- 8. Local Chapter Finances. The Local Chapter shall have the power to levy such assessments on its Active members as it may choose. Non-payment of assessments shall render the delinquent member liable to be transferred to Inactive membership at the option of the Local Chapter, due notice of such transfer being given to the National Secretary-Treasurer.
- 9. Responsibility. The President or faculty sponsor of the Local Chapter shall be the responsible head of the Local Organization as far as its relation with the National Organization is concerned, and he shall be responsible for the fulfillment of the requirements of the constitution and the regulations of the National Organization.
- 10. Expulsion. The Local Chapter shall have the power to expel any member by at least a four-fifths affirmative vote. Notice of such expulsion shall be sent to the National Secretary-Treasurer on the official form, accompanied by the key of the member expelled. An expelled member may be readmitted to membership by a unanimous vote of the Local Chapter.
- 11. Transfer of Membership. Any Active member in good standing may transfer his membership from one Local Chapter to another by securing a provisional dismissal from the Chapter of which he is a member, provided such dismissal is accepted in due form by another chapter and forwarded to the National Secretary-Treasurer, or is forwarded to the National Secretary-Treasurer in connection with a petition for a new Chapter.
- 12. Duties. Each Local Chapter shall provide itself with a local constitution, shall meet regularly, shall initiate new members annually using the obligation and ceremony provided by the National Organization, shall report new members and changes in standing of members to the National Secretary-Treasurer, shall collect membership fees promptly and forward them to the National Secretary-Treasurer. All treasurers who are sending money for fees or keys must designate the person or persons for whom the money is being sent.

- 13. Convention Attendance. Any chapter failing to have a delegate at the first National Convention after the granting of its charter, or any chapter failing to have a delegate at two consecutive National Conventions, shall be placed on probation. Such probationary status can be lifted only by action of a National Convention, before which some delegate of the chapter appears in person and after said probationary chapter has fulfilled any additional obligations laid upon it by the National Council. Attendance at a National Convention shall be defined as answering present to roll call at not less than two business sessions of the convention. One of these sessions must be the final session unless the chapter has been excused by the National President.
- 14. Chapters on Probation. A Local Chapter placed on probation by the National Convention for any cause shall be deprived of all privileges of membership except the initiation of new Active members; and shall have no vote in the Province or National Organization.
- 15. Forensic News. It shall be the duty of each chapter to inform the editor of *The Forensic* of any local news likely to be of interest to other chapters.

### DIVISION B - PROVINCE ORGANIZATION

- 1. Province Organization. It shall be the duty of the National Council to divide the chapters into provinces, which shall be numbered in the order of admission of the oldest chapter in the province, and given appropriate names. Provinces later created shall be numbered in order of their creation; and the various provinces shall be officially designated by the numbers assigned. Each new chapter admitted shall be assigned to a province by the National Council. Any Local Chapter may petition the National Council for transfer to an adjoining province, but no such transfer shall be made without approval of the Governors of both provinces affected. Each Province shall have a Province Constitution whose provisions shall be consistent with the National Constitution.
  - 2. Province Officers. Province officers

shall be a Governor, a Lieutenant-Governor, a Secretary-Treasurer, and such other officers as the Province shall deem advisable, to be elected at the convention of the Province Organization. If necessary, the National President shall fill by appointment any vacancy occurring in the province governorship, the appointee to serve until the Province meeting or until a poll of the chapters has been conducted by the Province Secretary. The province governor and lieutenant-governor shall be faculty members; other province officers may be students.

Province Secretary-Treasurers and other province officers shall be elected by the chapters of the province at the convention of the province, and shall hold office from the time of election until the next regular province convention, or until their successors are elected. Vacancies in province offices other than the governorship shall be filled by appointment by the Province Governor.

The Province Governor shall have general jurisdiction over the affairs of the province, and shall be responsible to the National Council for the progress and welfare of the Province and of the Local Chapters composing it. Any Local Chapter may be suspended by the National Council upon recommendation of the Province Governor. The Province Governor shall become, automatically, a member of the Charter and Standards Committee for the consideration of any petition coming from his province.

The Province Secretary-Treasurer shall perform the ordinary duties of his office, and shall also prepare not later than May 1st of each year, a statement of revenues and expenditures of the province, and submit such statement in duplicate to the National Secretary-Treasurer and to each Local Chapter in the province.

3. Province Conventions. Each province shall hold a regular convention each second year, the Province Convention year being that in which no National Convention shall be held.

Each chapter must be represented at each

regular province convention unless excused two weeks prior to the opening date of the convention by the Province Governor with the approval of the National President.

4. Finances. Funds may be secured by assessments and the Province Governor shall have power to levy an annual assessment on each chapter in the province, such assessment not to exceed \$10.00. Assessments above this sum shall be made with a three-fourths affirmative vote of the chapters constituting the Province.

DIVISION C — THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

The National Organization shall be a federation of the Local Chapters of Pi Kappa Delta. It shall hold the supreme executive, legislative, and judicial power, and shall be the source of all authority in this fraternity, except as otherwise specifically provided for in this constitution. It shall not be a secret fraternity. The National Organization shall be composed of the National Convention, the National Council, the Standing Committees, and the National General Chapter.

- 1. The National Convention. (a). Representation. Each Active Local Chapter shall be entitled to one representative in the National Convention. Each Alumni Chapter shall be entitled to one representative in the National Convention. The National General Chapter when its membership comprises ten or more, shall be entitled to one delegate to the National Convention. Members of the National Council shall each be entitled to a vote in the National Convention.
- (b) Quorum. A Quorum of the National Convention shall consist of delegates, either Active or Alumni, from at least twenty per cent of the Local Chapters.
- (c) Time and Place. The National Convention shall assemble at the call of the National President at a time and place chosen by the National Council, the Council being guided in its choice by vote of the preceding National Convention.
- (d) *Powers*. In the National Convention shall be vested the supreme powers given to the National Organization. The actions,

rules, and regulations of the National Convention shall be binding upon the National Council, all Local Chapters, Province Organizations, or other subordinate organizations within Pi Kappa Delta. It shall elect the National Officers and may delegate to them such of its powers as it shall deem necessary or expedient. It shall have power to lay assessments upon the Local Chapters apportioned equally upon the individual members of the fraternity. It shall have power to expel any member upon just cause, or upon flagrant violation of the provisions of this constitution or of the obligation given at the time of admission into Pi Kappa Delta. It shall have the power of granting Local Chapters upon petition. It shall have the power to vote expenditures from the National Treasury.

2. Officers and Duties. The elective officers of the National Organization of Pi Kappa Delta shall be a President, a Vice-President, and five general council members. Of the five general council members, two shall be student representatives, one man and one woman. The Student Representatives shall hold office only while Active members of a Local Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. The remaining three general council members shall be of the Order of Instruction.

The elective officers shall be chosen as follows: At one of the first business meetings of the National Convention, the Vice-President and three general council members of the Order of Instruction shall be placed on a preferential ballot and submitted to a vote of the Convention. The highest ranking candidate shall be deemed elected President, and the second highest candidate shall be deemed elected Vice-President.

The elective officers of the Order of Instruction, other than President and Vice-President, shall be chosen at a later meeting of the National Convention in the following manner: The Nominating Committee shall submit as candidates the names of five or more persons, three of whom at least have not previously served on the National Council. Other nominations may

be from the floor. If only five persons are nominated, each chapter shall vote on a preferential ballot for all five candidates. The three candidates with the highest ranking shall be deemed elected to the National Council. If more than five persons are nominated, each chapter shall vote for five candidates in preferential order, ranking all others sixth; and a second election shall be held among the five highest-ranking candidates, the voting to be on a preferential basis. In case of a tie vote which would affect the number of persons on the Council, as determined by the Constitution, Article V, Division C, paragraph 1, an election shall be held by a preferential ballot to determine the selection for the Council from among the tied candidates. The President shall not be eligible for re-election. Officers of the Order of Instruction shall assume their duties on the first day of June following their election, and shall serve for two years, or until their successors are elected.

The Student Representatives shall be elected in the following manner: The Chapter which is to be host to the National Convention shall elect, not later than the first of May prior to the convention, a Student Representative on the National Council. The second Student Representative who shall be of the opposite sex, shall be elected from one of the other chapters in the host province, the election being held not later than the fifteenth of May following that of the first Student Representative.

The National Secretary-Treasurer shall be nominated by the National Council and approved by the National Convention and shall serve for a term of four years and shall be eligible for an additional term of four years. A third term of two years is possible upon the unanimous recommendation of the National Council and a two-thirds vote of the National Convention. The term of the National Secretary-Treasurer shall begin August 1 of the year of election.

The Editor of *The Forensic* shall be nominated by the National Council, approved by the National Convention, and shall serve

for a term of four years and shall not be eligible for re-election. The term of the Editor of *The Forensic* shall begin August 1 of the year of election.

The Historian shall be nominated by the National Council, approved by the National Convention, and shall serve for a term of ten years. The term of the historian shall begin on August 1 of the year of election.

- (a) *President*. The National President shall be the executive head and shall preside at all meetings of the National Council and Convention.
- (b) Vice-President. In case of the absence or resignation, or because of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice-President shall assume the office of the President.
- (c) Secretary-Treasurer. The National Secretary-Treasurer shall keep the minutes of the National Council and the National Convention. He shall file all applications for membership and keep complete record of the standing of each member. He shall have charge of the issuing of all charters and membership certificates. He shall collect the charter fees, membership fees, and initiatory fees. He shall keep a complete record of the finances, supplies, etc., of the organization, and shall have charge of issuing the keys to individual members. He shall make a report of the finances at least once each year for publication in The Forensic and for submission to the National Convention. He shall give bond, and his accounts shall be audited each August. The National Council shall provide funds to defray the expenses of clerical work for the Secretary-Treasurer.
- (d) Editor. The Editor of The Forensic shall have direct charge of the publication of The Forensic, subject to the general supervision of the National Council. The Editor, with the approval of the National Council, shall appoint an Associate Editor or Editors. The duties of the Associate Editor or Editors shall be such as assigned by the Editor.
- (e) Student Representatives. They shall perform such duties as shall be assigned

them by the National President. They shall hold office only while undergraduates.

- (f) *Historian*. The Historian shall be archivist and recorder of the history.
  - 3. Appointive Officers and Committees
- (a) The chairmen of the following committees shall be selected from the National Council: Charter and Standards Committee, Committee on Convention Arrangments and Program, Committee on Convention Tournaments, and Constitutional Revision Committee. The particular committee of which a Council member shall be Chairman shall be determined by the National President.

The National President shall appoint one member of the National Council to serve as a Coordinator of Province Governors.

- (b) When making contracts, agreements, and transacting other legal business, the National President, with the approval of the Council, may retain an attorney to act as legal advisor.
- (c) The National President, in conference with the Chairman of the Committee on Convention Arrangements and Program, shall appoint a Convention Officer who shall serve on the Convention Committee with the designated National Council member. The Convention Officer shall have charge of the local arrangements for the National Convention.
- (d) At the beginning of each National Convention the National President shall appoint a parliamentarian to assist him in the conduct of the business sessions.
- (e) The National President shall appoint, with approval of the National Council, a representative of Pi Kappa Delta to the Committee on Intercollegiate Discussion and Debate.
- 4. The National Council. The National Council shall be composed of the National President, the Vice-President, the five general council members, the immediate Past-President, and the National Secretary-Treasurer, each of whom shall be a voting member. The Editor shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member of the National Council

who shall be present at all Council meetings. Past-Presidents of the fraternity and the Historian shall be honorary non-voting members of the National Council.

- (a) Eligibility. To be eligible to be elected to the National Council a member of the Order of Instruction must at the time of his election be actively identified with a school holding a Pi Kappa Delta charter; and to be eligible to be elected to the National Council as a Student Representative a member must at the time of his election be an Active member of a Local Pi Kappa Delta Chapter.
- (b) Powers. The National Council shall act for the National Convention when the latter is not in session and shall be responsible to the National Convention except when acting upon instructions obtained from the Local Chapters by referendum. The Council may call a referendum upon its own initiative or at the request of three Local Chapters. The National Council shall have power to vote expenditures from the National Treasury to pay legitimate bills of the fraternity and indebtedness incurred by action of the National Convention.
- (c) Fines. Each member of the National Council and Governors of the several provinces shall have power to compel correspondence from Local Chapters by the assessment of a fine of not more than five dollars for failure on the part of the Local Chapter to respond to any such request by a reasonable date specified to the chapter by the national officer. Each failure on the part of the Local Chapter shall be considered a separate offense. Notification of imposing such a fine shall be sent by the National officer to both the chapter on whom the fine is imposed and to the National Secretary-Treasurer. The National Secretary-Treasurer shall collect such fine.
- (d) Probation or Expulsion of Chapters. The National Council shall have power to place on probation or expel any chapter for flagrant violation of the constitution or failure to carry out the duties imposed on Local Chapters by this constitution.

- (e) Vacancies in National Council. Vacancies arising in the National Council shall be filled by the following manner: a vacancy in the office of the President shall be filled by the Vice-President for the remainder of the term. Should the office of Vice-President become vacant, the President within one month after the vacancy occurs shall appoint one of the remaining Council Members to this office subject to the approval of the National Council. Other vacancies on the National Council shall be filled within one month after the vacancy occurs by appointment of the President, subject to the approval of the National Council.
- 5. Standing Committees. (a) Charter and Standards. The National President shall appoint a Charter and Standards Committee composed of two or more members to act with a member of the National Council, who shall be Chairman of the Committee. It shall be the function of this Committee to investigate local organizations petitioning Pi Kappa Delta, to pass upon the petitions and make recommendations concerning them to the National Council or National Convention. In years when the National Convention is not held a charter may be granted by the National Council upon favorable recommendation of the Charter and Standards Committee and a two-thirds vote of the Active Chapters in the province in which the petitioning college would be located. It shall also be the function of this committee to devise standards for evaluating the activities of the individual chapters and to make recommendations to the National Council or National Convention for strengthening weak chapters. On non-Convention years a charter may be revoked through recommendation of the Charter and Standards Committee and a two-thirds vote of the National Council. On convention years, such action will be subject to approval by the National Convention.
- (b) Public Relations and Research. The President shall appoint a permanent Public Relations and Research Committee made up of three members, one to be designated

as chairman. Each member to be rotated on a two year basis. The duty of this committee shall be to advance the interests of Pi Kappa Delta by furnishing information about the fraternity and its goals and purposes to newspapers, educational groups, and the general public, to encourage and evaluate projects and to gather and compile data in the field of speech.

- (c) Convention Arrangements and Program. A council member so designated by the National President, and the convention officer to be chosen as designated in Article V, Division C, Section 3 (c), and one other to be designated by the National President, shall act as the Convention Arrangements and Program Committee. It shall be their duty to make all local arrangements for carrying on the convention.
- (d) Convention Tournaments. The National President shall appoint the Chairman of the Convention Tournaments Committee from the members of the National Council. This chairman, with the approval of the National President, shall appoint such additional members of this committee as are necessary to handle the tournaments of the National Convention. The Committee shall have complete charge of all matters pertaining to the convention forensic events.
- (e) Constitutional Revision. The President shall appoint a committee of three who shall study the Constitution in order to recommend to the National Council and the National Convention such changes as may be necessary to keep the Constitution abreast of developments in forensic activities. The chairman of the Constitutional Revision Committee shall be a member of the National Council.
- 6. National General Chapter. The National Organization shall maintain a General Chapter into whose membership it may assign members of suspended and abandoned chapters. The National Council and National Convention may elect to membership in the General Chapter persons eligible to membership in Pi Kappa Delta under the terms provided in Article III of this Constitution, providing they can

qualify for the Degree of Proficiency. Members of the General Chapter shall pay to the National Secretary-Treasurer an initiation fee of \$10.00. They shall have the same rights as those granted to members of the Local Chapters. A member of the General Chapter may with the consent of himself and the chapter in question, be made a member of an individual Local Chapter. He shall be initiated if possible, through the Local Chapter and shall rank on an equality with the other members.

### ARTICLE VI - OFFICIAL KEY

- 1. The official badge of Pi Kappa Delta shall be an honorary gold key.
- 2. Key Description. The key shall denote Degree, Order, and distinction of membership in the following manner. The distinguishing mark of the Degree of Fraternity key shall be a ruby set in the eye; of the Degree of Proficiency shall be an amethyst set in the eye; of the Degree of Honor shall be an emerald set in the eye; of the Degree of Special Distinction shall be a diamond set in the eye; of the Degree of Highest Distinction shall be an onyx set immediately below the letter K. Only special distinction and highest distinction members may wear white gold keys. The distinguishing mark of the Order of Competitive Individual Speaking shall be a ruby set in the upper center; of the Order of Debate shall be a pearl set in the upper center; of the Order of Instruction shall be an emerald set in the upper center; of Honorary membership shall be a sapphire set in the upper center; of two orders shall be a turquoise set in the upper center; of three orders shall be a diamond set in the upper center.
- 3. Key Regulations. Pi Kappa Delta keys in good condition shall be exchangeable for other keys, or may have other sets inserted, upon application to the National Secretary-Treasurer and the payment by the owner of the key of the cost of exchanging or additional jeweling.

It shall be a misdemeanor for any member to accept a Pi Kappa Delta Key except through the National Secretary-Treasurer or to exchange keys or jewels except through the National Secretary-Treasurer or on his written consent. It shall be cause for expulsion of any member if he shall voluntarily permit any one not eligible to his standing in Pi Kappa Delta to wear his key. All keys shall be numbered and records kept of them by the National Secretary-Treasurer. The Pi Kappa Delta key shall not be made up into fraternity jewelry, such as stick pins, cuff buttons, or the like. Members may wear the key as a pendant from a chain, plain stick pin, or fob, as a lavaliere, or as a pin.

4. A past-president's ring of special design shall be awarded to each National President at the close of his term of office.

### ARTICLE VII - THE FORENSIC

1. This fraternity shall publish a magazine devoted to the interest of the organization, which shall be known as "The Forensic of Pi Kappa Delta." The magazine shall contain the official papers of the fraternity, news of its work and progress, general forensic news, and articles such as briefs of debates, reports of oratorical contests and debates, and such other material as shall be suitable for a forensic magazine. Subscriptions shall be free to all Active members of this fraternity, and in applying for membership the candidate also understands that he is subscribing to this magazine. The subscription price of the magazine shall be fixed by the National Council.

### ARTICLE VIII - GRAND CATALOG

1. The National Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a Grand Catalog of the names of members of Pi Kappa Delta, with a record of their Orders and Degrees at the time of Initiation. The President of each Local Active Chapter shall send this information annually, or oftener if requested, to the Secretary-Treasurer on the official catalog forms. Names shall not be entered in the catalog or carried by the Secretary-Treasurer until all application blanks and dues have been received.

#### ARTICLE IX - NEW CHAPTERS

1. Petition for Local Chapters. The Petition shall be made on the official blank. It may be received by any member of the fraternity, but shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the Charter and Standards Committee. The petition shall be accompanied by a catalog of the college or university represented by the petitioners. (In case of Alumni chapters no college information blanks, etc., shall be required.)

Upon receipt of the petition the Charter and Standards Committee shall make a thorough investigation of the academic and forensic standards of the petitioning institution. It shall ascertain the attitude of the Local Chapters in the province in which the petitioning institution is located.

Petitioning institutions which meet fully all requirements and which have been approved by the Charter and Standards Committee and by the National Council shall be granted a charter upon a majority vote of the chapters in convention or as indicated in Article V, Division C, Section 5, Paragraph (a).

When a charter has been granted by the National Organization the National Secretary-Treasurer shall notify the local petitioner. Upon receipt of this notification the members of the new Local Chapter shall send the charter fee and dues as provided in Article V, Division A, Section 6, to the National Secretary-Treasurer. The National President shall immediately appoint a member of the fraternity to install the new chapter, and the National Secretary-Treasurer shall then forward the certificates of membership to the installing officers.

- 2. Attendance at National Convention. All institutions petitioning for a chapter of Pi Kappa Delta shall obligate themselves to send a delegate to the first National Convention following the granting of their petition.
- 3. Installation. The National Secretary-Treasurer shall furnish each new chapter with a copy of the Installation Ceremony and full instructions concerning the rules and regulations of the fraternity and the

obligations of the Local Chapter to the National Organization. The new chapter shall pay the expenses of the officer sent to conduct the installation.

4. Initiation Ceremony. It shall be the practice of each chapter to require all new members to take the initiatory obligation. A ritual initiation approved by the National Organization, should be given each new member, but such initiation shall not be secret.

### ARTICLE X - RULES OF ORDER

1. Robert's Rules of Order, Revised shall be the authority of this fraternity in parliamentary procedure.

### ARTICLE XI — AMENDMENTS

- 1. This Constitution may be amended at a regular National Convention by a two-thirds vote or by a three-fourths vote in the referendum initiated by the National Council and taken as provided for in Article V, Division C, Section 4 (b).
- 2. Unless an amendment incorporates its own effective date, it shall be effective on June 1, following its adoption.
- 3. All proposed amendments to the Constitution must be in the hands of the chairman of the Constitutional Revision Committee by December 1 of the year preceding the National Convention, and shall be printed in the January *Forensic* of the convention year.

### ARTICLE XII - EMERGENCY

When, by a three-fourths vote, the National Council shall determine that an emergency exists of such gravity as to make the holding of a national convention impossible or impracticable, then and in that event, the National Council may, by a two-thirds vote take any action necessitated by such an emergency, notwithstanding anything contained in this constitution; provided, however, that any ten chapters may by joining in a written request to the Council, initiate a referendum of the chapters on any action taken by the Council hereunder.

## === IN MEMORIAM ===

#### PKD Loses A Leader

Thomas H. Usher for the past 21 years a University of Detroit teacher, actor, speech coach, and Pi Kappa Delta sponsor, died in early May following a stroke. Michigan and national circles will miss his wit and good humor. Prof. Usher, senior member of the speech faculty, was active in coaching the debate team, running various speech and oratorical competitions, and directing plays. He was an actor too; playing Fr. Richard in the late Fr. Daniel A. Lord's 250th Detroit Birthday Pageant, "City of Freedom" and type cast as a professor in its sequel, "Light Up the Land". He appeared in or directed other plays with various local groups.

A student of "good old fashioned oratory and political speechifying," Prof. Usher was conducting extensive research on the oratory of William Mackenzie King, former Prime Minister of Canada. For eight years he was heard weekly on a U. of D. radio program, "The Spoken Word," syndicated on commercial stations across the country. On it he gave tips on public and private speaking. He had appeared on other radio programs including "Ask the Professor" and "Town Hall," and was host on several TV programs on Channel 56, Detroit's educational TV station.

A native of Guelph, Ontario, Usher was educated at London Central High School (1929); Assumption College (now the University of Windsor); the University of Detroit (V.Z., accounting, 1946; M.Z., economics, 1948); the Yale Graduate School (1948-49); and Wayne State University (1958-1961) where he was completing his dissertation for a doctoral degree in speech. He joined the U. of D. economics faculty in 1946 but soon transferred to the speech department. Prof. Usher is survived by his wife and two married daughters.

## === IN MEMORIAM =

# The President's Page

#### "THIS IS THE YEAR OF THE PROVINCE . . .

My first thought to be expressed on this page must be a statement of appreciation for your confidence in selecting me to serve as your president for the next two years. I can only promise my best effort and that I will work toward a continuing effective program for Pi Kappa Delta. I must also express my thanks for the National Council you have selected. All of us shall look for creative and progressive changes which we hope will make an even more vital and meaningful fraternity.



THEODORE O. H. KARL Pacific Lutheran University

The new school year has started and with it the enthusiasm of coaches and students alike. A debate question has been selected and it will demand our concentration on the domestic issues which have become more dramatic and realistic during the past summer. This question involves issues which our present student generation is going to have to live with for, perhaps, some years to come. Thus an analysis now can be of significant value to all of us during the coming years.

The National Convention at Whitewater was highly successful. A total of over 900 persons and representatives from 167 chapters were in attendance. This shows continued growth and it should be our goal to continue this growth during the coming years. Our sincere thanks to Dr. Sorber and the entire whitewater staff for their time and effort.

This is the year of the Province — not the year of "let down". The real strength of Pi Kappa Delta is in the local chapter and the Provinces. The interest and vitality expressed during this year will be noticed during the National Convention Year. At times it is impossible for a local chapter to attend the National Convention, but it should never be too difficult to attend the Province Convention and Tournament. All eleven Provinces will have their conclaves sometime in the spring of 1968. In most of the Provinces plans are quite well crystallized even at this early date.

Respond quickly to the Province Officers in order that these meetings might be most significant to all. The National Council is extremely interested in your ideas and solutions to problems to be presented at that time, and I assure you that we shall give long and interested consideration to all of your decisions transmitted to us by your Governor. Make attendance at that tournament the most important budget item of all.

Congratulations to the new Council members. Les Lawrence remains on the council, but changes from ex-officio non-voting member (as editor of THE FORENSIC) to elected Council member. Fred Goodwin is new to the council as is Gilbert Rau, the new editor of The FORENSIC. Jim Grissinger was re-elected. A particular thanks to the fraternity for re-electing Larry Norton as Secretary-Treasurer. His council and experience will be especially appreciated.

Miss Hazel Heiman has resigned as Governor to the Province of the Sioux. She is to continue graduate work and will be gone from the Province for the next year. I have appointed Dr. Arthur Prosper, the present Lt. Governor of Black Hills State College, Spearfish, South Dakota as Governor to fill out the unexpired term.

Our thanks to Harold Larson for his interest, time and effort during the six years he served on the council.

The following are appointments of the National Council to Committee Chairmanships: Immediate Past President, Dr. Georgia Bowman, Committee on Convention Arrangement and Program; H. Francis Short, National Vice President, Committee on Convention Tournaments; James Grissinger, Constitution Revision Committee; Les Lawrence, Coordinator of Governors; and Fred Goodwin, Charter and Standards Committee.

The identification of the various committee members will be made known at a later date.

Confirmation has not been received from all at this writing.

Time and space must be taken for me to pay tribute to my predecessor, Dr. Georgia Bowman. She did a superlative job as President, and she has made her administration a hard act to follow. Her presence and experience on the council for two more years will be greatly appreciated.

All are now busy and our major wish is that all of you have a good year and that we may

hear from and see many of you in our travels this year.

# ... Dr. Sylvester Toussaint

The retirement dinner given for Sylvester and Alma Toussaint by the Department of Speech and Theatre Arts at Colorado State College, Greeley, last May had a distinct Pi Kappa Delta flavor. Dr. Toussaint retired from the faculty there this August after thirty years of teaching and administrative assignments. He will return to Monmouth College for one year as visiting professor of Speech and acting chairman of the department.

Serving as master of ceremonies was Dr. Ray L. DeBoer, Professor of Speech. The principal speaker was Bruno E. Jacob, national secretary of the National Forensic League and long-time friend, college roommate, and fraternity brother of Toussaint at Ripon College. At the close of his address he presented to Professor Toussaint a plaque noting the national honorary NFL membership given many years ago and recognizing forty years of service to the organization. Other speakers were Dr. William R. Ross, President Emeritus of the college, and Dr. Forrest Frease, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences.

Greetings in the form of telegrams and letters were received from the Honorable Harold Le Vander, Governor of Minnesota, who was active in Pi Kappa Delta circles as director of forensics at Macalester College for a number of years, and from officers and past officers of the society. These included President Georgia Bowman, Secretary-treasurer Larry Norton, past presidents Martin Holcomb, Ted Nelson, Sherod Collins, Ed Betz, and William O'Connell, and past-secretary D. J. Nabors. Dr. Leroy Laase, President of the Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha, also sent greetings. Special guests at the dinner were Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Mead of Denver. Mrs. Mead is the former Doris Featherton, who was a member of Monmouth's national PKD championship team at Tiffin, Ohio in 1928.



Dr. Sylvester Toussaint

In addition to many offices in Pi Kappa Delta Dr. Toussaint was invited to deliver the keynote address at the Golden Anniversary convention at Carbondale in 1963 when he spoke on *This is Our Heritage*. He became a member of PKD as a student at Ripon College in 1920 and attended the national convention at Simpson College in 1922. Dr. Toussaint served as PKD National President from 1936-1938 and as PKD National Secretary-Treasurer from 1948-1953.

## ... Dr. Herbert L. Curry

Dr. Herbert L. Curry, who spent 14 years in college teaching prior to his long association with Central Michigan University, expects to continue in retirement a research project concerning the background of orator John C. Calhoun. His B.S. de-