

THE FORENSIC

OF PI KAPPA DELTA

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Successful Province Conventions

Beginning on the west coast the last week in February, and ending with the province of the South Atlantic, the third week in April, the thirteen provinces of Pi Kappa Delta each held a successful meeting of one to three days. The business sessions and contests, varying in number from three to seven in each province, were attended by almost every chapter among the one hundred and fifty in Pi Kappa Delta. In the ten provinces that have sent in reports thus far only eight chapters failed to attend the convention. Four provinces had perfect attendance: Platte, Pacific, Oklahoma, and Kentucky. Only one province reported more than one chapter missing at roll call.

The first ten provinces report seven hundred delegates, with province banquet attendance reaching one hundred and fifty people.

The Lower Mississippi province set up machinery that will guarantee a warm, hearty welcome for the delegates to the Houston Convention next spring.

Another encouraging sign of province activity came with the suggestion of nearly twenty possible petitioning schools. A number of provinces made valuable recommendations to the National Council on matters of general policy.

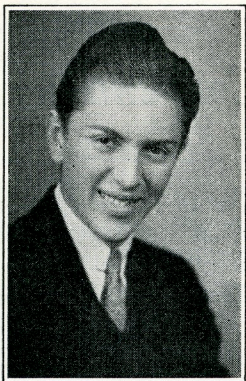
But beware, those of you who think of Houston's contests. Over half of the provinces reported that their outstanding winners this year are sophomores and juniors. The Province tournaments have made it certain that next year will see the strongest individual competitors in the national contests in many a biennium.

Now is the time to plan your budget and your forensic program for 1936.

GEORGE V. BOHMAN,
Supervisor of Provinces.

PROVINCE OF THE PACIFIC

The first provincial meeting of the year was on the Pacific, February 28, March 1-2, at the College of the Pacific, Stockton, California. U. C. L. A., College of the Pacific, Redlands, and Arizona State Teachers College were present, in addition to a large number of colleges and junior colleges who made up an invitational tournament including eighty-seven debate teams. The contests were open to these guests, as well as province members.



WESTON McINTOSH
Univ. of Redlands
Extempore

Men's debate:

1. Redlands
2. University of Southern California
3. tie College of Pacific California Tech.

Women's debate:

1. U. C. L. A.
2. College of Pacific

Men's oratory (16)*:

1. Maurice Atkinson, Long Beach Jr. College
2. Bernard Hyink, Redlands
3. James Creasman, Tempe, Arizona Teachers

Women's oratory (8):

1. Willa Roberts, Tempe, Arizona Teachers
2. Jeanette Amidon, Puget Sound
3. Gertrude Wacob, Bakersfield Jr. College

Men's extempore speaking
(24):

1. Weston McIntosh, Redlands
2. Arthur Groman, University of Southern California

Women's extempore speaking
(6):

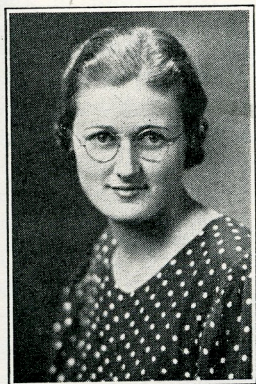
1. Judith Pyrof, U. C. L. A.
2. Zelma Mikels, U. C. L. A.
3. Wanda Simpson

Robert Wright, College of the Pacific, was elected governor to succeed J. H. Baccus, Redlands, The University of California, Los Angeles, was selected for the 1937 convention.

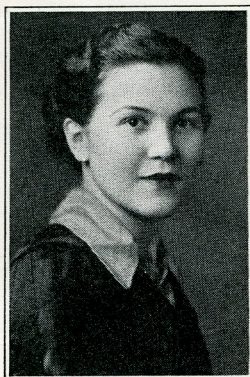
*The figures in parentheses in these reports give the number entered.

PROVINCE OF MISSOURI

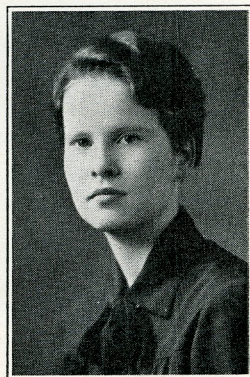
Sixteen of the seventeen members of the Province of Missouri convened at Southeast Missouri Teachers' College, Cape Girardeau,



ELOISE M. WEHNER
S. E. Mo. State Teachers



HAZEL F. LUMSDEN
S. E. Mo. State Teachers



MARY VIRGINIA
JOHNSON
S. E. Mo. State Teachers

Winners in debate, oratory, and extempore.

March 28, 29, 30. The registration was 108.

The banquet was a gala occasion, with Dr. H. R. Daugherty of Centenary Methodist Church, Cape Girardeau, as the main speaker. However, it is reported that Professors Rose and Barnes, and President McCleur, also appeared on the program.

Seven colleges won firsts or seconds in the six contests, and except in women's oratory, there were nine to twelve contestants in each event. Only Cape Girardeau Teachers won two firsts.

Men's debate:

1. Westminster
2. William Jewell

Women's debate:

1. Cape Girardeau Teachers
2. William Jewell

Women's oratory (4):

1. Eloise Wehner, Cape Girardeau
2. Betty Thomas, Culver-Stockton

Men's oratory (10):

1. Bert McKee, Park College
2. Donald Watson, Simpson

Men's extempore Speaking (12):

1. Robert Rinden, Penn.
2. (tie) Gus Margraf, Cape Girardeau
Donald Watson, Simpson

THE FORENSIC OF PROVINCE OF THE LAKES

Seventeen colleges were represented at the convention of the Province of the Lakes at Otterbein College, Ohio Epsilon, March 21-22. There were close to a hundred in attendance.

The results of the contests are given below.

Men's debate (17):

1. Kent State
2. Battle Creek

Women's Debate (9):

1. Kent State
2. Battle Creek

Women's oratory (8):

1. Heidelberg
2. Michigan State Normal
Ypsilanti

Men's oratory (12):

1. Hope
2. Colby

Men's extempore speaking
(13):

1. Baldwin Wallace
2. Battle Creek

Women's extempore speaking
(7):

1. Michigan State Normal,
Ypsilanti
2. Bowling Green

Prof. Wood of Michigan State Normal, Ypsilanti, was elected governor.

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Women's extempore speaking
(9):

1. Elizabeth Throckmorton,

Simpson

2. Hazel Lumsden, Cape Girardeau

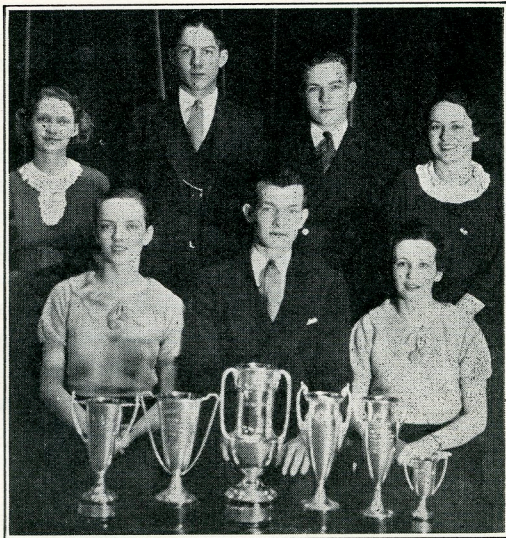
This province has a very efficient tournament committee set up, composed of Professors Rose, Whitaker, Spotts, and Meland.

Miss Edith Whitaker, Simpson College, was elected governor. The next province convention will be at Kirksville, Missouri.

PROVINCE OF OKLAHOMA

Every one of the nine chapters of the Oklahoma province was represented in the contests held March 15-16 at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee. Southwestern Teachers College at Weatherford was a guest.

Four of the colleges won firsts and seconds, although the Edmonds Teachers squad, with two first and three seconds, was the greatest winner. Miss Jessie Dearing, of Oklahoma College for Women, won two firsts.



EDMOND (OKLAHOMA) TEACHERS WINNERS

Standing, left to right: Evelyn Dieball, Don Wright, Doak Stone, Fern Chowning.
Seated, left to right: Roberta Thomas, Lee Murphy, Fern Reed.

Seventy-five attended the province banquet, at which Dr. John W. Raley, President of Oklahoma Baptist, was the principal speaker.

Men's debate:

1. Alva Teachers
2. Edmond Teachers

Women's debate:

1. Edmond Teachers
2. Oklahoma Baptist

Men's oratory (5):

1. Lee Murphy, Edmond
2. Paul Cummings

Women's oratory (4):

1. Jessie Dearing, Oklahoma College for Women

2. Fern Chowning, Edmond Teachers

Men's extempore speaking:

1. Paul Cummings, Alva Teachers
2. Don Wright, Edmond Teachers

Women's extempore speaking:

1. Jessie Dearing, Oklahoma College for Women
2. Synia Wynne, Oklahoma College for Women

Prof. T. A. Houston, Durant Teachers, was elected province governor to succeed Miss Clarice Tatman, Oklahoma College for Women. Mr. Porter Routh of Oklahoma Baptist, was the retiring secretary.

PROVINCE OF THE UPPER MISSISSIPPI

The Province of the Upper Mississippi met at Gustavus Adolphus, St. Peter, Minnesota, April 12. The six Minnesota college chapters were represented. According to custom, this province holds only its extemporaneous speaking contests, and this year, a new contest in Play Reading.

Governor McElmeel writes, "Our first attempt at a play-reading contest was very successful and will undoubtedly be retained as a regular part of our convention program."



CORNELIA MCGREGOR
Hamline University
Extempore



BETTY LUNDE
Hamline University
Play Reading

Men's extempore speaking (6) :

1. Carl Bahmier, Macalester
2. Gabriel Hauge, Concordia
3. Geo. Carlton, Gustavus Adolphus

Women's extempore speaking (5) :

1. Cornelia McGregor, Hamline
2. Phyllis Carlton, Gustavus Adolphus
3. Gladys Simmons, Macalester

Play reading contest :

1. Betty Lunde, Hamline
2. Melba Linner, Gustavus Adolphus
3. Norma Anderson, St. Olaf

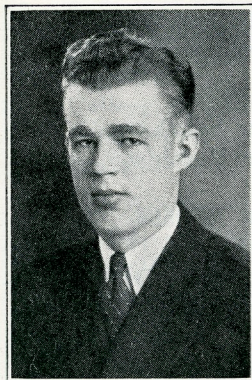
At its business meeting, the Province made numerous recommendations to the Council, and re-elected Governor Owen P. McElmeel, College of St. Thomas.

PROVINCE OF THE SIOUX

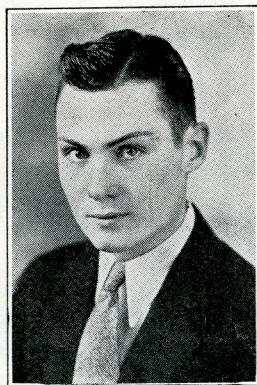
The Province of the Sioux met at Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell, South Dakota, April 3-6, with ten colleges present. Eight of the ten competed in each of the seven contests. Seventy-five delegates were registered. An after dinner speaking contest was, for the second biennium, added to the events. It was held before, and judged by the members of the Rotary Club of Mitchell. At the banquet, attended by more than 110 people, J. D. Coon, National Counsel, gave the principal address, "chockful of vivid Coonisms."

Professors Leroy Laase of Hastings, Evan Anderson of Gustavus Adolphus, and Elbert Harrington of Mayville Teachers, North Dakota, judged throughout the tournament, assisted by a number of Mitchell men, and Mrs. Leroy Laase.

Trophies were won by eight of the ten schools represented. Augustana won



FRANCIS SMITH
Augustana College



JOHNSTON JEFFRIES
Augustana College

DEBATE
CHAMPIONS



GERALDINE FERGEN
Eastern Normal
Oratory and Debate

the sweepstakes trophy with 78 points; Yankton was second with 71½. Over half of the debate teams, and many of the high winners in other contests were juniors and sophomores who may expect to be at Houston next year.

Men's debate (10):

1. Augustana
2. Yankton
3. Northern

Women's debate (8):

1. Eastern Normal
2. Dakota Wesleyan
3. Yankton

Men's oratory (9):

1. Burnis Rogness, Augustana
2. George Hart, Northern

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PROVINCE OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC

Alabama College for Women was hostess to seven colleges of the South Atlantic for the provincial convention April 20. Prof. J. R. Quisenberry of Wake Forest was the governor in charge.

Debate (7):

1. Rollins
2. Tie: Asheville Teachers
Wake Forest

Oratory (5):

1. Rollins, Richard Shattuck
2. North Carolina State,
R. L. Batts
3. Wake Forest

Extempore Speaking (6):

1. Mississippi State, H. C.
Helgersen
2. North Carolina State,
R. L. Batts
3. Wake Forest

After-dinner speaking (6):

1. Wake Forest, Al Martin
2. North Carolina State,
S. B. Moss
3. Tie: Millsaps, Rollins

New officers elected were Prof. H. R. Pierce, Rollins, governor; and Prof. C. F. Nesbitt, Millsaps, secretary.

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3. Cleon Reidinger, Yankton
(tie) Douglas Odell, Sioux
Falls

Women's oratory (8):

1. Geraldine Fergen, Eastern
Normal
2. Marcella Staven, Augustana
3. Gertrude Gantz, Yankton

Men's extempore speaking (9):

1. Don Larson, Augustana
2. Parnall Mahoney, Morningside
3. Lawrence Wagner, Eastern

Women's extempore speaking (8):

1. Marjorie Collings, Yankton
2. Elaine Pagel, Sioux Falls
3. Bernice Severson, Augustana

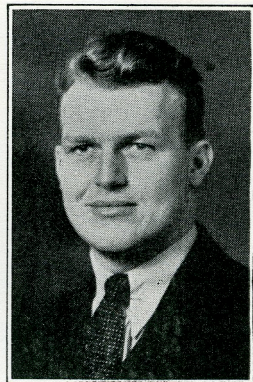
After-dinner Speaking (10):

1. Wesley Haraldson, Jamestown
2. Parnall Mahoney, Morningside
3. Floyd Annis, Dakota Wesleyan

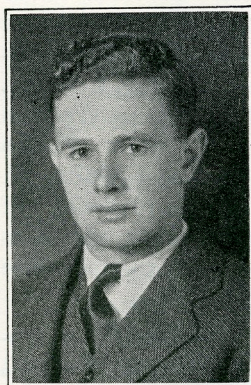
Karl E. Mundt of Eastern Normal was elected governor to succeed George V. Bohman, Dakota Wesleyan. Yankton was tentatively selected as the host for the 1937 convention.

PROVINCE OF THE NORTHWEST

The Province of the Northwest held its biennial convention at the College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho, March 22-23, under the direction of the governor, Prof. H. H. Hayman, of the College of Idaho. Four of the five chapters and a guest, Northwest Nazarene College of Nampa, Idaho, were represented by a total of thirty delegates and contestants. Trophies were well distributed, with each of the four chapters winning at least one first place and one second place.



HOWARD CAMPBELL
College of Idaho



WILLIAM SCOTT
College of Idaho

DEBATE
CHAMPIONS

2. Ralph Tripp, Intermountain Union
Ray Evans, College of Idaho (tied)

Women's oratory:

1. Jeannette Amidon, Puget Sound
2. Mary Frances Mulkey, Linfield
3. Martha Uyematsu, College of Idaho

Men's extempore speaking:

1. Delmar Leeson, Intermountain Union
2. Victor McKee, Linfield
3. George Greenfield, College of Idaho

Women's extempore speaking:

1. Betty Spear, College of Idaho
2. Anne Strobel, Puget Sound
3. Edith Winkler, Linfield

Men's debate:

1. College of Idaho
2. Intermountain Union
3. Linfield

Women's debate:

1. College of Puget Sound
2. Linfield
3. College of Idaho

Men's oratory:

1. Marshall Woodell, Linfield

Prof. Chas. H. Battin, College of Puget Sound, was elected governor. The next province convention will be held at his college.

PROVINCE OF THE PLATTE



HASTINGS COLLEGE SQUAD

First Sweepstakes Winners, Province of the Platte
 Back, left to right: Lowell Ashby, Leroy Laase.
 Front, left to right: Ethel Mae Gunnison, Lillian
 Filipi.

The seven chapters of the Province of the Platte met at Kearney State Teachers College, Nebraska, March 21-23. Chadron Normal, Chadron, Nebraska, was a guest.

The province banquet, attended by the more than sixty delegates, was featured by National President George McCarty's address. Mr. McCarty, and Professors Upton Palmer, Sioux Falls College, and Dallas C. Dickey, University of South Dakota, served as judges of the province contests.

The race for sweepstakes in all the contests was not settled until the final event, women's debate. George Bickel, Colorado State Teachers, won the only first that was not taken by Nebraska Wesleyan or Hastings.

Men's debate:

1. Hastings
2. Nebraska Wesleyan
3. Nebraska Wesleyan

Women's debate:

1. Hastings
2. Nebraska Wesleyan
3. Nebraska Wesleyan

Men's oratory (6):

1. Paul Reiber, Nebraska Wesleyan
2. Lowell Ashby, Hastings
3. John McCafferty, Colorado State

Women's oratory (4):

1. Betty Barker, Nebraska Wesleyan
2. Lillian Filipi, Hastings
3. Iola Danielson, Western State College

Men's extempore speaking (6):

1. George Bickel, Colorado State Teachers
2. Lowell Ashby, Hastings
3. Don Smith, Kearney

PROVINCE OF ILLINOIS

The Province of Illinois brought together fourteen colleges, and one hundred and twenty-nine coaches and delegates, April 1, 2, 3, at Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin. Over one hundred and fifty attended the banquet Wednesday evening, at which trophies were awarded to eleven of the colleges competing.

Men's debate:

1. Illinois Normal
2. Monmouth
3. Ripon

Men's oratory (10)

1. David Shirley, Ripon
2. Harold Livingston, Illinois Wesleyan
3. Peter Dangir, Augustana

Men's extempore speaking (11):

1. Eugene Bakley, Illinois Wesleyan
2. Harold Mackenzie, Wheaton
3. Wallace Robertson, Carroll

Women's debate:

1. Carroll
2. North Central
3. DeKalb

Women's oratory (9)

1. Mary Fern Martin, Illinois Wesleyan
2. Eina Ryan, Monmouth
3. Donna Swift, North Central

Women's extempore speaking (10):

1. Amy Deck, Wheaton
2. Louella Jackson, DeKalb
3. Dorothy Schlax, DePaul

The convention was under the able management of Vernon Utzinger, Carroll College, who is the newly elected governor. Martin J. Holcomb, Augustana College, was elected secretary-treasurer to succeed Utzinger.

PROVINCE OF THE PLATTE

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Women's extempore speaking:

1. Ethel Mae Gunnison, Hastings

2. Iola Danielson, Western State College
3. Iona Emeretts, Doane

Paul Soper, Western State College, Gunnison, Colorado, was elected governor to succeed Leroy Laase, of Hastings. The next provincial will be held at Colorado State Teachers, Greeley.

PROVINCE OF THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI

The Province of the Lower Mississippi met April 5-6 at Trinity University, Waxahatchie, Texas. Twenty colleges and one hundred and fifty students and coaches were registered. Among the guest colleges were Austin College, Louisiana State Normal, Southwestern University, and Abilene Christian.

W. V. O'Connell, convention chairman for 1936, was present, and the province made fine progress in planning its part for the National Convention. An Executive Committee, composed of Gov. Frank McAnear, Earl Huffer, Homer Brooks, and Allan Mote will cooperate with the National Council in plans for Houston. Prof. O'Connell was the keynote speaker at the province banquet, attended by more than one hundred and fifty persons.

Professor Mote writes with reasonable pride, "Forensic activity in this section is progressing; schools are putting on three to four times as much work as they did four years ago Forty-four debate teams, twenty-eight orators, twenty-four extempore speakers, and twenty-four coaches made the welkin ring in one hundred debates, seven oratorical sections, and five extemporaneous sections." Eight of the colleges won places in the six province contests.

Men's debate:

1. Simmons
2. Southwestern University
3. Trinity

University

3. Rose Ross, Hardin-Simmons

Women's debate:

1. North Texas Teachers
2. Mary Hardin Baylor

Men's extempore speaking (16):

1. Frank Rossom, Baylor University
2. Kelly Barnett, Hardin-Simmons
3. K. Hollingsworth, North Texas Teachers

Men's oratory (17):

1. John Allen, Baylor University
- Kelly Barnett, Hardin-Simmons (tied)
3. J. W. Bruner, Baylor University

Women's extempore speaking:

1. Evelyn Howard, Mary Hardin Baylor
2. Mamie Snodgrass, Texas Christian
3. Carolyn Chisholm, Baylor University

Women's oratory (11):

1. Mabel Lambert, Louisiana College
2. Carolyn Chisholm, Baylor



Pi Kappa Delta Chapter—Franklin College, 1934-35

Top Row—Edwin McClain, Kenneth Somers, James Pease, Prof. Ray Ehrensberger, Emerson Boyd, William Criswell, Dick Hendricks.
 Second Row—Dave Hopewell, Baker Humes, Fred Kelly, Edward Balser, Robert Slaughter, Robert Cox.
 Third Row—Sarah Haas, Gertrude McCullough, Gail Hacker, Virginia Featheringill, Mary Frances Setser.
 Bottom Row—Janet Brown, Nancy Field, Susan Joyce, Martha Kerlin, Traber Guthrie.

This squad has won, in the past three years:

First—National Pi Kappa Delta oratory.

Second in National Inter-State Oratorical.

First, Second and Third, Indiana State Oratorical.

Nine first places in province tournaments.

Over 80 per cent of all debates.

Two consecutive province championships.



PROVINCE OF KENTUCKY

About fifty delegates of the Province of Kentucky assembled at Franklin, Indiana Alpha, for the provincial convention April 12-13. Only one chapter in the province was not represented. An after-dinner speaking contest enlivened the final banquet.

The results of the contests are given below.

Men's debate:

1. Tennessee State Teachers
2. Maryville
3. Franklin

Women's debate:

1. Maryville
2. Franklin
3. Franklin

Men's oratory:

1. James Pease, Franklin
2. Archibald Pieper, Maryville
3. James Mann, Centre

Women's oratory:

1. Traber Guthrie, Franklin
2. Elizabeth Claxton, Transylvania
3. Grace Proffitt, Maryville

Men's extempore speaking:

1. James Pease, Franklin
2. Earle Crawford, Maryville
3. Beverly Burbage, Tennessee State Teachers

Women's extempore speaking:

1. Janet Brown, Franklin
2. Grace Proffitt, Maryville
3. Altamae Beard, Transylvania

Prof. Robert Cox, Tennessee State Teachers, was elected governor.

PROVINCE OF THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI

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Best man debater: Stuart Lumpkins, Trinity; 2nd, Moxley Featherston, Hardin-Simmons.

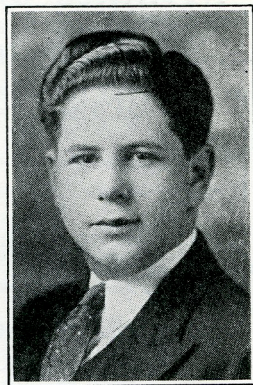
Best woman debater: (tie) Maverne Whitener, Ozarks; Evelyn Howard, Mary Hardin Baylor; Marjorie de la Bretonne, Louisiana Normal.

Prof. Frank A. McAnear, College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, Arkansas, was elected governor to succeed Allan Mote, of Trinity. The College of the Ozarks is the probable site of the 1937 convention.

PROVINCE OF KANSAS

Southwestern, Kansas Delta, the scene of the first provincial tournament in the history of Pi Kappa Delta, was again the host for the provincial gathering. More than a hundred delegates from the thirteen Kansas chapters and some invited colleges took part in the contests. A spirit of friendly fellowship marked the convention. The contests were of unusually high character. Led by Miss Dorothy Abromson, who last year spoke in the finals of the national tournament at Lexington, Kansas State Teachers of Emporia for the third consecutive year won the women's debate tournament.

The following incomplete report gleaned from a college paper is not official.



MILTON ZACHARIAS
Pittsburg Teachers
Oratory and Extempore

Men's debate (27):

State Teachers of Emporia
Southwestern

Women's debate:

State Teachers of Emporia
Bethel

Men's oratory:

State Teachers of Pittsburg
Southwestern

Women's oratory:

State Teachers of Pittsburg
Kansas State College

Men's extempore speaking:

State Teachers of Emporia
State Teachers of Pittsburg

Women's extempore speaking:

Sterling
Kansas State College

Former national president George R. R. Pflaum of the State Teachers of Emporia was elected governor, and Prof. J. R. Pelsma, Kansas State Teachers of Pittsburg, lieutenant governor.

Minutes of Meeting of the National Council of Pi Kappa Delta

at The Stevens Hotel, Chicago, April 13, 14, 1935.

The following motions were made, discussed and either carried or lost as indicated:

That the convention dates be April 12-16. Lost. That they be March 29-April 3. Carried.

That Vice President Bohman be instructed to work with the governors of the various provinces in stimulating attendance, planning to have all delegates stay at the Rice Hotel, and trying to get as many debates as possible enroute to and from the convention. Carried.

That Secretary Finley be instructed to notify the hotel, the Chamber of Commerce, and the church where most of the contests will be held of the dates selected for the convention. Carried.

That Convention Chairman O'Connell be instructed to call the attention of the local chapters to the need for careful planning of next year's forensic budget and, if necessary, a restriction of the number of invitation tournaments included in the schedule. Carried.

It was suggested that the President and the Convention Chairman should arrive in Houston not later than Thursday, March 26. The first council meeting at the convention was set for Saturday, at 2:00 p. m.

That an attempt be made to select a number of key cities in different parts of the country at which conventions might be held, with the idea of establishing a regular schedule of convention rotation in the future. Carried.

That invitations for the 1938 convention be presented to the council not later than Tuesday night of convention week, and that they be approved by the council before being presented on the convention floor. Carried.

That we plan for two general convention dinners, one on Monday and one on Tuesday evening, in addition to the convention banquet on Friday evening. Carried.

That we sell a ticket good for these two dinners for \$1.25, in spite of the fact that the regular price made by the hotel is 75c for each meal, and that these tickets be sold at the time of registration,

so that we may know just how many to prepare for. Carried. The national treasurer was instructed to pay whatever difference there might be between the cost of these meals, as charged by the hotel, and the amount received from the sale of tickets.

That the election of national officers for the next biennium be set for a business session not later than Wednesday. Carried.

That all reports of convention committees, with the exception of that of the nominating committee, should be presented to the council before they go to the floor of the convention. Carried.

Attention was called to the action of the 1934 convention providing that petitioning colleges would not be invited to take part in the convention contests.

That all entries for the convention contests must be postmarked not later than March 15. Carried.

The possibility of making the debate tournaments non-decision throughout was discussed. This plan was not considered feasible and it was moved to have the tournaments made up of decision debates as usual. Carried. It was moved and carried that, if possible, the committee match winners against winners and losers against losers after the first two rounds. This action was later reconsidered and voted down.

That the nomination committee be instructed to name one person for each office and that if there are other nominations they be made from the floor. Carried.

Although the rules provide for free substitution of debaters from round to round for the 1936 convention, that the convention be asked to vote on this question for the guidance of the rules committee for future meetings. Carried.

That eligibility should be restricted to undergraduates who have not already had four years of participation previous to 1935-36. Carried.

That the convention registration fee, which covers banquet ticket, an official copy of Winning Debates and Speeches for each chapter in attendance, and general convention expenses, shall be \$2.00 per delegate. Carried.

That there shall be six preliminary rounds of debate instead of five. Carried.

That in extempore speaking the question and answer method shall be used in preliminaries as well as in semi-finals and finals, and that the time limit shall be eight minutes for main speech and two minutes for the answer to the question. Carried.