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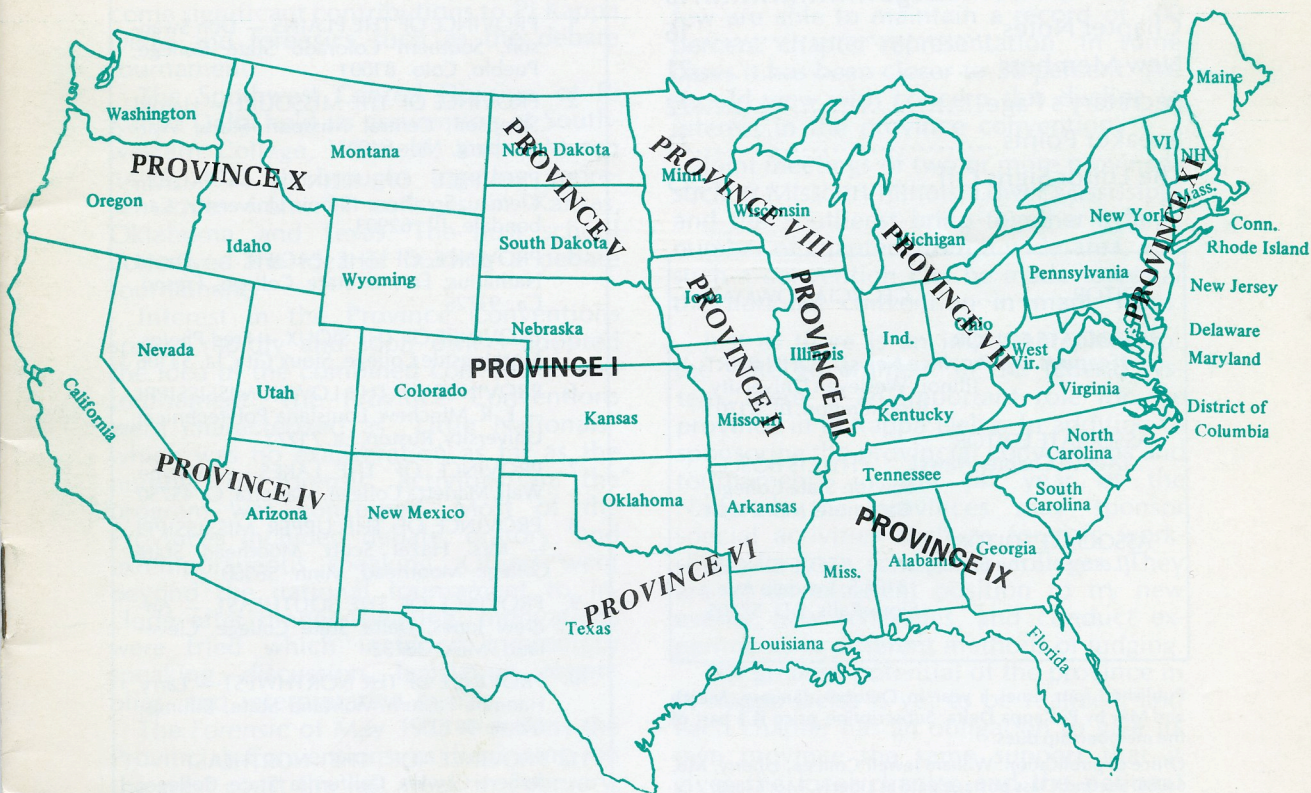
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# THE PROVINCES - AN OVERVIEW

*D. J. Nabors, National Historian*

Pi Kappa Delta provided for a provincial organization from its beginning. Its structure was designed to parallel that of the federal system with the chapter corresponding to local government, the province to state government, and the national organization to that of the national government.

During the first 10 years, little was done to expedite the provincial organizations. However, at the end of the first decade, with the national Convention definitely established, attention turned to the Provinces.

In 1923, the chapters in some provinces became more active and initiated the first provincial conventions. These conventions are of great interest and historical importance, because out of them have come significant contributions to Pi Kappa Delta and forensics such as the debate tournament.

The Southwest Central Division of Pi Kappa Delta held its convention at Southwestern College, Winfield, Kans., March 14-16, 1923. It brought together representatives from 14 colleges in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. The host school conceived the idea of holding a debate tournament.

Interest in the Province Conventions spread rapidly and soon others adopted the idea of the combined convention and tournament. The Province Conventions were characterized as "Little Nationals" which was no exaggeration as far as the number of forensic activities in the program was concerned. Most of the Provinces included debate, oratory, and extemporaneous speaking. Others went beyond the national tournament to include after dinner speaking. Innovations were tried which included impromptu speaking, discussion, legislative assemblies, and interpretative events.

The *Forensic* of May 1935 mentions the Provincial Conventions as beginning on the west coast the last week in February, and ending with the Province of the South

Atlantic, the third week in April. The 13 provinces of Pi Kappa Delta each held a successful meeting of one to three days. The business sessions and contests, varying in number from three to seven in each province were attended by almost every chapter among the 150 in Pi Kappa Delta. In the first 10 provinces to report only eight chapters failed to attend the convention. Four provinces had perfect attendance, and only one province reported more than one chapter missing at roll call. The first 10 provinces reported an attendance of more than 700, more than had attended the National Convention the previous year.

As more invitational tournaments have developed, attendance at some of the provincial conventions has declined. Very few are able to maintain a record of 100 percent chapter representation. In some cases it has been closer to 50 percent. We should view with concern this decline in interest in the province convention.

Joint meetings of two or more provinces such as Missouri-Illinois, Lower Mississippi and the Southeast bring together a large number of chapters from a wide area, and such a convention can be made to equal the national convention in many ways.

Just as there is an important place for the state government in the federal system, there is an important role for the province in Pi Kappa Delta. In addition to sponsoring the provincial conventions and tournaments in the off year of the National, the provinces may sponsor special activities such as forensic workshops for high schools or colleges. They are in an excellent position to try new events, new schedules, and conduct experiments in different methods of judging.

The greatest potential of the province in Pi Kappa Delta is yet to be realized, and each chapter has an obligation to give its own province the same support that it gives the local chapter and the national organization.



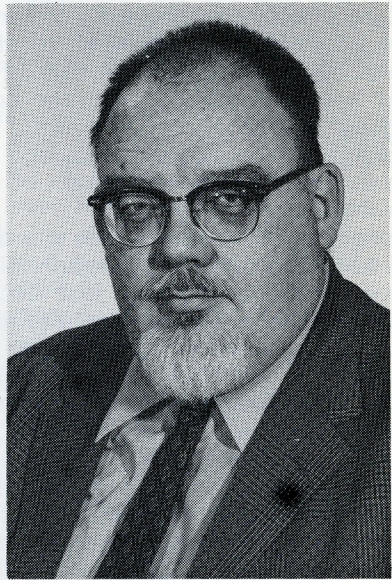
# Training The Advocate

Marvin Kleinau

Contemporary concern for the future of forensic activity generally, and Pi Kappa Delta specifically, does in fact revolve about a common question: "Is current forensic training meaningful?" With the exception of the recent addition of oral interpretation to our Pi Kappa Delta convention program, the major emphasis of the forensic competition as incorporated in the national or province meeting has been oral advocacy. To be sure then, the question more rightly put ought to be, "Do Pi Kappa Delta tournaments train students to grasp the nature of oral advocacy as it is practiced today and is likely to be practiced in the near future?"

The general concern embodied in that question resulted in a sincere though brief examination of the parties involved — the college forensic program and the Pi Kappa Delta tournament/convention. That limited examination by this writer and his close associate, Dan Salden, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, provided sufficient evidence to call for the implementation of a course of action designed to provide a more meaningful investigation of the role of Pi Kappa Delta as it presently operates, and, at the same time, introduce some alternative contest procedures for scrutiny by the participants and observers. The remainder of this article is simply an explanation and rationale for that course of action as incorporated in the Illinois-Mississippi Province spring meeting.

The meeting of the Province of Illinois, held jointly with the Province of the Upper Mississippi (hosting alternates between the two and to date has proved most beneficial to all concerned), will be conducted over a three day period, April 7, 8, and 9, 1972, at Bradley University in Peoria. All will register on the evening of the 6th to insure that all schools are on board well in advance of the opening. Inasmuch as there is some "newness" involved, some time will be set aside on the evening of the 6th to explain roles each student and faculty will play in the convention.



Associate Editor for Features and Province News is John M. Burt, who is responsible for the special Province material in this issue.

Professor Burt served as Associate Editor from 1959 to 1962, and again assumed that post in 1968. Since 1965 he has acted as secretary of the National Constitution Revision Committee — the group responsible for the 89 amendments when the Constitution underwent complete revision in 1967.

Presently he is Parliamentary Advisor and member of the Executive Board of the Illinois Speech and Theatre Association. He has served as secretary of the Province of the Upper Mississippi, and was chairman of the Parliamentary Interest Group of the Speech Association of America.

Assistant professor of speech and debate director at Illinois Wesleyan University are the official titles that keep him on the forensic circuit. In addition, he is an enthusiastic philatelist, and his real love is collecting rare books. He says that he can't move from his present apartment, for the walls would collapse if he took out the hundreds of volumes that line each room.



Early Friday morning students will meet in pre-arranged groups or committees to begin hearings on different aspects of the general topic, "An Evaluation of Pi Kappa Delta." Committee assignments will take on such matters as membership, team competition, individual competition, goals, awards, etc. The witnesses appearing before the committees will in fact be faculty and guests with some considerable knowledge of the very subjects under consideration. The first notion was to request that national council members, past and present, might well contribute when possible. In part this will be possible though faculty representing schools in the provinces will have to carry this burden for the most part. And why not? With faculty like Grace Walsh, Larry Norton, Marie Robinson and Edna Sorber around there is plenty of "expert" opinion available. Following this "witness" period the committee will stay in session to consider possible legislation to be offered at the full legislative assembly to be held the following evening. A total of four hours is allotted for these two functions. All students will participate in this activity.

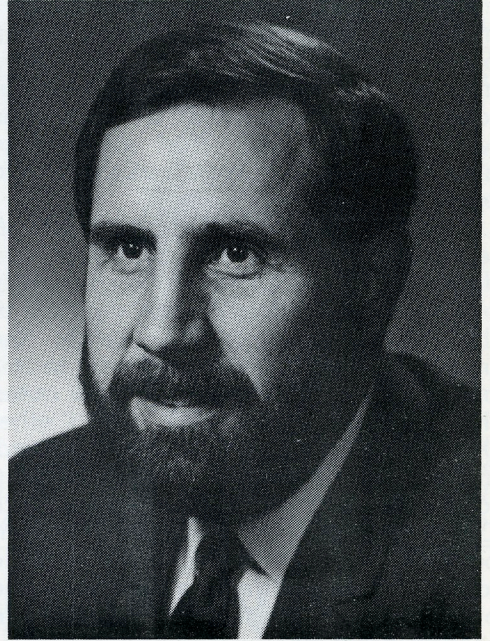
The first individual speaking activity is scheduled to begin following the lunch break. All individual speaking is designed to relate to another activity or to expand the actual competition to include the consideration of factors related to the activity. For example, the oral interpretation of literature will consist of a total of three rounds, one devoted to prose, one to poetry and a third of the reader's choice. The prose will be drawn from one specific author and the poetry from a limited list, thus insuring common ground among the readers.

Rounds one and two are to be devoted to a complete analysis of the work being read as well as the actual performance by each participant. The critic in the room serves as a participant and leader in the discussion of each work and student with **no responsibility** to evaluate. The third round on Sunday morning will be the only round in which evaluation takes place. At that time the student will be permitted to present a selection of his own choice for competition to be evaluated by one of the expert critics, probably the same one from his group, participating in that activity.

The rationale for this approach is fairly obvious. Experience has taught us that the

ability to analyze, engage in and respond to feedback, and to grow as a result of that experience is an important benefit to be derived from gatherings similar to this. The sound educational experience of a single classroom has at once been enlarged to a dozen classrooms on a dozen campuses. At the same time the matter of evaluation itself is made more realistic by permitting the critic to see and hear the **development** of a student's concepts, certainly a far more realistic basis for full evaluation of a student as an interpreter.

One of the more involved changes in the convention concerns the activity we



MARVIN KLEINAU, Governor of the Province of Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

have in past years called rhetorical criticism. At best our experience has been disappointing, at least in terms of reaction. Few students have entered the activity with any real understanding of its purpose, and those who did seem to have a firm goal in mind generally ended up counting the number of similes or syllogisms in a speech by Bryan or Lincoln.

The event has been retitled "speech criticism" and the student will be asked to listen to one of the orations being delivered by one of the students in that competition and, after a period of preparation, offer a critique of that speech



and speaker in terms of its effectiveness as perceived by this critic. Round two will find the critic listening to an extempore speech and offering a similar critique. The same judge will listen to the oration and the critique. Round three would be elective.

In each of the first two rounds the orator or extempore speaker will be asked to listen to the critique of his effort and react, or perhaps the term is "interact", with that student critic. It is obvious that all three activities, oratory, extemp and criticism, are closely inter-related and the subject matter as well as the presentation of that material should and will be subject to immediate consideration in a form that will permit all participants to engage in a meaningful give and take. Again the classroom has been expanded and again the reaction to the oral effort, contrary to normal competition, is both **available** and **open ended**.

Debate activity begins later in the afternoon on Friday and is broken into divisions, varsity and either junior varsity or novice, depending on the demand of the schools participating. While the traditional topic will be employed in this particular convention it should be noted that in future conventions, topics other than the national topic should be utilized, in fact must be utilized. This writer is in total agreement with recent writers (Dick Crawford, Northern Colorado) in their belief that the continuous use of a single topic for eight months is antithetical to the promotion of continuous growth in academic debate.

While many province conventions have out of necessity made available open periods, this particular convention does not permit a good deal of free time. It should be noted that Friday evening is set aside for province meetings and business, and Saturday evening is programmed for the conduct of the general assembly designed to bring into open debate the proposals of the various committees growing out of the hearings on Friday morning. This legislative decision-making forum has a dual purpose. First, and of major importance, the continued group effort **toward a realistic appraisal of Pi Kappa Delta**; Second, the evaluation of the individual's efforts as a functioning member in a group effort.

We in forensics have often questioned

our efforts to make group discussion "work" as a contest event, but we have never questioned the importance of the group process in decision making. Here then is a realistic approach to the integration of group discussion, as well as individual principles of oral advocacy, in a situation that might have real value to future Pi Kappa Delta members. It should be noted that the evaluation and suggested revision of Pi Kappa Delta, in whatever form it may take, does not end with the assembly on Saturday evening. A period of time is set aside on Sunday morning for the advocates of particular resolutions to meet again and reword suggestions to be forwarded to the appropriate governing body of Pi Kappa Delta.

With the conclusion of the last round of debate early Sunday afternoon, nothing remains except the convention banquet and awards ceremony, an event that follows immediately. All activities are to be recognized, including the work of various individuals in the legislative decision-making portion of the convention. Those persons will be selected as a result of a vote of faculty and students following that assembly on Saturday evening.

A convention highlighted by both group and individual participation, with immediate as well as long range purposes, and with deep student and faculty involvement, is in reality the goal of Dan Salden and myself. To insure the best possible chance of achieving this purpose we have enlisted the services of such faithfuls as Ed Hollatz, Frank Alusow, Dan Bosik, Marie Robinson, Ross Gearhart and Bob Lapp, to name a few. It is our hope that as a result of these innovations Pi Kappa Delta and its members will benefit in some significant way.

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**Ten Years Ago:** Dr. Raymond Yeager was president of PKD. The University of Houston team of Lance Funston, Joe Draughn and John Perdue went undefeated in two successive major fall tournaments. **The Forensic** carried a review by Cal Stoney, then new assistant debate coach at Westminster, of Glenn Capp's new book, **How to Communicate Orally**.



# "Neither Rain Nor Snow . . ."

*Mrs. Hazel Scott*

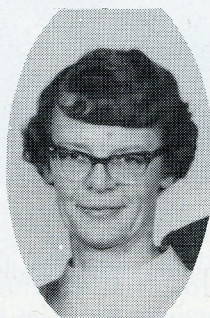
Writing a State of the Union Address is not my forte. My research staff had no available data on the effects of inflation on our chapters, the conditions of employment, the progress of new buildings, nor the appropriation of funds for forensic activities. My speech writers wouldn't accept the assignment. They are concerned with speeches on over-population, ecology, abortion, prisons, and the rights of privacy: for the juvenile delinquent, the homosexual, the venereal disease victim, the criminal, and sometimes the ordinary citizen. With the 28th Annual Eau Claire Speech Meet just around the corner, they have turned their attention to the After-Dinner Speaking theme — Have Happy Days.

"Neither rain, nor snow, nor sleet (nor cold) hath stayed" the squads in our sprawling Province from making their rounds. Our 24 chapters are scattered from the northwestern tip of Minnesota to the southern tip of Wisconsin over to the northern tip of Iowa: but we still see each other.

Many of our chapters attend the Twin Cities Debate League tournaments. Other chapters sponsor college tournaments of

their own. All are listed in the **AFA Journal** so I won't repeat. A still larger number of our chapters sponsor high school tournaments. At Moorhead State we find this an exhausting, but challenging event.

We are looking forward to our Province Tournament this spring. Traditionally we meet with the Illinois Province which this year is hosting us at Bradley University. They are promising us "something different." As I sit here watching it snow, knowing it is 10 degrees below, I can only dream — "Oh, to be in Paris (I mean Peoria) in Spring."



*MRS. HAZEL SCOTT, Governor of the Province of the Upper Mississippi, Moorhead State College, Moorhead, Minn.*

## GOOD GROWING PAINS

*Robert Cowles*

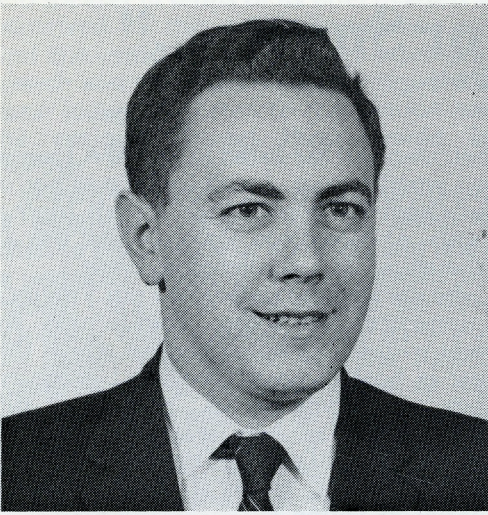
The newest province of Pi Kappa Delta, the Province of the Northeast, is presently looking forward to its second Provincial Convention as a separate entity. This opportunity to meet as a separate group was made possible by the growth of the Province under the leadership of Past Governor Seth Hawkins. Since September the Convention Committee led by Lt. Governor Phyllis Bosley has been working to make the Convention a pleasant educational experience for the participants and chapter sponsors.

The Convention will be held at Towson State College in Maryland from April 6 through April 8. It will feature varsity, novice and off-topic debate, as well as four

individual events. Because we want the Provincial Convention to offer more than simply tournament competition, there are plans for parties and opportunities in the schedule to visit Baltimore and nearby Washington.

One of the pleasures that comes from membership in Pi Kappa Delta is the satisfaction of seeing chapter sponsors devote time and effort to making a convention a success. Mention should be made of the initiative shown by Lt. Governor Bosley in securing private support for this Convention, and the willingness of William Yaremchuk of Monmouth College to serve as debate chairman, and Ann Williams of Frostburg State College to serve as in-





*ROBERT C. COWLES, Governor of the Province of the Northeast, California State College, California, Pa.*

dividual events chairman. We think that this is another illustration of the old Pi Kappa Delta adage about the importance of the chapter sponsor in the work of the fraternity.

As one would expect of a new province there are certain "growing pains" that accompany provincial activities. One of our present "growing pains" is the attempt to realize the ideal of Pi Kappa Delta as a fraternity of students and faculty united in a common effort. To make this meaningful we have elected a fourth officer, a student Lieutenant Governor, Barry Scheuer of Tufts University, and are presently engaged in the uncertain task of determining how this office can effectively operate to achieve the ideal.

With the growth of the province have come the obvious difficulties of expansion in any area with some that may be peculiar to the northeast. As most of us are well aware, this area is not an area in which most colleges have set up extensive speech departments. Many of the forensic programs are student activities rather than departmental activities. Because of the central role played by a stable sponsor in the health of a local chapter, and the importance of a departmental base in selection of a Pi Kappa Delta chapter, there are bound to be problems in keeping the chapters active and growing. Also we are beginning to see a growth of the two year institution here as elsewhere in the country. One of the paradoxes of junior college growth in the east has been a willingness on their part to regard speech as an academic discipline more readily than many of their four year counterparts. Perhaps some thought should be given to the question of admission of two year colleges to Pi Kappa Delta.

Since one of the features of the Provincial Convention will be the election of new officers for the province, I would like to close this with a personal note of thanks to the members of the Province of the Northeast. As one who has been a member of Pi Kappa Delta for 20 years, and one who desired a northeastern province to encourage the development of speech in this area, it is gratifying to see the hope become a reality through the efforts of good members. While we have difficulties, they are the difficulties of growing and strengthening rather than those of contraction and apathy.

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## FROM TEXAS TO THE PACIFIC

*Dave Natharius*

The Province of the Pacific, perhaps the largest in area of the Pi Kappa Delta Provinces, contains 25 chapters, reaching from Humboldt State College in Northern California to the University of Texas, El Paso, in Western Texas.

The bulk of the Province chapters are in California, with the additional chapters representing Arizona, New Mexico, and Nevada. Although Pi Kappa Delta was originally an organization directed toward smaller institutions, the Province of the

Pacific includes several of the nation's largest universities: UCLA, University of California (Berkeley), University of Arizona, and the California Institute of Technology. Arizona State University, the site of our 1969 National Convention and Tournament, is also one of the larger Province chapters.

Excellence of forensic programs irrespective of size is reflected by the chapters at the University of Redlands, University of the Pacific, Pepperdine



College, and Loyola University, the "small college" members of our Province family.

In keeping with a tradition begun in 1968, the Province convention and tournament will be held again this year in a resort area. The trend began in 1968 when the Province journeyed to Yosemite National Park in California for a three-day meeting among the largest trees and most beautiful natural settings in the world.

The 1970 Province meeting took place in Las Vegas, where the world's beauties were of a completely different nature. This year's meeting will occur March 28 through 30 at Asilomar, Ca., located on the Pacific coast halfway between Monterey and Carmel, Ca. To help all the snow-bound readers visualize this setting, the Bing Crosby Open Golf Tournament was held at Pebble Beach, which overlooks the ocean and the Asilomar Conference Grounds. If you saw any of this tournament on television, you have some idea of the weather we expect during our Province conference.

The actual events of the tournament will include: persuasive speaking and extemp speaking, oral interpretation, and debate, with a new Championship division this year which will have the final round presented to the entire Province delegation, with **each** Chapter having one vote in the final decision. Included in the business of the Province will be a ratification of the Province Constitution and the election of Province officers. Ideas will also be solicited for forwarding to the National Council regarding any new or stimulating thoughts about the national organization.

The current Province officers are: David Natharius, Fresno State College, governor; Penny Byrne, University of Texas, El Paso, lieutenant governor; Michael Dues, Sacramento State College, secretary-treasurer.



*DAVID NATHARIUS, Governor of the Province of the Pacific, Fresno State College, Fresno, Ca.*

## WORKING TOGETHER

*E. R. Minchew*



*E. R. MINCHEW, Governor of the Province of the Lower Mississippi, Louisiana Polytechnic University, Ruston.*

The 40 chapters of the Sixth Pi Kappa Delta Province — Province of the Lower Mississippi — are expected to assemble at North Texas State University in Denton, Tex. and participate in the Province Convention and Tournament on March 23, 24, 25.

The Convention will include discussions on debate, extemporaneous speaking, oratory, and interpretation. The business session will transact the usual items; no special projects or revisions are anticipated.

The tournament will include regular debate, cross-examination debate, discussion, extemporaneous speaking, oratory, and interpretation.

The Sixth Province is strong in membership and in forensic participation. The financial structure of the Province is on a sound basis. Each chapter pays biennial dues of \$20. This is used to defray the cost of the Province Convention-Tournament without any special assessments. The Province feels that each member chapter should pay an equal part of the cost of the Province activities.



# THREE PROVINCES — ONE CONVENTION

## MISSOURI HOSTS

*Harold Sampson*

Not one. Not two. But three Provinces will join together for a Tri-Province tournament this spring. At the invitation of the Province of the Missouri, the Province of the Sioux and the Province of the Plains will join the Missourians for the biennial tournament and convention.

Not only will the fact that three provinces are joining together be unusual, but students and coaches will gather at the Lodge of the Four Seasons on the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri March 30-April 1. This will provide a unique setting for a forensic event. The Lodge of the Four Seasons is one of the finest resort areas in the Midwest. Nestled in a wooded area, with a beautiful shoreline, this resort attracts thousands during the year. The Lodge will provide opportunities for students to swim in a heated pool, play golf, go horseback riding, take sauna baths, and dance in the lounges to live music. A new "Jerry Lewis Cinema" will be open at the Lodge. And many other things that debaters do and don't do on a usual forensic outing are likely to occur.

Participants will be housed in large and attractive rooms, many overlooking the lake. The Lodge is noted for its fine cuisine. Meals are on the American Plan and arrangements have been made to provide the very best in good eating.

Some special events are developing. On Thursday evening, a Bar-B-Q will be held at which Monte Davison and his trio will provide honest-to-goodness hillbilly and western music. Before the evening is over, they guarantee that everyone will have a hilarious time singing and dancing the way it is done in "the hills." The proper attire for this event is strictly "hobo or hillbilly." Prizes will be awarded to the student dressed most appropriately for the occasion, the best hillbilly-dressed college squad, and the most uniquely dressed coach.

After the Province meetings Friday

night, the Lodge will have its usual exciting evening of entertainment. (The shortest Province meetings on record are forecast!)

The Tournament Committee consists of Tom Willett, coach at William Jewell; Bob Derryberry, coach at Southwest Baptist; and Mike Manners, student at Central Missouri State. They are assisted by the governors of the three Provinces, Don Swanson, Province of the Plains; Fred Phelps, Province of the Sioux; and Harold Sampson, Province of the Missouri.

In addition to all the activities mentioned (it is hoped not incidental to), students will engage in debate, discussion, extemp, oratory, after-dinner speaking, and oral interpretation. A record number of participants is expected (one coach wants to bring six teams).

Now — don't you wish you were a member at one of the schools in these three provinces so you could attend?



*HAROLD SAMPSON, Governor of the Province of the Missouri, Central Missouri State College, Warrensburg.*

The debate proposition in 1954-55 was Resolved: That the United States should extend diplomatic recognition to the Communist government of China. After much deliberation, West Point did not engage in competition that year.





*FRED PHELPS, Governor of the Province of the Sioux, Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa.*

## THE SIOUX COOPERATES

*Fred Phelps*

The Province of the Sioux was fore-sighted in joining with the Province of the Missouri and the Province of the Plains for a tri-province tournament and convention. The planning of all events and activities is in the capable hands of Dr. Harold Sampson, governor of the Province of the Missouri, and Tom Willett, tournament director. Hence we can enjoy the events without any of the worry.

We always expect a Pi Kappa Delta Province to have a quality tournament, rough but friendly competition and pleasant associations with fraternity brothers. We do not always know what to consider in the area of recreation until we get the schedule. From the look of things, Harold and Tom certainly have provided well. We are now waiting to see what influence they have on the weather. With Tom coming from a good Baptist college and Harold not long removed from a Methodist institution, we are anticipating the best.

When March 30 arrives you will find a large representation from the Sioux Province. The tournament ends on April 1, in time for the long drive home before Easter for most of us. During those three days we expect a challenging tournament and profitable Province meetings.

## THE PLAINS INVITE YOU FOR '73

*Don Swanson*

The Province of the Plains stretches from the mighty Missouri in Nebraska across the rolling hills of eastern Kansas and the Great Plains to the Rocky Mountains of Colorado. Its varied geography is representative of the Province's greatest strength: its diversity.

Twenty-seven chapters are active on small and large campuses. Many of the chapters are well known for their consistently strong competitive debate records. Others place great emphasis on individual speaking events. Doane College and Nebraska Wesleyan University, for example, sponsor annual Individual Events Tournaments.

The Colorado chapters have been instrumental, as part of the Colorado-Wyoming Forensic Association, in promoting second-topic debate tournaments. After Christmas this year the University of Northern Colorado and Metropolitan State College hosted tournaments which featured the option to debate the resolution: That certain victimless crimes should be legalized. The University of Nebraska at Omaha is the home of the annual National College Debate Workshop each summer. The philosophy of the Province of the Plains has consistently been that forensics is an educational activity first and a competitive activity second.



*DON SWANSON, Governor of the Province of the Plains, Southern Colorado State College, Pueblo.*



This year the Province is breaking with the tradition of holding its tournament and convention within the confines of the Province, by joining the Province of the Missouri and the Province of the Sioux in a tri-province tournament at the Lake of the Ozarks. The beautiful Lodge of the Four Seasons will provide an ideal setting for fellowship, relaxed competition and a wide range of recreational activities.

The Province meetings will be largely concerned with plans for the 1973 National Convention at the University of Nebraska-Omaha. Student representatives to the National Council will be elected. The Province of the Plains is very proud to host the 1973 Convention and wants to issue all Pi Kappa Deltans an early and warm invitation to join us in Omaha in 1973.

## Off To An Island

*Larry Hannah*

The Northwest Province of Pi Kappa Delta will hold its biennial convention and tournament on March 22-25, 1972. The meeting will be held at the Rosario Resort-Hotel on Orcas Island of the San Juan Islands off the coast of the state of Washington. Using a resort for Northwest Province meetings has been a practice for several years and has made the Northwest Province tournament one of the most popular ones on tournament schedules.

Tournament events include cross-examination debate, extemporaneous speaking, oral interpretation, and oratory. This year's tournament will also feature a division of experimental extempore debate similar to that one held at the National Pi Kappa Delta tournament in Houston. The decision to hold the extempore debate event was made by the province members at their meetings in Houston.

The primary business of the Province will be the election of Province officers. Faculty officers to be elected are the governor and lieutenant governor. The province secretary-treasurer will also be elected, and this position may be held by a

student or a faculty member. The Northwest Province constitution also provides for one student office, the student lieutenant governor. The campaign and election for this office were very lively in 1970 and should again be so in 1972.

The ready availability of recreational facilities is one of the outstanding features of Northwest Province meetings. The resort-type location with all tournament events, business meetings, and social activities in one relatively small area permits maximum and frequent usage of all resort facilities. Each person attending Province meetings is able to enjoy himself thoroughly without the demanding pace of most intercollegiate speech tournaments.

The chapters of the Northwest Province are a close-knit group and have been for several years. It is this closeness which has made Province meetings pleasant and relaxed occasions. Dress is informal; competition is lively and educational; and business meetings are well-attended and productive. We hope in the Northwest Province Convention to combine the best of all possible worlds.



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