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HIGH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

The High School Rally Day, held at the State University on April 30th and May 1st, 1909, proved such a success in every way and met with such hearty response from the principals, the teachers, and the pupils of the high schools that a permanent organization was effected with Mr. A. E. Phillips of De Ridder as chairman. Mr. Phillips and President Boyd together appointed committees, representing the high school principals and the faculty of the University. These two committees have worked out a program for the meeting which is to be held at the University April 29th and 30th of this year. The University and the citizens of Baton Rouge will entertain the contestants while they are in Baton Rouge.

In order to effect some equalization of railroad fares so that distant schools will not be at too great a disadvantage contestants will pay an entry fee of one dollar. This fee entitles a pupil to go into as many contests as he desires. He need pay the dollar but once. The fund thus collected is to be used for the purpose of reducing the railroad expenses of the more distant schools according to the following plan:

If there are any pupils whose railroad fare amounts to, say, eleven dollars, and the next group pay, say, ten dollars for their railroad fare, then those who pay eleven dollars will receive a dollar each to equalize them with the ten dollar group. Now the eleven dollar group and the ten dollar group will be brought down together to the nine dollar group by giving each a dollar. Then the three groups will be brought down together to the eight dollar group, then the four groups to the seven dollar group, and so on as far as the money will reach. This plan will result in a certain maximum railroad fare for all contestants, the exact amount of which it is impossible to forecast; however, the experience of last year justifies the belief that it will be between four and six dollars.

In distributing this fund only railroad fares will be considered. Expenditures for meals and sleepers will not be taken into account.

The railroads will be asked to give a reduced rate as they did last year.

Contestants will receive a badge inscribed with their names. This badge will cost them twenty-five cents and admit them to all events on the grounds during the two days of the Rally. All others will be charged a gate fee. The fund derived from the sale of badges and the gate fees will be used to pay all expenses

connected with the Rally, such as printing, medals, prizes, postage and the like. The surplus left after paying expenses will be added to the fund derived from the dollar entry fee collected from each contestant and will be used with it to reduce the maximum railroad fare.

All schools on the approved list of high schools, the city high school of Monroe and the public high schools in New Orleans may enter the contests. All contestants must be pupils of these schools pursuing the work prescribed by the state course for high schools and must have entered school not later than ten days after the beginning of the second term.

All entries must be in and the fees paid by April 18th.

LITERARY EVENTS

CONTESTS.

1. *English Composition.* The contest in English Composition met with so much encouragement last year, that the Committees feel justified in announcing it again for the present year. As a result, however, of last year's experience, they are convinced that a slight change should be made in this contest. By the regulations of last year, it is possible for the contestants to write essays which they have previously written and memorized. This defeats the purpose for which the contest is offered, since it is desired to develop quick thinking and rapid writing. This year the subjects will not be announced until the opening of the contest at the University. At this time a list of ten subjects, based on the pupils' actual experience and on books recommended for study and reading in the High School Course of Study, will be given; and from this list, the contestant is expected to select the subject that he knows most about.

This event will be limited to one contestant from each approved high school. Each school should determine by preliminary contest, or otherwise, who of the pupils is its strongest and readiest writer, and send him to the University for the final event.

In grading the papers, the judges will be instructed to consider both subject matter and form, and to give that composition first place that has the best thought, the best structure, and the most vitality.

2. *Debating.* Realizing the practical value of clear and effective speaking based on the evidence of facts and sound reasoning, and wishing to encourage training in this work in the schools,

the Committees announce again the contest in debating. Two contestants will be permitted from each school.

Each debater will be limited to eight minutes; any rebuttal that is made must be included in this limit. At the expiration of seven minutes the speaker will be warned of the time by the judges so that he may have an opportunity, if he desires, to sum up his debate. An official time-keeper will be selected, and no debater will be permitted to continue his speech after the expiration of the time limit.

The subject for debate this year will be: Resolved, That women in the United States should be granted the suffrage on equal terms with men.

3. *Declamation.* At the request of some contestants and principals, the Committees have decided to have separate contests this year, one for boys and one for girls. Each school may send one contestant for each of these events.

The selections made for declamation last year were in the main of a very high order, and the contest was one of unusual interest. But, as a safeguard, it is thought best by the Committees to place some restrictions on the character of the selections, and to insist on a more rigid adherence to the time limit. All selections must be submitted to the chairman of the University Committee on literary events, Dr. A. G. Reed, at the latest two weeks before the Rally.

The time limit for the declamations will be eight minutes. Teachers should make selections for their pupils which will occupy less than seven minutes. In this way the declamations will easily come within the time limit allotted. All pieces that occupy more than eight minutes will be ruled out. An official time-keeper will be appointed for this event.

4. *Chorus or Quartette Work.* Among the most interesting events of last year were the contests in chorus work; but few schools could enter this event, because they were unable to send the large number of pupils demanded. This year the Committees have limited the number that shall take part in chorus work to four. It is expected that schools shall arrange four-part music and train quartettes for this contest. There will be no restrictions as to the nature or length of the work of the chorus.

5. *Spelling Match.* Perhaps the most interesting event of last year's Rally was the spelling contest. But on account of the large number of contestants for this event more time was consumed than should have been. This year the contest in spelling will be in writing and will take place on Friday morning, along with the other preliminary contests. The words will be given out from a list prepared for this contest.

If it is found, on examination of the papers, that two or more contestants have tied for any place, the final contest will be an oral spelling match conducted at night, as in last year's program. Otherwise, the prizes will be given the winners in the preliminary contest of the morning. The words for the night contest will be selected from Mayne's Business Speller.

Two pupils from each school may enter this contest.

6. *English Composition for the Eighth Grade.* Last year the special contest in English, in which spelling, grammar, and the elements of composition were emphasized, was so conducted as to result in a comparison of the work of individuals only. This year the contest will be arranged to give a comparison of the work of entire classes. The paramount aim is to bring out more strongly than before, that accurate work can be done by all members of a class when the teaching has stressed this point. The following plan makes it unnecessary for the competitors to come to Baton Rouge.

Each school may enter one eighth grade English class having five or more pupils. New Orleans will be permitted to enter only one class, in order not to overwhelm the judges with unnecessary papers. A paper must be submitted by each member of every competing class unless a pupil is absent for good cause on the day the test is given.

The test will be the reproduction of a story of less than a thousand words. This story will be sent out in a sealed envelope, which will be opened in the presence of the local committee and of the class. The teacher will read the story twice. Then the class will write their reproductions without any assistance in the presence of the committee, who will collect them, place them in an envelope, seal this envelope in the presence of the class and each other, and send it to the committee of judges in Baton Rouge. The judges will grade each paper from the viewpoint of spelling, sentence structure, paragraphing, punctuation, neatness, legibility, originality and correctness in reproducing the story. The school making the highest average wins.

The test will be given in each school on Tuesday, April 5th, under the supervision of a local committee consisting of the teacher of the class, the principal of the school, and a pastor in the town. This committee will certify to the conditions under which the work has been done.

Proper regulations will be adopted to insure that the judges who read the papers will not know the names of the writers of the papers, nor of the schools which they represent, until a decision has been rendered.

Every teacher who desires to enter his class for this contest

should send in the names of all members of the class not later than March 15th, on the blank provided for this purpose. The result will be announced at the Rally.

7. *Exhibit of Work in History.* The exhibits may consist of any or all of the following: Individual notebooks (containing topical outlines or summaries based upon the text or upon collateral reading); papers or reports to be read in the class; illustrations (pictures and maps); map work of students (single maps traced or based on outline maps, or atlases or wall outline maps filled in).

No prescribed notebook or map work is suggested. It is desired that the teacher use his or her own judgment as to the kind of work suited to the class.

The contest is limited to the tenth grade in each high school. The work of the entire class is to be exhibited. The grade must contain not less than five pupils. The teacher's certificate as to the number in class should accompany the exhibit.

Neatness, accuracy, and good English will be considered as well as evidence of proficiency in historical studies.

It is advised that loose-leaf notebooks be used. Each should bear the owner's name and that of the school. The exhibit should be in place in the University Library not later than 10 a. m. of the first day of the Rally.

PRELIMINARIES AND FINALS.

There are to be two kinds of contests in most of the literary events: the first are the preliminary contests, which will take place in the morning in the various buildings of the University between 9:00 and 12:00 o'clock; the second are the final contests, which will take place at night in the University Pavilion.

PRIZES.

In English composition, in debating, in declamation, and in spelling the winner of first place is to receive a gold medal; the winner of second place a silver medal; the winner of third place a certificate of honor; and the winner of fourth place honorable mention.

In quartette work the winners of first place shall receive a framed certificate of honor from the University; the winners of second place shall receive honorable mention by the judges; and the winners of third place shall have a place on the evening program.

In English composition for the eighth grade the schools winning first and second places shall receive each a copy of Webster's New International Dictionary, and a framed certificate to be hung in the school, giving the names of the teachers and of the pupils taking part in the contest.

For the best exhibit of work in History a set of Woodrow Wilson's History of the United States, five volumes, published by Harper & Bros., will be given to the school by Dr. Walter L. Fleming, professor of History in the Louisiana State University.

In addition to these prizes President Boyd has announced that University scholarships, which entitle the holder to exemption from all University fees for four years, will be given by the State University to those who win first places in the contests in English composition, in debating, in declamation, and in the spelling match. To each of the members of the quartette which wins first place the University will offer a scholarship. These scholarships range in value from \$72 to \$150, depending upon the department the student enters. They are in addition to the scholarships which the University offers annually to the best student in the graduating class of every approved high school. The winner of this scholarship may enter upon it at any time after he has finished the high school course.

ATHLETIC EVENTS

Who May Enter—Bona fide students pursuing regular courses in the approved high schools of the State, the city high school of Monroe, and the high schools of New Orleans.

How Many May Enter From Each School—A school may enter one contestant for each of the track and field events. It may also enter a tennis team of two, a boys' basket ball team of seven, a girls' basket ball team of seven, a relay team of four, and a baseball team of eleven. One man may be entered for more than one event.

When the Entries Should Be in the Hands of the Local Committee—The entries must be in by the 18th of April. It is the desire of the local committee to make perfect arrangements for "pulling off" these athletic events, and the principals will see the necessity for this rule.

THE CONTESTS.

Track—

50, 100, 220 and 440-yard dashes.

Half-mile and mile races.

One mile relay (four to the team).

110-yard hurdles (high).

220-yard hurdles (low).

Field—

Running broad jump.

Running high jump.

Pole vault.

Shot put (12-lb.)

Hammer throw (12-lb.)

Youth's discus.

Baseball, boys' basket ball, girls' basket ball, tennis, potato race, and obstacle race.

Order of the Contests—The order will be that recognized by the Amateur Athletic Union. The track and field contests will proceed at the same time. The following is the prescribed order:

Track—

50-yard dash, trials and semi-finals.

110-yard hurdles, trials and semi-finals.

100-yard dash, trials and semi-finals.

Mile run.

50-yard final.

110-yard hurdle final.

100-yard dash final.

440-yard run.

20-yard potato race.

220-yard hurdles, trials and semi-finals.

220-yard dash, trials and semi-finals.

Half-mile run.

220-yard hurdles final.

100-yard obstacle race.

220-yard dash, final.

Relay races.

Field—

High jump and shot put.

Broad jump and hammer.

Pole vault and discus.

Medals and Prizes—A gold medal is given to the winner of first place, a silver medal to the winner of second place, and a certificate to the winner of third place.

Four silver cups were given by the University last year on the condition that the team winning one of them was to defend it on the occasion of the next High School Rally at the University, and that when any team had won a cup and successfully defended it for two successive years, the cup should become the property of the winning school.

The cups are as follows:

For—

Baseball,

Girls' Basket Ball,

Boys' Basket Ball,

Relay Race,

Now Held by—

New Orleans.

Lecompte.

Baton Rouge.

Baton Rouge.

The New Contests—The Potato Race and the Obstacle Race are new contests. They are funmakers, and the schools should

encourage their athletes to enter them. If it should occur that any school is not acquainted with the details of these contests, we will furnish the necessary information.

The Detailed Program—Will be made out when all the entries are in. When the contestants register after arriving in Baton Rouge, each will receive a printed program. After that it will be the duty of the contestant to present himself for the contest when it is called. It will be our pleasure as well as our duty to assist and care for all contestants; but we wish to impress them with the fact that they must also help themselves as much as possible.

Contestants failing to answer promptly when an event is called may lose the opportunity of contesting.

LIST OF WORDS FROM WHICH THE WRITTEN TEST IN SPELLING WILL BE GIVEN

This list is printed at the request of some teachers and principals and consists of words which professors in the University have found to be frequently misspelled in exercises handed in by students.

abbreviate	barrel	commendable	disease
abhorrence	battalion	commensurate	disguise
absence	beefsteak	committee	dissatisfied
acceptance	beggar	commodity	dissolve
accessory	beginning	complain	dissuading
accident	believe	complete	divisible
accommodate	benefited	comrade	doctor
ache	blamable	conceal	double
Achilles	borrow	Connecticut	dougn
acknowledge	bouquet	conquer	dozen
acre	boycott	conqueror	dragged
acquaint	breakfast	conscientious	driving
adherence	breeze	control	dungeon
admittance	British	controllable	earnest
affable	buoyancy	convenient	easily
affidavit	buried	correct	Edmund Spenser
Aeschylus	business	correspondent	Egyptian
against	busy	cottage	electricity
alleviate	cabinet	country	elemosynary
all right	calendar	couple	eligible
already	California	courageous	else
always	captain	cousin	effervescent
amount	carriage	coward	emanate
annihilated	carried	creature	embarrass
announce	caterpillar	creep	embodiment
anatomy	cauliflower	crowd	endeavor
answer	cease	cruelly	enemy
antecedent	celery	curiosity	enemies
antiseptic	cemetery	curtain	entity
anxious	ceremony	dagger	epitome
Apollo	certain	damage	equivalent
apparatus	changeable	deceive	erroneous
appearance	chapel	decision	exaggerate
appreciate	character	declension	excitable
approach	charity	defense	excusable
aqueduct	cheat	deficiency	exhaust
Arctic	cheese	definitely	exhibit
arranging	chief	definition	exhilarate
arrive	choir	demoniacal	explanatory
ascension	Christian	dissension	exploits
assassination	circumstance	describe	extra
assemble	choke	desiring	extravagant
assessment	citizen	despair	faculty
assiduous	civil	destroy	fairy
associate	coach	devastation	faithfully
athletics	coast	develop	fallacy
audible	collect	diamond	familiar
audience	colonel	difference	fascinated
baggage	college	difficult	fatal
balanced	comfortable	disagreeable	feature
balloon	coming	disappear	February
bankruptcy	commandant	disappoint	feeble
baptizing	commence	discipline	fertile

feudalism	hurried	lying	nervous
fever	hurrying	macaroni	neuralgia
fierce	hygiene	Macaulay	nickel
finally	Hymeneal	machinery	niece
flavor	hymn	magazine	nineteen
foreign	idea	magnificent	ninety
forest	identify	magnify	nonsense
forgotten	Iliad	maintenance	North Dakota
fraud	illustrate	majesty	noticeable
freight	illiterate	making	nourish
fricassee	illimitable	Manila	novel
friend	Illinois	management	nuisance
furlough	imaginary	manufacture	oath
furnace	immediately	marmalade	oatmeal
furniture	immense	marriage	obedient
galaxy	improving	martyr	obey
gallery	inconvertible	Massachusetts	obtain
galloped	increase	mayonnaise	obliging
garret	indecisive	mayor	occasion
gases	indispensable	meadow	occupation
gauging	indisputable	Mediterranean	occurred
gaze	initial	measure	ocean
gentive	innocence	mechanical	odor
George Elliot	instead	medicine	office
genuine	intelligent	melon	old-fashioned
gesture	intention	memorize	olive
ghost	interfere	menagerie	omelet
giant	intercede	merciful	onion
gingham	invalid	merriment	operation
glimpse	invisible	message	opinion
gossip	irregular	Micawber	opponent
governor	irrelevant	million	opportunity
grabbed	irresistible	Minnesota	oppose
grammar	Ithaca	minute	opposite
grateful	janitor	mirror	orator
grandeur	Japanese	miracle	orchestra
grease	jealousy	Michigan	origin
Great Britain	journal	mischievous	ornament
grief	journey	misconstrue	orphan
grocer	juicy	miserable	ounce
group	knowledge	missionary	outrageous
guard	knuckle	Mississippi	oval
guide	label	misspell	overseer
Guinevere	laboratory	model	owe
guilty	ladder	modified	owing
gymnasium	language	modifying	oxygen
habit	laundry	Mohammedan	oyster
hammock	lawyer	money	paid
handkerchief	leather	monopolistic	palace
happily	leaving	mortgage	Palestine
harbor	legislature	mountain	parade
harness	leisure	murder	paragraph
have to	lettuce	murmur	parallel
hearth	levee	muscle	paralysis
heartily	level	musician	parasol
heathen	library	mutinous	parent
heaven	lieutenant	mystery	parish
Hellespont	lightning	mysterious	Parliament
heterogeneous	lily	narrative	parsing
hideous	liquor	narrow	partiality
hippopotamus	listen	necessary	particular
hoarse	lodging	necessities	partner
holliday	lonesome	neglect	partridge
honorable	lovable	neighbor	passenger
humor	luxury	neither	pastor

patent	proposition	ridiculous	signal
pavilion	Protestant	riding	signature
peaceably	punctuation	righteousness	silence
peculiar	purchase	rinse	similar
peddler	purpose	roam	sincere
pencil	purse	roast	skeleton
penitentiary	pursue	robber	skiff
pepper	puzzle	robin	slipper
perceiving	quality	rogue	smooth
peril	quantity	roommate	smother
perish	quarantine	rotten	sneeze
permanence	quarrel	rough	society
permission	quotation	rubbish	soldier
permissible	quotient	rumor	solemn
persevere	rabbit	running	solid
perspiration	ragged	sacrifice	solicitor
persuade	rascal	safety	source
photograph	ravel	salad	sovereign
phrase	really	salary	spaniel
physical	reasonable	salute	special
physiology	rebel	sandwich	spectacle
piano	rebellion	separate	speech
pierce	receipt	serenade	speed
pigeon	receptacle	sergeant	spirit
pillaged	receive	serious	sprain
pilot	reception	satin	spread
pirate	recipe	scare	squeal
pistol	recitation	scenery	squeeze
pit'ful	reckon	scenical	squirrel
plague	recollect	schedule	stammer
plainness	recommend	scheme	stampede
planned	recreation	schism	starch
plausible	reference	scholar	stationary
pleasant	referee	science	stationery
police	refrigerator	scissors	stew
politics	rehearse	scorch	stiff
politician	rejoice	scour	stirrup
polka	Rhode Island	scowl	stitch
pleasure	relapse	scratch	straight
plumber	release	scream	strain
poetry	relief	screen	strategic
poison	religious	search	streak
porch	remain	season	strength
position	remedy	secession	stretch
possession	repair	secretary	strict
possible	repast	seize	struggle
prairie	repentance	senator	stubborn
practicable	repetition	senior	study
precious	replied	sense	studied
preceptce	reproach	sensible	stupid
preferred	resemblance	serpent	substantial
prejudice	resign	servant	substitute
preparation	resignation	service	subtlety
prescription	respectable	shadow	success ^d
pretension	respectfully	shallow	successful
priest	responsible	shepherd	succinct
prisoner	restaurant	sheriff	sufficient
privilege	resuscitated	shipwreck	sugar
proceeded	resultant	shoulder	suggestion
procession	revelation	shriek	suicide
prodigies	reverence	shrink	sulphur
professor	review	shrivel	summary
promise	rheumatism	Sicily	superior
pronunciation	rhyme	siege	supersede
prophecies	ribbon	sign	

superstitious	ubiquitous	attract	night
suppose	ulcer	bare	knot
surface	Ulysses	bear	not
surprise	umbrella	berry	later
surround	unconscious	bury	latter
survey	until	brake	lead
supplement	unusual	break	led
susceptible	useful	breath	leak
suspension	using	breathe	leek
suspicion	usually	bread	loan
swallow	vacancy	bred	lone
sword	vacillate	bridal	loss
syllable	vaccinate	bridle	lost
symmetry	valuable	coarse	loose
tableau	vegetable	course	lose
taffy	velvet	collar	made
talent	vengeance	color	maid
talkative	verse	complement	mail
tariff	vertical	compliment	male
tease	victuals	conscience	main
temperate	village	conscious	mane
temptation	villainy	costume	medal
Tennessee	vinegar	custom	meddle
terrace	visible	council	meat
terrible	wages	counsel	meet
terrify	wagon	dear	moan
territory	warrior	deer	morn
terror	weary	desert	mourn
testament	weather	dessert	oar
Thackeray	wedding	dye	ore
therefore	Wednesday	dying	of
Thermopylae	welcome	dyeing	off
these	wheelbarrow	emigrate	pate
thirsty	wherever	immigrate	pain
thousand	whether	ever	pail
thread	whipping	every	pane
threaten	whistling	fair	pair
throat	whose	fare	pare
thumb	whom	farther	pear
toad	widow	father	patience
toast	windowpane	forth	patients
together	witness	fourth	peace
tomb	worried	foul	piece
tongue	worship	fowl	peal
totally	worsted	gatt	peel
tough	wrinkle	gate	pedal
tragedy	wrist	grate	peddle
trail	writing	great	partition
traitor	written	groan	petition
transitory	Wyoming	grown	pillar
transparent	Xenophon	hair	pillow
trapeze	yacht	hare	plain
treasure	yawn	heal	plane
treaty	yeast	heel	pore
trigger	yield	heard	pour
triumph	zinc	herd	principal
trough		hole	principle
trousers	accept	whole	profit
truly	except	idol	prophet
truthfully	allowed	idle	quiet
Tuesday	aloud	knew	quite
tunnel	ant	new	rain
turkey	aunt	know	reign
twelfth	Arthur	no	rein
twilight	author	no	ring
tyranny	attack	knight	

wring	shear	tear	vein
roar	sheer	their	waist
row	sole	there	waste
road	soul	threw	wander
rode	soar	through	wonder
rowed	sore	thorough	weak
rung	stair	though	week
wrung	stare	thought	ware
sail	stake	throne	wear
sale	steak	thrown	way
scene	steal	tide	weigh
seen	steel	tied	wait
sealing	stile	to	weight
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