

University of Redlands. E. R. Nichols says:

California Alpha held its first debate meeting September 22 and 23. Twenty debaters and would-be debaters appeared. Of these only six are upper class or veteran debaters—four men and two women. There are sixteen new candidates, some with high school and junior college experience—others with no debate training. Among the recruits are Elaine Freeman—winner of four National Pi Rho Pi contests last spring, and Warren Cristopher from Hollywood High, winner of several Southern California contests. Ernie Smith and Martha Lou Rollins are transfers from the San Bernardino Junior College.

Rowan Lunsford, member of the University of Redlands winning debate team at Minneapolis at the National Convention, is assisting in the Speech department at Redlands this year. He will help with freshman required speech and lower division debate.

Egbert Ray Nichols, Jr., received an Ensign's commission in the Navy August 12, and is now enrolled in the Naval Training School Division of Communications at Harvard University. He probably will be in training until March 1st. His address is S1. Stoughton Hall, Naval Training School, Harvard University.

Southwestern Louisiana Institute.

The forensic outlook at Southwestern Louisiana Institute is brighter this year than it has ever been before in so far as quality is concerned.

There are fifteen members of Pi Kappa Delta back, and six new members have already qualified for Pi Kappa Delta. Altogether, the debate squad has twenty-three members.

S. L. I. opened the season at an invitation tournament sponsored by Millsaps College, in Jackson, Mississippi. Nine S. L. I. teams went to the tournament, won thirty-eight debates and lost eighteen, four teams being eliminated in the semi-finals.

Bowling Green State University. Harold M. Jordan says:

We expect to maintain an active program in forensics this year. A number of last year's winning speakers are with us this year. We do not know to what extent the rationing program will affect participation, but we plan to provide as much opportunity for intercollegiate competition as circumstances will permit.

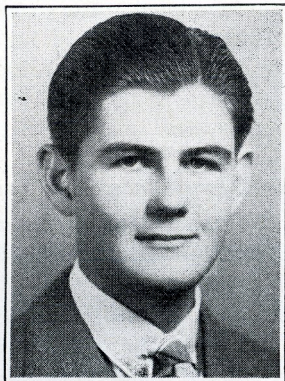
Nebraska State Teachers College. J. D. Hansen says:

When we look at the drop in college enrollment accompanied with a reduction in the forensic budget and probable restrictions on travel, the outlook for a big inter-collegiate forensic program this season cer-

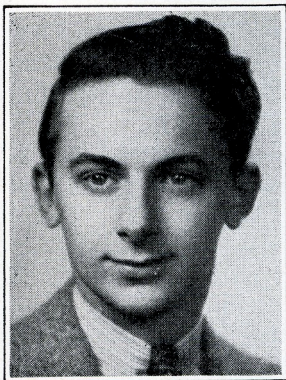
tainly is not encouraging. On the other hand, if we consider the great good we may accomplish by confining our efforts to the campus and the community, and having a hand in shaping the thoughts and ideals of those who will share in the burden of remolding the world after the present conflict, there is still a ray of hope. If there ever was a time when college debaters, orators, extempore speakers and discussion groups were faced with real live problems as a basis for their forensic activities and an opportunity to wield influence with real audiences, it certainly is today.

Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia. Harry Levinson says:

George Scanlan and Jack Wichert, veteran teammates of Emporia State Teachers College, began the 1942-43 season by winning the annual William Jewell Invitational Tournament on November 14. The following week-end they journeyed to Cedar Falls, Iowa, to win second place in the annual Cedar Valley Invitational Tournament. In the latter tournament they lost their final debate to Iowa University by one point, in speakers' rankings, the final total being 79 for Emporia to 80 for Iowa. George Scanlan won first place in the Cedar Falls extemp contest, speaking on "Post War Planning."



GEORGE SCANLAN



JACK WEICHERT

Kansas Zeta chapter begins its fourth year of speakers bureau work with a victory speakers bureau of nineteen members, directed by Dr. George R. R. Pflaum. The nineteen speakers are the outstanding representatives of the various departments of the college, and each has a series of subjects which he has constantly ready for presentation. Speakers are also furnished to any community or group in Kansas without charge, except for transportation and entertainment. In addition to war-time and morale-building topics, the subjects range from "Byron and Shelley," "City Politics," "Men," and "Spode Ware" to "Causes of Suicide," "Cartooning America," and "Latin America."

Linfield College. R. D. Mahaffey says:

We are going ahead with our plans for the forensics season as usual. We have a very enthusiastic squad and I believe we will be able to organize ten or twelve pretty good debate teams. This will include Wayne Kuykendall, who is our student body president this year and one of the top ranking extemp speakers at Minneapolis. In addition to the returning squad members we have been fortunate in enrolling some outstanding high school speakers of last year. We are hoping to attend the Western tournament at San Francisco in November. We will soon be sending out invitations for our high school tournament here and for our college tournament including the Pi Kappa Delta province meet. We expect to participate in the full program of state league activities and to furnish a number of speakers for municipal events. Our student body budget will be sadly depleted because of last year's deficit, but most of the squad members seem to have a little more spending money this year so we'll all pitch in together.

Northern State Teachers College. P. J. Harkness says:

Northern will start work the second term on debate. The South Dakota Oratorical Contest will be held at Aberdeen in February.

William Jewell College. Joe S. Amery, Jr., says:

We held the Annual Invitational Tournament which was attended by thirty teams from eleven schools in three states. Each team debated four times and each debate was judged. It was non-elimination but the percentages of wins for all teams for each school were computed.

The Emporia State Teachers College has 100% with four wins out of four debates. Central College of Fayette, Mo., has 88% with seven wins out of eight debates. The remainder of the schools all fell into pretty much of a group. The schools attending were: K. U.; Wentworth Military Academy; Emporia State Teachers College; Rockhurst; St. Pauls of Concordia, Missouri; Nebraska Wesleyan; Central College of Missouri; Missouri Valley; Baker; William Jewell; and Park. The preponderance of the decisions were in the affirmative.

It might be that more attention should be given to the undefeated teams. There were only three such teams out of thirty. They were: the team from Emporia, the team from Central, and a team from William Jewell. The team from William Jewell, incidentally, was two freshmen ladies, Miss Pauline Ehlers, and Miss Barbara Fry.

The College of the Ozarks. Frank E. McAnear says:

We have very few members on the campus and the indications are

that we shall qualify very few new ones. In fact, we may not qualify anyone.

Traveling as you know is almost impossible and I can foresee very few opportunities for forensic contests. Let me assure you, however, that we shall do the best we can.

Kent State University. M. Scheffel Pierce says:

The Kent State University, Ohio Iota, voted at a recent meeting to accept into its membership a sophomore woman and junior man who have achieved an outstanding speech record. They are Elizabeth Erfley, a member of the Ohio Conference women's championship team in 1941-1942, and G. Bernie Harris, who is beginning his second year as a varsity debater.

Upon the recommendation of this chapter of Pi Kappa Delta the Student Council is promoting a convocation of all honoraries of Kent State and other colleges and universities nearby, here on our campus sometime early in 1943. G. Bernie Harris, a recent PKD pledge who is also a member of student council, has been appointed by the Student Council to arrange and plan this convocation.

Another new activity of the Ohio Iota chapter is the sponsoring of a progression discussion tournament to be held here in February or March. Colleges and universities in nearby states, as well as those of Ohio, will be invited to participate.

Central Michigan College of Education.

The Department of Speech at Central Michigan College of Education, Mount Pleasant, is "all out for victory."

One hundred and thirty-six students, enrolled in beginning speech courses, are preparing speeches on various phases of the war effort. The better speakers will be sent to speak before clubs, meetings, luncheons, etc.

The debaters, under the direction of Dr. E. C. Chenoweth, are preparing for debates and discussions to take place before luncheon clubs in Mount Pleasant and surrounding territory on the subject of post war reconstruction.

Gustavus Adolphus College. Evan E. Anderson says:

Gustavus Adolphus College opened its debate season with a debate against the University of Minnesota. The debate was held on the University campus. The audience decision favored Gustavus on the negative of the National question.

Dr. Walter A. Lunden, former Gustavus debater, was inaugurated

as President of Gustavus Adolphus College on November 3. His inaugural address was broadcast over a radio hook-up. The speech will be included in the December 1 number of *Vital Speeches*.

Farmville State Teachers College. Virginia Kent Sedgley says:

We have decided this year to put less emphasis on debate and instead concentrate on local war work. We have planned a series of talks, open forums, round tables and the like—all based on topics of interest to everyone. We are going to present these programs to civic organizations in town and to the students as a whole.

We have already presented our annual humorous debate to the student body. The question this year was, Resolved: that the standing army should sit down.

Pittsburg State Teachers. J. R. Pelsma says:

Held two tournaments. High School on November 20 and 21. College tournament—twenty-five teams. Men's: Springfield, Missouri, Teachers, first; Pittsburg Teachers, second; Girls' teams: McPherson College both first and second. Junior division: Parsons, Kansas, first, and Springfield Teachers, second.

Attended tournament at Edmond, Oklahoma, November 6 and 7. Men's team won second. Attended Ada, Oklahoma, November 26 and 27. Girl's team won second.

Have only three teams this year. Smallest in the last twenty years. Our debating season is over for this year—lack of transportation facilities. We expect to use speakers for war propaganda.

Eastern Illinois State Teachers. Merville Larson says:

We shall probably embark on an extensive program of war effort speaking and discussions, somewhat along the line we followed at North Park, where in the last month our students filled forty to fifty speaking engagements for Civilian Defense meetings. We are now on the last lap of a National Victory Speaking contest, recordings of the ten best local chapter speeches to be judged by the OCD Speakers Section Staff.

Ft. Hays Kansas State College. O. R. Start says:

Our forensic program, as far as trips are concerned, is going to be materially curtailed this year. Speech students will take part in discussions and debates before college groups and civic clubs in this vicinity. We plan to send a delegation to one early-season tournament and to the Province Meeting in the spring if at all possible.

Augustana College. Hugo A. Carlson says:

Augustana and the University of Iowa met in two debates at Sioux City, Iowa, November 20. Arrangements were made through Professor C. W. Edney, Director of Speech at East High School. In the afternoon the two teams clashed before the entire student body at East; and in the evening the debate was open to the public and area high school debaters. About 400 attended the evening debate which was thrown open to discussion. A very spirited open-forum developed.

At noon the Augustana debaters were guests of the Professional Men's Club at the Hotel Martin. Transportation difficulties kept the University from participation in this debate, so the Augustana members involved the audience in an informal discussion.

The high school proposition was debated: Resolved that a Federal World Government should be established. Augustana speakers were James McBath, Harold Houske, and Paul Wagner. Augustana will participate in the Gustavus Adolphus tournament December 5, and the Omaha University tournament December 18.

Ouachita College. R. C. Daily says:

The debate teams of Ouachita College, Arkansas Beta, competed in two tournaments in November. In the Central State College tournament at Edmond, Oklahoma, they placed first in senior women's debate, first in junior men's debate, and second in senior men's debate. In the Millsaps meet in Jackson, Mississippi, they placed first in both of the regular divisions—that for senior men and the one for a combination of women's and junior teams. Daniel Grant and David Moore established a unique record in winning the men's division. They won all four of their preliminary debates and won their four elimination debates, all by 3-0 decisions. Thus, not a single judge in the tournament cast a ballot against them. Grant is a sophomore and the son of the President of Ouachita; Moore, a senior, tied for first place in extempore speaking in the Millsaps meet.

Maryville State Teachers College. John Rudin says:

We are conducting discussions and debates as a class with extra-curricular credit given. We have an enrollment of twenty people, many of them social science majors who wish to learn public discussion for use as teachers. We shall present numerous panels, symposia, on post war problems before local groups, and later enter the state P. K. D. Tournament.

For the first time in its forensic history Maryville College partici-

pated in an intercollegiate debate tournament in the fall. Four men took part in the Smoky Mountain Mens' Tourney held at Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tennessee, in November. These men were Bill Evans, Ed Rowley, Bill Henderson and Paul Jamarick.

A rather unusual fact in this war-time year is that the membership of Maryville College's Pi Kappa Delta chapter includes two girls and six boys. In addition to Professor Verton M. Queener, coach, and Archibald F. Pieper, assistant-coach, these members are Natalie Yelton, Phyllis Anne Cain, Bill Evans, Ed Rowley, Paul Jamarick, Ben Lynt, Charles Foreman, Jack Kramer, and Hal Lloyd.

Louisiana College. Wilmer C. Fields says:

Despite the fact that all but two on our squad are inexperienced in college debating prospects are very good. We had six teams at the recent Millsaps Tournament who rated high in debate and won five out of the nine top honors in the individual contests. We have tentative plans for a high school and college tournament to be held here next spring. Dr. E. O. Wood, debate coach, is making plans for the squad to attend four or five tournaments during the year.

Missouri Central College. John Randolph says:

In order to conserve transportation, the Missouri Gamma debate squad has inaugurated a policy holding as many of its debates as possible at points halfway between the debating institutions. For example, it is sixty miles from Central College to Fulton, home of Westminster College. So on December 15, the two schools met for debates at Columbia, halfway between.

To compensate further for decreased travel, Central is scheduling a series of correspondence debates with colleges outside the state of Missouri. Anyone interested should write coach John Randolph for details.

A Central College squad composed of Betty Milburn, Faye Warden, Donald Sukow, and Merrill Tomlin won seven out of eight debates to take second place at the William Jewell debate tournament, November 15. Last year the Central squad took first with the same number of wins, but this year Emporia Teachers, with a perfect record, beat us out.

Hamline University. Charles S. Templer says:

The Randall Prize Oratorical Contest for men will be held at Hamline University on December 14. Cash prizes of twenty-five, fifteen, and ten dollars are given for first, second, and third places respec-

tively. A similar contest for women will be held after the Christmas holidays.

The debate squad approaches the vanishing point as Uncle Sam takes more and more men. No trips involving travel beyond the immediate neighborhood of St. Paul will be taken by Hamline debaters this year.

Iowa Central. Cenera Van Emmerick says:

Miss Dickey and I took nine students to the Post-War Planning Institute at Iowa City for debate, discussion, and extemporaneous speaking. I entered two teams in the Cedar Valley tournament at Cedar Falls. We have had one traditional meet with Simpson, and after the holidays hope to have a triangular with Simpson and Penn here.

We are also planning a series of speeches on emergency problems and of discussions on the debate subject before community groups. By judicious planning we can use our gas for short trips.

College of Puget Sound.

The prospects for forensic work at the College of Puget Sound appear to be better than the coaches and managers expected them to be at the beginning of the season. We do not expect the amount of debate activity to be materially curtailed because of the difficulties produced by the war, but merely to be changed in nature. If debate is to continue as a major extracurricular activity, emphasis will have to be placed more upon smaller local tournaments, and less upon large contests involving long distance travel.

We are placing a great deal of emphasis upon the "Lincoln-Douglas" or one-man style of debate. Its favorable reception at our first meet, a practice contest of four colleges in preparation for the Western Association of Teachers of Speech convention held in San Jose during Thanksgiving week, recommends its continuation. We plan to use this style in combination with the direct clash plan.

The greater part of our last year's squad is with us again, including Mary Elizabeth Morton, Sam Batt, Frank Hannawalt, Don Lamka, and Bill Koivisto, who represented us at the national convention at Minneapolis last year. Defense industry has taken up the spare hours of Justine DeWolfe and Oliver Soares, our other representatives at the national.

Sam Batt began the season right for us by winning first in one man debate, tying for second in impromptu, and placing in the finals of extempe at the Western Association of Teachers of Speech tournament. We contemplate holding all of our regular tournaments.

Plans for our tenth annual high school tournament are being drawn up. This tournament will be held early in February.

Kirksville State Teachers College. S. J. Collins says:

Four representatives of the Missouri Theta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta attended a tournament at the University of Iowa on November 9 and 10. Dr. A. Craig Baird was in charge of the program which included discussion, debate, and defense speaking. There were three rounds of discussion on the 9th, followed by a radio discussion in the evening. During the noon hour at a group luncheon, Dr. Anderson gave a very informative lecture. The program at the dinner session was made up of defense speeches given by students from the different schools. During the second day, there were four rounds of debate. Twenty-two schools participated in the program.

Eureka College. L. E. Norton says:

Eureka plans to participate in about the usual tournaments and speech events. Mr. L. E. Norton is taking a leave of absence in January and will be at the University of Wisconsin for graduate study in Speech.

Shurtleff College. Frederic Fadner says:

There is a fine group out for debate this year. Illinois Lambda plans to carry on as well as possible in face of gas and rubber rationing.

Northern Illinois State Teachers. Paul Crawford says:

On November 9th and 10th, Mary Andrews, president of the Illinois Pi Chapter; Robert Erickson, vice-president; Mary Jane Goetsch, secretary-treasurer; and Donald Smith and Jean Nelson, accompanied by Paul Crawford, Director of Forensics attended the Inter-Collegiate Institution on War Problems at the State University of Iowa. In the extemporaneous speaking contest which was the final contest of the Institute, Miss Andrews received the rating of excellence, the highest rating given in the contest. Miss Andrews was the only woman speaker who received a rating of excellence. Men speakers from Northwestern University, University of Iowa, Nebraska University, Augustana and Wheaton also received a rating of excellence. Twenty-two colleges and universities from eight states were represented.

Twelve Northern Illinois State Teachers College debaters attended the Wheaton College Conference on War Problems at Wheaton on December 5. One round of panel discussion was held and three

rounds of debate were held. DeKalb debaters participated in four decision debates in the experienced division, winning the decision in three debates and losing in one. Debates in the inexperienced division were non-decision affairs. Colleges participating were Loyola, North Park, Wheaton, and Northern Illinois State Teachers.

On November 14, 1942, five students and the Director of Forensics of Northern Illinois State Teachers College attended the North Park College Discussion Conference in Chicago. Four rounds of panel discussion were held on various aspects of the problem of post war world organization.

Two debate teams from the Argumentation and Debate class from Northern Illinois State Teachers College gave a demonstration debate before the debate class of the DeKalb Township High School on November 16.

On December 9, an affirmative debate team composed of Donald Smith and Kenneth Bryson and a negative debate team composed of Jeanne Nelson and Mary Jane Goetsch, debated the question of Federal Union of United Nations before the men's organization of St. Mary's Church in St. Mary's School Hall. An open forum period was conducted following the debate with much interest shown by the audience. Shift of opinion ballots were used which revealed that the affirmative obtained two more shifts of opinion than did the negative.

Malcolm MacDonald, son of former Premier Ramsay MacDonald, is now British High Commissioner of Canada. As an Oxford debater, he toured the United States in 1926, speaking on many college platforms.

Blanche Geisert, Kansas Omicron, won first place in a Prohibition Oratorical Contest held at the state convention of W. C. T. U. at Salina, Kansas, on Oct. 29, 1942.

The official debate question for the high schools and National Forensic League is "Resolved: That a Federal World Government should be established."

North Central and Wheaton, Illinois Iota and Mu, engaged in a freshman practice tournament November 28.—*The College Chronicle*.

Ernest Peterson, President of Kansas Omicron, was recently elected president of the Student Council of McPherson College.

North Texas, the Eta chapter, won the sweepstakes at Ada, Oklahoma, tournament November 27-8. James Prothro, North Texas, placed first in oratory and after-dinner speaking, and was a member of one of the teams which tied for first in debate. Elizabeth Scull and Hilda Haynes, winners in the junior division debate, and Ruth Nell Whitaker and Mary Frances Harris, in the senior, helped to bring North Texas its top honors. Henry Amlin, W. A. Duggan, James Prothro, and Betty Blakemore shared top honors in the men's and mixed senior divisions of debate. Five states were represented by the nine schools which competed.—*The East Central Journal*.

Following the suggestions outlined in the October issue of the FORENSIC, Grove City, Pennsylvania Alpha, has organized a Speakers' Bureau to use students in Civilian Defense activities.—*The Collegian*.

Don Kleckner, Heidelberg, Ohio Beta, closed a very brief teaching career to join the navy. He graduated last spring after an active forensic career and joined Professor Hopkins in the speech department until he was called into service.—*The Kilikilik*.

The American Economic Foundation is again conducting a national intercollegiate radio debate. The topic for discussion is the opportunities in our capitalistic system after the war. Already two hundred fifty colleges in almost every state have registered. The four finalists will be heard over WJZ, New York, April 18. The winner will receive \$1,000 in war bonds and \$250 in cash.

"Dust Aflame: An Identification Tag," a poem by Paul Crawford, debate coach at DeKalb Teachers, was read by "Ted Malone" over the Blue Network in his "Between the Bookends" radio program October 26. "Ted Malone," then Alden Russell of William Jewell, won the men's extempore contest at the Seventh National Convention at Tiffin, Ohio, in 1928.—*The Northern Illinois*.

The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb is providing twenty-five dollars in prizes for the Strawn Discussion Contest at Northern Teachers, Illinois Pi. The contest is open to all inexperienced students. The subject for discussion is, "Shall we scrap cultural education for the duration of the war?"—*The Northern Illinois*.

"The Value of Debate" was the subject of the address given by Dr. Harmon Lowman before the Huffer Debate Club at Sam Houston State Teachers, Texas Kappa.—*The Houstonian*.

Under the direction of Prof. D. J. Nabors, the Texas Gamma chapter at East Texas Teachers, sponsored the selection of a football queen.—*The East Central Journal*.

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Tau Kappa Alpha would not admit women. It was clear to all that Monmouth College was handicapped rather than helped by having two forensic organizations. The girls were adamant in favor of Pi Kappa Delta; the boys only luke warm as to Tau Kappa Alpha. The impossible situation coupled with that shrewd Toussaint diplomacy made the dropping of Tau Kappa Alpha and the taking of the boys into Pi Kappa Delta a fairly easy matter, despite some mild protests from alumni. And the writer had the rather unusual experience of being initiated into an organization of which he is credited with being one of the founders long after the organization had become a going concern.

Possibly this article should end at this point. But I cannot refrain from adding that I am proud of Pi Kappa Delta and the work that it has done and is doing. I am glad to have played a small part in its organization. I am proud of the fact that my two daughters and my son-in-law hold Pi Kappa Delta keys. The influence of the organization in Monmouth College has been all for the good. Two red letter events in my life are my attendance at PKD conventions in Lexington, Kentucky, and in Topeka, Kansas, though possibly the most exciting moments were when my daughter Mildred Helen (Mrs. George Borthwick) was fighting her way to semi-finals in oratory at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Hats off to E. Ray Nichols and others who did much more than I to make Pi Kappa Delta the vital and wholesome influence that it is in American colleges.

The Rocky Mountain Oratorical League held its annual meeting at Colorado State College, October 29-31. About fifty delegates representing Colorado and Wyoming colleges and universities attended. Contests were conducted, but winners were not selected. Most of the energy of those attending went into the student legislative assembly.

Prof. H. R. Pierce, for years debate coach at Rollins College, Florida Alpha, and an active figure in the Province of the Southeast and in southern speech circles, is now associated with Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia.

Thirteen teams from seven colleges participated in the senior tournament at Pittsburg, Kansas Theta, November 13-14. There were also eleven junior college teams from six colleges. Three states were represented.—*The Collegio*.

Illinois State Normal, the Eta chapter, planned to send representatives to participate in Tau Kappa Alpha discussion conference in Chicago, December 28-30. The conference was in the form of a progression. The first four meetings were to explore the problems; the final one to propose some action. What kind of a post-war world should the United States advocate was the theme of the discussion.

More than one hundred delegates from seventeen colleges participated in the Strawberry Leaf Society tournament at Winthrop, South Carolina Delta, December 4-5. Rachel Conrad and Virginia Kellett of Lenoir Rhyne, North Carolina Delta, won the Dixie Championship in debate. Philip Wahlberg and Rachel Conrad were named the best debaters. Miss Conrad also won the after-dinner speaking honors. Paul Monroe placed first in impromptu. Marian Funderburk and Esther Bailey of Winthrop won the women's oratory and address reading.—*The Lenoir Rhynean*.

Dr. Dwayne Orton's speech, "Fighting and Living in the Air Age," originally delivered September 22 before the Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis Club, was read into the *Congressional Record* October 1, by Representative Jennings Randolph of West Virginia. "It is one of the most interesting and thought provoking addresses to which I have listened," commented Mr. Randolph.

Dr. Orton came into Pi Kappa Delta as a debater at Redlands, California Alpha. He was later coach of forensics at College of the Pacific, California Delta. There he became president of the Stockton Junior College. Last spring he became director of education for the International Business Machines Corporation. His address has received very favorable press comment throughout the nation. His bold statements, well supported with evidence, have produced noticeable reverberations in Washington itself.—*Pacific Weekly*.

Among the eight named at The College of Idaho for *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities* are the following members of Pi Kappa Delta: Harley Barnhart, Jim Harrah, Grace Shockey, and Charles Grimes.—*The College Coyote*.

Central State Teachers, Oklahoma Iota, was host to twelve debate teams representing six Oklahoma, Arkansas; Kansas, and Texas colleges November 7.—*The Vista*.

Rex Scott, Park debater, has been elected president of the student council. He is also serving as student assistant in speech.—*The Park Stylus*.

Eleven Central students, Iowa Beta, attended the Institute on Post War Planning at the University of Iowa, November 9-10.—*The Central Ray*.

Book Reviews



War Time Censorship of Press and Radio. Compiled by Robert E. Summers.

Permanent Price Control Policy. Compiled by Julia E. Johnsen.

A Federal Sales Tax. Compiled by Egbert Ray Nichols assisted by Charles Wallis.

Plans For a Post-War World. Compiled by Julia E. Johnsen. These are numbers in volumes 15 and 16 of the splendid *Reference Shelf* series of the H. W. Wilson Company. For their utility and economy this series is one of the best on the market. Although these volumes are intended primarily for the debate student, they have an even wider appeal. Certainly any citizen concerned about the future of the world we are fighting to save would enjoy *Plans For a Post-War World*. This reviewer has appreciated the opportunity of reading these informative selections.

The first and third volumes are of especial interest because they were compiled by members of Pi Kappa Delta.

Representative American Speeches: 1941-1942. Selected by A. Craig Baird. The Reference Shelf, Vol. 16, No. 1. New York. The H. W. Wilson Company. 1942. Pp. 297. \$1.25.

Every beginning student in speech and forensics should be required to read this fifth volume in Professor Baird's annual series. Every serious student of speech, in college or public life, will want to read it. It tells him what is going on in the world of speech and gives him some splendid examples of what leading American speakers are saying. It suffers from trying to be too representative. "What Does Freedom of Speech Mean to Us Today?" is very mediocre to be included in such a volume. "Leadership and the Spoken Word" by Professor Lionel Crocker is an interesting and fine speech by any standards. The section in which the college executives appear, "Education and the War," does not suffer in comparison with the rest of the volume. Our educational leaders know how to make good talks. Prof. Baird is doing a good service in his annual volumes.

Leadership Through Forceful Speech. Joseph G. Brin. New York. Harbinger House. 1942. Pp. 140. \$2.00.

This little volume is intended for popular consumption. It is inspirational. It does not attempt to compete with the classroom textbooks. It is pleasant reading, helpful, and suggestive.

A Drill Manual for Improving Speech. William Norwood Brigrance and Florence M. Henderson. Philadelphia. J. B. Lippincott Company. 1939. Pp. 246. \$2.25.

This is a useful and standard drill manual on English sounds. It grew out of Professor Brigrance's experiences at the University of Hawaii in attempting to teach English sounds to students of foreign ancestry.

Post-War Organization of Nations. Thelma Roebuck Capp and Ralph Norvell. Waco, Texas. Baylor University Press. 1942. Pp. 86. This volume is intended for high school and college debate students. It was begun by former national president Glen R. Capp and continued by his wife. It is very well done.

My Word World. Vocabulary Builder. Dana T. Burns. Berea, Ohio. 1938.

A vocabulary building workbook by Professor Burns, one of the associate editors of the FORENSIC. Very practical.

Speech: Forms and Principles. A. T. Weaver. New York. Longmans, Green and Company. 1942. Pp. 437.

This text is intended for the first course in speech. Part One in the book deals with the following speech forms: Conversation, interview, conference, discussion, debate, public address, interpretative reading, and radio speaking. Part Two is a presentation of principles of effective speech. The inclusiveness and thoroughness of this text make it most suitable for use in the class that will have ample time for the course. Every student interested in a mastery of the fundamentals of speech will find here a valuable source of information.

Some may question the detail in which such concepts as *emotion*, *meaning*, *intelligence*, and *habit* have been explained—feeling that such delving into psychology has no place in the beginning speech course. However, by not being content with a mere recounting of rules and illustrations, Dr. Weaver has achieved a level of scholarship needed in our field if speech is to gain and retain its rightful academic standing.