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The Creole Foundation was created October 17, 1956 by the Creole Petroleum Corporation, a corporation affiliated with the Standard Oil Company (N.J.), which operates in all the fields of the petroleum industry in the Republic of Venezuela. The Foundation is an autonomous body with juridical personality and separate organization, financed by contributions from the Creole Petroleum Corporation.

The main objective of the Foundation is to help the progress of culture through various media such as the protection and encouragement given to the development of university education, of technical and industrial education, and of scientific research in general.

Worthy of note as an example of the activities of the Foundation is the scholarship program for university students in Ven-

ezuela and in the United States of America, supported by the Foundation with the aim of strengthening cultural relations between the two countries.

Creation of the Prize

In order to stimulate interest in research work of significance, related to Venezuela, in the fields of the natural, physical and social sciences, the Creole Foundation has established a prize for the best work on Venezuela in any branch of the above mentioned sciences, in accordance with the rules stated below.

RULES OF THE CREOLE FOUNDATION PRIZE

I — The Prize

1) The prize will be known as the "Creole Foundation Prize" and will consist in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in United States of America currency and a diploma, to be given to the author of the work selected through a competition.

2) The prize will be given each two years in the city of Caracas, ~~beginning October 17, 1960~~, anniversary date of the creation of the Creole Foundation.

3) The announcement of the work selected to receive the prize will be made ~~during the month of July of the year in which the prize is awarded.~~ *in Dec. of 1962*

4) The prize may be divided between not more than two works, if both of them are considered by the Principal Jury to deserve the prize.

5) If the work awarded the prize has been produced by two or more persons, the prize shall be awarded to them jointly.

6) In case of death of the author of the work chosen to receive the prize, the prize will be given to his heirs.

7) The author of the work awarded the prize will be invited to the prize giving ceremony in Caracas, and his travelling and living expenses during his stay in Caracas paid.

8) For purposes of these rules the person designated as such in the work will be considered the author.

during the first trimester of 1963

9) If none of the works submitted is selected for the award of the prize, the competition will be declared void.

II — Subject of the Works

The works shall deal with subjects related to any aspect of Venezuela, in the area of the natural, physical or social sciences, excluding historical sciences.

III — The Contestants

Because of the international character of the prize, persons of any nationality, Venezuelan or foreign, regardless of their country of residence, may participate in the competition.

IV — Opening of the Competition

The offering of the prize and the opening of the competition will be deemed effected by the publication by the Creole Foundation of an announcement to such effect. This publication will be made two years before the year in which the prize is awarded, during the first two weeks of August.

V — Submission of Works

The works submitted to participate in the competition will be received only ~~until December 31,~~ inclusive, of the year immediately preceding the year in which the prize is to be awarded.

up to & incl. April
30, 1962

VI — Admission Requirements

1) The work shall be written in one of the following languages: Spanish, English, French, German, Italian, or Portuguese. Works written in any other language shall come with an adequate summary in any of the above mentioned languages.

2) There is no limitation as to the length of the works submitted.

3) The works shall be sent by registered or certified (or the equivalent) mail to the following address:

“PREMIO FUNDACION CREOLE”,
Apartado 889, Caracas,
Distrito Federal, VENEZUELA.”

4) The works shall be unpublished or shall have been first published during the two years immediately preceding the year in which the prize is awarded. The partial studies that contributed to the final redaction of the work cannot be presented for participation in the competition. The works can be presented only once.

5) The person who wishes to submit a work in the competition shall remit it with a reference letter issued by an academy, university or any other institution of higher learning, related with the field of science dealt with in the work.

6) The work shall be printed or typed in double space and on 8-1/2 inch by 11 inch paper, with corresponding illustrations attached.

VII — The Sponsoring Committee

The Creole Foundation will designate for the purposes established in these rules a Sponsoring Committee formed by three persons of its free choice and dismissal.

*VIII — Composition of the Juries and Committees.
Selection of Works*

The procedure of the selection of the work to be awarded the prize will be as follows:

a) The Sponsoring Committee will appoint the necessary Reading Committees among which, according to their fields, the works submitted will be distributed for their analysis. The initial selection of the works will be done by the Reading Committees.

b) The Sponsoring Committee will appoint three (3) juries called the Physical and Mathematical Science Jury, the Natural Science Jury, and the Social Science Jury, respectively. Each of those juries will receive the works corresponding to its field, selected as aforesaid, and shall recommend one among them to the Principal Jury for the final selection of the work to be awarded the prize.

c) The work to be awarded the prize will be chosen from the three works selected, as explained above, by the Principal Jury, composed of seven (7) members designated by the Sponsoring Committee.

IX — Voting

The discussions and voting of the committees and juries shall not be publicly revealed. The decisions will be taken by a simple majority vote of the members of the juries or committees.

X — Intellectual Property in the Work Awarded the Prize

The author of the work awarded the prize will retain the intellectual property in the work, but the Creole Foundation will have the right to publish it once in the original language or translated to any other without being indebted for any payments for author's rights or for any other concept and shall have the right to dispose of copies of its own publication according to its convenience.

It will be the sole responsibility of the author of the work awarded the prize to arrange for protection of his intellectual property, in Venezuela and abroad, and the Creole Foundation will assume no responsibility whatever for such arrangements.

XI — Responsibility

The Creole Foundation will not be responsible for loss or damage to the works submitted and will not be obliged to return them unless the author expressly so requests in writing.

XII — Withholding

The Creole Foundation will withhold from the cash award the amount required by Venezuelan law establishing an income tax or any other tax or contribution of any kind in effect or which may be in effect and applicable to such enrichment, earnings or income.

XIII — Jurisdiction

It is understood that this competition will be governed by the laws of the Republic of Venezuela and the Tribunals of this Republic shall have exclusive competence to judge any controversy that may arise in relation with this competition.

XIV — Modification and Annulment

The Creole Foundation reserves the right of modifying in whole or in part the present rules, including the right of temporary suspension or total cancellation of the Creole Foundation Prize, but such modification, suspension or cancellation cannot be made in relation with a particular competition after it has been opened in accordance with Rule IV.

Apartado 889
Caracas, Venezuela

May 1961

CREOLE FOUNDATION PRIZE
SECOND COMPETITION

We wish to draw the attention of the reader of this pamphlet to the minor changes made in the Rules governing the Second Competition for the Creole Foundation Prize. These changes refer to dates only.

Please note that the Rules which have been modified should read as follows:

RULE I - The Prize; Items 2) and 3)

- 2) The second biennial prize will be given in the city of Caracas during the first trimester of 1963.
- 3) The announcement of the work selected to receive the Prize will be made in December of 1962.

RULE IV - Opening of the Competition:

The offering of the prize and the opening of the competition will be deemed effected by the publication by the Creole Foundation of an announcement to such effect. This publication will be made two years before the year in which the prize is awarded, during the month of May 1961.

RULE V - Submission of Works:

The works submitted to participate in the competition will be received only up to and including April 30 1962.

Except for the foregoing changes, the Rules remain the same.

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