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#### THE FOURTH BIENNIAL

Shall we have a delegation at Simspon College next March? This is the question that faces every chapter of our Order as the academic year opens; and it safe to say the unanimous answer will be "Yes!" It can be done for it has been done. The University of Redlands chapter is the classic example, having sent a debate team with its coach—four men in all—no less than three times to previous conventions. They went to Topeka, Kansas, in 1916; to Ottawa, Kansas, in 1918; and to Sioux City, Iowa, in 1920. And they are planning to send five men to Indianola next spring. At the Third Biennial, all but two chapters had delegations. Those two chapters, in states adjoining Iowa, had every expectation of being represented; but wholly unexpected misfortunes prevented them from coming. It was noteworthy that some of the largest delegations came from chapters farthest away from Sioux City. California Alpha we have mentioned. Michigan Alpha had five representatives; Colorado Alpha had seven; and Oklahoma Alpha had three.

#### WHY YOU SHOULD BE INTERESTED

The delegates who attended the Third Biennial testified unanimously to the inspiration and enthusiasm they received. The women and men who are elected to Pi Kappa Delta are uniformly of a high type. There are no "black sheep" chapters in our Order. Our members have as their ideal, leadership in the highest citizenship. This being the case, it is easy to understand how a gathering of such members may be well worth the effort made to attend it. Then, again, since our last Convention, our organization has been growing by leaps and bounds. The colt has become a horse, and all the national officers have their feet on the dash board and the reins wrapped around their wrists in an effort to keep it from running away with them. This growth, splendid as it is, had brought problems of organization and administration which must be solved by the membership of Pi Kappa Delta as represented by the delegates sent to the Fourth Biennial. Shall there be a reorganization of the National Council? Shall we employ a paid Secretary to care for the increasing mass of details brought by the growth of the chapter roll? Shall we limit our chapter roll and become more exclusive or aristocratic; or shall we encourage growth in the belief that the further we can spread our ideals, the better are we serving democracy? Shall membership in Pi Kappa Delta be confined to those who have engaged in intercollegiate forensics solely, or shall we continue to recognize local contests. If so, what shall be the basis of such recognition? Should we have a revision of our articles relating to the securing of higher degrees? Are the judges' decisions always satisfactory so that no debater is kept from securing Special Distinction when he has really earned it? How about the "judgeless" debate? How about the extemporaneous contest? These are only a few of the vital questions with which we expect to concern ourselves at Simpson College next March. Can your chapter afford to be unrepresented?

#### HOW CAN IT BE DONE?

"Where's there's a will, there's a way." Realization of the importance of sending a delegate is undoubtedly the first requisite for accomplishment. If the chapter decides to send as its representatives a debating team which shall engage in contests on the way to and from the Convention, arrangements may possibly be made with the institutions visited for the payment of part of the expenses. The business men of a town are often glad to make a substantial subscription to defray the expenses of debaters or of an orator, for in so doing they are doing good advertising for their community and their home institution. Probably the most successful method of raising funds for the sending of a delegate or of delegates is by means of an entertainment. A good play, or a minstrel show, if well managed, usually brings a sufficient sum into the treasury. Other methods may suggest themselves. Each chapter will know what works best in its locality. The important thing is that by the end of the first month of the college year you have a thoroughly alive Convention Committee at work. If possible, your funds should be in sight by Christmas.

"Where there's a will, there's a way." Let's go!

#### THE CONVENTION OFFICER

Professor W. C. Dennis of Simpson College has accepted the appointment as Convention Officer. It will be his duty to arrange the details and set up the machinery for the meeting. In a later issue we shall state specifically the matters with regard to which members coming to the Convention shall apply to him. In this connection we may say that arrangements for debates on the way to the Convention should be made by the teams concerned. It does not seem feasible to have such arrangements made through the National Council or through the Convention Officer, although any one of these persons will be glad to make suggestions or answer inquiries. Teams com-ing to the Convention should remember that only one debate can be provided for on the official program, and that the chapter acting as host has the option of furnishing one of the contesting teams. The program lasts for two days and a half; and there are three evenings given up to a debate, an oratorical contest, and a banquet. Time must be given for committees to do the most important business which is entrusted to them. This business must be brought before the Convention as a whole in at least three meetings. It has been felt, too, that more time should be allowed for social gatherings so that the members of the Order may have greater opportunity to meet one another and exchange ideas. This last feature is an immensely valuable one. All this will explain just why it is not possible to have more than one debate on the program.

#### TRUE EDUCATION

"The entire object of true education is to make people not merely do the right things—but enjoy the right things—not merely industrious, but to love industry—not merely learned, but to love knowledge—not merely pure, but to love purity—not merely justice, but to hunger and thirst after justice."—Ruskin.

The Colorado Alpha and Beta chapters held their annual joint initiation on a Friday in May. The ceremony took place at a point between Greely and Fort Collins having the very suitable name of the Shark's Tooth. The neophytes were fortified for the ordeal by a substantial picnic supper.

#### PI KAPPA DELTA

#### RULES GOVERNING THE SECOND NATIONAL PI KAPPA DELTA ORATORICAL CONTEST TO BE HELD AT THE FOURTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION INDIANOLA, IOWA, MARCH 28, 29, 30, 1922.

1. CONTESTANTS. Each Pi Kappa Delta Chapter may enter an orator, who shall be an active member of the chapter which he represents. Each chapter entering an orator shall pay an entrance fee of one dollar.

2. PRELIMINARY CONTESTS. Preliminary contests shall be held simultaneously on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 28. The number of preliminary contests shall be determined by the total number of contestants entered, it being provided that not more than ten speakers shall appear on one program. The National Council shall determine by lot arrangement of school in the preliminary contests.

3. FINAL CONTEST. The final contest shall be held on Wednesday evening, March 29. If not more than five preliminary contests are held, the winners of first and second places in each preliminary shall appear in the final contest. If more than five preliminary contests are held, the winners of first places only shall appear in the final contest.

4. ORATIONS. Orations shall not exceed 2000 words in length, and shall not contain more than 200 words of quotation. All quotations shall be indicated by the proper marks. Each contestant shall send two typewritten copies of his oration to the National Secretary not later than March 10, 1922, who shall examine each oration to determine its eligibility under this rule.

5. Judges. Each contest shall be decided by three or more disinterested judges to be chosen by the National Council.

6. METHOD OF JUDGING. Judges shall mark on general excellency, including thought, composition, and delivery, giving each orator a grade between the percents of 75 and 100. No judge shall give any two orators the same grade.

Members of the National Council shall tabulate the ballots and determine the results. The markings of each judge shall be ranked 1, 2, 3, etc. Any orator ranked first by a majority of the judges shall be awarded first place. If no orator is thus ranked first, all the rankings of each orator shall be totaled and the orator having the lowest sum of ranks shall be awarded first place. The orator having the second lowest sum of ranks shall be awarded second place, and the orator having the next lowest sum of ranks shall be awarded third place. In case of a tie, the orator the sum of whose grades is the highest shall receive the highest place.

7. PRIZES. The winner of first place in the final contest shall be awarded a gold medal; the winner of the second place shall be awarded a silver medal, and the winner of third place shall be awarded a bronze medal. The college represented by the winner of first place shall be awarded a silver trophy cup.

8. All arrangements for the contests not covered by the above rules shall be in the hands of the National Council.

#### (Ottawa Campus)

Does the homely man always get a fair show?

One girl was heard to remark to another following the State Oratorical Contest Friday night, "I don't see how that Baker man got second place he was the best looking, but I guess you really couldn't count that."

#### A LOCAL CONSTITUTION

Every now and again the National Council is asked for a model of a local constitution. Last spring there came to our hand a copy of the local constitution drawn up by the Nebraska Alpha chapter. It is in so many respects excellent that we have decided to print it in this issue of THE FORENSIC for we feel sure that it will be of great interest to all our readers.

#### Constitution of the Nebraska Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta

#### ARTICLE I

#### Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Nebraska Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta.

#### ARTICLE II

#### Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this organization shall be the same as that set forth in the National Constitution of Pi Kappa Delta.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Membership

Section 1. All persons who are eligible to membership under the National Constitution of Pi Kappa Delta may become members of the Nebraska Alpha Chapter.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### Officers

Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be president, recording secretary, treasurer, corresponding secretary and financial agent.

Sec. 2. The duties of these officers shall be those prescribed for such offices in Robert's Rules of Order and in addition the duties as provided in the by-laws.

Sec. 3. An Executive Committee shall consist of two forensic coaches, the financial agent, and the above mentioned officers of Pi Kappa Delta. In any case, there shall be three faculty members and four student members (which shall include the chapter officers).

Sec. 4. All members of the chapter may attend any meetings of the executive committee and may have the privilege of the floor but not the privilege of voting.

#### ARTICLE V

#### Meetings

Section 1. The meeting for the election of officers shall take place on the first Monday in October, the date when the official year shall open.

Sec. 2. The meeting for the election of new members shall take place on the first Monday in April.

Sec. 3. The initiation of new members shall take place before the 15th of May of each year, the exact date to be determined by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 4. The Executive Committee shall meet on the first and third Monday of each month at 5 o'clock.

Sec. 5. All other meetings of the chapter or of the Executive Committee shall be on call of the president.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### **Election of Officers**

Section 1. A majority of the active members of the organization must be present for the election of officers.

Sec. 2. All elections shall be by ballot.

Sec. 3. All officers except the corresponding secretary shall be elected on the first Monday in October.

Sec. 4. The corresponding secretary shall be elected at the close of the spring initiation ceremony and he shall be empowered to carry on all forensic correspondence during the summer in consultation with the coaches.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### Dues

Section 1. The dues of this organization shall be those provided in Art., 5, Sec., 6, Division A, of the National Constitution of Pi Kappa Delta. In addition the executive committee shall have power to levy such assessments as may be necessary for all local expenses, and to enforce such penalties as are provided for in Art., 5, Sec., 8, Div. A, of the National Constitution of Pi Kappa Delta.

Sec. 2. These dues are payable on or before October 15th of each year.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Amendments

Section 1. This constitution may be amended by a two-third vote of the membership present, provided that notice of such amendments has been given at least two weeks before final action is taken.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Awards

Section 1. Div. A. The official forensic certificate, as kept in the files of the secretary, shall be awarded each year to all members considered eligible by the executive committee. Representation of the university in debate or oratory in the year in which award is made shall be considered a minimum requirement.

Div. B. The official monogram, as kept in the files of the secretary shall be awarded each year to all members receiving the Forensic Certificate. This monogram may be worn on a sweater.

Div. C. The official key of Pi Kapa Delta shall be awarded to each student initiate at the initiation service.

Div. D. The official forensic certificate shall on being awarded to students who have represented the university in inter-collegiate forensics for a second year and whose eligibility has been passed upon by the executive, shall have a bronze seal placed upon it. Upon being awarded for a third time a silver seal shall be placed upon the official forensic certificate. Upon being awarded for the fourth time a gold seal shall be placed upon the certificate.

Div. E. A bronze medal will be awarded to students who have represented the university in inter-collegiate forensics for a second year and whose eligibility has been passed upon by the executive committee. In the same manner, a silver medal will be awarded to students who have qualified for a third year. A gold medal will be awarded to students who have represented the college for four years in inter-collegiate forensics and whose eligibility has been passed upon by the executive committee.

#### ARTICLE X

#### Bills

Section 1. All bills are Forensic Bills except those specifically pertaining to the fraternity of Pi Kappa Delta.

Div. A. The chapter shall be responsible for only such forensic bills as are contracted upon a written order signed by the financial agent.

Div. B. These orders shall be issued upon the official order blanks.

Sec. 2. Div. A. These orders shall be issued upon the official order blanks. Duplicates of each order shall be kept on file by the fraternity treasurer.

Sec. 3. All bills shall be presented to the executive committee and formally allowed before being paid.

#### **By-Laws**

Section 1. This constitution and by-laws shall be read to the neophytes by the officer conducting the initiation ceremony and presented to them for their signatures.

Sec. 2. A least one-third of the active members shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 4. For the school year 1921-22, the executive committee shall be composed of the four elected members of the forensic council, the two forensic coaches, the financial agent and the officers of Pi Kappa Delta.

Sec. 5. The president shall be chairman of the executive committee. It shall be the duty of the president to install the newly elected officers of Pi Kappa Delta, according to the ritual.

Sec. 6. The financial agent shall be a faculty member appointed by the Chancellor. He shall be responsible for all expenditures of money for forensic purposes.

Sec. 7. The fraternity treasurer shall be responsible for collecting all dues and assessments. He shall be required to present an itemized report on the final meeting of the executive committee for the school year.

Sec. 8. The corresponding secretary shall carry on all forensic correspondence and shall act in all matters as the executive committee may direct him.

Sec. 9. The recording secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings and shall notify the members of all called meetings. On the first Monday in October of each year he shall prepare a revised list of the active members.

#### (Tests of Education. Nicholas Murray Butler)

"Ask yourselves, am I gaining in correctness and precision in the use of the mother tongue? Am I gaining in those refined and gentle manners which are the expression of fixed habits of thought and conduct? Am I gaining in the power and habit or reflection? Am I gaining in the sound standards of feeling and appreciation? Am I gaining in the power of growth? Am I gaining in the power to do more efficiently?"

The Nebraska Alpha chapter of Pi Kappa Delta is responsible for a new system of awards to be granted to Nebraska Wesleyan debaters and orators. For one year of participation, the official forensic certificate, the official monogram, and the Pi Kappa Delta key are awarded. For two years, a bronze seal and medal are awarded; for three, a silver seal and medal, and for four, a gold seal and medal.

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Since our last issue, no less than twelve new shapters have been received into the Pi Kappa Delta Circle. They are as follows:

#### INSTALLATIONS

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		Ruckteschel.	Gains Cook	April	22
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South Carolina Alpha . W	offord	G. C. Parrott		April	
Michigan BetaOli	ivet	J. H. Foth, I	I. B. Allen,		
Galifamia Gamma Ga	lifornia Instituto	Miss G. H. I	Jennis	May	D
California Gamma Ca	l'echnology	. E. R. MICHOIS,	J. R. Mac-		
		Artnur, A. F	I. Commis	May	25
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Michigan DeltaMi Illinois DeltaHe	chigan Aggles	W. Ross Mary	in	June	9
Michigan EpsilonYp	silanti Normal	Paul Brees	•••••	June	10

These chapters constitute a splendid accession to our forces. We have entered two new states, Indiana and Texas. We have increased our eastward expansion with four new chapters in Michigan and one more in Ohio. Wofford College after months of patient waiting has at last had her chapter installed and should make South Carolina the center for further expansion in the Southeast. All the former chapters join with the National Council in warmest greetings to these new arrivals. May we see representives of each and every one at Indianola next March.

#### CHAPTER MEETINGS

We are interested to note the replies given to the question, asked in the questionnaire recently sent out, as to the time of meeting. Most of the chapters are meeting either fortnightly or monthly. One chapter meets bi-weekly, another, two or three times a year. Some chapters meet irregularly. From the experience that we have had with our chapters, we believe that a chapter should meet at least once a month. The most of our thoroughly alive chapters-those that answer letters, send in reports, send in dues, give us chapter letters when we ask for them-are meeting regularly at least once a month. If chapters meet less frequently than this, the members forget that they belong to the Order. It is not likely that a chapter can develop a policy for the year very successfully if it meets less frequently than once a month. Especially will this be true this year when plans for sending a delegation to the Convention should be thrashed out often Some of our chapters are solving the problem of a time and regularly. for chapter meeting by having their lunch together on a given date. We strongly recommend the fort-nightly meeting at which a definitely constructive policy with reference to forensics and to the institution is worked out. Try it.

#### THE EXTEMPORANEOUS CONTEST

May we call the attention of our readers to an editorial from the Huron Alphomega—a paper which, by the way, is characterized by the uniformly good quality of its editorials—in which emphasis is placed upon the extemporaneous speaking contest. In Minnesota they have an intercollegiate speaking contest in which our Macalester chapter participates and which it actively promotes. And from what the Alphomega tells us, the movement is coming in South Dakota. We are tremendously interested in this phase of forensic work. To us the good extemporaneous speech represents oratory at its best. The debaters who speak extemporaneously throughout the contest are real debaters. It is such men who later sway the opinion of conventions and legislatures. We hope that these beginnings in our northernmost chapters are a sign of something that will spread all over the country and that it may not be long before every state which now has intercollegiate oratorical contests may also have, as Minnesota has, intercollegiate extemporaneous speaking contests. We stongly recommend this type of forensic work to our chapters. The National Council recognizes the extemporaneous work as a branch of oratory and grants degrees accordingly.

#### FORENSIC EDITIONS

One of the recommendations made at the last Convention was that each chapter should see to it that its college paper should devote at least one issue in the year to the interests of debate and oratory in the institution. A number of our chapters have done so this year with varying degrees of success: others have not attempted it. One of the very best examples of the forensic edition that has come to our notice is that of "The Phreno Cosmian" of Dakota Wesleyan, the issue of May 12. The National Oratorical Contest, held at Wesleyan on May 6th, was made the occasion for the edition's coming at that time. A full account of this contest is given. There is an article entitled "Forensics for Educators" that is very much to the point. A review of forensics in D. W. U. for the year and of the activities of South Dakota Alpha occupy much space. An excellent picture of Professor Veatch, the Debate Coach, is given the place of honor on the front page. Snappy accounts of graduate members of South Dakota Alpha are scattered throughout the issue. Altogether it is just the kind of issue that we should like to see at least once a year in every college in which we have a chapter.

"The Ottawa Campus" of May 10, although not avowedly a forensic edition, is virtually so. In appearance the issue is not so attractive as "The Phreno Cosmian;" but it has some excellent and interesting material. It features the Park-Ottawa debates, gives a history of the origin of Pi Kappa Delta, compiles the debate history of the University since 1889, and gives two columns to a proposed amendment to the Student Council Constitution whereby the control of forensics passes into the hands of a Forensic Committee, two members of which shall belong to Pi Kappa Delta. There is also a good editorial recommending that the amendment should be passed.

We most earnestly recommend to the members of our chapters the promotion of such forensic editions. The chapter, too, should have one member whose special business it is to keep a column in the college paper regularly supplied with stimulating items and articles relating to speaking activities.

#### THE CUE

We have before us Volume One, Number One, of "The Cue," the Magazine of Theta Alpha Phi, national dramatic fraternity. Apart from the interest taken by Pi Kappa Delta in all the speech arts, this organization has a special claim upon us as it was founded by a member of our Order, Brother J. R. Pelsma, formerly of Oklahoma Alpha, and now of Kansas Theta. He is also the editor of the new quarterly. "The Cue" is a most promising looking publication. It contains a history of Theta Alpha Phi, a record of splendid achievement, and breathes an enthusiasm which is bound to make the fraternity a success. Theta Alpha Phi closed the last academic year with twenty-two chapters and about three hundred members. THE FORENSIC sends "The Cue" its heartiest good wishes for success.

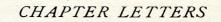
Four young lawyers of Tulsa were so interested in the work of the University of Tulsa debating teams that they did all their coaching for them. The teams won three out of four debates and tied with Oklahoma Baptist College for team debating honors in the state. These lawyers have promised to coach again next year.

This was not the only success with which Tulsa is credited. Miss Elvira Jones, president last year of Oklahoma Beta, won the State Old Line Oratorical. She was coached by Miss Margaret Wyndham, also a member of Pi Kappa Delta.

. Russell B. Thomas, graduate member of Illinois Beta, is to teach English next year at Gibson City Illinois. He is to handle all forms of public discourse, with special emphasis on argumentation.

According to "The Manualite," members of the Kansas Theta chapter, at the Kansas State Manual Training Normal, were presented with their Pi Kappa Delta keys at a special assembly on June 23rd.

Dr. Ira Hilton Jones of Oklahoma Alpha spent a busy ten days in May delivering commencement addresses.



#### NEBRASKA ALPHA

Nebraska Alpha has had a very heavy forensic schedule last year in both debating and oratory.

On the Japanese Immigration question we had five debates. We won the debate with Kearney State Normal School which was held at Wesleyan and also the return debate which was held at Kearney. We held dual debates with Hastings and Midland Colleges and in each case we won one and lost one. We also held a dual debate with Cotner College on this same question and Cotner won both debates by a close decision. The teams which debated this question were composed as follows: Affirmative—Thos, Q. Harrison, Phil Carrol, Ralph Brooks. Negative— Carl Person, Joe Downs, Robert Huston.

On the Industrial Arbitration question, we held two debates. The first was with South Dakota University and was won by Wesleyan. In the second we met Simpson college and lost to them. The team that debated this question was composed of: Carl Person, Ralph Brooks, and Gerald Boyer.

Simpson college and lost to them. The team that debated this quesion was composed of: Carl Person, Ralph Brooks, and Gerald Boyer. In the Wesleyan Annual Oratorical Contest, Thomas Harrison won first place and H. J. Skeirik, second. Next we entered the State Oratorical Contest. Thos, Q. Harrison, Wesleyan's representative, won first place. This entitled him to represent us at the Western Divisional Inter-state Oratorical Contest. Here Mr. Harrison again carried off the honors. This gave us a place in the National Contest of the Interstate Oratorical Association, where six interstate champions competed for the championship of 13 states and 108 colleges and universities. In this contest Mr. Harrison won fourth place, of which we are very proud. At the beginning of the school year, the following members of our Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta were back ready for active work: Rex Barr, Gerald Boyer, Esley Kirk, Glenn Callen. Lola Duncan, Carl Person, Harley Smith, Prof, Scott, Prof.

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We are glad to tell of a change which has been made in the management of our forensics. For several years the Forensic Council has been unable to efficiently transact the forensic business of the school because its members were not connected with or interested in Forensics. So all forensic business has been placed in the hand of the Pi Kappa Delta chapter here. We have adopted a constitution which will enable us to carry on our work very efficiently and we are planning to accomplish big things in the future.

#### LOLA LEE DUNCAN.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA

Missouri Alpha of Pi Kappa Delta prospered in 1920-21 and looks forward to an even greater prosperity this year. Last year Westminster's debating schedule was cut short by Washington University's cancellation of the contract; but Denver University and Central College succumbed to our debaters. The question debated was: Resolved, that the Japanese should be excluded from the United States on the same basis as the Chinese. Westminister had the affirmative against Denver and the negative against Central. Westminster's record is now 28 victories out of 34 debates.

Missouri Alpha sponsored two plays last year, both of which were great successes. "All-of-a sudden Peggy" was produced early in the spring with the aid of girls from the Synodical College and "The Valiant" was given at the Homecoming of Westminster men held in connection with Commencement exercises. The closing meeting of Pi Kappa Delta was made the occasion of the initiation of alumni who were eligible and our chapter was greatly inspired by this ceremony and this contact with Westminster's splendid past in forensics.

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FRANC L. MCCLUER.

#### NEBRASKA GAMMA

Nebraska Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was organized last year with a charter membership of nine. Since that time we have eligible four new members and these have applied for membership within the past few weeks. Our chapter has been able to arrange among the other colleges of the state a state debating league and we tied for third place in that league. One member of the chapter won the Home Oratorical Contest and represented Doane in the state

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contest. Another member of the chapter won the Dawes oratorical contest which is a local prize contest. Three members of the chapter again made the intercollegiate debating team. The chapter has been very active forensically in the college, having charge of all forensic work.

For next year we plan even larger membership and interstate debates and oratorical contests.

#### Fraternally, RALPH W. TYLER,

President Nebraska Gamma Chapter Pi Kappa Delta.

#### KANSAS ZETA

Kansas Zeta chapter was never more alive than last year. It numbered eleven of the best men in school as its members. It debated against Manhattan and the College of Emporia, in a dual debate with the former and in a single debate with the latter. The school presents Pi Kappa Delta keys to the men. This fail the chapter starts with a membership of twelve men. It is its purpose this year to develop interest along oratorical lines. The Normal selected a regular debate coach last year, Mr. Vincent Davis, a man of experience in debate coaching. His work with the debate teams was highly valued and he returned this year to the same position. Kansas Zeta will without doubt send a delegate to the National Convention. They have not yet elected a president, but correspondence may be directed to Harry Wolfe.

#### F. L. GILSON.

#### NEBRASKA DELTA

The Hastings chapter of Pi Kappa Delta went through rather a stormy season last year. With the debate schedule arranged, the teams picked and trained, an epidemic of scarlet fever broke out which closed the school. This was not all for the debate coach left for Chicago to take another position. We had therefore to call off all debates. However, with the reopening of the school the debates were rescheduled and the teams began working in earnest. Four duals were held with Wesleyan, Kearney, Doane, and Grand Island. Of these, the negative team, composed of William Talbot, Dorothy Matter, and Lloyd Marti, won all; and the affirmative team, composed of Vard Gray, Grace Henderson, and Joe Matter, won two. This gave Hastings second place in the state. Our representative to the State Oratorical Contest failed to place, but we have great expectations for this year. We will have eight members as soon as an initiation is held; and our pep and enthusiasm for the coming year is boundless.

DOROTHY MATTER, Sec.-Treas.

NEWS NOTES

Miss Evalina Price of Kansas Alpha was married last spring to Mr. W. Carter.

Jack Thornberry of Parsons College placed in the Eastern Divisional Oratorical Contest.

Wofford College has every expectation of adding half a million dollars to her present endowment.

The Hastings College chapter is promoting a scheme for the recognition of forensics in that institution.

Colby and Clark split even, with two to one decisions, in debates on the Kansas Industrial Court question.

Professor and Mrs. McGrew of Huron College entertained the girls' debating teams at dinner on April 15th.

Miss Ethyl Williams represented Ripon College in the annual contest of the Wisconsin Oratorical Association. On April 8 Kalamazoo College engaged in its first all-women's debate. The contest was held with Franklin College of Indiana.

John R. Williams of South Dakota Beta has been elected president of the Students' Association of Huron College.

Sickness of two members of the men's debate teams of Sioux Falls College forced the debaters to cancel their debate.

A Northwest Intercollegiate Debate League has been formed by the Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota Agricultural Colleges.

The Dietetics class of the Home Economics department of Montana Wesleyan gave a dinner in honor of the debaters of that college.

Carl Bemis of South Dakota Delta is more than a debater. On May 12 he gave a graduate trombone recital in the college auditorium.

E. Ray Skinner, one of the chapter members of Oklahoma Alpha, coached the champion high school debating team in Oklahoma last year.

Donald Hoffman and Perry Druschell, charter members of South Dakota Alpha, are now with the Engel Road Drug Company of Canton, S. D.

Ray Spear, graduate member of South Dakota Alpha, writes a most interesting letter in the Phrenocosmian. He is now a missionary in Burma.

Howard McClusky of Missouri Beta played the leading role in a commencement week production of "The Servant in the House" at Park College.

At the closing banquet for the year, South Dakota Alpha reported the largest enrollment in its five year's existence. The chapter numbered twenty-five.

Horace Cushing of California Alpha sang the leading tenor role in "The Chimes of Normandy" given during commencement week at the University of Redlands.

Dakota Wesleyan was host last spring to the National Oratorical Contest of the Interstate Oratorical Association. First place in the contest was won by Wooster University.

Montana Alpha is planning already to send a delegation to the Fourth Biennial Convention. They may send a debate team to return Morningside's visit to them last spring.

Francis Case, graduate member of South Dakota Alpha, and at present assistant editor of the Epworth Herald, is author of a book entitled "Handbook of Church Advertising."

Unless the women of Colorado Agricultural College show more interest in debate, it is feared that the men debaters may have the monopoly on the activity money for the future.

On March 21, Miss Helen Colton and Louis Todnem, both graduate members of South Dakota Alpha, were married. They will live at Winona where Mr. Todnem is coach of debate.

The University of Kansas held its first women's debate last spring when it met a team from the Kansas State Agricultural College. The University was successful with both its teams.