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Missouri-

Westminster College-Maurice Backer, Fulton.

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Montana-

Montana Wesleyan College-Martin E. Van Demark, Helena. Montana State College-Leon D. Sayers, Bozeman.

Nebraska-

Nebraska Wesleyan University-Prof. E. H. Wells, University Place.

Cotner University-Richard McCann. Bethany.

Doane College-Frances Hale, Crete.

Hastings College-Professor M. J. Martin, Hastings.

Grand Island College-Professor R. B. Stevens, Grand Island.

Ohio-

Baldwin-Wallace College-Paul Kean, Berea.

Heidelberg University-Professor Harold A. Van Kirk, Tiffin.

Hiram College-Irvin W. Sander, Hiram.

Oklahoma-

Oklahoma A. & M. College—Don C. Foster, Stillwater, University of Tulsa—Ray Fleak, Tulsa.

Oklahoma Baptist University-Mrs. Rhetta Mae Dorland, Shawnee.

Grove City College-Prof. H. McC. Burrowes, Grove City.

South Carolina-

Wofford College—W. C. Pearcy, Spartanburg, Presbyterian College—James M. Dick, Jr., Clinton.

South Dakota-

Dakota Wesleyan-Rose Strong, Mitchell.

Yankton College-Lewis C. Morrison, Yankton.

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# SECRETARY'S MINUTES OF THE FOURTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

The Fourth Biennial National Convention of the Pi Kappa Delta Society was held at Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa, March 28, 29, 30, 1922. The first session was called to order at 1:30 P. M. Tuesday, March 28, by President John R. Macarthur, of the California Gamma Chapter, California Institute of Technology. After a few introductory remarks, Dr. Macarthur introduced Dr. John L. Hillman, President of Simpson College, who delivered a very cordial address of welcome. The response in behalf of the delegates was given by Prof. E. R. Nichols, of the California Alpha Chapter. University of Redlands.

The Secretary's minutes of the Third Biennial Convention were read and approved. Next followed the roll call of chapters, the following answering present: Iowa Alpha, Kansas Beta, Nebraska Alpha, Wisconsin Alpha, California Alpha, Colorado Alpha, Kansas Delta, South Dakota Alpha, Oklahoma Alpha, Kansas Zeta, Iowa Delta, Michigan Alpha, Iowa Epsilon, Missouri Alpha, Iowa Zeta, Missouri Beta, Maine Alpha, Montana Beta, South Carolina Alpha, Kansas Theta, California Gamma, Illinois Epsilon, South Dakota Zeta, Nebraska Epsilon (proxy).

At this point a very interesting feature was introduced. The members of the Simpson Chapter had written a special convention song, copies of which were distributed and the delegates joined in singing it.

President Macarthur made announcements concerning the oratorical contests, the reception to be given by the Simpson College chapter for the delegates, at seven o'clock, and the debate to be held at eight o'clock.

The president announced the appointment of the following committees: Constitutional Amendments, Good of the Order, Banquet, and Convention Picture.

The business session adjourned for the Preliminary Oratorical Contests, which were scheduled for 3:30 P. M.

Fifteen chapters had entered orators for the oratorical contest. These were divided into two geographical groups as follows:

## Eastern Group

Colby College-The Study of Public Speaking a Necessity to the Minister. G. B. Wolstenholme.

Wofford College-The Unfinished Task. Chas. F. Nesbitt.

Simpson College-Individualism-A Menace. Cloyd H. Connor.

Kalamazoo College—Our Next Step. William Schrier.

Macalester College—Shall America Keep Her Pledge. Enrique Sobrepena. Ripon College-The Church at the Crossroads. Clemens E. Lueck.

Parsons College-The New Era in Industry. A. John Thornbury.

## Western Group

Nebraska Wesleyan University—The New American. Habeeb J. Skeirik. Washburn College—Industrial Disarmament. Melvin A. Booth.

Morningside College-The Pathway to Peace. Leon E. Hickman.

Colorado Agricultural College—The Mission of the Engineer. O. O. Waggener.

Kansas State Agricultural College—The Forward Step. Chas. W.

Howard.

The University of Redlands—The Industrial Issue. Douglas G. McPhee. Dakota Wesleyan University—The Slave of Peace. Winfield T. Wilt. Park College—The Master Conflict. Lowell C. Beers.

The judges for the Eastern Group were: Prof. E. R. Nichols, University of Redlands; Prof. B. D. Scott, Nebraska Wesleyan University; Prof. T. B. Ross, Southwestern College (Kansas); Prof. Alfred Westfall, Colorado Agricultural College; and Prof. W. H. Veatch, Dakota Wesleyan University. The judges selected the following four men to appear in the final contest: Cloyd H. Connor, William Schrier, Enrique Sobrepena, and A. J. Thornbury.

The judges for the Western Group were: Dr. H. C. Libby, Colby College; Prof. Lawrence M. Brings, Northern Normal; Prof. Paul R. Brees, Kalamazoo College; and Prof. J. H. Foth, Kalamazoo College. The judges selected the following four men to appear in the final contest: Leon E. Hickman, Morningside College; Douglas McPhee, University of Redlands; Habeeb J. Skeirik, Nebraska Wesleyan University, and Winfield T. Wilt, Dakota Wesleyan University.

## Tuesday Evening

The program for Tuesday evening was a debate held in the College Chapel between Heidelberg University and Simpson College. The question was: "Resolved, That the principle of the closed shop is justifiable." Alfred G. Buehler, Willis D. Mathias, and Edison L. Bowers, representing Heidelberg, supported the affirmative, and Roscoe Cartright, Lisle Stewart and Kenneth Stratton, of Simpson, argued the negative. The judges were Dr. H. C. Libby, Prof. T. B. Ross, Prof. W. H. Veatch, Prof. L. M. Brings, and Prof. G. W. Finley. The decision was four to one for the affirmative.

## Wednesday A. M.

The business session Wednesday morning was called to order by President Macarthur at nine-thirty o'clock. At the roll call of chapters, the following, not represented at the first session, responded present: Kansas Gamma, South Dakota Beta, Oklahoma Beta, Ohio Beta, Minnesota Alpha, Michigan Beta, and Kansas Eta.

#### Convention Roll Call

The complete roll of delegates was as follows:

Iowa Alpha—Max W. Van Horn, Gilbert Garretson, Effie Scott, Mary Kopp.

Kansas Beta-Melvin A. Booth.

Nebraska Alpha—H. J. Skeirik, William Parkinson, Ralph Brooks, Prof. B. D. Scott, Thomas Harrison.

Wisconsin Alpha-Sylvester R. Toussaint, Clemens E. Lueck.

Kansas Gamma-Charles W. Howard.

California Alpha—Prof. E. R. Nichols, Douglas G. McPhee, Fred B. Ford, George G. Brown, J. Whitcomb Brougher, Jr.

Colorado Alpha—Prof. Alfred Westfall, Edward C. House, O. O. Waggener, N. Dodge.

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Kansas Delta-Prof. T. B. Ross, Oliver Parker, Russell Throckmorton.

South Dakota Alpha—Prof. W. H. Veatch, W. T. Wilt, Lawrence Durkee, Henry McKay.

Oklahoma Alpha—T. S. McDonald, L. J. McDonald, John L. Lonergan, Wilbur Wells.

Kansas Zeta-Harry D. Wolf.

Iowa Delta—Hazel Reed, Prof. Chas. A. Marsh, Leon E. Hickman, Lillian Curry, Luella Smeby, George M. Paradisanos, Paul Freeburn, Harold Nelson.

South Dakota Beta-Prof. D. R. McGrew.

Colorado Beta-Prof. G. W. Finley, Nora C. Roop.

Michigan Alpha—Ray H. Siebert, Prof. J. H. Foth, Prof. Paul R. Brees, William Schrier.

Iowa Epsilon—John Noble, Prof. W. C. Dennis, Kenneth Stratton, Roscoe Cartright, Lyle Stewart, Homer Woods, John W. Hillman, Pres. John L. Hillman, Loren Thomas, Loyd Noble, Alden Smith, Frank Sayre, J. B. Hubert, Catharine Carpenter, Ferne Weeks, Fayne Weeks, Ada Harney, Velta May, Irene Wycoff, Ruth Morris, Ruby Glascock, Cloyd Conner, Edith Whittaker, Blanche Minnich, Ruth De Leon, Bernice Brown.

Missouri Alpha-Maurice Baker.

Iowa Zeta-Albert Fulton, Grace Oliver, Marie Krieg, Albert Thornbury.

Missouri Beta-Lowell C. Beers.

Oklahoma Beta-Ray W. Fleak, Fred W. Martin.

Maine Alpha—Dr. Herbert C. Libby, Geo. W. Wolstenholme, Leonard W. Mayo, Forrest M. Royal, Clyde E. Russell.

Kansas Eta-Prof. J. B. Heckert.

Montana Beta—Leon D. Sayers.

Ohio Beta—Prof. Harold A. Van Kirk, Edison L. Bowers, Alfred G. Buehler, Willis D. Mathias.

Minnesota Alpha-Enrique Sobrepena.

South Carolina Alpha-C. F. Nesbitt.

Michigan Beta-Albert Janzen.

Kansas Theta—Thelma Fowler, Florence Scully, Prof. J. R. Pelsma, Copeland Bowers, Fayette Rowe.

California Gamma-Dr. John R. Macarthur.

Illinois Epsilon—Arthur L. Decker, Ruth Moore, Gerald E. Moore, Jean M. Thompson.

South Dakota Zeta-Prof. Lawrence M. Brings.

The first order of business was the reports of Standing Committees and the National Officers.

## National Secretary's Report

The National Secretary, Prof. Chas. A. March, of Morningside College, presented the following report:

The National Secretary is pleased to report that the past two years have been marked by a very rapid expansion of the Society. At the close of the Third Biennial Convention, April 1, 1920, there were twenty-three active chapters, representing eleven different states. At the opening of the Fourth Biennial Convention, we have fifty-six active chapters, located in twenty-one different states. This is a gain in the number of chapters of over 146 per cent for the two year period.

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The chapters admitted since the last convention are as follows:

		Charter
Name College	Location	Members
South Dakota Delta South Dakota State	Brookings	9
South Dakota Epsilon. Sioux Falls	Sioux Fall	s 9
Missouri Beta Park	Parkville	9
Oklahoma Beta University of Tulsa	Tulsa	10
Nebraska BetaCotner	Bethany	8
Nebraska GammaDoane	Crete	8
Nebraska Delta Hastings	Hastings	10
Maine AlphaColby	Waterville	10
Illinois GammaCarthage	Carthage	9
Kansas Eta Kansas Wesleyan	Salina	8
Montana Alpha Montana Wesleyan	Helena	5
Ohio Alpha Baldwin-Wallace	Berea	. 8
Missouri GammaCentral	Favette	7
Montana Beta Montana State	Bozeman	13
Ohio BetaHeidelberg	Tiffin	6
Minnesota Alpha Macalaster	St. Paul	7
So. Carolina Alpha Wofford	Spartanbur	g 14
Michigan BetaOlivet	Olivet	- 6
Kansas Theta State Manual Training	Pittsburg	
Kentucky Alpha Georgetown	Georgetown	1 8
Illinois Delta Bradley Polytechnic	Peoria	12
Michigan Gamma Hope	Holland	10
Michigan Delta Michigan State	East Lansi	ng 11
Indiana Alpha Franklin	Franklin	14
California Gamma California Institute of Tech	Pasadena	10
Texas Alpha Southwestern	Georgetown	6
Illinois Epsilon Hedding	Ahingdon	10
Michigan Epsilon Michigan State Normal	Ynsilanti	21
Nebraska Epsilon Grand Island	Grand Islan	d 11
So. Dakota Zeta Northern Normal & Industria	l. Aberdeen	12
Tennessee Alpha Marvville	Maryville	12
Missouri Delta William Jewell	Liberty	6
Washington Alpha College of Puget Sound	Tacoma	8

"We are just beginning to grow. Several petitions for charters will be placed before this convention by the Charter Committee, and each of the National Officers is receiving many inquiries from interested colleges in all sections of the country."

"Not only has there been a marked growth in the number of new chapters installed, but also in the number of new members admitted. April 1, 1920, the Secretary's records contained a total of 843 names of members admitted since the founding of the Society in 1913. In the past two years there have been 890 new members initiated. This is 37 more members than were admitted during the first seven years of our history.

It was moved and carried that the report be adopted.

## Report of Vice-President

Prof. E. R. Nichols, Vice-president and Chairman of the Extension Committee, made the following report:

"The Committee on Extension or Charter Committees makes the following report to the convention:

"1. Pi Kappa Delta has reached the maximum number of chapters that can be handled by voluntary officers. Two possibilities confront us: Either we can halt expansion and become exclusive, or we can adopt a

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policy of salaried secretary and a central office and pursue a policy of unlimited expansion. Your committee recommends the latter policy.

"2. We have received a letter asking for petition blanks from one of the colleges of the South conducted for the education of members of the African race. Our policy does not permit a chapter in such an institution. The committee recommends that some action be taken concerning this application at this convention, and recommends that the officers of Pi Kappa Delta be authorized to extend their services in an unofficial capacity in an effort to get the colleges of the negro race to organize an honorary society of their own.

"3. The committee recommends that favorable action be taken toward international expansion by this convention, as debating in Canada, China, and in other countries will make chapters there possible in the near future, especially as Pi Kappa Delta has members coaching debate in foreign

countries.

"4. The committee presents the problem of 'women's chapters' in colleges having chapters of another forensic honor society for men, and asks that a definite policy be decided upon as two applications of that nature are now before the committee. The committee also presents the matter of entering institutions where Phi Alpha Tau forensic fraternity has chapters, pending a recommendation from the Interforensic Relations Committee.

"5. The committee presents a revised list of Accredited Colleges to which the National Council may grant charters during the interim between conventions, and recommends its adoption. The committee presents a second list of Colleges for Investigation to which charters may not be granted until all chapters in that state or chapters in that section, if there are none in the state, are consulted and the petitioning institution is found to be up to the standard desired of Pi Kappa Delta colleges financially, scholastically, and forensically.

"6. The committee has nine applications to place before the convention either recommended or not recommended and will meet shortly to determine this matter, after which a second report will be made before the

delegates."

The report was adopted.

At this time the following committees were appointed by the President: Auditing, Inter-forensic Relations, Forensic Policy, Ritual, Convention Contests, Resolutions, and Committee on the Key.

The next order on the program was the President's address.

## The President's Address

The President first reviewed the history of Pi Kappa Delta, dividing it into five perods of about two years each. These were characterized as periods of correspondence, organization, promotion, expansion, and more adequate organization to meet demands created by the great growth. The two years since the last Biennial Convention at Morningside College, Iowa, had seen a tremendous expansion of the Order. This expansion had necessitated the creation of business methods and organization to meet the situation. The President rendered high tribute to the work of Professor Alfred Westfall, the National Treasurer for the past two years, who had given unstintingly of his time and energy to promote the welfare of the organization. Thanks to his efforts, Pi Kappa Delta closes this biennium in excellent financial condition.

Certain features of the forensic situation of the past two years were commented upon. There has been a growth of the active rather than of the honorary ideal in the chapters, as is evidenced by the increasing number of chapters that are assuming or are being given control of college forensics, especially in institutions which have student self-government.

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Some of the difficulties encountered by the national officers were mentioned. The great growth of Pi Kappa Delta had laid an almost intolerable burden upon them. Two solutions were possible. The first was that of limitation of growth. This had been rejected as undemocratic. The second, which the National Council was recommending for adoption by the Convention, was that of concentration of all the detailed work done by the officers in one office, to be under the supervision of one officer who should be given sufficient clerical assistance to enable him to care for it. The greater power given to this one officer was to be safeguarded by reserving to the other officers or to the Convention cases of extreme discipline, the granting of new chapters, or the passing on matters of policy as yet undetermined. This latter solution would require an amendment to the Constitution. Such a method, with continued expansion of the Order, would increase the revenue so as to make a paid secretary ultimately possible.

The administration had been hampered in some cases by lack of chapter cooperation due usually to poor chapter officers. The solution of such difficulties was to be found in discipline inflicted by the National Council, although preferably by the local chapter. The recall of inefficient officers by the local chapters and substitution of good ones was strongly recommended. With things centralized in one office it should be possible to follow up chapters much better than heretofore. The administration has been unable, owing to lack of time, to maintain the Province organization. There was a

question, too, as to the value of retaining it.

The Objectives of the Third Biennial Convention were then reviewed. The paid secretary had not yet become a possiblity but was much nearer. The exchanges had been coming very satisfactorily, especially during the past year, very nearly forty being received. Forensic editions are becoming more frequent among the college papers where we have chapters, and many of the chapters are seeing to it that forensic news appears regularly in their columns. A number of chapters are using Pi Kappa Delta letter-The National Council letterheads have borne a list of the institutions having chapters. The President, however, suggested that the appearance of the stationery needed toning down. Folders telling of the aims of Pi Kappa Delta have been used in correspondence. A strong effort had been made to secure permanence of local chapter records. Possibly some form or book for records might aid in this. Questions for debate had been published in THE FORENSIC. It had not been found possible to arrange for sectional contests owing to the great rush of work placed upon the Council. Clerical help had been furnished to a very limited extent to some of the national officers. Some discussion of methods of judging forensic contests had been carried on in the magazine but it had been found difficult to get people to contribute. All matter found in the exchanges on the point had been reprinted in the magazine. Extension work by the chapters had been uneven. Some chapters had done exceedingly well; others had made apparently little effort.

The extension of the organization during the past two years had been geographically significant. The granting of a chapter to Wofford College, South Carolina had placed an advance guard in the Southeast. Chapters granted to Georgetown College, Kentucky, and to Franklin College, Indiana, and now just recently to Maryville College, Tennessee, form a direct line of communication to Wofford and constitute a wedge driven down into a rich section for expansion. Similarly, the chapter granted to Colby College, Maine, may be regarded as another outpost. The march eastward through Michigan and Ohio has now reached Pennsylvania with the granting of Pennsylvania Alpha to Grove City College. The extreme northwest has been reached at Tacoma with the Washington Alpha chapter at the College

of Puget Sound.

Emphasis was placed upon the necessity for being businesslike in the

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keeping of records, payment of dues, and regularity of meetings. It was suggested that the reading of the Constitution and of the Ritual be made a part of the business of each meeting. The National President concluded his remarks by thanking the officers who had served with him during his two terms for their faithful and efficient cooperation and by urging the delegates to maintain the ideals of Pi Kappa Delta by keeping their forensic activities upon the highest possible plane.

## Wednesday Afternoon

The earlier part of the afternoon was given over to meetings of the various committees. The general business session was called to order by President Macarthur, at 3:30 o'clock.

## National Historian's Report

The National Historian, Prof. J. H. Foth, presented the following report:

"The growth of the Pi Kappa Delta the past two years has been phenomenal both numerically and geographically. The number of chapters has more than doubled—having increased from twenty-three active chapters in 1920 until today there are fifty-six. Geographically, Pi Kappa Delta has become a National organization in fact as well as in name. At the time of the last convention practically all the chapters were confined to the eight states in the Middle West, with Redlands University, alone, west of the Rockies, and Kalamazoo College Chapter alone in the "East." Today we have chapters in twenty states spreading from California to Maine; with Wisconsin, Montana and South Dakota in the North; and with South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and Texas in the South. Our organization, therefore, in the past two years has doubled both in the number of chapters and the number of states.

"That we may more fully appreciate this two years' growth of Pi Kappa Delta let us recall that in each of the three years following the founding of the organization, viz., 1913, 1914, 1915, there were five chapters established; in 1916 there were three; in 1917 two; in 1918 four; in 1919 two; in 1920 twelve; in 1921 seventeen; and already in 1922 four.

"But the thing of even greater importance than this expansion numerically and geopraphically, is the splendid spirit that Pi Kappa Delta has carried into every college where it has gone, raising the ideals of forensics, and lending a new spirit of enthusiasm and respect and fair play in all its

work. This is genuine achievement.

"This achievement may be attributed to the fact that Professors Nichols, Macarthur and Marsh have successfully weathered the hardships of pioneer days, and are to this day giving so generously of their thought and wisdom, of their time and energy, in constantly holding before the chapters the high ideals which they embodied in the ritual. With such ideals upheld by such men Pi Kappa Delta is indeed fortunate.

The work of these men has been most capably supplemented by that of Prof. Alfred Westfall, who has so tactfully handled the business affairs of Pi Kappa Delta during the most critical time. He has won the admiration and respect of the National Officers because of his businesslike methods of handling the finances and problems of his office. It is through his efforts and tact that members may promptly secure a key of better quality for less money.

"In conclusion we may say that Pi Kappa Delta has entered a period of rapid expansion,—a time in which membership in the organization is being sought by the colleges for the distinct honor it confers upon its members. And judging from the success of these past two years, we may conservatively expect Pi Kappa Delta to reach the one hundred mark in number of chapters, reaching every state in the Union, wielding an ever (101)

wider and stronger power for good in forensics; and this achieved during a period of ever raising standards."

Moved and carried that the report be adopted.

The Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Prof. G. W. Finley, Chairman, presented a partial report, recommending that Article 5, Division C., Sec. 3, of the constitution be amended to provide for the following officers: President, First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Secretary, who shall act as Treasurer, and a Historian. These officers to be elected for a term of two years and to assume their respective offices on July 1 following their election. The report was adopted.

# Report of the Charter Committee

Prof. E. R. Nichols, chairman, John R. Pelsma, J. H. Foth,

Prof. E. R. Nichols, chairman of the Charter Committee, placed before the convention the following recommendations concerning applications for "Your committee on Extension finds the petitions before it all in correct shape and recommends favorable action on the petitions from the following institutions:

Hiram College, Ohio, to become Ohio Gamma.

Central College, Iowa, to be re-chartered as Iowa Beta Chapter No. 8.

Grove City College, Pennsylvania, to become Pennsylvania Alpha.

College of Emporia, Kansas, to become Kansas Iota. Upper Iowa University, Iowa, to become Iowa Eta. Baker University, Kansas, to become Kansas Kappa.

The following are placed before you without recommendation: Monmouth College, Illinois, to become Illinois Zeta.

Request that this chapter be granted as a woman's chapter to which men debaters and orators and instructors are to be eligible, as Tau Kappa Alpha

maintains a chapter in this institution for men.

"Occidental College, California, to be re-chartered as California Beta Chapter No. 10 as a women's chapter with privilege of electing men, (request identical with that of Monmouth petition, Occidental being also an institution in which Tau Kappa Alpha maintains a chapter) members of the original chapter to be assigned to this chapter roll.

"York College, Nebraska, to become Nebraska Zeta. Not recommended because the attitude of the Nebraska chapters toward this petition was un-The committe felt that because of the size and comparative weakness of the institution financially and numerically that action on this petition should be delayed pending investigation and recommendation from Nebraska chapters."

After full consideration of each individual petition, motions were carried granting each petition, except that of York College. The petition of York College was referred to the committee for further investigation.

The committee presented to the convention a list of approved colleges, and also a list of colleges concerning which it recommended further investigation. The recommendations were adopted.

# Wednesday Evening

The Second National Pi Kappa Delta Oratorical Contest was held in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Wednesday evening, at eight o'clock. The following program was given, Prof. Joseph H. Foth, National Historian, presiding:

Solo ...... Miss Florence Poling "The New Era in Industry" ..... A. John Thornbury

Parsons College (102)