

from Wesleyan have won this contest four out of the last five years, and won second place the other year.

Wesleyan has always held a high place in debating in the state. During the past two years, seven out of nine debates have been won by Wesleyan teams.

Debating activities are supported by the college, which furnishes money for trips and other expenses.—West Virginia Wesleyan University

The forensic season at Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, opens with a debate with the Sydney team from Australia on October 29th. Our question for debate is, "Resolved: That Parliamentary form of government is superior to the Presidential form." We have the negative side. We have other debates arranged with the following:

Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas.

Saint Edwards University, of Austin, Texas.

Texas Technological College of Lubbock, Texas.

University of Mississippi.

Denton Teachers College, of Denton, Texas.

Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Texas.

We plan to send a full representation to the District Pi Kappa Delta convention this year.

We plan to add other schools to our itinerary when we go to Mississippi this spring. We will also have a delegate in the Texas State Oratorical contest, and we are planning to debate with several members of the Dixie Debating League.

"Our forensic program here calls for four state debates and two contests outside the state, one in Illinois, the other in Michigan. Moreover, we shall have representatives in the state oratorical and extempore speaking contests of the Wisconsin Teachers Colleges, to be held at La Crosse, in April.

We offer here a four-year course in speech, leading to a Bachelor of Education degree. Students may major or minor in speech work. At present we have in college twenty-two students who are either speech majors or minors. The specific courses which we offer are:

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Corrective Speech.

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A NEW FORENSIC YEAR AND YOU

The membership of Delta Sigma Rho, Tau Kappa Alpha, Pi Kappa Delta and like organizations, active and graduate, is larger than the enrollment of our largest American university. The personnel of this membership stands high in scholarship. The personality and character of this group has been and will continue to be, a powerful force for good. Would it not be interesting to know to what extent the ability to speak effectively, gained through contest participation, will have contributed to the final success of our members! No thoughtful person will doubt the value of such membership and the activity it encourages. In view of our common faith in the worth of Pi Kappa Delta, is it not strange that some chapters do not make more of their membership in the fraternity? We cannot but wonder if the few who show no active interest share our common faith. Are there any chapters or individuals, even of those who grant fully its worth, who really make the most of it? No one will claim that we do. Our most active chapters will realize more fully than others to what extent we fail.

Let us all think in terms of our highest possible personal and local group achievement. Let us attempt seriously to evaluate Pi Kappa Delta as it is and as it may, under intelligent leadership and group cooperation, become. As a member of a local group—that of your

own college—do your very best. Assist in developing a group loyalty and solidarity. Develop a sense of “belonging.” The key is a challenge to local and personal achievement.

As new national officers take up the responsibility of their various offices some may fear for our continued progress. If our new officers were all new in the speech field or in their interest and concern for the growth of our local work or the national organization, such fear would be well founded. Happily, however, such is not the case, as a glance at **The Forensic** over a period of years will show. Then, too, we still have the experienced counsel of many former leaders in Pi Kappa Delta altho they may not now hold national office.

Furthermore we believe there is a spirit of friendship and mutual helpfulness within the group that will insure continued cooperation and progress. The Editor has received many letters from officers and others evidencing clearly the truth of this statement. Already we have friends we did not know we had. We hope they will remain our friends after the first issue of **The Forensic**, that they may give us a chance to eliminate mistakes and put out a better magazine in January, and still a better one in March and May. If we live thru the first year as editor we will hope in the second year to merit, in some small degree, the honor of our position.

The editor wishes to gratefully acknowledge receipt of material for **The Forensic**, both for that which was not used in this issue as well as for that included. We appreciate your cooperation in prompt correspondence. We received help in some way from all except two to whom we addressed inquiries. We especially want to thank our National President Veatch, former president and editor, Westfall, and Secretary Finley. I wish all delinquent chapters and members could know how efficient and prompt in correspondence Prof. Finley is. The new editor would have been badly lost without the whole-hearted support of Westfall, Veatch and Finley. We want to express our appreciation, also, to Pflaum, Menchhofer, Smith, Hopkins, Marsh, Nichols, and others not here named.

It is our ambition to edit a magazine that our membership will read. We shall expect to include in its pages discussions of various speech problems; representative forensic contributions in the different contest activities; news of chapter and individual achievement, and suggestions for the solution of mutual problems. In view of the fact that only 10% of the copies of our magazines will go to coaches

we feel that we should keep in mind primarily the student membership in selecting our material.

The Heidelberg Convention with its hospitality and its distinct achievement is history. That achievement and the friendship of our associations there we will not forget. They will serve as a lofty challenge as we turn our attention to the future and our next great national convention at Wichita. In the meantime let's make of every Province convention a little national convention.



Come Over Into Macedonia and HELP US!

VOTE NOW!

Cast your ballot now so your judgment may be registered in the *National By-Mail Pi Kappa Delta Oratorical Contest*. See ballot in this issue of *THE FORENSIC*.



OUR PRESIDENT SUGGESTS—

George McCarty will turn out a good *FORENSIC*, but—a new man breaking in on a task like that needs all the assistance that he can get. If any of you run across material that you think might go in the *FORENSIC*, send it to the editor. Also, if you have any suggestions or ideas, send them to him. He can look them over and use his own judgment. And if the new editor asks you to write something or do something for *THE FORENSIC*—DO IT—and do it right away.

Several letters have mentioned the possibility of extending the next National Convention to five days. What do the rest of you think about it? This is not a matter that needs to be settled this year but one that we ought to talk about and discuss. At present, I am a little opposed. With the debates that most of our teams take on coming and going, I rather feel that four days is long enough.

In regard to finances, Finley points out that to balance the dropping out of freshman debates and the raising of the requirements for membership, we have the increased fee. My understanding was that that increase was to provide for the provincial organization. How about it, am I wrong? However, we are in very good shape financially and our chief care will be to keep things so.



Members of Pi Kappa Delta can help the national organization to do two things. It may help in the disposing of Volumes I and II containing winning debates, orations, and extemporaneous speeches, of the sixth and seventh national conventions. Every library should have these two volumes. Some chapters or individual members may want to own them. The price is \$1.00 each. You may be able to help sell these volumes in another way, also. There may be some colleges not members of Pi Kappa Delta and high schools that are this year using one of the questions used in the last two national convention tournaments. If any member reading this knows of any school who is using either of these questions, kindly send that information to the editor of THE FORENSIC. If we can serve other organizations in this way and incidentally sell some of the volumes prepared for that purpose we and they will profit by that arrangement. Tell prospective purchasers to place their orders with National Secretary Finley, Greeley, Colorado.



WHO IS YOUR PROVINCE GOVERNOR?

Here is the list of governors as far as Secretary Finley can provide them.

1. Geo. R. R. Pflaum, Teachers College, Emporia, Kan.
2. L. G. Graham, Culver-Stockton, Canton, Mo.
3. W. B. Hunt, Doane, Crete, Neb.
4. ? ? ? ? ?
5. R. E. Untereiner, Caltec, Pasadena, Calif. (?)
6. F. W. Lambertson, Dakota Wesleyan, Mitchell, S. D. (?)
7. Ross Compton, North Texas Teachers College, Denton, Tex.
8. Gilbert Garretson, Oklahoma City College, Oklahoma City, Okla. (?)
9. H. G. Hance, Olivet, Mich.
10. Evan E. Anderson, Gustavus Adolphus, St. Peter, Minn.
11. C. C. Cunningham, North Carolina State, Raleigh, N. C.
12. Allen C. Lemon, College of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wash.
13. Verton M. Queener, Maryville College, Greenville, Tenn.

You will note there is some uncertainty about these officers. Please get word to the Secretary or the FORENSIC Editor setting us right.

WHAT SUBJECTS SHALL WE DISCUSS IN THE FORENSICS?

Since the editor wants to make of **THE FORENSIC**, a magazine that the members will read, we are anxious to know what you would like to have appear in its pages. We have asked a few to state themes for this purpose. The following have been suggested:

1. A publicity manager for forensics.
2. Shall we receive oratory for the men?
3. The elusive prejudice factor in contest judging.
4. Action as a factor in speech effectiveness.
5. Voice and the speech mechanism—what can we do about voice?
6. Possibilities in the professional lecture field.
7. The practical value of oratory.
8. How can we get a real community interest in forensics?
9. Are non-decision debates practical and satisfactory?
10. How can we standardize the judging of debates and oratorical contests?
11. The value of Literary Societies in the Forensic Program.

Please make your suggestions to the editor for topics in which you are interested. Which of the above would you like to have appear?



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Also inform the Forensic Editor of any colleges or high schools that are this year using the official question of Pi Kappa Delta last year.

IF YOU WERE THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT, SECRETARY OR EDITOR OF THE FORENSIC—

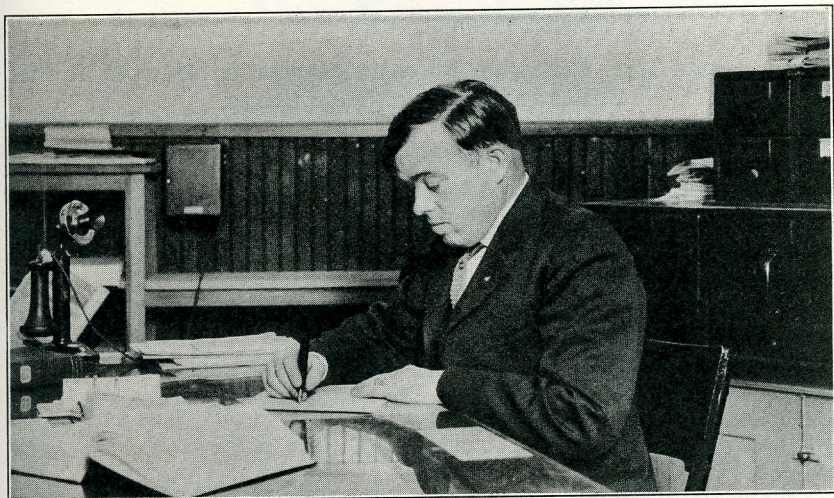
Those in charge of THE FORENSIC are interested in mailing out copies of our magazine to individuals rather than to chapters as in the past. All seem to favor the idea if it can be done. We feel that by such arrangement, THE FORENSIC would be of more value since under the old system, copies did not always get into the hands of the members.

There are certain difficulties in connection with introducing this change. These difficulties can be removed with the cooperation of the members and through that way only. Please note the paragraph from our national secretary on this matter:

"With regard to the mailing list, the expense would not be a serious matter. The postage would be just the same. The additional expense would come from having to make up mailing galleys for our 1,500 or so members and then stamp those names on the magazines for each issue. The publishers would increase their bid somewhat on this account, no doubt, but still it wouldn't amount to a great deal. *The real objection to the plan comes in the difficulty of getting the addresses of all these students and then keeping them up to date.* Students move around so much that within three months, perhaps, 25% of the addresses would have to be changed.

Then the job of getting these addresses in the first place is no small task. By starting on it now and keeping at it industriously we would get it nearly completed by June. I get a complete list of active members every year in order to check up the local chapter rolls against the names in my office; *I mean I try to get it.* By June I manage to get all but two or three chapters to send in their lists. *Of course I tack fines on the delinquent chapters but that doesn't have any effect if I can't get anybody to answer my letters.*

If you feel that the proposed change would be sufficiently advantageous and if as chapters we may have your cooperation in the plan, we will at least make a start toward the change.



PRESIDENT-EDITOR WESTFALL

Pi Kappa Delta loses this year the valuable service of Alfred Westfall who for the last four years has been our national president and editor of *THE FORENSIC*.

In that time Professor Westfall has become well acquainted with the affairs and folks of Pi Kappa Delta. Unselfishly he has served our organization without compensation. He has contributed valuable counsel in the deliberations of our national officers. He has written many articles of value, the substance of which has grown out of his teaching experience and contact with forensic organizations. Pi Kappa Delta is greatly indebted to Alfred Westfall.

As we have observed him at the time of our national conventions and elsewhere, we have been impressed that while he has not received material compensation for his work, he has added greatly to his store of friendship. Students and professors of speech alike, respect his opinions and value his constructive criticism in problems that concern our organization and they have learned to think of him as a personal friend.

Mr. Westfall is at present a student of the University of Missouri at Columbia, doing work toward his Ph. D. degree in English. Although we are sorry to be without his direct service as in the past, we greatly admire his courage and determination in working toward a higher degree. In this action he is exemplifying that ever present spirit of his to "carry on" in a larger measure.

Alfred Westfall, the brotherhood of Pi Kappa Delta appreciates your very real service to us, and wish for you an ever increasing possibility of service and resultant happiness, feeling confidently that whatever worthy task may come to your hand to do, will be executed efficiently and thoroughly.

WESTFALL ON EXPERT JUDGE LIST

South Dakota Inter-Collegiate Forensic Association lists our former Editor in its Expert Judge Group.

The South Dakota Inter-Collegiate Forensic Association will this year as in recent years, use the expert judging system for its annual oratorical and extempore speaking contests. Of the list of half a dozen outstanding men in the field of speech, the state organization of South Dakota includes Alfred Westfall.

Mr. Westfall served as judge in the province convention of Pi Kappa Delta in South Dakota four years ago. Instructors in speech in South Dakota agreed in their state meeting recently that no one had given more universal satisfaction. When his name was listed this year with the expert group there was no word of opposition from any school. This action is a tribute to Professor Westfall's standing in the field of speech and as a critic judge.

While Mr. Westfall is studying toward the advanced degree at the University of Missouri, he will no doubt have some time for judging speech contests. Schools in Missouri and adjoining states should take advantage of his nearness to them.

Professor Westfall knows the speech field. He is absolutely fair in his decisions and constructive in his personal criticism to contestants. He is interested always in personal helpfulness and the promotion of better forensics.



The Iota chapter of Western Union College, Iowa, will include in its forensic program, debate trips through Iowa, one through Nebraska and another one in South Dakota. They also advise that they expect to be represented in all departments in the provincial convention in Huron, South Dakota, next spring.

North Central College of Naperville, Illinois, will meet the English Universities' Women's debate team at Naperville on November 19th. The Pi Kappa Delta chapter there expect to stage several Inter-collegiate debates in outlying communities before community clubs, churches and the like.

Our New Forensic Editor

President Veatch's appointment of Professor George McCarty of South Dakota State College to the editorship of *THE FORENSIC*, brings to that post of influence and service, one who has had broad training and experience in the speech field.

As a student of Indiana University where he received the A. B. degree, George McCarty was interested in speech activities from debate to dramatics. As a mark of the students' regard for him, they elected him president of Indiana University Union, the highest honor within their power to bestow. Mr. McCarty was for a time after graduation, principal of Indiana high school where he had charge of instruction in English and Speech. He holds an M. A. degree from Columbia University and has done further work in Speech at the University of Wisconsin. For the past eight years he has been head of the Department of Speech at South Dakota State College. In the State Forensic Association and in the province conventions of Pi Kappa Delta, Mr. McCarty has been active and influential. The plan of extempore speaking devised by him has been for the past several years used by the South Dakota Inter-collegiate Forensic Association and in the last two provincial conventions. Last year this plan was used in the finals of the national Pi Kappa Delta convention tournament.

The representatives from South Dakota State College have, under Mr. McCarty's direction, in recent years, won their share of contests. Three years ago the orator from State College won the state and interstate oratorical contests and placed fourth in the national contest. In the last provincial convention their orator won first and their extempore speaker second, in these events for women. In the National Convention Debate Tournament of last April, South Dakota State with one team went to the semi-finals winning third place in the National Debate Tournament.

Professor McCarty has had a varied and practical platform experience outside of the classroom. He saw a year's active service overseas during the World War. After the signing of the Armistice he went with the Army of Occupation into Germany. During part of his time there he was assigned to the duty of entertainment of the American groups, and until his division returned to the United States, engaged in this service, as a member of a dramatic company. He returned to Europe a year ago as a member of the "Second A. E. F." In recent years George McCarty has addressed many audiences, educational and popular in the United States and Canada. He spent the season of 1926 lecturing and as manager and a member of his dramatic company for the Redpath Chautauquas.

Mr. McCarty's experience as a teacher of speech and as a practical public speaker has prepared him for his work as editor of *THE FORENSIC*.

Miscellany, Et Coetera, And the Like, — — And So Forth

We asked the publisher for a "warmer" cover page for THE FORENSIC, thinking the former one a bit "cold" and "logical." You will agree with us, we believe, that the cover used satisfies the "warmer argument."

We hope you like red. We always have, since our first red suit.

This has nothing to do with "seeing red." Speakers should remain balanced, using good judgment at all times. Keep your imaginative head in the ethereal blue, but your feet on "terra firma."

Don't jump at conclusions. As some wag has said: "That is the only exercise some people get." Don't conclude, for example, that everyone who sports a cauliflower ear is a prize fighter. He might have gotten such decoration by diving under the table after his napkin.

Are you busy as a college student? You will be busier as a college professor or in any other profession, if you make good, to to an equal degree.

"Bite off more than you can chew and then chew it."—Roger Babson.

"He is educated who can think what he feels, say what he thinks and who knows at all times what his mouth says."—*Selected*.

"Nothing is improved by anger, unless it be the arch of a cat's back. A man with his back up is spoiling his figure! A man looks none the handsomer for being red in the face. And it takes a great deal out of a man to get into a towering rage."

We believe there is no royal road to effectiveness in speech save through concentrated effort over a period of time working with keen interest toward the goal.

A well-known correspondence school in its publicity concerning public speaking pictures a helpless, confused young man grasped by hands that reach from nowhere, holding his legs, arms and mouth.

Apparently the young fellow is greatly inhibited physically and mentally. The picture carries the caption, "Do unseen hands keep you dumb when you ought to talk?"

This picture and the comment, suggest by contrast a very different situation in which a man is addressing an audience, many of whom are asleep. Some are leaving "the place of the speakin'." The speaker has talked for an hour dealing in platitudes, giving nothing of interest or value to anyone. He does not know that his audience is asleep or leaving. Apparently he is entranced with the sound of his own voice. For this second picture, we suggest the counter caption: "Do you talk when unseen hands ought to strike you dumb."

This is the way Mark Twain advertised his first speech engagement:

A Splendid Orchestra

is in town, but has not been engaged.

Also

A Den of Ferocious Wild Beasts

will be on exhibition in the next block

A Grand Torchlight Procession

may be expected; in fact, the public are privileged to expect whatever they please.

Doors open at 7 o'clock

The trouble to begin at 8 o'clock.

AMONG FORENSIC FOLK

If this section of THE FORENSIC contains no news of your chapter, let us hear from you.—The Editor.

Debate prospects are bright for '29 at Yankton College, Yankton, South Dakota.—*College paper.*

The Oklahoma Zeta chapter of the Oklahoma College for Women will meet the Sydney debaters this fall.

The Oklahoma Baptist University will meet the Sydney debaters on November 6th.—*Oklahoma B. U. Bulletin.*

A number of the colleges are debating the national campaign issues as "curtain raisers" to the season's forensic programs.

"Little Campaigners" is the name given debaters at Gustavus-Adolphus, who are debating the campaign issues of the national election.

Of all the college papers that came to the editor only one contained an editorial on forensics. Perhaps more will do so later in the season.

Professor B. W. Folsom, formerly of Missouri Wesleyan College, is now head of the Department of Speech at Dickinson College, at Carlisle, Pa.

The Centenary College of Louisiana at Shreveport, has already contracted for nine debates from last year and anticipating acceptance of several others from their geographical rivals.

Professor Harkness reports a 40% increase in enrollment in the Speech Department over previous years. Many debates and other forensic plans are under way.—*South Dakota Zeta, N. S. T. C.*

Willard Jordan, veteran debater and orator of South Dakota Alpha is the forensic manager at that school this year. He announces that twenty-two freshmen have signed up for debate.—*College paper.*

The province meeting of Pi Kappa Delta including Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana meets with the Northern Texas State Teachers College at Denton in the spring. The Howard Payne, Texas Delta chapter, will send a full team of contestants, both men and women in all events.—*College paper.*

The debaters of Kansas State Teachers College will meet the Sydney debaters in November on the proposition of Parliamentary vs. the Presidential form of Government. At that time they will invite all of the high schools in the vicinity to hold a tournament there, climaxing the tournament with the Sydney debate.

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The Ohio Delta chapter of the University of Akron, Ohio, initiated into the club, Professor Donald Hayworth, head of the Speech department at that school. Professor Hayworth was formerly active in debating at Penn and Grinnell colleges in Iowa and at the University of Wisconsin.—*College paper.*

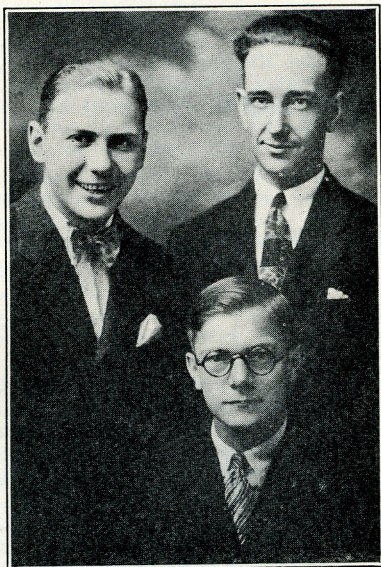
The Oklahoma Beta chapter of the University of Tulsa has an interesting schedule to present this year. The debate team expects to make a trip into Texas where they will contest with several southern universities. At the Oklahoma Inter-Collegiate Convention there will be a round of debates between some six of the universities of Oklahoma. The team is also planning a radio debate.—*College paper.*

Some chapters find time for play as well as hard work. The Iowa Iota chapter of Western Union were the guests recently of Miss Verna Baldwin on their first outing of the season. Miss Baldwin, who was a member of last year's debating team, is teaching this year.

November 1st has been set for the preliminary try-outs for both men and women debaters at Monmouth College. Debates have been tentatively arranged with Carroll, Augustana, and Coe Colleges for the men, and with North Central and Shurtleff Colleges for both men and women.

At the annual meeting of the South Dakota intercollegiate forensic association held in Sioux Falls, October 6, it was decided to hold the annual oratorical and extempore speaking contests of the association at the home of the Eta chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at Augustana College on February 15th and 16th. Two critic judges will determine the winners—one judge for each day's events. Prof. Alfred Westfall, former National president of Pi Kappa Delta, is one of the half dozen judges acceptable to all schools.

Shurtleff College was recently admitted to membership in the State Forensics League. Within the last year Shurtleff has shown considerable interest in forensic activities judging by their membership in various organizations. One year ago, Shurtleff was admitted to the Mid-west Debate Conference. In February it was admitted to the State Inter-collegiate Oratorical Association. In April, after a two-year struggle it was admitted into Pi Kappa Delta. As a member of the State League, Shurtleff's debating in the future will be linked with that of the principal colleges in the state.



Raymond Mischler and Charles Thomas, standing; Maurice Naehlen, seated. Mischler and Naehlen were the debate representatives of Western Union College at the National Convention of Pi Kappa Delta last April. They were not eliminated until the seventh round.

Plans for the annual Forum Debate are under way at the College of Idaho.—*College paper.*

Freshmen debate try-outs were held at the beginning of the college year at the College of the Pacific.—*College paper.*

Professor B. D. Silliman, debate coach at Coe College, was chosen president of the Mid-west Debate Conference recently held in Chicago.—*Coe College paper.*

With four veteran men debaters and seven women from last year's squad back in school and a promising group of yearlings competing for remaining places, Hamline's debate prospects are promising for the coming year.—*College paper.*

The Michigan Delta chapter of Michigan State College at East Lansing is planning a debate tour of Ohio and Kentucky. There is also a Western trip planned in which their teams will meet schools of Wisconsin, Iowa, and Missouri.

Miss Mildred McGhee, debate coach at Culver-Stockton College, spoke before the annual coach convention of Missouri and Kansas at Kansas City recently, on the subject: "The Value of Analogous Illustration in Debate."—*College paper.*

The Illinois Intercollegiate debate league has returned to the state championship plan of conducting this year's debates. The expert judge system of decisions will be used leading to the final state championship determination.—*Eureka College paper.*

The debate coaches from Kansas and Missouri, twenty-five in number, at their third annual convention held recently in Kansas City, selected for their Pi Kappa Delta League debates this season the proposition: "Resolved: That we should use the direct primary form of election in nominating national officers."

Professor E. Ray Skinner, formerly of the University of Wisconsin, is to have charge of the debating activities at the College of the City of Detroit, this year. Professor Skinner was a member of Pi Kappa Delta at Oklahoma State College where he was a member of the debate squad for three consecutive years.

At a meeting held in Chicago on September 29th the coaches of the Mid-west Debate Conference selected as their question for this year's contest the following: "Resolved: That the public should retain ownership of and develop the principal sources of hydro-electric power in the United States."

South Dakota State College will send a two-man debate team on a Southern tour during February and March. Their itinerary is not yet complete. The forensic manager, Chester Dickinson, would like to hear from any colleges that would not be too far out of line from South Dakota to Texas, who are interested in meeting the South Dakota debaters, and he would like to have them write him of such interest. South Dakota's debate team at the national convention of Pi Kappa Delta last spring won third place in the National Debate Tournament.

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Plans for forensic events in the coming year were discussed at the first meeting of the Alpha chapter at Jamestown College, North Dakota.—*College paper*.

We note in the college paper of Virginia Alpha, one of the five groups granted charters at Tiffin last year, that that organization has seventeen new debate members.

As an encouragement to debate at Coe College, Pi Kappa Delta will give a cup to the winning sorority team as well as to the winner of the fraternity teams in the intra-mural debates there this year.—*College paper*.

The Iowa Mu chapter of Drake University opened their forensic program of the year by meeting at a banquet held for that purpose. The group expects to meet every week or two in like manner throughout the year.

Success in forensics this season at Morningside College will depend upon new material, according to the college paper. Walter Upton, champion in last year's national Pi Kappa Delta oratorical contest, and other veteran speakers have been lost to Morningside through graduation and for other reasons.

The students in Extemporaneous Speaking at Ottawa University have organized themselves into a discussion group which they call the "Extemporaneous Forum of Ottawa University." Current topics in which the students are or should be interested are brought before the Forum. The Forum has fourteen members.

"O. Max Gardner, generally conceded the next governor of North Carolina, developed his public speaking ability in one of the two literary societies of North Carolina State Collegé," stated Professor C. C. Cunningham, of the North Carolina Alpha chapter. Only one example of the advantages of public speaking.—*College paper*.

The Illinois Eta chapter of I. S. N. U. will be entered in both men's and women's debate leagues in Illinois this year. This is the first year for a women's debate league. There are thirteen colleges members of the league. Large silver loving cups will be presented to the schools having the championship men's and women's teams.

South Dakota Delta chapter at South Dakota State College, the home of the Editor of THE FORENSIC, held its first meeting of the year on October 11. A banquet was served, after which plans for the year were discussed. South Dakota State expects to have representatives in oratory, extempore speaking, and debate for both men and women at the province convention to be held at Huron, South Dakota, in April. The president of Pi Kappa Delta appointed class chairman to search out this year's freshmen who have had experience in high school speech contests. Another activity which will be sponsored by this chapter this year is a Toastmaster's Club, which will meet every two weeks, the purpose of which is to give the students experience in after-dinner speaking. Varied programs of readings, dramatic offerings and music will make up the regular banquet programs. As in former years, this chapter will hold its annual spring picnic. In June, Pi Kappa Delta will present one of Shakespeare's plays in the Coolidge Sylvan Theater, dedicated by President Coolidge last year.

The Iowa Alpha chapter reports: "A surprising number of men have attended the debate meetings and but few women, which is rather an unusual situation for debaters."

Professor Howard Gilkinson, who has been head of the department of speech at Yankton College of South Dakota in recent years, is this year doing advanced work in the department of Speech at the University of Iowa.

Professor Floyd Lambertson, who in recent years has been head of the department of Speech at Dakota Wesleyan University, is this year working towards his doctor's degree in Speech at the University of Iowa. Professor Lambertson has recently written another text on public speaking. His new text is entitled "Persuasive Speaking."

Professor Robert Mortvedt of St. Olaf College, will not be in charge of the work in Public Speaking this year at that institution, he having taken over the work of teaching of literature. The work in Speech will be under the direction of Mr. Harry L. Pearson who holds the Degree of Master of Oratory from the Chicago School of Expression and Dramatic Arts, and who has taught there for a number of years. Mr. Pearson also studied for a time at the Royal Academy in London.

The Colorado Beta chapter of Colorado Teachers College, the home of our National Pi Kappa Delta Secretary-Treasurer Finley, is sponsoring a debate tournament on the campus among the various sororities, fraternities, clubs and other organizations that may care to enter a team. The question to be used in the tournament is: "Resolved: That a student standard jury should have final jurisdiction over social and disciplinary problems." Pi Kappa Delta members are not eligible to compete in this tournament. Each organization may enter one team. A large silver loving cup is the prize to be awarded to the winner.

A debate which is arousing considerable interest in Southern California will be held at the University of California at Los Angeles, October 25th. A team from the University of Sidney, Australia, is coming to Hollywood to debate the affirmative of the proposition that "The world would be better off without the movies." The University of California at Los Angeles represented by Harold Kraft, Myron Smith, and Kenneth Piper, student body president, will support the negative. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, and many prominent motion picture stars and producers, are rendering valuable assistance to the California debaters in the preparation of their case.

The Iowa Zeta chapter of Parsons College is sponsoring a debate tournament in which contests will be arranged engaging two teams of two members each from each of the four classes. Pi Kappa Delta members are not eligible to participation. Its members will act as judges in the preliminary try-outs. Later, two Pi Kappa Delta members will be designated as coaches for each class and under their supervision both affirmative and negative teams will prepare their questions upon this year's national Pi Kappa Delta question. Faculty members will act as judges in the final contest. Present plans include a public entertainment sponsored by Pi Kappa Delta in honor of all of the tournament speakers. Special notice will be given these speakers also in the *Peria*, Parsons' College Annual.