

HIGH SCHOOLS OF PREBLE TOWNSHIPS HOLD COMPETITION

EATON, O., April 1.—Under supervision of the Preble County High School league, the first of a series of four literary and musical contests was conducted Tuesday night at Gratiot, when pupils of the schools of West Elton and Gratiot and Israel townships competed for silver medals.

In a vocal contest Homer Silvers, Israel township, defeated Pauline Stellar and Miriam Perey. First honors in a piano solo contest was won by Hilda Ewing, Israel township, she defeating Grace Furry. Elizabeth Mackey, Israel township, defeated Paul Stubbs and Nellie Miller in re-election. Helen Young, West Elton, was first in a discussion contest, she defeating Helen Campbell and Oleson Zimmerman. First honors in an impromptu Bible reading fell to Helen Farr, Israel township, she defeating Louella Appar and Margaret Meehan. Each winner received a silver medal. Heads and teachers of the county school officiated as judges. Reuben Koch, head of the Gratiot schools, presides at the contest. H. C. Cusick, principal of West Elton schools, presented the medals.

The next group meeting and contest will be held Friday evening of this week in Dixon township, with Dixon and Lanier township and Camden pupils competing.

The third group meeting and contest will be held the evening of April 6 at New Paris, with Jefferson and Jackson township and West Alexandria competing.

The final meeting and contest will be held April 9 at Verona, with Monroe township and Lewisburg and Verona competing.

The winners in the group contests will meet later on in a county contest for a gold medal. The date for this meeting has not been determined.

Church Leaders to Meet

Churches of Preble county identified with the inter-church world movement will meet in a county conference in Eaton, April 7, in the Methodist church according to announcement by Rev. A. J. Bussard, county chairman. There will be three sessions of the conference, morning, afternoon and evening.

These speakers have been assigned for the meeting: Rev. A. R. Clipper and Rev. W. H. Denton, Dayton; Rev. C. L. Shenk and Rev. J. W. Greene, Cincinnati, and Mrs. John Leonard Pait, Columbus.

\$1,400 Value of Estate

Value of \$1,400 has been placed upon a house and lot in Eaton, Franklin street, belonging to the estate of the late Sarah A. Morningstar. A grandson, Ralph Morningstar, instituted proceedings to partition the property, in which he is entitled to a one-third interest.

Fire Causes Damage

Fire originating from a defective flue caused slight damage to the home of Mrs. Clara Bucher, Bruce street, at an early hour Wednesday morning. A small portion of the roof was burned.

Lawson Fired From Hearing After Calling Witness Liar

BOSTON, Mass., April 1.—Thomas W. Lawson, stock promoter, was evicted from a legislative hearing at the State House today after he declared that a witness lied. Previously he had announced that in order to qualify as a witness at the hearing he would confess to his guilt on charges of illegal stock flotation which now are pending against him and would agree to accept such sentence as the court might impose. He demanded that he be heard.

The hearing was on a bill designed to give broader powers of supervision over stock issues to the attorney general, which had been requested by Attorney General Allen in connection with his inquiry into recent activities in the sale of certain stocks. Lawson and ten other promoters and brokers have been arrested.

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