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CHARLESTON, IL--Words compiled in 1905 will be used to test the spelling skills of fifth graders in the seventh annual bee on Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. in the Greenwood School Museum, 800 Hayes, on Eastern Illinois University's campus.

Named in memory of Dennis Cougill, late principal of Jefferson School in Charleston, the spelling bee will feature eight contestants, each representing his/her fifth grade classroom at Jefferson, site of all the city's fifth grades.

Dr. Robert Barger, of Eastern's College of Education and one of the judges, said the Greenwood School would be the location again this year "to retain the environment of the old-fashioned spelling bee."

Other judges will be Mrs. Millie Hofacker, Coles County Historical Society; and James Louthan, Jefferson principal. Co-sponsors of the event are the College of Education, Historical Society, and the Charleston public schools.

Pronouncer will be Leta Ridgeway, of Booth Library. Jo Barger, Eastern's Academic Assistance Center, will keep score. The public is invited.

Complete information may be obtained by contacting Robert Barger, 581-5931.