# ORATORICAL CONTEST FOR WOMEN

Baldwin-Wallace College, April 2.

# First Preliminary Round.

# Section I.

Elinor Witten, Redlands, "America's Symbol of Peace." Virginia Breed, South Dakota State, "The Challenge of the Age." Genevieve Brayton, North Central, "The Wings of Youth." Hortense Bemet, Simpson, "Migramegas."

Gladys Suiter, Kansas State Agricultural, "The New Pioneer."

Hazel Albers, Hope, "Whither?"

#### Section II.

- Gwendolyn White, Doane, "College Jugs."
- Catharine Schrive, Southwestern, "The Lure of Conquest."
- Dorothea Blender, Bradley, "The Power to Purge."
- Melva Caldwell, Baylor, "In the Balance."
- Aileen Gates, Michigan State, "Wilson's Challenge."
- Harriet Robertson, Colorado Teachers, "The Challenge of Rural America."

# Section III.

- Genevieve Temple, University of California at Los Angeles, "Beneath American Roofs."
- Louise Lawrence, Park, "Democracy Today."
- Ruth Pollard, Illinois Normal, "From Fireside to Factory."
- Aldean Beatty, Kansas State Teachers at Pittsburg, "Franchisement of Women."

GENEVIEVE TEMPLE First in Oratory California Epsilon, the University at Los Angeles

Ruth Osborn, Baldwin-Wallace, "Our Flaming Youth." Section IV.

Mary Maynard, Morningside, "The New Pioneer." Mary Lee Huff, Wm. Jewell, "Jugglers of Crystal Spheres." Rani Getty, Western State, "Woodrow Wilson and American Ideals." Mildred Calkins, Olivet, "The Great Economic Dilemma." Mary Ward, Heidelberg, "The Feminine Outlook."

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- Hortense Bement, Simpson, "Migramegas."
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- Dorothea Blender, Bradley, "The Power to Purge."
- Hortense Bement, Simpson, "Migramegas."
- Louise Lawrence, Park, "Democracy Today."

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Prof. Raines, Ohio State University, Columbus.

Prof. B. A. Tomlinson, Ohio State University, Columbus.

Prof. Wiley, Ohio State University, Columbus.

# Summary of Attendance

Number of states represented, 31. Number of chapters represented, 104. Number of other institutions erpresented, 9.

Total number of colleges represented, 113.

Number of delegates, 508. Number of visitign judges, 11. Total attendance, 519.

# The Editor's Personal Page

Where inconsistencies cease from troubling and logic is at rest.

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"We certainly had a wonderful convention. I had about the best time of my life for many years," writes J. D. Coon, our national counsel.

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"What are your reactions to the convention? I find myself greatly stimulated and pepped up by it. While there are kids like those full of high ambitions and possessed of great capacities, we are far from a lost nation. I find that a dozen years of university teaching has not weaned me away from the type of mind that those youngsters exemplify. It is a joy to have seen and heard and been with them." Quoted from a letter received by the editor from Professor Charles H. Woolbert, our banquet speaker.

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"Debating is not speech-making, though speaking and writing are necessary incidentals to debating.

"A debate grows out of a question of disagreement between two or more persons. In a true debate the parties that disagree help each other find the truth."—Sims, *Debating as an Educator*.

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One of the chief regrets the editor of this page has in giving up his position as national president is that our pugnacious national "counsel" "Professor" Coon of South Dakota, will not be able to say at the next convention banquet, as he has at the last two, "There's Westy, he's a good guy. I like him. Why I love every bone in his head."

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This copy of the FORENSIC is the last and sixteenth issue edited by the present editor. During the four years it has been his privilege to direct the policy of the magazine, he has published 856 pages of society news and forensic material. He has attempted to make the magazine attractive so that people will read it. He has tried to make it worth while so that those who read it might profit by it. He has tried to make it serve the society which publishes it so that the investment will have been worth while.

During the time he has been connected with the magazine the president editor has had the privilege of meeting some very fine people. He has enjoyed his work for the friends it has brought him. He asks only that his errors be pardoned and that his better works, if any, be remembered.

To the many loyal friends who have supported and encouraged him, to the many who have generously cooperated with him, and to any who have appreciated his efforts, he wishes to say,

THANK YOU and GOOD-BYE.

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# WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHAPTERS

The seventh national convention created five new chapters and returned to the active list another which had been suspended for two years. They were as follows:

122, Texas Theta, Simmons College, Abilene.

123, Illinois Lambda, Shurtleff College, Alton.

124, Virginia Alpha, State Normal School for Women, Farmville.

125, West Virginia Alpha, West Virginia Wesleyan, Buckhannon.

126, Wisconsin Gamma, Wisconsin State Teachers College, Oshkosh.

Missouri Eta, Central State Teachers, Warrensburg, was returned to the active list.

The society welcomes these new chapters. It undertakes to establish a chapter in these institutions only upon the feeling that it can do something to promote better forensics there. Yet it must admit that of itself it can do little. It can only offer the means by which each institution can better itself. What the society is depends upon what you are. If you contribute something in support of good forensics, you will help the society do good work, not only on your own campus, but everywhere it has chapters.

# TO WHOM SHOULD NEXT YEAR'S CHAPTER MAIL COME?

Before college closes, each chapter should be sure that the national secretary has the names and addresses of the chapter officers for next year. The national organization must keep in touch with its chapters and must depend upon the chapters to keep it notified of changes in officers. Don't break the line of communication.

# THE END OF THE CONVENTION

If the convention ended when we climbed aboard the special train after the banquet, we have a right to wonder if it was worth the price. It was a big forensic carnival. Competition was keen. There were some splendid speakers there. They came from all parts of the United States. It was an education to compete with them and to mix with them. But it cost a great deal of money and effort to bring them together and took the students and faculty members away from school. Can we justify it?

It all depends upon what we do from now on. The convention was an investment of time and money. It should show profitable returns. The only returns we can expect must be in improved forensics. Whether or not we shall realize them depends upon the delegates.

One of the first duties of each delegate is to pass on to its student body the spirit and message of the convention. It was a huge effort to say that forensics are a power in college life today, they are fun and good sport, and they are worth while. They are engaging the attention of some of our outstanding students.

Those delegates who caught the spirit of the convention went home with the determination of putting their own forensic program upon a higher level. This will mean getting more students to enter the try-outs, expanding the program, and elevating the standard. The experience of the convention demonstrates that some schools are putting on a very strong forensic program. If other institutions are to compete with them, if other institutions are to be satisfied with their own work, it must be of the same high standard.

The convention demonstrated also that even the best people improve with experience. Practically all those who survived the first few rounds of competition were old and experienced speakers. It takes three or four years to train a winning student speaker. Those who are going to carry off the honors of the next convention should be at work now.

The society believes that these conventions do pay. Those institutions which have been strongest and most active have been the strongest supporters of the convention and its contests. No institution has attended a convention and failed to profit by it. Many institutions have been so fired with the enthusiasm of our national gatherings that they have worked revolutionary changes.

"The national convention is the biggest thing open to our college," one college paper states. "Our delegates come back with visions of what forensics can be and an enthusiasm for realizing them."

"We were represented in all lines of competition for men this time," writes an Iowa institution. "We don't know where the next convention is going to be, but we are going to be there with representatives in every line of competition, women as well as men."

The national society and the institutions which sent delegates are counting on them to demonstrate that the investment was a good one.

# TO OUR NEW OFFICERS

The society will go forward under new leadership during the next two years. The officers elected were those who thru their character and ability have given evidence of their fitness to lead. Their election was no accident. They deserved it.

However capable and efficient they may be, they can not lead the society to greater acomplishments without the encouragement and support of its members. It would be only an empty honor that was given them, unless in electing them the society pledges them its united strength.

Let every member strive during the coming term to make their work pleasant and successful. We shall have to give them our prompt cooperation whenever they call upon us for service, realizing that they are doing far more for us than they are asking us to do for them. We shall need to reply to every letter and answer every inquiry, and that promptly. The discouraging part of the work of the national officers is not that it takes time and effort, but that so much of the time and effort is wasted and must be repeated because some chapter officer did not reply to a letter or because a retiring president did not forward the name and address of his successor.

With the present officers leading us, we should have the best years we have ever had. Let us make them that.

# OUR STRANGER CHAPTERS

Altho eight requests have gone forward for the college paper, several chapters have failed to send it thruout the whole year. As a result, the national organization was able to learn little about their forensic work. The other chapters could not be informed of what they were doing. This lack of knowledge and contact seriously breaks down the strength of the order. What can be done to prevent it another year?

Usually it means that the local officers have not attended to business. The chapter should hold them accountable for this dereliction in their duty which has brought the whole chapter into disrepute. Something should be done to prevent it another year.

Fines have been assessed against these chapters for the months during which the paper has not been received, as provided in the constitution, but these fines merely recompense the society in some measure for the extra expense it has been put to. They in no wise atone for the fact that these chapters have been cut off from the rest of the society for the year. In the hopes of reaching them more directly, the list of those who have failed all year to send their college papers is here given. We should be thankful there are only a few.

Arkansas Beta, Ouachita. California Beta, Occidental. Ohio Zeta, Marietta. South Carolina Gamma, Newberry.

# THE SUSPENSION OF NORTH CAROLINA BETA.

Any institution applying for and accepting a charter of II K  $\Delta$  obligates itself to send a representative to the first national convention following the establishment of its chapter. In 1926 North Carolina Beta at Wake Forest College accepted this obligation. In 1928 it did not see fit to recognize it. This is the only instance we have had of a chapter valuing so lightly the honor of its word and of its college.

The society has no choice but to declare the charter of North Carolina Beta suspended. It regrets this action, as it has no desire to establish chapters only to have them become inactive.

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## **OHIO HOSPITALITY**

The Southerner and Westerner who went to the convention with the idea that his own particular part of the country had a monopoly on hospitality, came away with a different notion. If our Ohio hosts left anything undone which could have been done for our comfort and entertainment, we have not yet discovered it. They didn't bother to give us the keys to the city—they just left all the doors open. All the time we were there we had the distinct impression that our hosts found it a pleasure to entertain us.

We have tried to say thank you and have attempted to let them know we appreciated the cordiality of our welcome, but we still feel the inadequacy of our words. We can only say, "Ohio, when we think of hospitality, we think of you."

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While the delegates of the convention were most of them on their way home, two teams were still carrying on. Professor Charles E. Layton of Musking College, chairman of the Public Speaking section of the annual conference of the Ohio Conference of Colleges invited the winning teams of the tournament to appear before the Friday session and there appear before the debate section. So immediately after the close of the banquet, the St. Thomas and Hastings contingents starte dtheir midnight ride for Columbus.

The debate took place at nine-thirty Friday morning; St. Thomas taking the affirmative side and Hastings the negative. The debate was just as spirited and as excellent as was their final in the convention. The debate was held before assembled coaches from Ohio colleges and while not held as a decision debate, after the departure of the teams, a vote was taken which resulted in an even split, continuing the extreme closeness of the earlier debate. The vote was then taken as a basis for discussion in which each one was challenged to justify his vote in an effort to arrive at a basis of debate judging. It was hoped that it would be possible to supply THE FORENSIC with a copy of minutes on this discussion but the pace was too swift and the stenographer was unable to provide a satisfactory report.

# ANNUAL REPORT TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF KANSAS GAMMA, KANSAS STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

The Kansas Gamma chapter opened the school year of 1927-28 with thirteen student actives in school. During the year, nineteen other students have become eligible, of whom ten have been elected to membership, in accord with the chapter's rather conservative membership policy.

During the school year, the school has sponsored two forensic tournaments. One, held last fall, was open to debate teams representing the social fraternities and sororities on the campus, and was participated in by twenty-two organizations. The second, held early in April, was for high school students from the state of Kansas. This meet was attended by more than one hundred fifty students, representing thirty-six Kansas high schools. The chapter presented appropriate awards to winners in both events.

The past season has probably been the most successful which the school has ever enjoyed from the standpoint of forensics. In oration, C. H. Hughes won third honors in the Missouri Valley contest, while Claire Price took first place in the state women's oratorical event. In extempore speaking, Miss Marcene Kimball took second in the state contest, and Fred Seaton captured third place in the national Pi Kappa Delta meet. It is believed that Seaton is the first freshman to place in any of the national Pi Kappa Delta contests.

In debate, twenty-eight students participated in a total of thirty-seven intercollegiate debates. Eighteen of these were non-decision affairs. Of the nineteen decision debates, sixteen were won; two were lost; and one an audience judged contest—was a tie. Colleges and universities from twelve states were met, among them the University of Pittsburgh, Oregon State College, Northwestern, Nebraska, Missouri, South Dakota, Purdue, Michigan State, Marquette, and Arkansas. A three man team made a twoweeks trip into the Ohio valley, capturing four decisions and losing one. This is the fourth intersectional trip made by Kansas State teams in as many years, teams in past years having visited the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, and toured the southern states.

Kansas Gamma chapter believes that its members have established a five year record that few schools can rival. A total of one hundred fortyseven debates have been held in that period, in twenty-five states. Of these, seventy-five have been decision contests, of which twenty-three have been lost, and fifty-two—a trifle less than 70 per cent—won. Not less than 25 debaters have been used each year of the five, and the average has been more than thirty.

During the same period, Kansas State's representatives have taken a first, two seconds, a third and a fourth in the Missouri Valley oratorical contests; have won two firsts and two seconds in Pi Kappa Delta provincial oratorical contests; have taken one first and one second in women's state oratorical contests; have taken one second in women's state extempore contests; four firsts in any many contests entered in Pi Kappa Delta province extempore contests; and a first and a third in the two national men's extempore contests held.

The local chapter has been active; regular meetings held bi-weekly, and a total of eight called meetings held at various times during the year. Six representatives were sent to the national convention of the fraternity at Tiffin, the chapter defraying a part of the expenses of two delegates from its treasury. Attendance at local meetings is obligatory, and during the past year, one member has been dropped and two suspended for nonattendance.

Present indications are that the chapter will start the coming school year with an active membership of sixteen.

# THE MISSOURI DEBATING ASSOCIATION

The Missouri Debating Association, organized to raise the standards of forensic endeavor in Missouri and to bring about a closer cooperation between the educational institutions represented, is proving itself to be a vital factor in the forensic life of the state. It would be hard to find a more enthusiastic group than these coaches from the "Show Me" state. They meet annually in Kansas City to discuss the problems of the field. The inspiration gained from these discussions and from the contact with each other cannot but be reflected in the work of the coaches, and a closer cooperation between institutions is bound to result from the feeling of friendship that is the natural outcome of the meetings.

In conjunction with the Missouri meeting is held the meeting of the Kansas Debate Coaches Association. This adds to the effectiveness of the meeting and widens the sphere of contact. The events of the session were reported in the January FORENSIC.

We of Missouri testify loudly to the benefits of organization.

Before an audience of seven thousand Paul Sheats, Heidelberg, won the Ohio Peace Oratorical contest.—The Kilikilik.

Kennth Piper who represented the University of California at Los Angeles at the National convention has since been elected student body president.—*California Daily Bruin.* 

Lyman Ginger, student member of the national council, recently represented Kentucky Wesleyan in a debate in which he joined with speakers from the University of Kentucky and Vanderbilt to form the negative team.—*The Kentucky Wesleyan*.

Ellis Graham who represented Western State College of Colorado at the national convention has been elected editor of the college paper.—Top O' the World.

Harold Bosley of Nebraska Alpha won the state extempore contest and John Gewacke of the same institution won second in the Peace oratorical contest.—*The Wesleyan*.