

erican colleges will have to co-operate more closely with the National Student Federation, refusing to meet teams not under its management.

Another possible solution is that teams which have less drawing power than the Oxford teams be composed of two members instead of three. Sixty-seven colleges out of the ninety-one who replied definitely to my question on this point expressed no strong preference for three-man teams. Many of them strongly prefer two-man teams. A two-man team could, obviously, travel more cheaply, making possible a reduction in the guarantee required to cover expenses.

Again, if closer cooperation with the National Student Federation made it possible for each foreign team to have more debates, it would also make possible better schedules with fewer long railroad trips between colleges. This, too, would cut down expenses.

IV. Whatever is done about finances, one other matter, at least, should receive immediate attention: the calibre of foreign teams. Although the topic was not mentioned in my questionnaire, eight coaches offered the comment that some teams have been noticeably inferior. The Union of British Students team and the University of Sydney team of 1928 were specifically censured; and one college reported, "The only unsuccessful debate we have ever had was with the Porto Rican team." When an American college pays \$125 and expenses to a foreign team, it has a right to expect first rate speakers.

It would seem to be the duty of the National Student Federation and other managers of the foreign teams, to make sure that the questions for debate are clearly stated; that the questions have some interest to American audiences, that the men chosen for the visiting teams be first rate speakers, and that they express a willingness to prepare themselves to discuss the selected questions intelligently. In forty-one American colleges, as the answers to the questionnaire show, to have an international debate means to cut down the usual schedule of home debates considerably or to do without a trip for the college's own debaters. Thirteen such colleges, which have had the good fortune to meet the better foreign teams, volunteered the comment that the sacrifice was worth while. If it were always worth while, there would be a great deal less criticism of international debates.

Professor Arthur L. Brandon, who was last year in charge of debating at the Oklahoma Baptist University, is now at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

Clifford Miller, member of Pi Kappa Delta, of the Kansas Nu Chapter, of Kansas State Teachers College, has recently won a prize of \$250.00 in a national essay contest sponsored by the General Federation of Women's Clubs, on the subject, "Why Should I Vote?"

COST OF ORATORY AND DEBATE

This is an investigation authorized and sponsored by the third annual convention of the Missouri and Kansas associations of debate coaches as reported to the fourth annual convention.

The purpose was to ascertain what is the average cost of debate and oratory in a representative group out of average sized colleges.

The colleges of investigation are: Nebraska Wesleyan University, Kansas State Agricultural College, College of Emporia, Missouri Valley College, Heidelberg University, Park College, Southwestern College, Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia, Morningside College, MacPherson College, Michigan State College, Central College of Missouri, University of Redlands, Bethel College, Kansas State Teachers College of Pittsburg, Kansas State Teachers College of Hays, St. Olaf College, Ottawa University, South Dakota State College, Monmouth College, Hastings College, Sterling College, Hamline University, the College of St. Thomas and William Jewell College.

The results of this investigation has produced the following information:

1. The average number of debates a year for these colleges is 23 intercollegiate contests. This means that the ordinary intercollegiate debate season should include about twenty-three debates a year with other institutions.

2. The number of debates on a local campus on an average is only eight a year and the number of debates off the campus average fifteen intercollegiate contests a year. This difference in the number arises from the fact that many institutions are now holding contests before civic clubs, before the high schools and before organizations in towns other than the city in which the institution is located.

3. The average budget for forensics is \$732.00 a year. This means that on an average colleges of the type investigated spend for intercollegiate contests \$732.00 a year.

4. The average budget for oratory alone is \$127.00 a year.

5. The average cost of a debate whether it is held at home or off the campus is \$28.00.

6. Fourteen of the twenty-five schools do not purchase for the members of Fi Kappa Delta their keys. Nine of the schools do pay for the Pi Kappa Delta keys.

7. In only four of the twenty-five schools does the school itself through the administration of the institution give anything to forensics. In only one school does the administration give more to forensics than the students

do. And in only one are the two amounts equal. In other words the students themselves finance all forensic activities except the salary of the coach. In no institution was the amount of money received as gate receipts appreciable. In other words the students of each institution with only these few exceptions paid for all forensic activities. Whether this is a healthy or unhealthy sign no questionnaire stated.

8. The average salary of the debate coaches of the twenty-four replying was \$2583.00 a year. The highest salary paid to a public speaking teacher was \$4,000.00 a year, and the lowest salary was \$200.00 a year.

9. In these twenty-five schools the student body in activity fees, collected from themselves for forensics a total of \$17,000.00. The salaries for coaches in these twenty-four schools the same year was \$61,997.00.

10. The amount of the activity fees apportioned to forensics varied from \$3.60 per student to \$.24 per student. An average was not obtainable on account of the fact that the presentation of the activity fee was given in such a way that the investigator could not always determine what the exact amount was. It seems, however, that the approximate average per student for an activity fee for forensics would be about \$1.00.

WATCH US GROW

Membership No. 9530, issued to William P. Gauss, Illinois Delta, Bradley Tech.

Last key, No. 6830, to William Gauss.

A GREAT EDUCATOR ENDORSES DEBATING

"I see it most clearly when I try to single out from a long line of students some one group which shall stand forth as intellectually the best—best in college work and best in promise for future intellectual development. Much as I should like to do so, I can not draw the line around my own favorite students in philosophy, nor the leaders in mathematics, nor those successful in biology; nor can I fairly award the palm to the Phi Beta Kappa men who have excelled in all their subjects. It seems to me that stronger than any other group, tougher in intellectual fibre, keener in intellectual interest, better equipped to battle with coming problems, are the college debaters—the men, who, apart from their regular studies, band themselves together for intellectual controversy with each other and with their friends from other colleges."

ALEXANDER MEIKLEJOHN,

Former President, Amherst College.

Interest In Pre-Convention Debates

Oklahoma Teams Win Tri-State Debate Meet.—Phillips and Tulsa
Defeat Large Field of College Debaters.

The Editor has before him reports of debating tournaments being held in various sections of Pi Kappa Delta land. There is apparently great interest in debating. No doubt this early interest is due in part to the fact that teams throughout the country are getting ready for keen competition at Wichita.

Under the leadership of Dean Leroy Allen, Coach of Southwestern College Debaters, of Winfield, Kansas, a most successful Tri-State Debate Tournament was held in December. The story given below, taken from The Southwestern Collegian, indicates something of the wide-spread pre-convention debating.

Park College and Friends Win Second; Builders Do Well.

Phillips University of Enid, Oklahoma, won from Park College, Parkville, Mo., to take first place in men's debate in the inter-collegiate debate tournament. Tulsa University's women's team defeated Friends University of Wichita, taking first place in women's debate.

Entering the semi-finals in men's debate were Baker, Bethany, Wichita U., Park and Phillips. Bethany won over Baker, but was defeated by Phillips. Wichita U. lost to Park.

Friends, Sterling and Tulsa entered the finals in women's debate. The awards in both cases were silver loving cups, presented by the Winfield Chamber of Commerce.

The Southwestern men's teams each won two debates, and lost one, while one of the women's teams won two debates and lost one, and the other won one and lost two. Each member of the Southwestern debate squad was given a chance to debate in the tournament.

The tournament was a regular elimination tournament, but each team had three debates, regardless of its victories or losses before the elimination began. In the final rounds only those teams which had won all three of their first three rounds participated.

The debates were judged by visiting debate coaches, Southwestern faculty members, and professional men of Winfield.

There were about one hundred and fifty debaters entered in the tournament, not counting coaches, officials or visitors. There were 23 women's teams, and 42 men's teams. There were thirty colleges from Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma represented. Out of a total of 111 debates, 54 were affirmative, 57 negative.

The debaters were registered and given room assignments in the college dormitories, and in college hill homes when they arrived. They were also provided with a map of the city, a Southwestern catalog, and a copy of the rules of the tournament.

MORE IMPRESSIONS OF THE ENGLISH DEBATERS

Impressions of the 1929 Oxford Debate Team
By Casper Harvey, William Jewell

The 1929 Oxford University debate team met a William Jewell team in a non-decision debate at Liberty before a crowd of more than one thousand persons in which were the debate squads and coaches from 36 high schools of Missouri and Kansas. My impressions—what are they? the editor asks.

As speakers they know how to make direct contact with their audiences better than nine-tenths of American debate teams. Underneath all their wit and repartee there was an undercurrent of logic and thought. Mr. Diplock, who spoke second and who gave the rebuttal, was especially profound in his main speech. They seem unafraid of letting fallacies pass unnoticed; this is something that American debaters could well emulate, i. e., the gross ones that make only a verbal point.

I would not compare the American debate team unfavorably with them

Editor's Note.—We hope our readers are not becoming tired of our reference to the visiting Englishmen and the English style of debating. As we stated a year ago in the pages of *The Forensic* we believe that American debaters can learn something of real value from the English debaters, not because they are better debaters (in some respects we in America do not believe they are), but because their style is different. It is very different. And, while there is something about the style of American debaters which we feel is highly commendatory, we believe the English style of debating because it is different should be studied by our own American speakers. There is danger of the American debater becoming too matter-of-fact. He is apt to make debating too serious. He is very apt to lose the attention of his audience—if he is fortunate enough to secure an audience in the first place—by covering them with an impenetrable fog of statistics. Much has been said and written for and against both the American and English style of debate. We feel that there is a danger in accepting or entirely discarding either style to the credit or discredit of the other. As young speakers, would it not be advantageous to try both styles? As amateurs in the field of public speaking, we may by trying this style, find our own best individual style.

Furthermore, we are firmly convinced that English and American debating should continue for many reasons. One of these reasons is that through such relationships we may help to promote international good will between, not only participants, but those who are sufficiently interested to follow in any degree such competition. A while ago America had the honor to welcome to this country England's great Premier, J. Ramsay

—the better intercollegiate team. Both attempt two different styles. One appeals to the audience; the other tries to appeal to the supreme court legal type of mind. Our debate coach, Professor Ewing, tried to blend the two types in the William Jewell speeches.

One thing stands out, however, and that is that the general culture of the Englishmen was far above that of the better American intercollegiate debate team. They have read more, absorbed more, and observe with a broader vision. Some few American debaters equal them, but most fall far short.

American teams could learn much in audience appeal from their English cousins.

The following comment concerning the English debaters comes from Professor Joseph Baccus, Coach of Debate at Hastings College, where the Oxford team appeared in November:

The debaters, it seemed to me, either showed the influence of their debates in this country previous to the debate here, or there is an influence gradually permeating the English debate unions, from their contact with American debaters. They were good analysts, quick to pick up points of view, and more liberal than we ordinarily think of the Britisher as being.

MacDona'd. Our great President discussed with this great Englishman the possibilities of English-American understanding and the future peace of the world. Let us not lose sight of the value from these international contests, through the cloud of criticism which has resulted from difference of opinion on the matter of whether the United States should guarantee expenses of these visitors, while at the same time American debaters going to England, are not so royally treated. We feel that there remains something to be desired in the matter of arrangements for the convenience of American debaters abroad, and we should like to see the American debaters placed on more equal opportunity with our English friends in the financial consideration.

The Editor of The Forensic is making some investigations just now, looking to a possible better understanding with our visiting English debaters and with those organizations promoting international debate. One matter with which we are concerning ourselves is that of selection of American teams to represent America. From the correspondence we have received we know there are many others interested in this particular phase of the problem. Later, from our study in this field, we hope to give our readers additional information on the problem.

We shall be glad to have suggestions from coaches or other members of Pi Kappa Delta, or indeed, from friends everywhere interested in promoting better international debating. We are giving below comment which we have received from some Pi Kappa Delta schools who have answered our request for same.

[Oxford at Gustavus. By Milton E. Bergstrand, President
Minnesota Gamma, P. K. D.]

The three gentlemen from "the center of the world's culture and learning", namely Oxford, had good long pedigrees. The first speaker, Richard Acland, intends to become a barrister. His family have had representatives in Parliament the past five generations. The second speaker, Bernard McKenna, is now engaged in writing a thesis on the Greek novel, and in studying law. The third speaker, W. J. K. Diplock, also studying law, has been active in the field of authorship, having written a biography of "The Prince of Wales", another of "The Duke of York", and is now writing a book on "The Future of Oxford." Knowing their lineage and scholastic pursuits helps us to understand these visiting debaters.

We at Gustavus were struck by the democratic spirit of these men. The moment they stepped off the train, for example, they were heartily shaking hands and introducing themselves. There was nothing "put on" about either their dress or their actions.

Diplock is a staunch Tory politically and thinks Democracy is nonsense.

McKenna, the Irishman, is a heavy smoker, burning up three cigars in the afternoon, and smoking his pipe right before and after the debate.

The gentlemen were very well read. That was apparent. They could converse intelligently on almost any subject and argued amongst themselves on topics that are way above the subjects discussed by the average American undergraduate.

In the afternoon they were taken to visit the State Insane Hospital located at St. Peter. They enjoyed this trip, and one of them remarked that he had "never seen so many typical Americans gathered together at one place before".

The auditorium was filled for the debate; the Oxford lads were certainly good crowd-drawers, and the audience "got a kick" out of the debate.

In the debate there was no time limit, and though they spoke not overly long, they took their time. Statistics were absent in their speeches—they would rather talk principles. Their delivery was a bit emotionless and passionless compared with the fire of some American debating. They don't seem to stress gestures and modulation, etc., the way we do here in the States.

True to reports, the Oxfordians had a vast repertoire of jokes and witticisms. They maintained that America was living in The Golden Age—she had the gold, and the age would come in time. Humorously they related their cross-examination before being granted entrance into this land of ours.

With regard to propositions for debate they lean to the lighter type, they said. For example: "Resolved, That This is the Best of All Possible Worlds."

All in all, 'twas a mighty interesting contact to have the opportunity of entertaining these visitors from Oxford. I believe, personally, there lies one manner for development of international understanding and good-will.

HOWARD-PAYNE COLLEGE SCHEDULE OF DEBATES

The Howard-Payne College debating schedule for 1930 includes, not only many schools, but some of the very best in the whole land. However, plans are now being made to have a good team to meet each of the opposing teams. Howard-Payne College has a national reputation in debates, and the local Pi Kappa Delta is trying to hold this record through the coming year.

Debates

- Baylor College (women) at Belton. Probable date, February 10.
- Trinity University (women) at Waxahachie. Probable date, February 11th.
- C. I. A. (women) at Denton. Probable date, February 12th.
- North Texas Teachers (women) at Denton. Probable date February 12.
- North Texas Teachers (women) at Brownwood, tentative.
- Sull Ross (women) at Brownwood, tentative.
- Simmons University (women) at Abilene, tentative.
- San Marcos Teachers (men) at San Marcos, date tentative.
- St. Edwards University (men) at Austin, date tentative.
- McMurry College (men) at Brownwood, date probably March 10.
- Abilene Christian College (men) at Brownwood, date tentative.
- Trinity University (men) at Brownwood, probable date February 27th.
- Baylor University (men) at Brownwood, tentative.
- A. & M. (men) at Brownwood, tentative.
- North Texas Teachers at Brownwood, (men) date tentative.
- Sam Houston Teachers at Brownwood, (men) tentative.
- Sull Ross Teachers at Brownwood, (men) tentative.
- Simmons University, at Brownwood, (men) tentative.
- Austin College at Brownwood, (men) tentative.
- College of the Pacific, Stockton, California, (men) at Brownwood, tentative.
- Weber College, Ogden, Utah, (men) at Brownwood, date tentative.

At the convention of the National Association of Teachers of Speech this year (to be held in New York City during the Christmas holidays) particular attention will be given to a discussion of the problems of the beginning course in speech in colleges, universities, and high schools. The Committee on the Advancement of Speech in Secondary Schools has been very active during the last year, and will make a report of its activities, together with recommendations for the promotion of publicity of the affairs and interests of the National Association of Teachers of Speech. The program on Speech Pathology and Speech Correction, which has been drawn up by Dr. Elmer L. Kenyon, Chairman of the American Society for the Study of Disorders of Speech, is exceptionally strong. An interesting program on Speech and the Radio is to be given through cooperation with the Special Committee of the American Academy of Arts and Letters.—The Platform World.

AMONG FORENSIC FOLK

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

CALIFORNIA

Alpha

With the victory of Blossom Mills in the women's extempore contest of the colleges and universities of southern California, and with the added, more recent victory of Edwin Espy in the men's extempore contest of the same group of colleges, Redlands University has a clear claim to the extemporaneous championship of southern California. Espy won the distinction of winning four first places and one second of five judges' decisions. Miss Mills through her winning brings to Redlands University the trophy annually awarded to the school with the champion woman extempore speaker, which trophy will be held by the winning school for one year.—University of Redlands Campus.

Gamma

The California Gamma chapter broke through the footlights for a real dramatic success in their presentation recently of "Andria, a rollicking Roman farce."—The California Tech.

IDAHO

Alpha

The "I" club at the College of Idaho have decided to award a silver pin in the shape of the regulation "I" to those who make the team for the first time. A gold pin of the same design is to be awarded for second year debaters, while those holding places on the team for three years are to receive a white gold pin set with pearls. No awards have previously been given for inter-collegiate debating here.—College Coyote.

ILLINOIS

Alpha

Illinois Wesleyan University will send two debaters to the national convention. En route, they will debate several teams, going as far south as Shawnee, Oklahoma.—The Argus.

Gamma

The varsity debate squad at Carthage College is composed of eight men, five of whom have in previous years received letters for achievement in debate.—The College paper.

Zeta

The Zeta chapter of Monmouth College, Illinois, recommends to other chapters the use of the melodrama, "Nevada, or The Lost Mine," which they presented there with great success. They advise us that the play is "different." It offers unusual opportunities for clever advertising of the old type. They state that much fun was "had by all" in the presentation and that incidentally they cleared \$228 with which to help pay expenses to the national convention at Wichita.

Eta

Full major credit is given to members of the debating squad in the Illinois State Normal University.—The Vidette.

Theta

At McKendree College, all students who try out for debate are retained on the squad so that they may have an opportunity in later contests to prove themselves. The tryouts here are unique in that none

of the candidates know until a few minutes before the contest which side of the proposition they are to defend.—The McKendree Review.

Iota

In the annual Freshman-Sophomore debate at North Central College the Freshmen were victorious.—The College Chronicle.

INDIANA

Alpha

The men's debate schedule of Franklin College includes tentative dates with Purdue, Manchester, Hanover and Notre Dame. Definite arrangements have been made with teams at Terre Haute, Munsey, Taylor, Wabash, and Evansville. The women's teams are scheduled to meet Miami and De Pauw University and are planning contests with Butler, Cincinnati, Indiana Central and Dennison.—The Franklin.

IOWA

Delta

Morningside College will include among others in its debate schedule this year contests with Drake, Simpson, Iowa State Teachers, Western Union, and the University of South Dakota.

Morningside will use the Oregon plan in a number of its contests this year. This plan entails the cross-questioning of debaters rather than the formal rebuttals as usually used.—Collegian Reporter.

Epsilon

In the inter-frat debates held during the first two weeks of December at Simpson College, the question, "Resolved, that distinction in scholarship is more desirable than distinction in outside activities," was used. Each team was permitted two defeats before being eliminated.—The Simpsonian.

Eta

At Upper Iowa University prizes totaling fifty dollars are available through the Fawcett oratorical contest.—The Collegian.

Kappa

Buena Vista College as usual has arranged for quite an extensive debate schedule. They include in this year's itinerary Waldorf, Western Union, Augustana, Sioux Falls College, Yankton, Cornell, Penn, and John Fletcher.—Buena Vista Tack.

(The college paper of the Iowa Kappa chapter has a good editorial on forensics. Among other points mentioned is included a statement of appreciation for membership in Pi Kappa Delta. Buena Vista's active forensic schedule indicates their interest. Two years ago this chapter entertained the Sioux Province when we of the Sioux learned that the people of "the tall corn state" could entertain as well as debate.—The Editor.)

Mu

Nine men and three women were picked for the varsity debate squad in tryouts held at Drake University in December. The first contest of the season was a no-decision tilt with Denver University. Drake's debate itinerary will include later contests with Ames, Missouri University, Iowa State Teachers, Morningside, South Dakota University, Marquette University, a radio debate with the Chicago Kent College of Law, Northwestern University, Cornell and Grinnell.—Drake Delphic.

KANSAS

Beta

At Washburn College a semester of collegiate argumentation is required before a debater can be assured of a place on the first squad.—The Washburn Review.

Zeta

In the annual Freshman-Sophomore debate held at Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia, the Freshman team won the decision by a 4 to 1 vote.—The Bulletin.

Eta

The Kansas Wesleyan debate squad participated in the tri-state

debate tournament held at Southwestern University on December 6 and 7.—Wesleyan Advance.

Theta

The department of speech of Kansas State Teachers College annually sponsors the high school debate tournament. In the meet held there recently, 124 debaters, composing 31 teams and representing 180 schools, participated. More teams were present in this year's tournament than in former ones. As special incentive to the visiting high school debaters, a debate between Oxford University and a team from Kansas State Teachers College was held. This debate was to be on the same question as that discussed by the high school students and was expected to afford an example of American and English oratory for the visitors.—The Collegio.

Iota

The College of Emporia debate squad, under the direction of Professor J. H. Lawrence who piloted the C. of E. team to the national championship in 1926, is already hard at work in preparation for the next national convention.—College Life.

Lambda

Pi Kappa Delta took charge of a chapel assembly at Sterling College recently in which they gave as their program a sketch prophesying what Sterling would do in the national Pi Kappa Delta convention to be held in Wichita. As presented in this sketch, Sterling was represented as carrying away all trophies, cups and other awards.

If this were all we knew about Sterling, we might be excused from taking them seriously. On further pursuance of their college paper, we note that they are scheduled to make a tour through Nebraska for the men's debate team, a tour through Missouri for the women. They have already competed in the tri-state debate tournament held at Winfield and are making big plans for the national convention.

Mu

(See article in this issue under the heading, "Is Debating a Lost Art?")

Nu

The Kansas Nu chapter of Pi Kappa Delta were represented by two teams in the tri-state debate tournament held at Winfield, Kansas, December 6 and 7.—K. S. T. C. Leader.

KENTUCKY

Alpha

Professor Newbolt of Georgetown College has indicated that he expects to take to the convention at Wichita a boy's debating team, an orator, and possibly a girl's debating team.—The Georgetownian.

LOUISIANA

Alpha

At Louisiana College the names of the two highest ranking speakers in the final local debates will be engraved on the Pi Kappa Delta Debating Cup.—The Wildcat.

Beta

Dr. Steger, debating coach at Centenary College, has contracted for eight inter-collegiate debates for this season. More debates will be arranged for as additional numbers of debaters require an enlarged program.—The Conglomerate.

MAINE

Alpha

Colby College, upholding the affirmative of the jury question, made an auspicious start in its series of inter-collegiate debates by defeating Tufts College by the unanimous decision, 3 to 0.—The Echo.

MICHIGAN

Epsilon

Michigan State Normal College is preparing for an extensive forensic program. In addition to an enlarged program for the varsity debaters,

State Normal is to have a Freshman schedule this year.—Normal College News.

Zeta

The College of the City of Detroit among other intercollegiate debate contests will meet teams who are members of the Michigan intercollegiate conference and a number of other colleges and universities outside of the state, including Butler and Purdue.—The Detroit Collegian.

MINNESOTA

Alpha

Macalester College expects to send both a men's and a women's debate team to the convention at Wichita, as well as an extempore speaker and an orator.—The Mac Weekly.

Beta

St. Olaf College inaugurated a new system of judging in their local inter-society debates this year. The plan comprises the use of a score-card by both judges and audience. They expect to use this system in connection with the critic judge system also.—The Manitou Messenger.

(See "St. Olaf Score Card" in an article under this heading elsewhere.)

Gamma

A debate team from Gustavus-Adolphus clashed with a visiting team from Oxford University on the question of the retention of trial by jury in criminal cases and cases involving capital punishment.—The College Paper.

(See article in this issue by a member of the Oxford team).

Delta

The Minnesota Delta Chapter debaters of the men's teams have entered into a series of non-decision practice matches. Teams have already met with debaters from South Dakota State College and MacAles-ter College.—The Hamline Oracle.

MISSISSIPPI

Alpha

Millsaps College, our new Mississippi Alpha Chapter, is planning to hold at least one inter-sectional debate this season.—The College Paper.

MISSOURI

Alpha

Twenty-five men of the forty who engaged in debate try-outs at Westminster College have been selected to make up this year's debate teams.—The Fortnightly.

Gamma

Using the Pi Kappa Delta questions as their battle ground, Central College debate team met Washburn College in a pre-season debate held there on December 14.—The Central Collegian.

Eta

Central State Teachers College was represented by ten members of their forensic group at the South-western College pre-season debate tournament.—The Student.

MONTANA

Beta

To avoid repeated discussion before Bozeman audiences, many local debates will be taken to neighboring towns.—The Weekly Exponent.

NEBRASKA

Beta

Robert Hanson, representing Cotner College in the State Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest, won second place in the meet held on December 13. William Brown, of Nebraska Wesleyan, won first place.—Cotner Collegian.

Gamma

Doane College was host, through its Department of Speech and the local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, to the visiting colleges' members of the Nebraska Inter-collegiate Forensic Association in their state meeting held in December. The following institutions, in addition to Doane College,

were represented: Grand Island, Kearney, Nebraska Wesleyan and Cotner College.—The Doane Owl.

Delta

Hastings College debaters changed the opinion of their audience sufficiently to give them a victory over Oxford University in an audience decision debate held at Hastings College. The question used was: "Resolved that the jury is unnecessary for the administration of justice.—The Hastings Collegian.

NORTH CAROLINA

Alpha

More than thirty-five students have tried out for debate in North Carolina State College. This is the largest number in the history of the school.—The Technician.

OHIO

Epsilon

Conference debates, in which Otterbein College, won one and lost three, used the question: "Resolved that the present extent of modern advertising is to be deplored."—The Tan and Cardinal.

OKLAHOMA

Beta

The Tulsa University women were victorious in the women's tournament of the tri-state debate meet held at Southwestern University in December.

Delta

The Oklahoma Delta Chapter were represented in the inter-collegiate debate tournament sponsored by Southwestern College.—The Northwestern.

Zeta

Try-outs for debate teams at Oklahoma College for Women were held November 20, at which two persons each for the affirmative and negative teams for the season were chosen. Three alternates were selected at this time.—The Trend.

PENNSYLVANIA

Alpha

In addition to the Pi Kappa Delta question, Grove City College will use the following: "Resolved that the United States Government should own and operate the hydro-electric power of the United States," and "Resolved that the evils of the machine age outweigh its benefits."—The College Paper.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Alpha

Of the thirty-five debaters who tried out for places on this year's forensic teams, there are fourteen experienced debaters.—The Phreno-Cosman.

Beta

More than twenty people are out for debate this year at Huron College. All are looking forward to the Wichita tournament.—The Huron Al-
phomega.

Gamma

In addition to the usual features of forensic activities at Yankton College, there is planned an intra-mural debating league. Representatives of various campus organizations will debate in these contests. A trophy will be awarded to the organization ranking highest, the winning organization to be selected not only on the number of debates won but also on the number of participants the competing organization puts on the platform.—The Yankton Student.

Delta

South Dakota State began its inter-collegiate debate program by meeting four Pi Kappa Delta schools, holding one contest each with Hamline University and Gustavus Adolphus in Minnesota and Augustana and Northern Normal in South Dakota.—The Industrial Collegian.

Eta

The Augustana men's team will make a trip to the Pacific Coast early in March. Enroute, debates will be held with the University of Montana, Montana State College and St. Charles College at Helena. In Ida-

ho they will meet the State University at Moscow. They will meet the State University at Seattle and Washington State College at Pullman.—The Augustana Mirror.

TENNESSEE

Alpha

On January 13, a debate tournament will be held at the Tennessee Alpha Chapter at Maryville College, from which varsity teams consisting of six women and six or eight men will be chosen.—The Highland Echo.

TEXAS

Alpha

Trinity University will include in its debate schedule the regular triangular contests with Texas Christian University, Southwestern University, McMurry College, Howard-Payne College and Simmons University.—The College Paper.

Delta

Try-outs for debate teams at Howard-Payne College will be held early in the winter term.—The Yellow Jacket.

Epsilon

In a pre-season debate at the Baylor College for Women, the following question was used: "Resolved that women should be placed on an equal basis with men."—The College Paper.

Zeta

February 7 has been set as the date for the Third Annual Triangular Debate between Texas Christian University, Baylor University and Simmons University. The Pi Kappa Delta question will be the battle ground.—The Skiff.

Theta

The Simmons University men debaters lost to Texas Tech. in an early season debate on the disarmament issue.—The Simmons Brand.

VIRGINIA

Alpha

Members of the Virginia Alpha Chapter are looking forward to three very delightful forensic trips in the winter term. The first will go south to the schools in the Carolinas and Alabama, the second, north through West Virginia and into Pennsylvania, and the last will close the season with a trip to Kansas City.—The Rotunda.

WASHINGTON

Alpha

Two men will be chosen from the debate squad of the College of Puget Sound to represent that institution at the National Pi Kappa Delta Convention. While enroute, the team will debate against college teams from all over the west. Among these are the College of Idaho, University of Wyoming, Colorado Teachers College, Colorado Aggies and Denver University. After the Convention, they will meet Baylor at Waco, and before returning to Puget Sound will contest with Arizona and Southern California.

WISCONSIN

Beta

A debate conference, made up of Beloit, Lawrence, Ripon and Carroll Colleges, will use for their series of contests this year, the official Pi Kappa Delta question. Carroll College has tentative plans with the other member schools to hold inter-collegiate debates before fourteen high schools.—The Carroll Echo.

"It is a thing of no great difficulty to raise objection against another man's oration—nay, it is a very easy matter; but to produce a better one in its place, is a work exceedingly troublesome."—(Plutarch.)

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