

NINTH NATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST
AND
SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST

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Mr. O. L. Emerick, Superintendent,
Loudoun County Schools,
Purcellville, Va.

Dear Mr. Emerick:

It was a pleasure to learn that you will serve as Chairman at the County Finals to be held in the Leesburg High School auditorium on Thursday evening, April 14th, at eight o'clock.

You are already familiar with our general plan of procedure for these meetings, so I shall not go into detail concerning that beyond assuring you that I will be present well in advance of the opening of the meeting, when I will supply you with a list of the speakers.

Please remember to remind the contestants that they must stop instantly upon the blowing of the whistle, at the expiration of their allotted six minutes. Failure to do this will automatically disqualify them. Please also warn the audience not to interrupt the speakers with applause during their speeches. They, of course, are expected to applaud as freely as they please at other times.

You may wish to include the enclosed in your introductory remarks at the meeting.

With appreciation of your cooperation and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



Henry B. ...
Washington Star

To the Chairman:

You may wish to include the substance of the following data in your introductory remarks at the County Finals:

RELATIONSHIP OF LOUDOUN COUNTY FINALS TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST AS A WHOLE.

The participants in tonight's oratorical contest are the selected representatives of the schools in this County. They are competing for the County championship, which carries with it a gold medal. The winner of the championship of this county will participate in the Northern Virginia finals, to be held in the Maury School Auditorium, at Alexandria, on the evening of Friday, April 22d, at eight o'clock. The winner of the northern Virginia Finals automatically secures a cash prize of \$100 and a place in the Washington Star Area Finals of the contest, to be held in Washington during the morning of May 10th.

The winner of the championship of the Washington Star Area will secure a cash prize of \$200 and a place in the National Finals, to be held in Washington on the evening of May 21st.

By participating in the National Finals, a speaker automatically becomes entitled to a Summer tour of Europe, with all expenses paid, and also has a chance to win the National Championship Cup.

The winner of the National Championship of the United States will be ^{the} representative of this country in the International Finals, to be held in Washington in October, at which time the representatives of the leading countries of North and South America and Europe will be represented and the grand trophy will be a magnificent loving cup.

The objects of the International Oratorical Contest are:

First: To increase interest in and respect for the basic principles of government in each of the participating nations. In the United States, therefore, the contest centers around the Constitution of the United States.

Second: To promote a better understanding between nations by means of a frank and friendly exchange of national viewpoints.

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FOR THE CHAIRMAN, MR. EMERICK.

LOUDOUN COUNTY FINALS, LEESBURG HIGH SCHOOL.
Thursday evening, April 14, 1932.

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Remarks.....Mr. O. L. Emerick, Superintendent of
Loudoun County Schools.

(Introduce speaker, school and topic)

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✓ Oration. Miss Esta May Smallwood, Lovettsville High School:
"THE ORIGIN OF THE CONSTITUTION".

Oration: Mr. Henry Erbe, Lincoln High School.

~~"LINCOLN AND VIRGINIA."~~

John Marshall ^{and his} contributions to the
Constitution.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNER AND ALTERNATE.

Mr. H. M. Keyser, Sec'y. and Counsel, Potomac Elec. Power Co.
Judged: Mr. Gilbert L. Hall, Washington Attorney at Law.
Dr. C. M. Koon, Director Radio Education, Bureau of Education
Dept. of the Interior.