

Georgia State College for Women

GEORGIA ALPHA

The Georgia State College for Women came into being at an auspicious time in the history of the State. In the 1880's the people were just recovering from the devastation of the war and the new generation was becoming education-conscious. Following the establishment of the Georgia Institute of Technology, some leaders were impressed by the neglect of education for women. The establishment of this institution was a direct attempt to meet the educational needs of the young women of Georgia.

The bill providing for the establishment of the Georgia Normal and Industrial College was passed by the legislature in 1889, and the College was opened in 1891. For the first few years of its existence the institution devoted itself chiefly to the task of preparing young women for teaching and for industrial occupations. The homemaking function was not neglected, however, and home economics training was early introduced on a college level.

The College grew rapidly as a normal and industrial institution, and at the same time the economic and cultural situation was changing. To enable the College to meet new conditions the legislature of 1917 changed its charter, making it a four-year institution and giving it the power to grant degrees. With this change, the college introduced liberal arts courses and became an institution for training in general cultural subjects as well as a vocational school. The first degrees were granted in 1921. In 1922, the legislature changed the name to that still in use to make the name harmonize with the work being done.

In 1931 the legislature placed all the state-supported institutions of higher learning under a single board of regents. Since January 1, 1932, the Georgia State College for Women has operated as a unit of the University System.

New courses and new departments are being added to meet new needs. Women are being called more and more into business and into social service work. The College is responding by elaborating and extending the opportunities for training in the fields of business education, social analysis, and social interpretation. The opportunities for the participation of women in the affairs of the State are ever widening and the College is stressing more than ever the type of education that will best prepare the foundation for good citizenship.

The culmination of the activities of the Debating Club was the admission into Pi Kappa Delta. It was through the efforts of the members, particularly of Miss Helen Greene, Assistant Social Science Professor and Faculty Advisor for 1937-'38, that a chapter was obtained. The members knew that such an organization on the campus would give all debaters, whether experienced or inexperienced, an incentive to work.

Dr. H. H. Rogers, newly elected faculty advisor, was appointed installing officer. Dr. Rogers received his B.S. at North Carolina State University and while there he won a championship in debating. He received his M.A. at Duke and his Ph.D. from Pennsylvania State College. Having been very active in debating, he has as a reward for his meritorious work a double-diamond pin. The impressive installation

ceremonies into Pi Kappa Delta were held in the spring of 1938. Those initiated were Sue Lindsay, Nellie Jo Flynt, Marguerite Chester, Eloise Bowlan, and Aliene Fountain. Following the ceremonies, a dinner party was given for the neophytes and all members of the Debating Club.

The activities of the year ended at that time, but were resumed at the beginning of the 1938 school year. Many plans have already been made for a greater part in forensic work this year. The chapter will have a dozen debates at home and away. It plans to enter all of the sectional tournaments, and to have, if possible, debate forums on the campus.

The Georgia Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta feels that the benefits of forensic work should not be restricted to a chosen few, but that as many students as possible should participate in making the chapter and their own forensic experience grow.



Seated
Reading from left to right:
Marguerite Chester, Ty Ty, Georgia
Secretary-Treasurer
Nellie Jo Flynt, Thomaston, Georgia
President

Standing
Reading from left to right:
Aliene Fountain, Savannah, Georgia
Reporter
Eloise Bowlan, Barwick, Georgia
Vice-President

To take care of the 1,500 students, the largest enrollment Georgia State College for Women has ever had, new faculty and staff members were added to the College this year. Among the new faculty members is Miss Edna West, speech instructor, who was graduated from Teachers College, Columbia University and the American Academy of Arts. Miss West will assist Dr. W. T. Wynn, head of the English Department, in coaching the debaters in platform speaking.

The history of forensics at the college does not date far back, but the school can well feel proud of the advancement made since five years ago, when Sue Lindsay organized the first debate team during her freshman year. It can also be said to Sue's credit that when our debaters were admitted to Pi Kappa Delta, she lacked only one debate to attain the diamond pin. Through her unselfishness, she had reduced her number of debates so that underclassmen could take a greater part in activities, thereby stimulating their desires to succeed in debating.

"The Debaters' Guild" was the name of the club organized by Sue in 1934-1935, under the supervision of Dr. Eugene Cornelius. Dr. Cornelius had won championships in debating while attending college in Tennessee. Since he had acquired his Ph.D. in Economics at Vanderbilt, he was well-qualified to be faculty advisor of the debaters.

During the course of the year, the name "Debaters' Guild" was changed to "Intercollegiate Debating Society." The schedule was comparatively heavy with contracts with colleges from Pennsylvania to Florida. There were, also, a great many debates within the state, since the University System of Georgia has twelve units of collegiate rating.

Some of the more outstanding debates of the season were those with Amherst College, the University of Cincinnati, and the Florida State College for Women, all of which were home debates. One of the most interesting home debates of the year was held with Washington and Jefferson University, Washington, Pennsylvania. The question was: "Resolved that all 'heart balm' suits involving a monetary consideration be outlawed from the United States Courts." The visiting team presented a new slant on the subject, and their sentences were sparkling with satire. Incidentally, the debate continued, unofficially, into the late hours of the night.

Perhaps the highlight of the season was the Northern tour made by Sue Lindsay, Nellie Jo Flynt, Eloise Bowlan, and Marguerite Chester. On this tour, they clashed wits with teams from Washington and Jefferson, Washington, Pennsylvania; Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania; Winthrop College, Rock Hill, North Carolina; and with the State Teachers College, Farmville, Virginia.

EDITOR'S PERSONAL PAGE

Where inconsistencies cease from troubling and logic is at rest

The time was 1929. A debater and a debate coach were walking down the street. The debater had a bottle of whiskey in his pocket. It was for a sick friend, of course. The debate coach, believe it or not, had two ten dollar gold pieces in his pocket. The hounds of the law spotted the debater and threw him in the hoosegow for thirty days for violating the law. In due time he was released, a chastened and purified criminal.

Ten years have passed. The time is 1939. The debater — he couldn't pass math—and the debate coach were again walking down the street. The debater's friend was sick again and he had another bottle of whiskey. And believe it or not—this is the hard part of the story—the coach still had his two ten dollar gold pieces. The hounds of the law were close on their trail. But this time they threw the coach in the hoosegow for sixty days for illegal possession of gold.

Moral: By golly, it's hard to be a law abiding citizen and keep out of jail even when your friends are not sick. Some members of Pi Kappa Delta are very conscientious about it, and many others are studying to become lawyers.



It is told of Prof. T. A. Houston, debate coach at Southwestern Teachers, Oklahoma Theta, that while trying to cure a recalcitrant debater of using the expression "I think," his patient coaching backfired. After the student had repeated "I think" many times, Mr. Houston said, "Can't you talk without thinking?" "No," responded the student. "I'm not a debate coach."—*The Southeastern*.



Boners by Oklahoma Theta debaters:

Paul Harley asked for justice for all our decapitated laborers.

Phil Harris lamented the fact that so many unemployed men had not the means "to put food on their clothing."

During a debate Lucyle Cox noted with pride that the judge seemed to be taking down all that she had said. Later, when she asked for criticism, he explained that he had only "been writing down names for our new baby."

—*The Southeastern*.



The mark of a first-rate man is sufficient courage to overcome the shyness which blocks self-expression.—*Feather*.

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Dear Editor :

I read your editorial about the literary society in the last FORENSIC. I hasten to agree with what you said. There is nothing today which takes the place of the old literary society with its programs. It was one of the sources of culture.

As one who listens a great deal to college speakers, I want to offer a suggestion that grows out of your editorial.

The modern college speaker has no style, no picturesqueness of language, no rhetorical power. I believe it is because he has never spoken the words of the great orators. He learns to express himself, to speak in his own way. It is a halting, inadequate form of expression.

If we could go back to the old literary society methods and have people learn the language and the style of the great orators of the past, I believe we should end up with more able speakers.

For example, I don't believe that freshmen should discuss the League of Nations and economic readjustment. What do they know about such things. If I were in charge of college forensics, I should have my freshmen spend a year in repeating the words of others. I would have them memorize parts of Webster's great speeches, the Lincoln-Douglass debates, and deliver them. Instead of trying to write orations about saving the world, I should have them learn and recite selections from Cicero, Chatham, and Bryan. They would thus learn how to express themselves and would get the rhythm of great rhetoric. As it is, they end up with some piffling statement of an idea they can not digest.

Take Wendell Phillips as a master of language. At the end of his famous oration he said, "dipping her pen in the sunlight, will write in the clear blue, above them all, the name of the soldier, the statesmen, the martyr, Toussaint L'Overture."

Garrett Serviss was another orator whose majestic form of expression can teach us many things. "Whenever the pendulum that ticks centuries swings back to the starting point men always begin to talk of what occurred a hundred years ago," he began in his oration on Napoleon Bonaparte. And he ended "Let the century that knew him wrap the tattered flags of war about it and lie down to dreams of slaughter, but let us look forward across the new century, whose sunrise brightens the hills of coming time, believing that it will usher in the thousand years, the ten thousand years, ah! the endless era of peace universal."

Do you have anything like this in student speeches? A freshman has no urge to speak. He has not had any great experiences, any brilliant thoughts which demand great expression and force language into new molds. He would learn much from the society of the ancients. We became acquainted with the language of great men in the old literary societies.

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architectural design gives rise to the term "raw") selected me to launch his presidential aspirations by giving the nominating speech for his presidential campaign. But, with "J. D." against us then, we both lost! So George hooked up with the Mighty Counsellor in the next convention and won while I teamed with him in the next political campaign and did likewise. Ah—compelling are the ways of King-maker Coon!

To student speakers eager to get into politics (and after two weeks in Congress, I hope their numbers increase greatly!) let me offer two brief items of advice: Speak as well as you can as frequently as opportunity permits on topics of as wide concern as possible and then get you a manager who can also thump the tubs effectively and you can challenge the world. But, please, don't take J. D. Coon—because I'm going to need that go-getter again in 1940.

KARL MUNDT.

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Among things done by Boren while in congress are the following: An active lead in the fight to save the CCC program. Organizing and serving as chairman of the congressional forum of peace. Serving as co-chairman of the committee of congressman working for a uniform old age pension.

Also, he rendered such outstanding service to the cause of public health that the surgeon general of the United States warmly praised his efforts.

As the youngest of this great rank, Boren knows the value of forensic work to a man who is serving in the United States Congress. He says, "My forensic experience has been of great importance to me in meeting the various situations which arise in a political campaign. Of course, there has been scarcely a day in my work in congress, before committees, or considering the legislation before congress in session when I have not employed to good advantage the useful training I have had in forensics.

"The matter of serving in the United States Congress is a childhood ambition with me. I had that in mind before I was a member of Pi Kappa Delta or participated in any forensic activities, so I was able to utilize the study in organization and presentation of thought as a means to an end, and my study was directed a good deal on the basis of what it would mean to me as preparation for the execution of my personal plans and ambitions.

"Experience and training have been a great factor in my election and in the record of accomplishment which has attended my service thus far. There is a definite dollar and cent value to the people I represent to be found in the forensic training which made it possible for me to present the case in a clear and positive organized fashion that brought programs, projects, and appropriations to the District I represent."

A debate on the ever-normal granary plan by James Gould and Robert Summers of Kansas State college was published in E. R. Nichols' *Intercollegiate Debates*. This is the fifth debate in the last seven years that Kansas Gamma has had published in this annual. Four debates have also been published in the *University Debaters Annual* during the same period. In the last seven years Kansas State has had one of its debates selected as one of the twenty representative debates of the United States and in 1934 and 1935 was represented in both publications.

Notes From the Secretary's Desk

Enid Platts, who became a member of the order back at Des Moines University, now closed, tells us she is now coaching forensics at Bethel Junior College, St. Paul, Minnesota. She sends a subscription for the FORENSIC.

Warren G. Keith, recently appointed Governor of the Province of the South Atlantic, has set April 28-29 as the dates for the convention in his province. Governor Manning, of the Kentucky Province, says the dates for his convention will be March 31-April 1.

In the far west new province lines have been drawn. The old Province of the Pacific, with six chapters, and the Province of the Northwest, with five, have been combined into a new Province of the Pacific with eleven chapters. Neither of the old provinces elected a governor in 1937 and Dr. Roy McCall, of College of the Pacific, was appointed as governor of the newly formed province. They meet this year at Caltec on March 23-25. The Province of the South Atlantic and the Province of Kentucky are also considering the possibility of a merger.

We would like to know how many of our chapters have complete files of the FORENSIC in their college libraries. If your college has one, write us about it. So far as I know there are such files in the following places: National Founder's Office, E. R. Nichols, Redlands, Calif.; National Secretary's Office, Greeley, Colo.; FORENSIC Editor's Office, Fort Collins, Colo.; the library at California Institute of Technology.

James G. Barnes, Tennessee Gamma since his graduation from East Tennessee State Teachers College has been coaching high school debating at Hendersonville, N. C. Last year his team won the Western Carolina championship.

Occasionally a member notifies us that he has lost a jewel from his key. That is not surprising for it is hard to make jewels stick in a flat key. Our national jewelers are mighty good about replacing these lost jewels. If one of yours is gone and your key is not over five years old send it to me and he'll put in a new one for you.

Bert Vander Naald, member of Iowa Beta, now Superintendent of Schools at Mapleton, Iowa, writes that he recently lost his key, No. 3682. He says "he feels lost without it" and orders a replacement.

Howard L. Runion, formerly coach at College of Emporia, writes from the University of Maine, where he is now teaching Speech, to order a key to replace one that he lost recently.

Mr. Jesse E. Elder, who holds membership No. 12 and wears key No. 9, came to Greeley, Colo., to take in the debate with South Dakota School of Mines. Mr. Elder is now pastor of a church in Eaton, Colo. He will be guest of honor at the Twentieth Annual Joint Initiation Banquet of the Colorado Alpha and Beta chapters to be held this coming April. He is a charter member of our No. 1 chapter at Ottawa University, Kansas.

The latest membership card: No. 16236, Anna Mae Baskin, South Carolina Delta, Winthrop College.

The latest key number: 11154, William T. Keogh, Kansas Gamma, State College, Manhattan.

Maurine Jones, Pittsburg Teachers, Kansas Theta, placed first in oratory and Eugene Dawson second at the State Teachers College forensic tourney in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, January 6 and 7.—*The Collegio*.

Lois Stiles and Wayne Bogue represented Central Teachers, Oklahoma Iota, in a mixed team debate with Southwestern Teachers before the Central student assembly March 1.—*The Vista*.

Fifty-four students participated in the Ohio Mock Legislature held at Hiram college. Sessions were held once or twice a week for a month, with committee meetings in between.

Two Chadron, Nebraska Eta, teams went undefeated through the junior college tournament at McPherson, Kansas, January 7.—*The Eagle*.

National President Forrest H. Rose announced the arrival of a second daughter early in January, shortly after he moved into his new home.

Robert Bonthius, Michigan Gamma of Hope, was recently appointed editor of his college paper.—*Hope College Anchor*.

BAYLOR INVITATION SPEECH TOURNAMENT

The Baylor invitation speech tournament January 13-14 attracted 365 students and coaches from 35 colleges in 4 states. There were 426 debates on the PKD question. The affirmative won 219, and the negative the other 207.

The winners in the various contests were as follows:

Men's Extempore: C. J. Humphrey, Baylor; Charles Brown, Drury; Jack Shackelford, Muskogee Junior College.

Women's Extempore: Kathleen Jones, Southwest Texas Teachers; tied for second, Fay Cooper, Denton Teachers; Bruce Johnston, East Central Teachers, Oklahoma; Mary Helen Neelley, Baylor.

Men's Oratory: Charles Brown, Drury; Lester Kaminsky, Baylor.

Women's Oratory: Pearl Kastner, Weatherford Teachers, Oklahoma; Olive Jane Wilson, Abilene Christian.

Radio Speaking: Wilson Erwin, Trinity; Richard Peters, Oklahoma Baptist.

After-dinner Speaking: Avery Lee, Hardin Simmons; C. J. Humphrey, Baylor.

Men's Poetry Reading: E. Prothero, Louisiana College; P. W. Chunn, Baylor.

Women's Poetry Reading: Pauline Evans, Oklahoma Baptist; Eleanor Waner, East Central Teachers, Oklahoma.

Men's Debate: Baylor defeated Southern Methodist in the finals.

Women's Debate: Southwestern Teachers of Oklahoma defeated Louisiana State Normal in the finals.

Junior College Men's Debate: Baylor won from Muskogee Junior College.

Junior College Women's Debate: Baylor teams took first and second.

Mixed Debate: Louisiana College won from East Central Teachers of Oklahoma.

At Central, Iowa Beta, Mr. Gould is conducting an all-school speech tournament. Each student will give a ten-minute speech. He will not be allowed more than one hundred words of notes. Those participating will speak in groups of six. Two from each group will be picked to speak in the next round until a final winner is declared. This student will have possession of a loving cup for one year. If he wins it three years, he gets to keep it.

WINNERS AT SOUTH DAKOTA MEET

Augustana won the Sweepstakes trophy in the South Dakota state meet, with Sioux Falls second. The meet was held on the Augustana campus, February 24-5. The results in the various contests follow:

Peace Oratory: William Green, Eastern Normal; Kenneth Raschke, Augustana; Jack Turner, Yankton.

Women's Oratory: Blanche Batzer, Northern Normal; Clara Chilson, Augustana; Nan Coon, Sioux Falls College.

Men's Oratory: Carl Lundquist, Sioux Falls College; Scott Lovald, Augustana; Wm. Rex Brown, Dakota Wesleyan.

Women's Extemp: Isabel Reedy, Yankton; Margaret Mensch, State College; Faythe Mantel, Northern Normal.

Men's Extemp: Wyman Wumkes, Augustana; Irwin Johnson, State College; Lawrence Lesser, Dakota Wesleyan.

The debate squad of Kansas Theta, Pittsburg Teachers, returned from the Rocky Mountain Speech conference at Denver University with two firsts and three thirds. Margaret Jean Thompson won the women's discussion group and Eugene Davenport the men's. Miss Thompson also won third in extempore. Helen Deane Gibson and Eugene Dawson both won third in oratory. Twenty-three colleges and one hundred forty students participated.—*The Collegio*.

Augustana College debaters are this year in demand for exhibition purposes. The first exhibition debate was held Wednesday, February 8, at Flandreau, S. D. Coach Hugo Carlson selected two veteran debaters, Clara Chilson and Wyman Wumkes, to appose the State College team. The exhibition was held before several hundred high school students and tournament competitors. More exhibition debates have been scheduled for the near future.

Dr. Rolland Shackson, debate coach at Hope, Michigan Gamma, was one of the speakers at the convention of the National Association of Teachers of Speech at Cleveland during the holidays. He spoke on "The Organization of Speech in Small Colleges."—*Hope College Anchor*.

Roland Koenig and Francis Hedrick won the intramural debate tournament and the fifty dollar Regents' award at Missouri Theta, Kirksville Teachers.—*The Teachers College Index*.

Two PKD's Pictured in Banta's Greek Exchange

The first page of the July issue of *Banta's Greek Exchange* contained a picture of J. H. Krenmyre, a charter member and one of the founders of Pi Kappa Delta. In the January, 1939, number was a picture of Alfred Westfall, editor of the FORENSIC and former national president.

This year the Red River Valley tournament at Moorhead, held February 3-4, instituted a new division in the field of radio. Eight winners of extemp were given a shorter period for an additional extemp contest over WDAY. The WDAY production manager presided in the broadcasting room and two prominent lawyers judged by listening, not viewing the speakers. Wyman Wumkes, veteran Augustana speaker, won first place in both men's extemp and radio extemp. Jamestown scored second and St. Olaf, third.

The second annual intercollegiate discussion meet was held at Baker, Kansas Kappa, February 17-8. Ten Missouri and Kansas colleges were invited to send representatives to participate in discussions of economic, political, education, social, and religious problems. An institution was allowed to send representatives to each of the five groups. The discussion program was under the direction of Prof. Floyd K. Riley.

Hastings, Nebraska Delta, debaters won a number of honors in the Red River Tournament at Concordia, Minnesota Zeta, February 3-4. Janice Shuler won the women's oratorical contest, Ben Rogge was second in the men's, and Margrette Ann Smithburg was third in discussion.—*The Hastings Collegian*.

Trinity, Texas Beta, held an invitation practice debate meet in December. Twenty teams from Texas Christian, Baylor, Southern Methodist, and Trinity engaged in three rounds of no-decision debates. All voted that they were fine experience and good fun.—PHIL TRICE.

Bill Bayhouse and Carl Dunaway, representing The College of Idaho won all of their debates in the Inland Empire tournament at Moscow, Idaho, January 14.—*The College Coyote*.

With Roy McCall, Ed. Betz, and E. R. Nichols, Jr., the speech department of the College of the Pacific has a very definite Pi Kappa Delta complexion.

During the past year the Zeta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta of Emporia Teachers has had a busy schedule. Thirty men reported for debate and all were given a chance to participate. During the year Emporia State debaters participated in the Student Legislature at Topeka; a debate tournament at Emporia; radio debates at Manhattan, Kansas, State College; a debate against Southwestern Teachers College of Durant, Oklahoma; a debate against Nebraska Wesleyan; the Tahlequah tournament; the Denver Speech conference; Baker Speech conference; and many other lesser discussions over the state. The chapter elected thirteen pledges to Pi Kappa Delta and is planning an initiation banquet for many Kansas Pi Kappa Delta schools to be held at Emporia on April 20. The governor, Payne Ratner, is to be taken in as an honorary member at that time. Many other debate trips have been planned for the remainder of the year.—Roscoe Boone, Historian.

Kent State and Pittsburgh have been conducting a series of demonstration debates before large audiences. They argued the question of an alliance with Great Britain. They spoke to an audience of eight hundred at the Pennsylvania State Speech Conference and have appeared before large high school audiences in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

John Reinemund, Augustana, won the Illinois state extempore contest February 18. Monmouth was first and Augustana second in the men's oratorical contest. Ruth Robinson, also Augustana, won third in the women's oratorical contest.—*Augustana Observer*.

James Gould and Paul Fisher of Kansas State met a University of California team in a debate before the Junction City High School on the question of cooperation with democracies.

More than two hundred debaters participated in the high school tournament sponsored by College of Emporia, Kansas Iota, January 27-8.—*College Life*.

Augustana, Illinois Xi, was host to two hundred high school debaters February 3-4.—*Augustana Observer*.

Augustana, Illinois Xi, won the Whitewater, Wisconsin, invitational tournament.—*Augustana Observer*.

Gustavus Adolphus won the Red River debate tournament at Moorhead.—*The Aquin*.

Two North Carolina State teams gave a demonstration direct-clash radio debate over a national hookup from New York City January 20. Since he initiated the direct-clash debate, Coach Edwin H. Paget's teams have traveled over 25,000 miles on special invitations to demonstrate this new style debate which is rapidly replacing the older form.—*The Technician*.

Nan Coon, South Dakota Epsilon, Sioux Falls, won second in the oratory contest of Rocky Mountain Forensic meet at the University of Denver in February. Nan, who was a member of the student legislative assembly at Topeka during the last national convention, is the daughter of J. D. Coon, National Counsel.

Eighteen colleges and universities participated in the sixth annual Ohio Intercollegiate debate conference at Capital University, December 9-10. Ohio University and Findlay tied for first. Two PKD schools, Kent State and Otterbein, tied for second.

John Reinemund and Raymond Adams, Augustana, Illinois Xi, won the debate tournament at Illinois State Normal the last of January. The Augustana men went through undefeated.—*Augustana Observer*.

Helen Jamison and Robert Hall, Colorado State, won first and second in their respective oratorical contests of the Rocky Mountain Forensic meet at the University of Denver.

Hope and Albion emerged undefeated from the invitation tournament on the Hope campus January 12. Seven colleges participated.—*Hope College Anchor*.

Maryville, Tennessee Alpha, debaters won six places in the Appalachian Speech tournament at Boone, North Carolina, February 3-4.—*The Highland Echo*.

Kansas State debated the American-British Alliance question with the Oxford-Cambridge team during the visit of the Englishmen last fall.

Herbert Bracken, of Akron, Ohio Delta, won the state oratorical contest February 17. He spoke on "The Economic Color Line."

Simpson, Iowa Epsilon, debaters crowded eighteen non-decision debates into a four day invasion of Nebraska.—*The Simpsonian*.

Lenoir Rhyne, North Carolina Delta, won three firsts in the Appalachian Mountains Tournament February 3-4.

Book Reviews



Types of Persuasion. Harold F. Graves and John S. Bowman. New York. The Gordon Company. 1938. Pp. 200. \$1.25.

Students make poor speeches because they are unfamiliar with good speeches. This volume supplies examples of effective arguments, all the way from short advertisements to political oratory and radio addresses.

Government Spending and Economic Recovery. Charles F. Phillips and J. V. Garland. New York. The H. W. Wilson Company. 1938. Pp. 404. \$2.00.

This is the first of a new series of books to be known as the Contemporary Social Problems Discussion Series. For the general student it provides information and an understanding of important questions.

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Three members of the South Dakota Eta chapter, Augustana, are on the staff of Sioux Falls' two broadcasting stations, KELO and KSOO. Evans Nord is an announcer. Gene McDonell is an announcer and news broadcaster. Bernice Severson is private secretary to the president and participant in special broadcasts. McDonell won the state constitutional oratorical contest last spring and Miss Severson won third in the national women's extempore in 1936.

—AILEEN McDONALD, Secretary.

All colleges which are members of Pi Kappa Delta were invited to attend the Model Senate sponsored this year by George Washington University Debate Council, Washington, D. C., March 10-11. This was the sixth legislative assembly of the association, which is composed of about forty eastern colleges. The association desired to have western and mid-western institutions represented.

The Kansas Alpha chapter at Ottawa is sponsoring an intramural extemp speech contest for freshmen and sophomores who are not members of PKD. The general subject discussed in the contests which were held January 31 was "College Examinations." The winner was awarded a trophy. It is expected that this will be an annual event.

W. Prewitt Ewing, former national vice-president, took the District of Columbia bar examination in December.

It supplies knowledge and background for the debater. This new series is not as technical as the Reference Shelf volumes and does not have so many of the characteristics of a debaters handbook. There is need for such a volume and it is hoped that its reception will insure a long and useful series.

Argument: Deliberation and Persuasion in Modern Practice. Harold F. Graves. New York. The Gordon Company. 1938. Pp. xiii-333. \$1.90.

This is a well planned, well written, well illustrated text along conservative lines. It attempts to treat deliberation and persuasion separately.

Handbook of Public Speaking. Alan R. Thompson. New York. Harper & Brothers. 1939. Pp. xviii-142. \$1.00.

This is a brief handbook of the fundamental principles of speech. It commends itself for its handy form, conciseness, and low cost.

The Principles and Methods of Discussion. James H. McBurney and Kenneth H. Hance. New York. Harper & Brothers. 1939. Pp. viii-452. \$2.50.

This is a textbook on argumentation organized in terms of public discussion. The argumentation text is usually organized in terms of debate. Since discussion is more common and more general than debate, this text is a step in the right direction. It is scholarly and convincing.

United States Foreign Policy. Compiled by Julia E. Johnsen? New York. The H. W. Wilson Company. 1938. Pp. 307. \$.90.

Another useful addition to the well known *Reference Shelf*. A discriminating selection of the most pertinent writings dealing with international and South American affairs. Valuable to the general reader as well as to the debater.

Pump-Priming Theory of Government Spending. Egbert Ray Nichols and William E. Roskam. New York. The H. W. Wilson Company. 1939. Pp. 482. \$1.25.

A useful volume by the man and the company who have done more than any other for debaters. Prof. Nichols has been advancing the cause of forensics for thirty years. The H. W. Wilson Company has been supplying standard reference volumes for almost as long. Here is the ideal collection of carefully selected writings in the most serviceable form. This is the standard reference volume on the debate question of the year.