

CONVENTION AND CONTEST COMMITTEES

PKD National Convention

Bowling Green, Ohio

March 22 - 27, 1959

1. Convention Committee

Convention Chairman: Ted Nelson, St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota

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3. Parliamentarian

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Committee

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Emil Pfister, Central Michigan College, Mount Pleasant, Michigan
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7. Committee on Convention Evaluation

Herman Pinkerton, Chairman, Tennessee Polytechnic Institute, Cookeville, Tennessee

Paul Roten, Sioux Falls College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

the convention, a banquet ticket, and two dollars for each round they serve. Each hired judge will be guaranteed a minimum judging assignment of twelve rounds. An applicant for assignment as a hired judge should apply to his Province Governor by February 10, 1959. The Province Governor will recommend to the National Secretary by February 21, 1959, the judge to be hired from his province.

Oratory

1. Contestants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one orator in the men's and one in the women's contest.

2. Orations. Orations shall contain not more than 150 words of quotations. Orations may vary in length from 1200 to 1500 words. All quotations shall appear definitely as such in the manuscript. All orations must be certified by the coach as being the original work of the contestant. Each orator shall bring two typewritten copies of his oration to the national convention. One copy shall be presented to the National Secretary of Pi Kappa Delta at the Convention Registration desk on March 22, 1959, and one copy shall be presented to a judge at the beginning of the first round of oratory. The oration delivered in the contest must conform to the manuscripts submitted. The manuscript presented to the National Secretary will not be returned.

3. Contests. The contests shall be held simultaneously, the number of such contests being determined by the number of contestants entered, it being provided that not more than seven speakers shall appear on one program. Each orator shall appear in four rounds.

4. Method of Judging. Three judges shall be appointed in each contest. Each judge shall rank only the three highest ranking speakers, first, second, and third. In tabulating the results, all other speakers in each contest will be given a ranking of four. No judge shall tie two speakers for first, second, or third places. The judges may comment on the speakers at the close of the round, but should not reveal their decisions.

5. Rankings. The orators ranking in the upper 10 percent will be rated "Superior";

those in the next 20 percent will be rated "Excellent"; and those in the next 30 percent will be rated "Good."

Extemporaneous Speaking

1. Contestants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one speaker in the men's and one in the women's contest.

2. Subject. Crisis in Education.

3. Sub-topics. The Contest Committee shall arrange for the securing of sufficient and suitable sub-topics for each of the four areas.

4. Drawings. One hour before the time of speaking in each contest, the contestant shall draw by lot for a subtopic. It is expected that the speech will be prepared by the student without the assistance of anyone.

5. Contests. The rules for these contests shall be the same as those for oratory.

6. Length of Speeches. Speeches shall not be more than six minutes. Each speaker shall be given a warning by the timekeeper at the expiration of five minutes.

7. The Question Period. Each speaker shall be asked one pertinent question by a judge at the close of his original speech. The speaker must answer this question impromptu; maximum time for the answer, two minutes.

8. The Method of Judging. The method of judging shall be the same as for oratory.

9. Ranking. The method of ranking shall be the same as for oratory.

Debate

1. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one team in the men's division and one team in the women's division. No mixed teams shall be entered.

2. Substitutions. There may be free substitution of debaters from round to round providing the names of those to be used are included in the entry lists.

3. Question. The official Pi Kappa Delta question shall be used in all debates.

4. Speeches. Each debater shall have two speeches, one of ten minutes and one of five. The affirmative shall introduce the

COMMITTEES, Continued

Milton Dobkin, Humboldt State College, Arcata, California

8. Committee on Convention Publicity

Emmett Long, Chairman, California State Polytechnic College, Pomona, California

Malcolm Sillars, San Fernando Valley State College, 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, Calif.

Franklin Shirley, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

9. Contest Committees

Contest Chairman: Harvey Cromwell, Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus, Miss.

Harold Larson, Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin

Donald Graham, Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, La.

Harold Obee, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio

Men's Debate Committee: Rex Wier, Chairman, Southeastern State College, Durant, Oklahoma
James McCarthy, College of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota

Women's Debate Committee: Jack Howe, Southwestern College, Winfield Texas; Ruth Wilcox Marietta College, Marietta, Ohio

Men's Extemporaneous Speaking: Don Sikkink, Chairman, South Dakota State College, Brookings, South Dakota; Fred Goodwin, Southeastern State College, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Women's Extemporaneous Speaking: Glen Reddick, Chairman, North Central College, Naperville, Illinois; J. H. Jackson, Pasadena College, Pasadena, California

Discussion: Robert Tuttle, Chairman, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado; James Ladd, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma

Oratory: Mary Louise Gehring, Chairman, Stetson University, Deland, Florida; Leslie Kreps, Oklahoma State, Stillwater, Okla.

constructive and the negative shall introduce the refutation speeches.

5. Rounds. All teams will take part in eight rounds of debate, the pairings of which are to be arranged by the contest committee and posted for round to round.

6. Sides. Each college must debate both sides of the question, having an equal number of affirmative and negative debates.

7. Decisions. Decisions will be rendered by single judges, who may comment on the debate but who should not announce their decisions to the debaters.

8. Rankins. All teams winning all or seven of the eight rounds shall be awarded the "Superior" rating. All teams winning six debates shall be rated "Excellent." All teams winning five debates shall be given a rating of "Good."

9. Drawing. In order to avoid a drawing in which strong teams will meet only stronger teams and weaker teams meet only weaker teams, every fourth team will be seeded on the basis of performance earlier in the year. Under this plan every team (including every seeded team) will meet two seeded teams and two only during the course of the eight rounds. Ratings of various colleges shall be determined by the Debate Committee with the assistance of the Province Governors and qualified Pi Kappa Delta members in the respective areas.

Discussion

1. Subject. How can we improve our relations with Latin America?

2. Procedure. There will be five rounds. Each of the first four rounds shall have a maximum time limit of one and one-half hours and the fifth round shall have a maximum limit of two hours.

Round I. Definition and delineation stage. (What is the nature, extent, and significance of the problem? What terms of the discussion question need defining?)

Round II. Problem — analysis stage. (What are the probable causes of the problem? By what criteria should probable solutions be measured?)

Round III. Solutions stage. (What possible solutions are there? What is the best

solution for the problem? Use criteria for evaluating and eliminating solutions.)

Round IV. Solutions stage. (Continue evaluation of solutions.)

Round V. Written report. This report shall be prepared by the members of each section. It should reflect the consensus of the group's opinion regarding the problem and its solution(s). If a minority opinion exists, it should be included in the written report. Only one report (not a majority and a minority report) shall be submitted by a section. The report will be evaluated and each member of the section will receive the evaluation awarded. This report carries a weight which represents 25 percent of the discussion's final score. This report shall be limited to one typewritten page (8 x 11) or two pages (8 x 11) written in longhand. Specific instructions regarding the preparation and form of the written report will be given each section during Round IV.

3. Discussion leader. A discussion leader shall be appointed by the Discussion Contest Committee for each section of Round I. At the conclusion of Round I, II, III, and IV, the members of each section shall elect one of their members to serve as the discussion leader for the following round.

4. Participants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one man and one woman student in discussion. Men and women will discuss together but their ratings will be tabulated separately for the purpose of determining awards at the conclusion of the convention.

5. Judging. A faculty observer will sit with each section. It shall be his function to check attendance, serve as a guide in procedure, and evaluate the participants. The faculty observer shall evaluate each participant on his knowledge of the discussion question and his use of critical thinking, and his cooperation with other members of the group. The written report prepared by each section will be evaluated by authorities selected by the Discussion Contest Committee. Each member will receive the evaluation awarded by the judges for his section's written report. At the conclusion of Round V, each participant will complete an evaluation for each member of his section. Each participant's

final score will consist of the sum of the evaluations awarded him by the faculty observers (50 percent), the evaluation awarded the written report submitted by his section (25 percent), and the average of the evaluations given by the members of his section (25 percent). Faculty observers will use a different rating scale for evaluating discussion leaders and discussion participants.

6. Ranking. The discussion participants ranking in the upper 10 percent will be rated "Superior"; those in the next 20 percent will be rated "Excellent"; those in the next 30 percent will be rated "Good." Men and women will be ranked separately at the conclusion of the convention. Students must participate in each of the five rounds to be eligible for a final rating.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

BOWLING GREEN, OHIO

March 22-27, 1959

Sunday, March 22

- 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m., Registration
- 8:00 p.m. — Religious Services

Monday, March 23

- 8:30 a.m. — Business Meeting and Charter Presentation
- 9:30 a.m. — Taking of Convention Picture
- 10:15 a.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round I
- 11:15 a.m. — Extempore, Round I
- 1:30 p.m. — Oratory, Round I
- 3:00 p.m. — Convention Speaker
- 4:30 p.m. — Debate, Round I
- Discussion, Round I
- 8:00 p.m. — Host Province Entertainment

Tuesday, March 24

- 8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round II
- Discussion, Round II
- 10:15 a.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round II
- 11:15 a.m. — Extempore, Round II
- 12:30 p.m. — Province Governor's Luncheon
- 1:30 p.m. — Oratory, Round II
- 3:00 p.m. — Debate, Round III
- Discussion, Round III
- 7:00 p.m. — Business Meeting

Wednesday, March 25

- 8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round IV
- Discussion, Round IV
- 10:30 a.m. — Business Meeting, Election of National Council
- 11:00 a.m. — Convention Speaker
- 1:00 p.m. — Oratory, Round III
- 2:30 p.m. — Debate, Round V
- 4:00 p.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round III
- 5:00 p.m. — Extempore, Round III
- 8:00 p.m. — Pi Kappa Delta Talent Night

Thursday, March 26

- 8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round VI
- Discussion, Round V
- 11:00 a.m. — Oratory, Round IV
- 1:30 p.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round IV
- 2:30 p.m. — Extempore, Round IV
- 4:00 p.m. — Debate, Round VII
- 6:30 p.m. — Convention Banquet
- 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. — Convention Dance

Friday, March 27

- 8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round VIII
- 10:00 a.m. — Province Meetings
- 11:00 a.m. — Business Meeting
- 12:00 a.m. — Announcement of Winners and Pictures of Superior Debaters

Alumni News

by FRANKLIN R. SHIRLEY

Patricia M. Litsheim, 'ex Minnesota Beta and a 1956 alumnus of Wisconsin Zeta 216, received her Master of Science degree in Speech at the University of Wisconsin in August. Her 800 page thesis entitled, "Speech Education in the Evangelical Lutheran Church Colleges in the United States" is a historical and descriptive analysis of the well established speech departments of the five Pi Kappa Delta colleges. Personal correspondence was received from 335 alumni, students and faculty of the colleges: Augustana, South Dakota Eta; Concordia, Minnesota Zeta; Luther, Iowa XI; St. Olaf, Minnesota Beta; and Pacific Lutheran, Washington Epsilon. This fall she is high school debate coach in addition to teaching speech and American history at St. Louis Park, Minnesota.

John W. Parker, Pi Kappa Delta Member, Chairman of the Department of English at the Fayetteville State Teachers College, and former President of the group, was one of ten language teachers over the country to receive the Distinguished Contributions Award made possible by the College League Association near the close of its eighteenth annual session held recently at Texas - Southern University in Houston, Texas.

In part, the citation reads: ". . . You were selected for the Award in recognition of distinguished contribution to the teaching profession as published by the profession itself, by students, and by the community of scholars."

Coming into the Association shortly

after its founding at Le Moyne College, Memphis, Tennessee in 1937, Mr. Parker has been an active member. He has served as President of Region "B" during past years; Chairman of the Committee on Program; Vice-President; and served as President of the organization during 1952-1954.

T. Lamar Caudle, III, who was active in debating at Wake Forest College (1946-1950) while a member of the North Carolina Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, and a graduate of the Yale Law School, has moved from his position with a Dallas, Texas, law firm to direct a housing development project on the Atlantic coast near Savannah, Georgia.

Virgil Moorefield, a Pi Kappa Delta member at Wake Forest College from 1949 to 1953 and a representative of the United States on the International Debate Team travelling to England in 1953, is now teaching at the Southeastern Baptist Seminary and will leave with his wife and son for Italy in February to become a liaison officer between the Southern Baptist Seminary in Italy and the mission churches.

David Hughes, a member of the North Carolina Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, graduated from Wake Forest College in June 1958 and is now enrolled in the School of Law at Mercer University.

Carwyle Leroy, 1955 graduate of Wake Forest College, member of the North Carolina Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, and winner of the Superior Sweepstakes Award at the Pi Kappa Delta Convention at Redlands University, is now enrolled in the School of Medicine at the University of North Carolina where he has recently been elected national president of the Student American Medical Association.

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facilities are available. We introduce social events, talent night, business meetings, and distinguished speakers into this schedule to give additional emphasis to our educational program.

Many of us believe that this biennial Convention should be the climax to a students collegiate forensic career. Many recognize it as an opportunity to reward those students who have been loyal to their school, to the intercollegiate program, and to the purposes of Pi Kappa Delta. Most of our students have but one opportunity, at the most, to attend a Pi Kappa Delta National. We hope that our 1959 Convention will be an inspiration to those who have earned the right, through loyalty and hard work, to exhibit the educational values of intercollegiate speech.

Chapter Notes



Back row, left to right: Norman Van Klompenburg, Ron Olson, Ken Green, Maureen McKenna, Ray Morgan, Bob O'Rourke. Front row, left to right: Jim Knott, Ron Michener, Gladys Kuehl, Carolyn Claussen, Ruth Paulson, Ken Kannenberg and Don Koebele.

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Thirty-six Baylor debaters met for their opening session on Tuesday night, September 30. Plans were made to attend some 12 intercollegiate tournaments during the year including the National Pi Kappa Delta tournament at Bowling Green, Ohio.

Baylor University and Southern Methodist University engaged in an exhibition debate on the national high school question as part of the Texas Speech Association convention program on October 3. The debate drew a capacity audience of some 400.

Baylor University debaters engaged the Texas University debaters in three non-decision public debates on Thursday, November 6 on University of Texas campus. Texas University appeared for a public debate on November 25 on the Baylor campus.

Seven Baylor debate teams journeyed to Denton, Texas November 7 for practice debates with teams from Texas Christian University, North Texas State College, and East Central Oklahoma. They won the decision in 13 out of 14 debates in which they participated.

The Baylor Ex-debaters Association held its annual banquet on October 25 as a part

of the Homecoming activities. Matthew Dawson of Corsicana was the principal speaker. Mr. Dawson was a championship debater at Baylor in 1930's. Thirty-eight ex-debaters attended the banquet.

BOWLING GREEN

STATE UNIVERSITY

The president of the Ohio Eta chapter of Pi Kappa Delta for 1958-59 is Robert Kinstle. Other officers include Robert Rask, vice-president, and Janice Heinze, secretary-treasurer.

There are approximately fifty students participating in debate during the first semester. To date, Bowling Green has scheduled twenty cross-examination debates before service clubs and ten public debates with other colleges.

The following include tournaments in which Bowling Green debaters will participate: Bradley University, Illinois; Women's State Debate at Capital; Otterbein; Navy Pier at University of Illinois; Ohio Wesleyan; Ohio State; Buckeye at Kent State; Marshall-Wythe at William and Mary; Women's Individual Events at Wittenberg; Novice at John Carroll; NODC Varsity at Akron; Men's Individual Events

at Akron; Men's State debate at Capital; West Point Elimination at Butler; Pi Kappa Delta National at Bowling Green; Novice at Bowling Green; Miami Sesquicentennial.

BUENA VISTA COLLEGE

The Iowa Kappa Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at Buena Vista College carried out an extensive program of speech activities during 1957-58, which included participation in nine intercollegiate tournaments and numerous local speaking engagements. The members of the Speakers' Bureau were especially active, appearing before service clubs, PTA's and other community groups. Discussion groups speaking on the problems of education were well received last year.

Campus events open to college students in competition were an oratory contest in January and an after-dinner speaking contest in April. Ken Green was winner of the plaque for original oratory; Ron Olson received first place in after-dinner speaking.

The eighth annual High School Forensics Conference was a highly successful venture with over two hundred students from Northwest Iowa participating in discussion, debate, extemp speaking, interpretative reading and radio newscasting. Advanced speech students, under the supervision of Professor Gladys Kuehl, Director of Forensics, acted as judges and chairmen for the various events of the local conference as well as in high school declamatory and forensic contests throughout the season.

The climax of the season was a 3000-mile trip to Nachitoches, Louisiana, to attend the Northwestern State College Invitational Conference in which schools from a wide area participated.

The formal banquet for initiation of new members and installation of officers was held on May 14. Six new members were initiated: Maureen McKenna, Ken Green, Norman Van Klompenburg, Ron Olson, Bob O'Rourke, and Ray Morgan. William C. Jarnigan, editor of two Storm Lake newspapers, was awarded an honorary membership in recognition of his personal prestige as a public speaker and his active support of the college forensic program.

Carolyn Claussen, chapter president in 1957-58, received the plaque presented an-

nually by the Buena Vista Alumni Association to the senior having achieved the most outstanding record in forensics.

New officers for 1958-1959 are: Maureen McKenna, president; Ken Green, vice-president; Ray Morgan, secretary-treasurer; Bob O'Rourke, corresponding secretary.

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

It is almost as rare as a decrease in the total entropy of the universe to have the opportunity to debate a tailor-made topic. This year Caltech has had fall into its grip a subject for which it can claim authority, familiarity and enthusiasm. In the first two debate tournaments Caltech debaters have had a 75 percent winning record.

At the El Camino Novice Tournament, Carl Hamilton and Carl Rovainen won all four debates. Gary Lorden and Andy Kukla won three of four, and Kip Thorne and Dave Jefferson did likewise. Lance Taylor and Sid Leibovitch won two.

At the Los Angeles City College Tournament, both a superior rating and a medal for an undefeatable record went to only two teams — both from Caltech. These two outstanding teams were Cleve Molar and Roger Noll, and Thorne and Jefferson. Helping total twelve wins of sixteen tries were Hamilton and Rovainen, Dick Jones and Joel Yellin.

The Caltech speech squad achieved gratifying results at the tournament held at Fresno on November 14 and 15.

Kip Thorne and Dave Jefferson won four of the six preliminary debates while Carl Rovainen and Carl Hamilton won the first place award.

In individual events the Santa Barbara Tournament has been the squads' only proving ground. Tom Morton got an excellent rating in interpretation; Jefferson an excellent in discussion and in oratory; Thorne, superior in discussion and in oratory and one excellent in impromptu; Pete Bickel received a superior for his interpretation.

This year's chapter officers are Tom Morton, president; Ken Scholtz, vice-president, and Stan Klein, secretary.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN

Michigan Theta chapter with 24 active members began a busy semester on October 4 with a High School Discussion and Debate Conference. The Pi Kaps welcomed 409 students from 45 high schools in Central Michigan to the annual program which began with an address by Moyne Cabbage, manager of the Michigan High School Forensic Association. Mr. Cabbage is an alumni member of the Michigan Iota chapter at Eastern Michigan College. The students considered some of the aspects of the 1958-59 high school debate proposition in discussion groups led by P. K. D. members, and a demonstration debate by four of Michigan's top high school debaters climaxed the conference.

In its first meeting, the Central chapter established three permanent committees: social, initiation, and publicity.

The social committee presented an enjoyable program for the second P. K. D. meeting. Dr. Richard Rothman of the C.M.C. Speech Department read selections from *Duo-Tone: A Study in Contrast*, a collection of his own poetry. Furthermore, this enterprising little committee requested faculty advisor Dr. Emil Pfister to invite the Pi Kaps to a Christmas party in his recreation room — which he did.

The newly-created initiation committee reports that no promising orator, debater, or "extemper" is escaping their scrutinizing consideration for next January's formal initiation.

A publicity committee was set up. The extent to which Michigan Theta Chapter news is printed in *The Forensic* will indicate the success of the publicity committee.

Twenty-six Central students and four faculty members attended the P. K. D. tournament at Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois. The Michigan Theta Chapter was represented in Oratory, Listening, Discussion, Radio, Newscasting, After Dinner Speaking, Extempore Speaking, Oral Interpretation, and Debate.

EASTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE

The beginning of the 1958-1959 school year has been busy for the Forensic members of Eastern Michigan College. Eastern has sponsored two high school tournaments with the view toward encouraging

high school students to continue their speech activities when they enter college. The high school Regional Discussion Festival was held Friday, October 31, 1958, and involved 75 high school students. The high school Practice Debate Tournament involved 150 high school debaters from 17 schools. It was held November 13, 1958, and was one of the largest demonstration debates held in the state. Eastern Michigan students working in Forensics and Pi Kappa Delta members helped with these events and practiced judging the participants.

Pi Kappa Delta members are looking to the next tournaments of the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech League and the Peace Tournament to be held in the spring.

Through the use of practice tournaments and public discussions, the Forensic group is gaining speech experience and building a reserve of material to use in future speech events.

Students in the Forensic group and Pi Kappa Delta are looking forward to a busy and eventful year.

FRESNO STATE COLLEGE

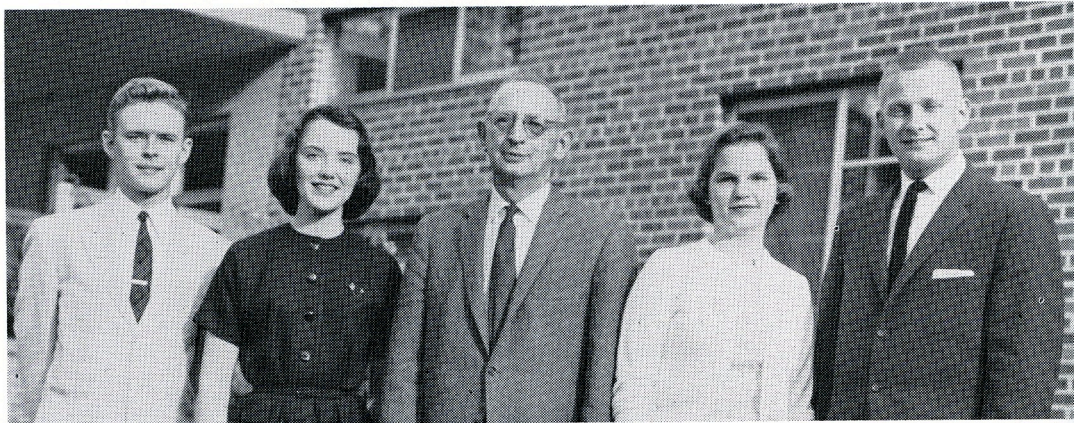
Thirty-two colleges and universities from five states participated in Fresno State College's first Invitational Intercollegiate Debate Tournament November 14 and 15.

There were 100 teams entered in the six rounds of debate. Individual events included persuasive speaking on the topic of "American Foreign Policy" and interpretation.

Trophies for first place winners were awarded in all divisions of individual events. First, second, and third place trophies were awarded in each division of debate. Sweepstakes trophies were awarded the top ranking two-year college and the top ranking four-year college. Other winners received medals.

The debate squad, with coach Howard Holladay, has begun a very active season. At the Santa Barbara Individual Events Tournament, October 17 and 18, the team won eighteen excellent ratings and eight superior ratings.

At the College of Pacific Tournament the team of Betty Boos and Kenneth Burke was undefeated in the junior debate division; and John Goss and Dick Hana-



HOPE COLLEGE ORATORS AND THEIR DIRECTOR — Left to right: Ronald L. Chandler, Marianne Hageman, William Schrier, head of speech department, Hope College; Carolyn Kleiber, George Worden.

walt tied for second place in the senior division. In impromptu speaking Jim O'Bannion took first honors in the senior division and Richard Schulenberg was first in the junior division. Allen Oakes won second place in interpretation, while in oratory Betty Boos came in second.

The squad is looking forward to a good deal of traveling this season with about fifteen tournaments on the schedule of coming events, including the WSA Forensic Tournament at Salt Lake City, November 24-26, and the Pi Kappa Delta Nationals in Ohio March 22-27.

The president of the California Nu chapter is Dalton Reimer, Myron Brown is vice president, and Betty Boos is secretary.

Fifteen new members were initiated this fall.

HOPE COLLEGE

Hope College continued its winning ways in Oratory last year. The high point was reached when George Worden with his oration "The Publican" was awarded first place in the eighty-fourth annual men's contest of the Interstate Oratorical Association at Michigan State University April 26. Worden had previously won first place in each of three rounds at the Province of the Lakes Convention at Morris Harvey College, Charleston, West Virginia, April 9-11, and first place in the Michigan State Contest at Eastern Michigan College of Education, Ypsilanti, March 7. Last year Worden won first both in the state

and national contests of the Intercollegiate Peace Association.

On February 7, 1958 Hope College was host to the State Peace Oratorical and Extemporaneous Contests and placed first in both men's and women's oratory events, second and third in women's and men's extemporaneous contests respectively.

Marianne Hageman, local chapter president, took top honors for women orators and Ron Chandler for men. James Stevens was third in men's extemporaneous speaking and Carolyn Kleiber, freshman woman entrant, received second place. Carolyn also received second place in Extemporaneous Speaking at the Charleston, West Virginia, Provincial Convention.

Since 1950, Hope has won first in either the men's or women's State "Old Line" Oratorical Contest except in 1952 when its woman entrant won second, and its man third. In eighteen State Peace Oratorical Contests (nine for men and nine for women) since 1950, Hope has won eight firsts, three seconds, and six thirds.

IDAHO STATE COLLEGE

The Idaho Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta picked up this school year where they left off last spring. At the Tau Kappa Alpha Invitational in Missoula last May the squad took five out of the nine trophies. First place honors went to Jon Harward in men's oratory, Carolyn Fishburn in women's oratory, Darla Chilcote in women's interpretation, and Carl Larson and John Clawson, a last-minute pair-

ing, in men's debate. Sally Thornton took third in women's interpretation and Lonnie Kelly was first in the finals of men's extemporaneous speaking.

Climaxing the highly successful year was the Annual Pi Kappa Delta Banquet with Captain Sylvester of West Point as the guest speaker. Outstanding Debater Awards were presented at that time to Jon Harward, Carl Larson, John Clawson, son, Norman Smith, and Lynn Thomas.

At the squad's first tournament this year at Brigham Young University, Idaho State took five out of a possible six trophies. Lonnie Kelly and Carolyn Fishburn took first in debate. John Clawson and Eileen Taney won first and second, respectively, in Lincoln-Douglas debate. In oratory Carolyn Fishburn, Stanley Byrd, and William Tway won first, second, and third. In extemporaneous speaking Lonnie Kelly took second, Floyd Anderson third, and Stanley Byrd and William Tway tied for fourth. Interpretative reading was won by Judy Elder with William Tabor second.

The first meeting of the Idaho Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was held on October 1, 1958. New officers, elected last spring, were John Clawson, president; Carolyn Fishburn, vice president; Stanley Byrd, corresponding secretary, and Tom Stoltz, treasurer.

On October 31 and November 1, Idaho State College played host to the second annual Gem State Jamboree. Out of schools from six different states a West Point affirmative team took top honors. Each school was allowed to enter one affirmative and one negative team, as well as one person in the individual events. Representing Idaho State on the affirmative were John Clawson and Lynn Thomas, with Eileen Taney and Carolyn Fishburn on the negative. In the individual events Floyd Anderson tied for third in extempore, Judy Elder placed third in interpretation, and Stanley Byrd won second in oratory.

Plans for the future include attending the Western Speech Tournament at Salt Lake City on November 24-26, Idaho State Tournament as defending champions in both junior and senior men's debate, the Linfield Tournament of Champions, the Tau Kappa Alpha Invitational at Missoula, and the National Pi Kappa Delta Conven-

tion. Tentative plans are made for several other tournaments. Idaho State will also host a high school tournament in January.

With a large squad this year the Idaho Gamma Chapter is expecting a record number of initiates into Pi Kappa Delta. Those on the squad include Cheryl Adams, Floyd Anderson, Charlotte Baird, Herman Buening, Stanley Byrd, John Clawson, Anthony DeGiulo, Judy Elder, Carolyn Fishburn, Meredith Goodey, Raymond Heidt, Walter Heady, Ivy Hoag, Judy Hopkins, JoAnne Johnston, Dan Juchau, Mont Juchau, Larry Judd, Lonnie Kelly, Paul Knight, Reed Parr, Reva Rowe, Marvin Shurtliff, Calvin Smith, William Taber, Eileen Taney, Lynn Thomas, William Tway, and Robert Williams.

ILLINOIS COLLEGE

In keeping with the policy of encouraging entering students to investigate the advantages of forensics training, Illinois College welcomes a group of ten new students who are starting work for the first time in the field of competitive speech.

This is the largest beginning group in some years at Illinois College and includes Marilyn Mann, Suzanne Carroll, Sharlene Stevenson, June Oetgen, John Boyd, Park Davis, Richard Ommen, Kenneth Dobson, Bill Roosen, Bob Thomson and Norman Popovsky.

Plans for the 1958-59 year include tournaments at Bradley, Greenville, Illinois Normal, Northern Illinois University and Northwestern, as well as participation in the State Oratory and Extemp contests and the State Debate League and National Pi Kappa Delta convention.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The University of Illinois at Chicago closed its 1957-58 forensic season on Saturday, May 10, with a candlelight initiation ceremony for Pi Kappa Delta and a banquet. During the academic year of 1957-1958, fifteen new members entered Pi Kappa. Of these, three were alumni. The banquet, which included a presentation of speech awards, varsity debate awards, and debate certificates, was attended by fifty-six, including eighteen alumni.

The UIC Alumni Debate group presented two plaques to the University. The



ILLINOIS COLLEGE — Roy Baker and Beginners.

first of these, known as the Sabato John Insalata Plaque, will record each year the name of the top ranking intramural debater. The donor, who holds most of the major all-time UIC records in debate, now is an attorney in Chicago. Martin Farrell is the first name to be engraved. The second plaque records in parallel columns the names of The Debater of the Year and the Alumnus of the Year. Richard Fischmar and Irwin Rosen are the 1957 and the 1958 winners among current debaters, and Matthew Rigler and Dr. James Hunter are the alumni to be honored.

Competitively UIC had another good season, which included participation in the West Point National Invitational Tournament. The team tied for first in the Pi Kappa Delta Joint Provincial Tournament, tied for second in the tournament of the Illinois Intercollegiate Debate League, placed first in the tournament sponsored by Eastern Illinois University, and in the Novice Division of the tournament sponsored by Northern Illinois University. At both the St. Thomas and the Northwestern

University tournaments the team had enough wins to qualify for the quarter-finals but lacked the team points.

In general, it was the most active year in the eleven-year history of UIC. New all-time records were set for both the number of intercollegiate debates and for the total number of wins. The number of participants — thirty-five — was second high for the eleven years. Joe Podolsky with thirty-five victories set a new record for a first-year debater, but Nick Beeler with thirty-nine wins was the leading speaker for the year.

Besides the tournament program, UIC had sixty-two non-decision debates, a number of public presentations of timely topics both on and off campus, and competition in discussion, oratory, extempore speaking, and other forensic events. During the season UIC sponsored a college tournament, two high school tournaments, and the National Contest in Public Discussion. Joe Wenzel, a former outstanding debater and twice a participant at West Point, came "home" for the year as the Assistant Director of Forensics.