

The Second Bell Speech Club was organized in order to provide the members of this class with an opportunity to acquire practice in all phases of their work. One of the first projects undertaken was the writing and adopting of a constitution. A great deal of interest and effort is expended by the pupils in preparing programs for the meetings which are held each Friday. Talks, poems, and readings of various kinds are presented. Constructive criticism of the material itself, as well as its delivery, is presented. It is the hope of all the members that the end of the year will find each one more proficient in speech. As a final activity the club plans to present a one-act play.

The officers of the club for 1948-9 are:

President — Louis Daniels

Vice-President — Steve Reynolds

Secretary — June Holley

Treasurer — Nash Thompson

The Junior Speech Club, under the guidance of Mrs. Marjorie McKinney, is composed of the members of the third period speech class. The foremost aim of the club is to prepare the members to speak correctly and forcefully. Early in the year a committee was chosen to write a constitution. After considerable discussion, a final draft was agreed upon and adopted. The meetings are conducted according to parliamentary rules. The students have learned many fundamentals of good speech. They have catalogued their own defects and are trying to overcome them. On Friday speeches, contests, and story telling help make up the program.

Officers of the club are elected every six weeks. The officers include president, vice-president, secretary, and chaplain. Members who have been elected to the presidency so far this year are Charles Goldsmith, Charles Davis, and Philip Nelson.

The fourth period class in public speaking has, in its turn, organized a club. This group is called simply the Fourth Period Public Speaking Club. Like the members of the second and third period classes, these students desired more experience in speaking before a group. They also felt a definite need for training in parliamentary law. As a result, they devote one class each week to a meeting conducted according to parliamentary rules. A program is prepared which includes discussion groups, readings, and dramatizations.

New officers are elected each month in order to give each member experience in an executive capacity. Officers elected are president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer.