ORATORY

1. Contestants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one orator in the men's and one in the women's contest.

2. Orations. Orations shall not exceed 1200 words in length, and shall contain not more than 120 words of quotations. All orations must be the original work of the contestants. All quotations shall appear definitely as such in the manuscript. Each contestant shall present a typewritten copy of his oration to the National Secretary at the Convention Registration desk on March 26, 1951. The oration delivered in the contest must conform to the manuscript submitted.

3. Contests. The contests shall be held simultaneously, the number of such contests being determined by the number of contestants entered, it being provided that not more than seven speakers shall appear on one program. Each

orator shall appear in four rounds.

4. Method of Judging. Three judges shall be appointed in each contest. Each judge shall rank only the three highest ranking speakers, first, second, and third. In tabulating the results, all other speakers in each contest will be given a ranking of fourh. No judge shall tie two speakers for first, second, or third places. The judges may comment on the speakers at the close of the round, but should not reveal their decisions.

5. Rankings. The orators ranking in the upper 10% will be rated "Superior"; those in the next 20% will be rated "Excellent"; those in the next 30% will be

rated "Good."

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

1. Contestants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one speaker in the men's and one in the women's contest.

2. Subjects. At least two months before the Convention, the National Council shall annonuce a general subject; this subject will be divided into four areas.

3. Subtopics. The Contest Committee shall arrange for the securing of sufficient and suitable subtopics for each of the four areas.

4. Drawings. One hour before the beginning of each contest, the contestants shall draw by lot for subtopics.

- 5. Contests. The rules for these contests shall be the same as those for ora-
- 6. Length of Speeches. Speeches shall not be more than six minutes. Each speaker shall be given a warning by the timekeeper at the expiration of five minutes.
- 7. The Question Period. Each speaker shall be asked one pertinent question by a judge at the close of his original speech. The speaker must answer this question impromptu; maximum time for the answer, two minutes.

8. The Method of Judging. The method of judging shall be the same as

that for oratory.

9. Ranking. The method of ranking shall be the same as for oratory.

DEBATE

- 1. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one team in the men's division and one team in the women's division.
- 2. Substitutions. There may be free substitution of debaters from round to round providing the names of those to be used are included in the entry lists.

3. Question. The official Pi Kappa Delta question shall be used in all de-

bates.

4. Speeches. Each debater shall have two speeches, one of ten minutes and one of five. The affirmative shall introduce the constructive and the negative shall introduce the refutation speeches.

- 5. Rounds. All teams will take part in eight rounds of debate, the pairings of which are to be arranged by the contest committee and posted from round to round.
 - 6. Sides. Each college must debate both sides of the question, alternating sides in succeeding rounds.
 - 7. Decisions. Decisions will be rendered by single judges, who may comment on the debate but who should not announce their decisions to the debaters.
 - 8. Rankings. All teams winning all or seven of the eight rounds shall be awarded the "Superior" rating. All teams winning six debates shall be rated "Excellent". All teams winning five debates shall be given a rating of "Good".
 - 9. Drawing. In order to avoid a drawing in which strong teams will meet only strong teams and weaker teams meet only weaker teams, every fourth team will be seeded on the basis of performance earlier in the year. Under this plan every team will meet two seeded teams and two only during the course of the eight rounds.

DISCUSSION

Each year since disscusion became recognized as an intercollegiate activity, it has gained importance in the minds of those who believe that reflective thinking and constructive reasoning should share the emphasis placed upon advocacy and intentional reasoning. This point of view has been strengthened by the increasing number of national and world problems which have been taken to the committee room in an effort to implement the democratic procedure by stimulating thought in process.

This reflective deliberation of problems in the college tournaments has been frequently—and perhaps justly—criticized for at least two reasons. First, it has been pointed out that cooperation and constructive reasoning which are essential for good discussion have been restricted by rhetorical techniques fostered by a competitive atmosphere. A second criticism has been that the solutions growing out of group discussion have not been adequately evaluated and verified.

In an attempt to refine the methods used in discussion at our national convention this year, and with the hope that this event may become a more realistic and valuable experience for students, some significant changes have been made in the procedure.

DISCUSSION PROCEDURE

SUBJECT	What should be the responsibility of the Federal Government for the welfare of the people of the United States?
ROUND I	Problem-analysis stage. (Defining and limiting the problem. What is the problem? What are its manifestations and how serious is it?)
ROUND II	Problem-solution stage. (What are the causes of the problem? By what criteria would proposed solutions be measured? What possible solutions are there?)
ROUND III	Solution stage. (What is the best solution to the problem? What solution or solutions, in the case of a minority report, does each section wish to recommend?)
CONFERENCE	One committeeman from each section to meet jointly and to

to the various sections.

examine all solutions, eliminate duplications and report back

ROUND IV
CONVENTION
FLOOR

Final consideration of solutions in the discussion sections.

Speeches of advocacy and adoption of solutions by the convention. (Only those entered in discussion are eligible to participate in the debate on the floor. Other delegates form the gallery.)

Rules of Discussion

- l. Four rounds of two hours each plus conference committee and advocacy on convention floor.
- 2. Eight to ten persons per section.
- 3. Each college to be permitted one entry.
- 4. Chairmanship to rotate among members; each chairman to function for one hour.
- 5. One member from each section to be selected in the third round to serve on the conference committee.
- 6. During round four each section should decide what solutions it believes in firmly enough to present for adoption on the convention floor. Since there will be a definite limit on the amount of time given each section during the debate on the floor, each section should decide how it wishes to allot this time among its own members. Majority and minority solutions should be allowed proportionate time.
- 7. Participants in discussion are not to be rated, but one point toward the sweepstakes trophy will be awarded for participation in all rounds or discussion.
- 8. A faculty observer will sit with each section. It shall be his function to check attendance, to serve as a guide in procedure, and to record observations which will be useful in later evaluation of the discussion event.
- 9. A Speaker, Clerk, and Parliamentarian will be appointed from faculty representatives to act during the conference between rounds three and four and during the final speaking on the convention floor.
- 10. The Contest Committee for Discussion will draw up a set of standing rules for the use of participants. Copies will be available at the registration desk in Stillwater. The rules will cover such things as limits on debate, roll call votes, the order of resolutions on the agenda, etc.

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Oratory, Ch., Maurice A. Hess, Emett Long
Men's Debate, Ch., Richard Kruger, Glen Ross
Women's Debate, Ch., Robert A. Forsythe, Georgia Bowman
Men's Extempore, Ch., Harkness, Robert Capel
Women's Extempore, Ch., Glenn Capp, William Schrier
Discussion, Ch., Larry Norton, Franklin Shirley
Resolutions, Ch., Dana Burns, Paul Rosser, M. G. Christopherson
Convention Invitations, Ch., C. Van Emmerick, Forrest Rose, Ted Karl
Constitutional Revision, Ch., Ted Levander, Charles T. Battin, Ira G. Morrison
Nomination, Ch., Martin Holcomb, Roy Murphy, John Ackley
Research, Ch., Paul Crawford, Alfred Westfall

Convention Host, Harry L. Anderson Judges Committee, Ch., Ted Nelson



James E. Bradshaw and David Bridge who received excellent and superior raing in the November Discussion Tournament at the University of Alabama talk over with their coach, Herman Pinkerton plans for the Pi Kappa Delta National.



James Wilson and Holt Spicer of the University of Redlands rest between round in one of their tournaments. As sophemores last year they got to the nintround of the West Point Tournament. They are planning strategy that will make it difficult for the teams they meet.



The strong squad from Northern Illinois State Teachers College enroute to one of the tournaments they are entering to prepare for the National Pi Kappa Delta Tournament. At the Bradley Tournament thirteen out of twenty-six won ratings of superior or excellent.

Is Your Chapter On This List?

S. R. TOUSSAINT, National Secretary

No chapter may miss two consecutive national conventions. This is not the action of your national officers but is a requirement of the constitution. (read Article V Division A Section 13 page 12) Convention attendance is defined as answering present to roll call at not less than two business sessions of the convention, one of which must be the final session. The following chapters were not officially at the Peoria convention in 1949 and will have to be represented at Stillwater in 1951. This does not mean that they have to have a debate team or other contestants entered in the convention contests. Some of the chapters listed below had delegations at Peoria but they did not attend the business sessions and answer to roll call.

Alabama Gamma, Spring Hill College

Arizona Alpha, Flagstaff

Arizona Beta, Tempe

Arkansas Alpha, Henderson State Teachers

Arkansas Beta, Quachita

California Gamma, California Inst of Technology

California Epsilon, UCLA

Connecticut Alpha, University of Connecticut

Florida Beta, John B. Stetson

Illinois Alpha, Illinois Wesleyan

Illinois Nu, Western State (Macomb)

Illinois Omicron, De Paul

Indiana Alpha, Franklin

Iowa Zeta, Parsons

Iowa Iota, Westmar

Kansas Mu, Bethany

Kansas Xi, Bethel

Louisiana Delta, Louisiana Polytechnic

Maine Alpha, Colby

Michigan Eta, University of Detroit

Mississippi Alpha, Millsaps

Missouri Beta, Park

Missouri Lambda, Missouri Valley

Missouri Mu, Tarkio Missouri Nu, Drury

North Carolina Alpha, North Carolina State

North Carolina Delta, Lenoir Rhyne

North Dakota Alpha, Jamestown

Ohio Alpha, Baldwin-Wallace

Ohio Gamma, Hiram

Ohio Zeta, Marietta

Oklahoma Beta, Tulsa

Oklahoma Gamma, Oklahoma Baptist

Pennsylvania Gamma, Seton Hill

South Carolina Epsilon, The Citadel

Tennessee Gamma, Johnson City

Texas Alpha, Southwestern University

Texas Beta, Trinity

Texas Gamma, East Texas State (Commerce)

Texas Delta, Howard-Payne

Texas Lambda, San Marcos

Texas Mu, Stephen F. Austin

Texas Nu, Texas A and I

West Virginia Alpha, West Virginia Wesleyan

Wisconsin Alpha, Ripon Wisconsin Beta, Carroll

Wisconsin Gamma, State Teachers, Oshkosh Wisconsin Epsilon, State Teachers, Whitewater

In addition the following new chapters will be required to be in attendance at this the first convention following the installation of their chapters:

Oklahoma Kappa, Phillips University Mississippi Delta, Mississippi Southern

West Virginia Beta, Marshall

Oklahoma Lambda, Northeastern State (Tahlequah)

Wisconsin Zeta, State Teachers (Eau Claire)

Minnesota Theta, St. Mary's

Oklahoma Mu, Southwestern State (Weatherford)

North Carolina Epsilon, Appalachian State

This list is not published in a spirit of threat or condemnation; it is designed to give information which may later prevent misunderstanding or unfortunate convention action. Plan now to attend the convention at Stillwater but if it is absolutely impossible get in touch at once with the National President, Sherod J. Collins, explaining the factors which will prevent your being represented.

Bittinger Becomes President Of McPherson College

On July 1, 1950 Doctor Desmond W. Bittinger became President of McPherson College. He earned his degree of Special Distinction in Pi Kappa Delta while he was Debate Coach at McPherson College from 1940 to 1944. He served as Editor of THE GOSPEL MESSENGER from 1944 to 1950.

Doctor Bittinger holds the degrees of A.B. from Elizabethtown College in 1927; A.M. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1934; and Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Pennsylvania in 1940. He also attended the University of Illinois and the University of Chicago.

His Publications include: IN THE LAND OF THE MONKEYBREAD TREE, SUDAN'S SECOND SUNUP, BLACK AND WHITE IN THE SUDAN, THE

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, SNOWBALL COMES TO THE EARLY FAMILY, AN EDUCA-TIONAL EXPERIMENT IN THE SUDAN.

As a charter member of Kansas Omicron at McPherson he brings to the faculty with him two other charter members, Jack Kough, who becomes Director of Public Relations, and Guy Hayes, who becomes Director of the Rural Life program. He retains Roy McAuley as Debate Coach and Maurice A. Hess as Sponsor of Pi Kappa Delta, thus assuring a continuance of the McPherson Forensic tradition.



Desmond W. Bittinger

Watch These Speakers At Stillwater



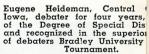
ald Bruggink, Central College, vs. fourth year debater, holder of Degree of Special Distinction, and winner of honors in debate.

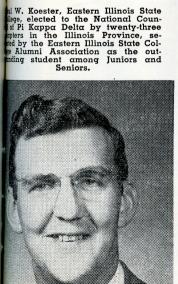


Myrtle Chitty, Washington State College, Senior, winner of both the Junior and Senior Women's Championships in the Linfield College Tournaments, has participated in fiftynine debates in three years.



Guy VanderJagt, Hope College, of the Province of the Lakes, Pro Extemp Contest and of the M State Extemp Contest, popular before service clubs, church and high school commencen







Watch These Too!





Dan Craig, Darrell Wilson, Roger Schrader, and Jack Ryan of Westminster College will represent Westminster College in debate at the National. Schrader and Ryan were the only undefeated team in the December Tournament at Kirksville State Teachers College.



Harvey Martens, Earl Stucke, George Platte, Jerome Miles, South Dakota State College, winners of the debate championship at the Province of the Sioux Tournament 1949-50.







Helen Peterson, Junior at Luther College, Iowa, winner of first place in the Iowa State Oratorical Contest, and finalist in the Interstate Oratorical Contest at Northwestern University.



Calvin Cannon, and Ted Clevenger, winners of a number of debate tournaments. Clevenger at the Southern Speech Association Tournament in 1949-50 won first places in oratory, extemporaneous speaking, and poetry reading, and second in debate.



Morgan Kjer, and Robert Jenson, winners of superior ratings at a number of debate tournaments, and extemporary speaking contests, among them the Bradley Tournament, the Grand Western Tournament at Northwestern Unviersity, together in 1949-50 they won a total of sixty-nine debates and lost seventeen.



Getting Ready For The National



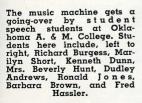
Colorado Aggie Squad analyzes the arguments for and against a new world organization.



Norma Little, Stanley Rives, Elon Kleinau, Marvin Kleinau, Donald McConkey, and Sam Wahlfeldt are likely to be among the representatives from the Illinois State Normal University at Stillwater. Donald McConkey, and Elon Kleinau were undefeated at the Northwestern University Tournament in 1949-50.



James Rooney, and Thomas Kennelly represent the College of St. Thomas. At the National in 1949 they received a rating of excellent with six wins and two losses. Last year they were undefeated both at the Northwestern University Tournament, and the Delta Sigma Rho Tournament.





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Wake Forest College
Lenoir Rhyne College
Appalachian State Teachers College

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Baldwin-Wallace College Heidelberg Hiram College University of Akron Otterbein College

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William Paton

Not installed

J. T. von Trebra, Whitewater

Grace Walsh, Eau Claire

Chapter Notes

At the first of three tournaments of the 1950-51 year to be held on the Northern Idaho College of Education campus Idaho Beta placed second in men's debate.

Under the direction of Doctor Harvey Cromwell, Head of the Department of Speech at Mississippi State College for Women, an active Forensic program has been scheduled for the 1950-51 year. The Third Mississippi Youth Congress, Millsaps College Debate Tournament at Jackson have brought honors and recognition to the speakers from Mississippi Gamma, Students who have been active in the Forensic program are Kent Flowers, Lenore Loving, Dorothy Hammit, Sara Barry, Mary Alice Goings, Dororthea Drane, Valerie Threlkeld, Melba Wilcox, Iean Wilson, and Judy Garrettson.

Florida Gamma of the University of Miami entertained the combined British debate team of Gwinn Williams of University College of North Wales, and Alwyn Smith of the University of Birmingham on Monday evening, November 20. Beaumont Lecture Hall was filled to overflowing, and more than two hundred people were turned away. Carl Cohen, and Murray Shear represented Miami University taking the negative side of the topic, "Resolved, that the public ownership of basic industries is in the best interests of the democratic society".

The College of St. Catherine sent representatives to the Bradley University Tournament where Lael Dudley took top honors in after dinner speaking. Under the direction of Robert A. Forsythe, Director of Forensics, the College of St. Catherine plans a heavy schedule of six tournaments prior to the National Pi Kappa Delta Convention at Stillwater.

Under the direction of National President, Sherod Collins, the Eleventh Annual Midwest Speech Tournament was held at Kirksville State Teachers College on December 1 and 2. There were seventeen colleges attending. In the Men's Division a team from Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri was undefeated. In the Women's Division a team from Bradley University was undefeated. Tom Sloan, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois won the after dinner speaking contest.

Pi Kappa Delta was well represented at the National Convention of the Speech Association of America held in New York City, December 27-30. President Sherod Collins of Kirksville, Larry Norton of Bradley University, E. R. Nichols of Redlands, Lincoln Holmes of I.S.N.U., Theodore Nelson of St. Olaf, Emil Pfister of Central Michigan, and Wilbur Moore were all frequently seen in the corridors as well as in the meetings.

Gerrit J. Diekema, Orator



Gerrit I. Diekema

When the late Paxton Hibben published a life of William Jennings Bryan he described it as "The Biography of a Voice." There was irony in the phrase, because Hibben had little love for Bryan the man. Dr. William Schrier's book, GERRIT I. DIEK-EMA, ORATOR is likewise essentially the "biography of a voice," but even the faintest suggestion of irony is absent from the title. For although the book is an objective study, the author plainly reveals by implication that he admires the man he discusses and that he has done his work in a spirit of sympathetic interest.

Dr. Schrier disclaims any intention of writing a "biography in the ordinary sense"; his concern is with

Diekema as an orator, and biography is incidental. Since however any man's public expression reflects the speaker with peculiar intimacy, an excellent portrait of Diekema the man develops as the story of Diekema the orator unfolds. The author calls it a "specialized kind of biography," and that describes the book accurately. In this volume Dr. Schrier has succeeded in bringing to life on the printed page a man who, during his long career, was one of the best known Holland-Americans of his day.

The book deserves the sympathetic interest not merely of readers who are of Dutch descent but all of those who believe that our national culture has many roots. This "specialized" biography of a very eloquent voice deserves a place on the book shelves of all who are attracted by the infinite variety of expression in America, but in a special way of those who take pride in being Americans from Holland.

—From the FOREWORD by Dr. Arnold Mulder, Dept. of English, Kalamazoo College; Author of AMERICANS FROM HOLLAND (Lippincott).

In the academic world, the penalities for being unintelligible are less severe than those for being too popular. Therefore a kind of snobbery has often developed, by which professors are proud of not 'appealing to the masses.'

-Allen Walker Read