

ta? If it would result in encouragement of high idealism and greater achievement in any field, particularly in the field of speech, it doubtless would be worth our consideration.

If the idea appeals to you, let the editor have your opinions concerning it. Perhaps we could follow out such a plan next year, and could make it a feature of our National Convention at Wichita.

For the present, I should like to have all chapters send me the names of any Pi Kappa Delta members who, at present, are presidents of their student associations. It occurs to me that it would be interesting to us to have a page of pictures of such individuals.



ORATORY

ORATORY offers the acme of human delight; it offers the nectar that Jupiter sips; it offers the draft that intoxicates the gods, the divine felicity of lifting up and swaying mankind. There is nothing greater on this earth. 'Tis the breath of the Eternal—the kiss of the Immortal.

Oratory is far above houses and lands, offices and emoluments, possessions and power.

While it may secure all of these it must not for a moment be classed with them. These things offer nothing that is worthy of a high ambition. Enjoyed to their fullest, they leave you hard, wrinkled and miserable. Get all they can give and the hand will be empty, the mind hungry, and the soul shriveled.

Oratory is an individual accomplishment, and no vicissitudes of fortune can wrest it from the owner. It points the martyr's path to the future; it guides the reaper's hand in the present, and it turns the face of ambition toward the delectable hills of achievement. One great speech made to an intelligent audience in favor of the rights of man will compensate for a life of labor, will crown a career with glory, and give a joy that is born of the divinities. There is no true orator who is not also a hero.

JOHN P. ALTGELD.

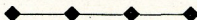
Artistry Defined

What is artistry? Doing something exceedingly well? That is a part of the truth, but just estimate includes the thing done. High skill in washing dishes is worthy of praise but dishwashing can hardly be considered an art. Artistry implies greatness in the thing as in the doing . . . It is . . . a great thing greatly done.

—President Southwick, Emerson College of Oratory

MisCellAny, et Coetera, and thE Like, — — And So Forth

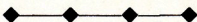
As in the case of former Editor Westfall's "Personal Page," our "(Et COeTera)" department is a place "Where Inconsistencies Cease from Troubling and Logic Is at Rest."



The fact is, we are going to shift the responsibility of logic and inconsistencies, eT COeTera, to those whom we quote. Please ignore the mistakes in our own "Philosophy."

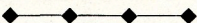


There must have been some atrocious "Orators" IN THE DIM AND DISTANT PAST. We are convinced, from Shakesperean and other comment, that P. H. D. did not bring Oratory into disrepute.



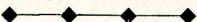
*You cram these words into mine ears, against
The stomach of my sense.*

Shaks.: Tempest



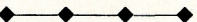
O most lame and impotent conclusion.

Shaks.: Othello



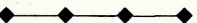
HE THAT COMPLIES
AGAINST HIS WILL,
IS OF HIS OWN
OPINION STILL.

Butler: Hudibras



*He gives the bastinado with his tongue;
Our ears are cudgell'd; not a word of his,
But buffets better than a fist of France;
Zounds! I was never so bethump'd with words;
Since I first called my brother's father, dad.*

Shaks.: King John



Evidently "Loud Speakers" were "discovered" before Pi Kappa Delta.

AN EXAMPLE OF "STRATEGY"

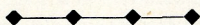
An official of the telephone company was rudely awakened from his slumbers by the insistent ringing of his telephone. After bruising his knee on a chair, he reached the telephone.

"Hello," he growled.

"Are you an official of the telephone company?" asked a voice.

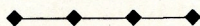
"Yes, what can I do for you?"

"Tell me," said the voice, "how it feels to get out of bed at two o'clock to answer a wrong number?"



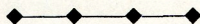
THOUGHT IS THE MEASURE OF LIFE.

C. G. Leland: The Return of the Gods.



*Be calm in arguing; for fierceness makes
Error, a fault, and truth discourtesy.*

Herbert: Temple



MAKE CLEAR YOUR "PROPOSITION"

Percival (to the dear girl): "You are the sunshine of my life."

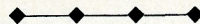
The dear girl: "O Percival."

Percival: "You reign alone in my heart."

The dear, again: "Darling."

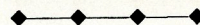
Percy: "With you by my side I could weather any storm."

The girl (in doubtful attitude of romance): "Percival, is this a proposal or a weather report?"



A short time ago, the Editor had occasion to ask J. D. Coon, our genial national counsel, to speak before the Speech Section of the South Dakota Educational Association. For some reason my letter did not reach J. D. and was returned to me. Later in explaining the fact to Mr. Coon, he responded, "That reminds me that Strickland Gillilan once said, 'What a speaker omits is vastly more vital than what he emits,' so that one more omitted speech is probably a kindness after all."

Those who follow national conventions of Pi Kappa Delta know, however, that a speech by J. D. Coon is not hard to listen to.



"You may have brains, but can you prove it?"

NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE

G. W. FINLEY

It is nearing the time for the taking in of new members, and in that connection there are many things to be considered by chapter officers serving for the first time.

One is, and this is good advice to all officers, read the new constitution and get familiar with the conditions. We will send constitutions on request. Write for the number you need for either old or new members.

We have very good pledge and initiation ceremony material which can be had for the asking. While this ceremony is not compulsory it is strongly advised by the council as a means of making Pi Kappa Delta membership more meaningful.

Taking members into your local chapter does not constitute membership until the application blanks and membership fees of \$5.00 per member are sent to the national secretary-treasurer. Now is the time to see that you have on hand the material you will need to take in new members. Write for whatever membership application blanks and key order blanks you will need.

In making out membership application blanks and advanced standing blanks be sure to give the year, the school year, '26-'27, '28-'29, etc, of participation in order to determine the standing of the candidate.

When you send money to the national treasurer see that you get a receipt. It is the policy of this office to mail a receipt immediately upon receipt of money. If you do not get a receipt you will know the money was lost in the mails. Follow it up at once.

It takes between three and four weeks after your order reaches us to get the keys made up and back to you. If it is at all possible key orders for this year should reach this office by May 1. Orders later than that may have to be delivered after students have scattered for the summer and that is a difficult task.



WATCH US GROW!

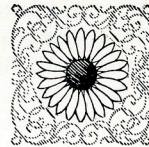
The last membership card issued was Number 8765 to Josephine Allen, Illinois Delta, at Bradley Tech. The last key ordered was number 6019, for Warren Hempstead, North Dakota Alpha at Jamestown College.

The Convention Chairman's Page

by

GEORGE R. R. PFLAUM
Convention Chairman

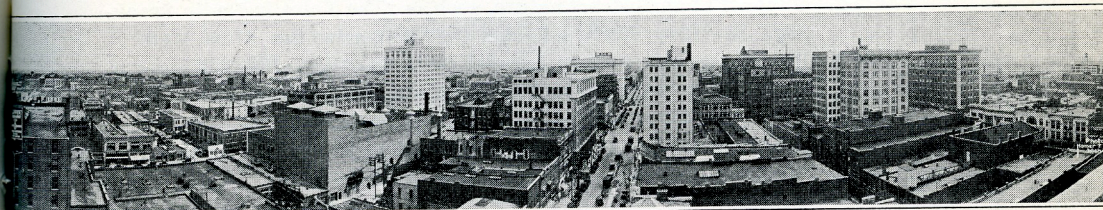
National Pi Kappa Delta Homecoming Convention



Wichita, Kansas, 1930



Inasmuch as Pi Kappa Delta originated at the Ottawa University, Ottawa, Kansas, and the next national convention is to be held at Wichita, Kansas, it has been decided by the convention committee to make this a Pi Kappa Delta homecoming convention. The committee hopes that each chapter will urge its alumni members to attend and enjoy the convention and even participate in some of the tournaments. If your chapter has ever won a national tournament, couldn't you persuade those champions to come back and attend this national conclave. It is the committee's desire to make this convention not only a tournament but also to endeavor to make it a real convention. From time to time through the pages of THE FORENSIC we will inform you as to the convention possibilities. The tournament preliminaries and the tournament proper will be held in Wichita. All of the convention can be housed in one hotel at \$2.00 per person, per day (no cots, and each room will have bath facilities). Sight-seeing trips by interurban and airplane are being arranged. Also a trip to the oil fields, and through one of America's largest airplane factories. You may rest assured that your committee will leave no stone unturned in their endeavor to make this one of the best conventions that Pi Kappa Delta has ever had.



WICHITA'S SKYLINE

The South Dakota Contest Plan of Extempore Speaking

Introduction of Questions and Answers

THE plan of extempore speaking, as used by the South Dakota State Inter-college Forensic Association, was devised by George McCarty, Head of the Department of Speech at South Dakota State College. The plan was originally tried out by South Dakota State College in competition with Huron College, each school using three competitors as in debate. The judges ranked the speakers the same as in any contest of a half dozen speakers in which each represents a different school. From this rating both the individual winner and the winning school was determined. This plan has been used both in the State Association contests and in the province conventions of Pi Kappa Delta the past five years, and was used in April, 1928, in the final extempore contests of the National Convention of Pi Kappa Delta held at Tiffin, Ohio.

The colleges of South Dakota apparently feel that this plan of extempore speaking results more nearly in a real extempore contest. Because of the question and answer requirement, the speaker who is to appear later in the contest has little, if any advantage in time for preparation over the speaker who appears first. Also, there is little chance under this plan for memorizing the speech. The question and answer requirement puts a premium on the speaker's knowing his subject, not only for the discussion of his particular phase of it, but the subject as a whole, since he must prepare for the emergency of a difficult question. Furthermore, this requirement demands that the speaker be able to think clearly and quickly while before an audience.

Representation

The representative, either a man or woman student, must be regularly enrolled in the college, passing satisfactorily in twelve hours of regular college work.

Coaches Submit Subjects

Each coach submits three subjects in each of three groups as follows:

1. Subjects of national or international interest.
2. Subjects of an abstract nature, such as "The Voice in Radio Speaking," or "How Can a Student Best Advertise his Alma Mater?"
3. Topics of local campus interest, such as, "Why Student Government?" and "Are Final Examinations Necessary in our Present Educational System?"

The coaches suggest a limited phase of the field to be discussed, taking care not to eliminate the possibility of originality in analysis.

Subjects which schools have recently debated are barred, as are those used in local literary societies or elsewhere. Each coach and contestant is honor bound not to violate the principle of fairness in the use of subjects.

Speaker Has Choice of Three Subjects

Each contestant is permitted to draw one topic from each of the three groups submitted, and before leaving the place of the drawing is to select the one upon which he wishes to speak. He then writes his name on the paper bearing his subject and returns it to the chairman of the contest, who has titles of subjects and names of speakers (not the schools which they represent) printed on the contest program.

The Final Extempore Contest

South Dakota is divided into the northern and southern divisions.

Preliminary contests are held, from each of which two speakers are chosen. These compete in the final contest.

The coaches of the winning contestants meet before the time of the drawing as in the preliminary contests and select topics as before in each of the three groups to be used in the final. Those topics which were used in the preliminary are barred from the final.

Questions and Answers

As a part of the contest, each speaker prepares a question to ask of each opponent speaker on topics discussed, and in turn answers a question asked by an opponent. Each speaker asks and answers but one question. The order of asking questions and giving answers is determined before the contest begins. However, this order is kept secret from the contestants, thus resulting in all contestants listening to the other speakers and busying themselves with preparing questions for all others.

Subjects are drawn three hours before beginning the contest. Coaches are not to communicate with their contestants regarding subjects after the drawing.

Time Limit

Each speaker is limited to eight minutes in his main speech.

In asking questions, contestants are not expected to give rebuttal argument, but are privileged to make such preliminary statements as are required in order to make clear their questions. No time limit is put on the question, but it is expected that a minimum of time will be used. A time limit of three minutes is given to answer a question put by an opponent.

Instruction to Judges

The following instructions are given to the judge or judges:

"The decision is to be given on the basis of the effect with which the speaker handles his particular topic and upon the relevance and intelligence of questions and answers. The relative merits of the subjects are not to be considered.

"You are asked to give each speaker such grade as will show his relative effectiveness. The speaker who in his first speech ranks highest in the group shall be given a grade of 90% and the lowest a grade of 70%. Grades for other contestants shall range between 70% and 90%. In giving grades you are to take into consideration not only the main speeches but also the questions asked and the answers given. The questions are to be rated high according as they are relevant to subject treated and set up difficulty for the opponent, calling forth his knowledge of the subject. The value of both question and answer is not to be rated above 10%. See that no two contestants receive the same total."

Ballot

Speakers	Subjects	Discussion Thought and Presentation 70%—90%	Question and Answer 10% or less	Total Grade	Rank
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					

The author of the plan feels, as do some others, that the questions and answers should be given a possible higher rating. Perhaps the questions ought to be rated from 1 to 10 or 15%, with the answer at twice this value.

By experimenting with this method of extempore contest, colleges in other states can determine whether the South Dakota plan justifies its more extensive use.



They are slaves who fear to speak
 For the fallen and the weak;
 They are slaves who will not choose
 Hatred, scoffing and abuse,
 Rather than in silence shrink
 From the truth they needs must think;
 They are slaves who dare not be
 In the right with two or three.

—JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

Hastings College Forensic Program

This year's forensic program at Hastings College is an extensive one. It is the aim of the Department of Forensics there to give training to as many individuals as possible. It is expected that the eighteen people who make up this year's debate team will have the opportunity to debate several times during the year. The program of activities as outlined below should provide that opportunity. Of the members of Pi Kappa Delta of Hastings College, Edward Betz and Herschel Jones, president and secretary respectively of Pi Kappa Delta, hold the degree of Special Distinction.

Hastings will appear with two teams before a number of high schools within a radius of fifty to seventy-five miles. Seven such contests have already been held before high schools and town groups with a great deal of interest. Several schools outside of this radius limit have written to Hastings, asking that its teams appear to debate before their groups. This would indicate "grown-up speaking" on the part of the Hastings debaters. Incidentally, it is good advertising for the college.

This year's schedule at home includes debates with: Augustana College, Asbury College, Shurtleff College, South Dakota State College, Southwestern University of Los Angeles, University of Wyoming, College of Emporia, Northwestern University, Bethany College and Washburn College. Tentative arrangements have been made for a radio debate with Kansas Agricultural College.

The following trips are planned:

4-day trip to Kansas,

5-day trip to Iowa,

Week trip to Missouri.

8-day trip to Oklahoma,

20-day trip through Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada and Utah. On these trips the following questions will be debated:

1. Resolved: That some substitute for trial by jury be adopted.
2. Resolved: That the parliamentary form of government is preferable to the presidential form.
3. Resolved: That the United States should cease to protect by armed force capital invested in foreign lands, except after formal declaration of war.
4. Resolved: That this house disapproves of nationalism.
5. Resolved: That the Kellogg Multi-lateral treaty for the outlawry of war should be adopted by all nations.

AMONG FORENSIC FOLK

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

ALABAMA

Beta

Beginning with last year an entirely new system of awards for active forensic work at Ouachita College was begun. Pi Kappa Delta awards gold keys to those deserving awards.—*The Ouachita Signal*.

CALIFORNIA

Alpha

The Freshman women of the University of Redlands won a 3-1 decision in the league debate with Whittier. — *University of Redlands Campus*.

Gamma

Outside of the realm of science and engineering, one of the most outstanding activities of California Tech is the classical play given annually by the California Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta.—*California Tech*.

Epsilon

The University of California (Southern Branch) met the University of Sydney, Australia on the question, Resolved: That the world would be better off without motion pictures, the University of Sydney upholding the affirmative. The contest terminated in a no-decision return, after a popular vote overwhelmingly in favor of California's most famous industry. Milton Sills, screen star, acted as presiding officer. — *Daily California Bruin*.

COLORADO

Alpha

The radio debate over KOA won many favorable comments. The ques-

tion debated was, Resolved: "That the Federal government should enact legislation embodying the principles of the McNary-Haugen Farm Relief bill."—*Rocky Mountain Collegian*.

Beta

Pi Kappa Delta is planning several trips in their schedule for the year.—*Teachers College Mirror*.

Gamma

Far above any other year of forensic activities was the year 1928. The brilliance of 1928 achievement is, however, dimmed by comparison with the prospects for 1929.—*Top 'O The World*.

IDAHO

Alpha

The College of Idaho will participate in the conference of six north-western schools, to be held at Pullman, Washington.—*College Coyote*.

ILLINOIS

Beta

The debate questions adopted by the Little Nineteen in preference to the question selected by Pi Kappa Delta, has made it impossible to accept invitations to debate a number of teams from other states.—*Eureka Pegasus*.

Zeta

Monmouth College will work on the hydro-electric power question in debates of the Midwest and Wisconsin territories, while the jury proposition will be used on a trip into Minnesota.—*The Oracle*.

Iota

A North Central debate team met the English women's team on the question of co-education. The report of the North Central debaters is that the English women were very witty and clever in their work, but they offered very little proof.

Lambda

Boris G. Alexander of Moscow, Russia, and Helen Hammer of Alton, Illinois, both members of the senior class have won the Shurtleff College annual men's and women's oratorical contests.

Alexander, in spite of the English language handicap, has won his sixth oratorical victory in four years, a record believed to be unequalled in the century old history of Shurtleff.

Gamma

The first men's debate will be held here February 2, and will be with Hastings College. The first women's debate will be held February 28, and will be with Parsons College.

Epsilon

Rachel Page won first in the women's home oratorical contest, with her oration entitled, "\$175,000 Annually". She will represent Simpson in the state contest.—*The Simpsonian*.

Eta

Upper Iowa's debate team opened the season by splitting a dual debate on the jury system with Luther College, the negative team winning the audience decision in both places.—*The Collegian*.

The Artist Defined

The artist is a man of intellectual piety, possessing the will plus the skill to present truth, welcome or unwelcome, clothed in beauty or naked in ugliness—but ever the truth as he sees it. And the artist, too, dreams dreams, sees a world that is and a world that should be; distinguishes between the facts of life and the truths of life. If dramatist he sees life in action, if poet he sees life poetically; its beauty fills him with vast enthusiasm, and for him beauty is significant.

—President Southwick, Emerson College of Oratory

INDIANA**Alpha**

Twenty women "turned out" for the first call of those interested in a Women's Varsity Debate team at Franklin College.—*The Franklin*.

IOWA**Beta**

Contestants are busy preparing for the extempore contest at Central College. The men's topic will be "The Younger Generation", and the women's "The Kellogg Peace Pact".—*The Central Ray*.

Theta

Only three men were lost from last year's debate squad of twelve. With the addition of freshman aspirants, critics believe that Coe College will be well represented in the forensic field this season.—*Coe College Cosmos*.

Iota

A series of debates with nine colleges has been arranged by Professor Smith of Western Union College. Several women's debates with South Dakota Colleges are planned.—*The Glean*.

Lambda

The University of Dubuque began

their debate season by meeting the University of Idaho on the P. K. D. question winning a two-to-one decision.

Mu

The banquet plan of meeting every two weeks, as adopted by the Iowa Mu Chapter, has worked out most satisfactorily. Some other chapters are following such a scheme also with apparent success.

KANSAS

Beta

Besides competing with eight colleges and universities, Washburn is planning for four extensive debate tours.

the jury question. — *The Baker Orange*.

Mu

Pi Kappa Delta sponsored at Bethany College, "Bethany Night," on December 12. This was a regular "stunt night" and prizes amounting to fifty dollars were given.

KENTUCKY

Beta

The local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta increased its membership by three at its last meeting.—*Centre College Cento*.

Delta

A recent issue of *The Crimson*

Growth, Not Creation

The aspirant to artistry must have talent unusual and undoubted. But talent will not make an artist. Beauty will not make an artist. Genius will not make an artist. No teacher nor all the teachers nor all the schools of the world nor God Almighty can create an artist, for artistry is not a creation but a growth; it is born a gift, it ends an achievement.

—President Southwick, Emerson College of Oratory

Delta

Mr. Carl Taylor, coach of debate at Southwestern College, was last year assistant in the public speaking department in the University of Oklahoma.

Rambler of the college home of Kentucky Delta, carried an interesting and well written editorial paying tribute to debating. How many college papers find editorial space for forensics?

Zeta

A dictaphone was given a few days trial in the speech department at Kansas State Teachers College. Professor Pflaum stated, "I am letting several students give their speeches into the dictaphone and then listen in. It enables the student to more readily hear their own defects."—*The Bulletin*.

MICHIGAN

Alpha

Nine men will make up the debate squad at Kalamazoo College this year.

Beta

On January 17, the Olivet College debate squad met Grand Rapids Junior College in a practice debate.—*The Olivet College Echo*.

Delta

Kappa

Baker University met Hastings College in a non-decision debate on

In the women's tryouts for debate at Michigan State College, the subject

was, "Resolved, that the present practice of installment buying in the United States be drastically curtailed."—*Michigan State News*.

Zeta

At the first debate tryouts at the College of the City of Detroit, not nearly enough students were present, whereupon Professor E. Ray Skinner announced, "If the men do not come out for debating, the women will be called out to save the institution."—*The Detroit Collegian*.

MINNESOTA

Beta

The tentative debate schedule of St. Olaf College shows that debates

Beta

Twenty-three debates have been scheduled for this year and there is still a possibility that as the season advances, more will be held.—*The Park Stylus*.

Delta

Thirty students answered the first call for debaters at William Jewell College. Among the contestants were thirteen freshman and seventeen upper classmen, these groups including seven girls.—*The William-Jewell Student*.

Zeta

Culver-Stockton College debaters are working intensely, making ready for a tough schedule.—*The Megaphone*.

Artistry in Words

The master of diction knows all about the word he chooses, its birth and all its later story, its relatives and its haunts, and as he sounds it he hears the overtones of all its literary history. That is not genius; it is artistry.

—President Southwick, Emerson College of Oratory

may be held with Valparaiso University, Hamline, St. Thomas, Macalester, Gustavus Adolphus, Augsburg, Marquette and Nebraska Wesleyan.—*The Manitou Messenger*.

Gamma

Twelve teams comprise this year's group of debaters at Gustavus Adolphus College.—*The Gustavian Weekly*.

MISSOURI

Alpha

Alden Gordon, Westminster orator, was awarded first place in the State Peace Contest. Second place in the contest went to Arthur Todd of Park College. The orations of Todd and Gordon will be sent to the National Peace Headquarters to receive ranking in the National Contest.

MONTANA

Alpha

Intermountain Union College has planned a debate tour through Washington, Oregon and Idaho. According to reports, the prospects for a successful debate trip are looking very favorable.—*Capital City Collegian*.

Beta

Pi Kappa Delta at Montana State College will give a cup award of Egyptian design to the best freshman debater, who will be allowed to keep it for one year.—*The Weekly Exponent*.

NEBRASKA

Alpha

In order to stimulate interest in oratory at Nebraska Wesleyan, the trustees have offered two scholarships to be awarded each year to the

men winning first and second places.
—*The Wesleyan*.

Gamma

Pi Kappa Delta of Doane College put on two one-act plays to raise money for the debate work of the season.—*Doane Owl*.

Delta

In a debate recently held with the University of Sydney, Australia, Hastings College won the expert judge decision.

Epsilon

January 31 marks the opening of the debate season at Grand Island College, when they will debate Hastings College, using a dual arrangement.—*The Volante*.

The debaters of Nebraska State Teachers College are quite busy these days preparing for their intercollegiate debates.—*The Antelope*.

NORTH CAROLINA

Alpha

The state-wide intercollegiate oratorical contest on "The Citizen's Duty to Vote", sponsored by the North Carolina Department of the American Legion was won by Allan Frew, of Davidson College, who, as representative of the South last year, placed third in the national oratorical contest on the Constitution. E. L. Weatherspoon, of Duke University, was second; and E. W. Buchanan, of North Carolina State College, was third.

NORTH DAKOTA

Alpha

Prizes are offered as inducements to orators at Jamestown College. \$50.00 is the prize for the best oration delivered by men students, and \$25.00 is the prize for the best woman orator.—*Jamestown Collegian*.

OHIO

Alpha

The future Baldwin-Wallace debaters will receive bronze, silver, or gold B-W pins according to the amount of debating they have done.—*The Exponent*.

Beta

Heidelberg's affirmative debate team lost to a negative team from Wittenberg in the first debate of the 1928 conference season.

Delta

Professor Donald Hayworth, head of the speech department, was initiated into Pi Kappa Delta by the local chapter.

Epsilon

Something new is being tried in the Otterbein College Varsity debate squad this year. In staging regular debates before various high schools in the neighborhood, the pupils serve as audiences and teachers as judges.

OKLAHOMA

Beta

The plans for debate of the University of Tulsa call for a number of splendid features away from home, including a two-team trip through southern Oklahoma and into Texas; the Oklahoma Province Convention of Pi Kappa Delta at Oklahoma City, and the Oklahoma Inter-Collegiate Debate Conference at Shawnee.—*The Tulsa Collegian*.

Gamma

Winning a 4-1 decision of the judges and a six-to-one verdict from the audience, the Oklahoma Baptist university debate team defeated the University of Sydney, Australia trio.

Delta

Out of a field of seven of Northwestern's debaters a team of four speakers were selected on January 3, at the annual Pi Kappa Delta try-outs. These selections promise the strongest team in years.—*The Northwestern*.

Epsilon

Pi Kappa Delta will sponsor a state extemporaneous speaking contest, inviting all schools of the state to send a representative. Subject for this contest will be "Oklahoma, its resources and opportunities." — *The Campus*.

OREGON

Alpha

Thus far in the debate season, the forensic manager has scheduled fifteen debates for the Linfield debate teams and has the prospect of several more to be listed before the schedule is completed.—*The Linfield Review*.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Alpha

Plans have been completed by the Wofford Debate Council for several debates this year and prospects are fine for a great year in forensics at Wofford.—*The Old Gold and Black*.

ginning the last week of February, to meet schools in Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin. The forensic manager, Chester Dickenson, will be glad to hear from schools along the way who might be interested in staging a contest with South Dakota State.

Epsilon

In preparation for the extemporaneous speaking contest, members of the class in public speaking each will be given one or more chances to broadcast over KSOO, from the Sioux Falls College studio.—*The Stylus*.

Artistry Not a Gift

To those who do not possess the qualities which permit of high artistry it must remain a dream, because artistry presupposes gifts vouchsafed to few. Yet artistry is not a gift but an achievement. No man is born an artist but many who have the needed gifts do not achieve artistry—and there is the pity of it.

—President Southwick, Emerson College of Oratory

SOUTH DAKOTA

Alpha

Willard Jordan and Paul Heide will represent Wesleyan at the state oratorical contest in February. Willard Jordan is a senior this year and a veteran orator. — *The Phreno Cosmian*.

Beta

Miss Lois Buswell winning first honors in the annual Smith Extemporaneous Speaking contest held at Huron College will represent the college in the State Extemporaneous Speaking contest.—*The Huron Alpha-mega*.

Gamma

The Yankton College freshman debaters clashed twice with two teams from Dakota Wesleyan University, in no-decision contests, using last year's P. K. D. question.

Delta

A debate team from South Dakota State College will make a tour be-

Zeta

Requests are coming in for the use of Mildred Anderson's oration, "Our Nation's Nemesis". The oration is being used in high school contests.—*The Exponent*.

Eta

Twenty-five people, ten women and fifteen men, comprise the debate squad at Augustana this year.—*Augustana Mirror*.

TEXAS

Gamma

P. K. D. and the Forensic Club of East Texas State Normal met in joint session and formed two groups: one to work up the affirmative brief, and one for the negative. — *The East Texan*.

Zeta

Debate tryouts at T. C. U. were held February 4, on two subjects: The P. K. D. question and on the parliamentary form of government question.—*The Skiff*.

Eta

The North Texas State Normal College debating team emerged victorious from a clash of wit, humor, and points of argument with the University of Sydney, Australia by an audience decision of 191 to 111.—*The Campus Chat*.

Theta

An audience decision gave Simmons her second international debating victory when her representatives met those of Sydney, Australia, on the question, Resolved: That the Parliamentary Form of Government is Superior to the Presidential Form.—*The Simmons Brand*.

VIRGINIA**Alpha**

It is probable that the negative team of the State Teachers College will represent S. T. C. in the debate with West Virginia Wesleyan College, the winner of this debate to go to the

Province Convention of P. K. D.—*Rotunda*.

WISCONSIN**Alpha**

Women's debating, an innovation in Ripon forensics, is being steadily promoted along with the men's work.

Beta

The feature of the Wisconsin-Illinois Province convention will be the speaking tournament consisting of separate contests for men and women in debate, oratory and extempore speaking. This is the first intercollegiate contest in oratory in which Carroll women have had a chance to enter.—*The Carroll College Echo*.

Gamma

Approximately fifty students turned out for debate at State Teachers College. A large number of requests have been received for debates with both the men's and women's teams.—*Teachers College Advance*.

DEBATING TO WIN

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leadership should have. Good nature does not mean banality or catering to crude wit or even ignoring the serious. It merely stresses the fact that a smile is more forceful than a scowl.

3. Sincerity and earnestness should be accompaniments of good nature—not assumed sincerity and earnestness but a conviction born of full study and personal conviction. This requirement stresses the urgency of staying on one side of the question. Conviction cannot exist on both and persuasion to be genuine must be sincere—must be earnest.
4. Debate ethics demand that the debater as well as the coach play the game—that he knows the rules and that he abides by them.
5. Effective debating should be earnest, sincere and courteous both with opponents and audience. And remember that the audience is always the ultimate objective.

These requirements of effective debating come far from covering the field but at least they are fundamentally necessary to develop within the speaker those qualifications of leadership necessary to inform, to mold public opinion—to convince and persuade. Without them the speaker if apparently successful has at least some of the qualities of the charlatan. Debating to win involves more than a mere decision. It involves adherence to standards from which we too often depart. Responsibility to our trust demands that we promote more consciously the basic principles under which beneficial debate contests must be held.