

# Wayne Orator Again Wins Michigan Title Among Men

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For the fourth time in five years, a Wayne University student is the winner of the men's state oratorical championship.

Sixteen Michigan colleges are enrolled in the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech League, but since 1931, when the league's annual oratorical competition began, the other 15 institutions have broken Wayne's hold on the title but once. That was in 1933, when an Albion College student took the championship.

Wayne produced Hugh Maloney, champion in 1931; David Goldman, the 1932 victor; Walter Probst, Jr.,



Miss Wylie

titleholder last year, and now Edgar Willis, who has won the crown for 1935.

Willis is not resting on his laurels. He is hard at work, hoping to duplicate the feat of Hugh Maloney, who won the national championship in the same year he took the state title. David Goldman in 1932 came close to Maloney's record, winning his way in competition with 125 regional champions to a place among the six finalists for the national trophy.

Willis will fight for a chance at national honors in competition with other state winners of the Middle West at Northwestern University April 29.

Ruth Wylie, junior student at Wayne, took second place in the state oratorical contest for women, upholding a record which is outshone only by the Wayne men champions. Wayne women orators have won two state titles in the annual women's competitions, taking second place once and third place once.



Willis

Rupert L. Cortright, men's debate coach, has seen six of the seven Wayne students he coached win state titles, since he coached both men and women contestants up to 1933. Elizabeth Youngjohn, women's coach since 1933, has also achieved a high record, with her students achieving one second and one third place in the state finals in three years of competition.

Including district events, students coached by Cortright have won first place 13 times in competition in 19 contests.