart proposed was an outright gratuity which he felt no farmer deserved.

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Balloon Racer



LIEUT. T. G. W. SETTLE.

DEMOCRATIC SPLIT MAY SPELL DEATH TO DEBENTURE PLAN

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relief legislative program generally considered to have the endorsement of President Hoover was delivered in the Senate yesterday by Senator Brookhart.

The Iowa Senator's address was punctuated with flourishes of pamphlets containing the speeches he had made for Hoover in the presidential campaign. He had described the chief executive during that contest as "the best friend the farmer ever had."

Brookhart said that prior to election Mr. Hoover had given every indication that he would "actually bring equality to agriculture."

"On that basis I supported him," he shouted. "But when his message came to Congress, we found the statement that 'the agricultural problem must be solved' changed to the statement that 'it cannot be done in a day.'"

"Congress has the power to solve this question even over a veto," said Brookhart.

Like to See Some Vetoes. He declared that he "would like to see some vetoes," and then watch Congress vote after them, because he for one had not "surrendered his seat in the Senate to the White House."

Senator Brookhart asserted that the Republican party at Kansas City and President Hoover in his campaign speeches had promised "equality" for agriculture, but that the bill being advocated would fail to bring this about.

The Iowa declared agriculture was entitled to a large subsidy comparable to the relief given the railroads during the war, and that failing to get this, he intended to support the export debenture plan, which is opposed by the President.

Tydings Clashes With Iowan. Senator Brookhart was questioned by Senator Tydings of Maryland and King of Utah, Democrats, as to whether the Government had made a mistake in guaranteeing the profits of railroads during the war. Brookhart said he thought it had.

"Then as I understand the Senator," Tydings declared, "he believes if you make one mistake the way to right it is to make more mistakes. If the Senator complains that something is wrong, but turns around and says it is right if you give me some of the pie, then I am inclined to question the Senator's logic."

Senator King contended a government must follow a fiscal policy during war time different from that of peace. He said what Brookhart proposed was an outright gratuity which he felt no farmer deserved.

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SETTLE IS NAMED TO LEAD AIR TEAM

Four Officers Selected as Navy Entries in Litchfield Trophy Balloon Race.

Lieut. T. G. W. Settle of the District of Columbia is one of the four officers elected as the Navy's entries in the national elimination balloon race for the Litchfield Trophy, to be held at Pittsburgh May 4. It was announced at the Navy Department today.

He will be in charge of the team, the other members being Lieut. J. C. Richardson of St. Louis, Lieut. (J. G.) Maurice M. Bradley of Carey, Ohio, and Ensign Wilfred Bushnell of Watertown, N. Y. The officers now are training for the race at the Naval Air Station at Lakehurst, N. J., where they are on duty. The winner will represent the United States in the international balloon endurance race.

All four officers are veteran balloonists. Lieut. Settle was a member of the Navy balloon racing team of 1927 and has had to date approximately 2,200 hours in lighter-than-air craft and has made 25 free balloon hops. On one of these hops he covered a distance of 478 miles, from Lakehurst to Lisbon Falls, Me. Lieut. Settle made the return trip on the Graf Zeppelin from the United States to Germany last Fall.

Lieut. Richardson is on duty aboard the dirigible Los Angeles, and has a record of nearly 1,700 hours in the air. The other two members of the team, Lieut. Bradley and Ensign Bushnell, have been on duty at Lakehurst since 1928, and each has had approximately 400 hours in the air.

"Shipping Board has authority to regulate the rates." "The Shipping Board is regulated by the trusts," Brookhart retorted.

Meyer Called a Judas. Attacking the operation of the intermediate credit banks, the Iowa Senator declared that the "biggest thing President Hoover can do is to remove Eugene Meyer and thereby help to secure lower interest rates for the farmer."

Mr. Meyer is farm loan commissioner. "The Brookhart would," he declared. "Isaiah toward the co-operatives."

The \$500,000,000 stabilization fund provided in the bill would be "loaned like Shylock would," he declared. He said the Government "wrote checks" for other industries but would be a Shylock to the farmer.

The chairman of the agriculture committee knows the bill is inadequate, and yet we are called into extra session to enact an inadequate bill. There'll be a hereafter to this."

Senator Blaine, Republican, Wisconsin, asked whether the pledges were not made "as a platform to get in and not to stand on."

"If this bill is a result, that's a fact," Brookhart replied.

In denouncing the bill submitted by the Senate committee, Senator Brookhart made it plain that he did not desire his criticism to extend to Chairman McNary. He said President Hoover had promised a farm board whose power would be equal to that of any institution set up for other branches of industry and declared that the board proposed in the Senate bill fell short of this objective.

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