

\$15,000 Literary Prize Offered by Bross Foundation

Fifteen thousand dollars — the largest literary prize offered anywhere in the world for a single book — will be awarded by the Bross Foundation under the administration of Lake Forest College in 1940 for a book as yet unpublished, to be submitted before Sept. 1, 1939.

Announcement of the competition was first made by Dr. Herbert McComb Moore, president of Lake Forest college, October, 1936, over an international radio hook-up through the Chicago studios of the National Broadcasting company. Telegraph and cable took the message to rulers of important nations at that time.

Posters depicting the purpose of the award are being sent to colleges, universities, and centers of learning throughout the entire world. These announcements are reproduced from a commissioned painting by Milo K. Winter, widely known American illustrator.

The painting shows a student of vision, looking toward spires set against a large white cross, which overshadows factories, libraries, and skyscrapers representing industry, learning, and science. A globe is beside the student to illustrate the international setting for the competition.

The significance of the cross lies in the stipulation for the contest made by William Bross, who established the foundation. Bross, who was one of Chicago's pioneers and early builders, stated in the trust fund agreement that "at the end of every 50 years . . . a premium . . . be given, for the best single book on the connection and relation of the humanities and practical sciences with the Christian religion."

The donor of the \$15,000 award further specified that the offer must be open to scientific men, the Christian philosophers and historians of all nations. This is the first time the major \$15,000 prize has been offered.

The successful author in the present contest will have his volume added to the Bross library, which already contains fourteen books and lectures selected for previous minor Bross Foundation awards. These differ in amount, and range up to \$6,000.

The Bross library is a collection of commissioned works by world-famous men who are specialists in their fields. Mark Hopkins, one-time president of Williams college, and former president of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Josiah Royce, famous Harvard philosopher; James Huston Finley, former president of Knox college and now new associate editor of the New York Times; Robert Bruce Taylor, widely known Scottish minister and professor; and Jeremiah W. Jenks, former professor at Cornell university and New York university, are five of the fourteen recognized by Bross awards for their writings.

Mr. Bross was on the board of trustees of Lake Forest college for twenty-six years, and served as president of this board for a number of years preceding his death. Having always been keenly interested in literature, Bross wanted to encourage writers to a connection between scientific and religious thought. This was his principal aim in establishing the Bross Foundation—to provide an incentive for Christian thinking.

North Shore Towns Set Record for Traffic Safety

According to recently published reports of the National Safety Council at the conclusion of the nationwide contest for greater safety, and due to the safety programs conducted in the various towns extending from Evanston to Lake Forest in which Highland Park has taken an active part, our north shore has set a record for traffic safety unequalled anywhere in the United States.

With thirteen traffic deaths and a combined population of 118,141 the rate is eleven per 100,000, nearly seven below the national average of 17.8. This record according to Mr. W. H. Cameron managing director of the Safety Council of Chicago establishes the fact that the north shore is setting the example for accident prevention programs for the

entire country and in consequence is to be looked on as an authoritative source for ideas and plans.

During the past year Wilmette, Kenilworth and Winnetka were without a single fatal accident. One person was killed in Glencoe. Four in Lake Forest. Five in Evanston and three in Highland Park. The Highland Park fatalities involved non-residents and on or near the Skokie highway which while some distance from the city proper nevertheless were within the city limits.

In consideration of the fact that of all the communities taking part Highland Park has the greatest area in proportion and as many if not a greater number of diversified problems, the record and the favorable mention of the National Safety Council are a tribute to the activities of Mayor William Dooley, Chief of Police Edw. Moroney and the extensive program that has been conducted by the Highland Park Citizens committee.

Decatur Camp to Open for Budding Baseball Prospects

Budding baseball prospects of this section will be given the opportunity

to discover whether or not they have a future in professional ball by attending the spring tryout camp to be conducted by the Decatur Commies, according to an announcement today by President L. J. Wylie.

The Decatur club, which is associated with the St. Louis Cardinals, will open the camp on Monday, April 19, at Fans' field here. The first part of the camp will be devoted to trials for young players who have had no previous professional experience. Later the camp will serve as a spring training site for the Decatur Commies.

Competent scouts of the Cardinal organization will be on hand to pass on the boys. Those who show sufficient ability will be signed to contracts.

"This camp will afford boys of ability a chance to break into professional baseball right away," Wylie emphasized, pointing out that players who are signed will either play at Decatur, where the season opens May 2, or will be sent to other Cardinal clubs which open their seasons around the same time.

All boys between the ages of 17 and 23 in this section of the country who aspire to enter professional baseball are invited to attend.

No fee is required of the boys, Wylie explained, but out-of-town

boys must be able to finance their trip to Decatur and their living expenses while here, and the boys are required to bring their own shoes, gloves and uniforms. A try-out for an out-of-town boy will entail a stay in Decatur of two or three days as it will take that much time for the baseball scouts and officials in the camp to determine a lad's ability. Boys wishing further information about the camp should write Wylie.

Branch Rickey, Jr., son of the vice-president of the Cardinals, will arrive in this section shortly and begin contacting the newspapers, sporting goods representatives and the managers of amateur and semi-pro clubs, seeking prospects for the camp.

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