

Centenary when Bozeman and Jack Frost defeated the team representing the Utah Agricultural College, widely touted Rocky Mountain champions. This debate was also held in Shreveport and resulted in a two to one decision. It was at this time, after two debate victories that a group of us here at Centenary decided to petition the Pi Kappa Delta fraternity for a charter. The third debate was held at Lafayette, Louisiana, and again Centenary was victorious by a two to one decision. The debate was a mixed affair and Bozeman had Miss Lenora Waller as his colleague. Mr. Bozeman won first place at commencement time in the annual debating contest. He was a winner and still is, though he is taking a bit of time off teaching; he will pursue next fall his work toward a law degree.

In August, 1925, Dr. Albert Salathe, head of the Science Department and one of those interested at the start in intercollegiate debating, had the extreme pleasure of presenting in person in Los Angeles, the claims of Centenary College with regard to a place in Pi Kappa Delta. He found Professor Veatch, chairman of the Charter Committee, affable, earnest and forward looking. Professor Veatch gave Dr. Salathe words of encouragement, so far as he was able, to be carried back to the Shreveport campus. In December of 1925, it was announced that Centenary College had been admitted as the 113th Chapter of the largest forensic order.

In November Bentley Sloane and William G. Banks, Jr., were defeated by a unanimous decision by a strong team from Millsaps College of Mississippi. Centenary held the next debate in December. The team was composed of Robert Goodrich and J. Theron Brown, two freshmen. These men conceived the bright idea of going to Washington to interview Colonel Mitchell, whose plan they were about to uphold in their debate with the University of Oklahoma. This was a hot debate, for one of the visitors is a senior in the college of law. Our boys won by a two to one decision. We certainly appreciated this victory and have been invited to return the engagement at Norman next year. The third debate of the year was held in Conway, Arkansas, when A. Myatt Larche and Edgar DuFresne, two typical French Louisiana products, defeated by a three to nothing decision, a team representing Hendrix College. Two debates remain on the schedule—contests with Furman University of Greenville, South Carolina, and with Southwestern Louisiana Institute of Lafayette, Louisiana.

But the big time of the year for public speaking at Centenary College of Louisiana happened at the Hotel Youree in Shreveport on the lucky thirteenth of March, 1926. I refer to the installation of the Louisiana Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. We now have the charter we have been wanting so long. Dr. Hazzard, head of the English Department at the State Normal College at Natchitoches, was the able installing officer. He knows his stuff! The following were initiated into the mysteries: Stewart Steger, James Painter, Albert Salathe, Bentley Sloane, Theron

Brown and Robert Goodrich. The officers elected were Albert Salathe, Bentley Sloane and James Painter. After the installation ceremonies, a short business meeting was held at which Bentley Sloane was chosen to represent the chapter at the Estes Park meeting.

In the adjoining room was spread a banquet. This fried chicken and soup to nuts affair was enjoyed thoroughly. Then came the speaking. Dr. Hazzard very ably pointed out the purposes and aims of the fraternity. He urged further interest in forensics and further college appropriations. He indicated our possible affiliation with Delta Sigma Rho. He spoke earnestly on the high vows we had taken. In addition to the six members of Pi Kappa Delta, there were present the following pledges: Bessie Renfro, who represented Centenary last year in the State Girls' Forensic Contest at Lafayette and who is scheduled to meet Southwestern in debate here with her teammate, Lonard Schuler in April; Edgar DuFresne and A. Myatt Larche, recent victors over Hendrix and the team who will represent Centenary against Furman on the 22nd; Margaret Holmes who took second place in the Girls' Forensics this year. The other guests were Mrs. Luline Willis, head of the Department of Expression, Mr. Hebert of the Academy Faculty who has given valuable coaching service to our debaters, and Associate Professor King of the Science Department whom we frequently call on to help us in the capacity of judge in the tryouts.

We certainly had a good time together—those interested in public speaking at Centenary and we are sure we have had a right start in Pi Kappa Delta, thanks to President Westfall for sending us Dr. Hazzard.

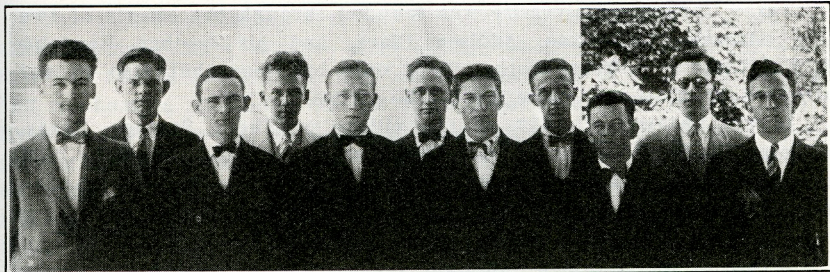
ALBERT SALATHE.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Leatherman have given an endowment of \$500 to establish an annual debate prize of \$25 at Southwestern. It was won this year by John Boyer with the oration with which he won the state contest.—*The Southwestern Collegian*.

Kansas Aggies engaged in over 30 debates on twelve questions, giving 27 people opportunity to debate. It prepared and sent out to 300 high schools mimeographed debate material. It broadcasted 24 ten minute lectures on the theory of debate. It has instituted a question and answer service for high school debaters.

The standings in the women's debate conference of Kansas is as follows:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Kansas State Agricultural College.....	5	1	.833
Kansas State Teachers of Emporia.....	3	2	.600
Sterling	3	3	.500
Bethany	3	3	.500
Washburn	2	2	.500
Ottawa	2	3	.400
College of Emporia.....	1	5	.166



TEXAS ZETA, CHAPTER 118—Charter Members
 FRONT Row, left to right: Mims, Boone, Erisman, Crump, Knox, Procter.
 BACK Row, left to right: Carter, Shepherd, Moore, Chambers, Armstrong

TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Texas Christian University is situated within the city limits of Fort Worth on the high, rolling prairie to the southwest. It is only a few minutes' ride by street car from the center of the city.

Fort Worth is a growing city of 170,000 population, and in many ways an ideal city for University work. It is a railway center of the Southwest and provides quick and adequate train connections and service. It is the regional center of many industrial activities, furnishing a laboratory for many kinds of University research. It has a large number of churches and philanthropic organizations; its public educational facilities are excellent; it has many private schools and two other institutions of higher learning. Fort Worth, as well as the University, offers opportunity for frequent visits and lectures from distinguished men and women from all parts of the nation, and the entire environment is conducive to the best college and university life.

As to buildings, T. C. U. is one of the best equipped in the South, having:

A massive four-story Administration Building, built of re-enforced concrete throughout, faced with cream-colored brick, and absolutely fire-proof.

Four dormitories, Jarvis, Clark, Goode, and Brite, furnish rooms for all. These are modern fireproof structures of eighty-room capacity each; thus affording room and college environment at an exceptional low cost.

A \$175,000 Gymnasium, recently constructed, gives freedom of use as a club room, community center, or physical education institution. However, it is used for indoor training for football, and baseball men, when the weather will not permit outdoor workouts; and for Physical training classes.

The Library, the latest addition to T. C. U., is a \$150,000 structure of cream-colored brick and re-enforced concrete. This building houses some 30,000 volumes of modern literature and is also the government repository in this section of the United States.

Texas Christian University was founded through the efforts of two early educators in Texas, Addison Clark, and his brother Randolph Clark. These two were brothers, not only by blood, but also by the hardships of camp and battle life of the sixties.

In the autumn of 1873, in the village of Thorp Springs, Texas, Randolph Clark leased a three-story stone structure and opened the first session of what became "Add-Ran" college. Thirteen students formed the student body of those days. Addison Clark later joined his brother in the teaching duties of the new-born institution.

A charter was obtained under the general laws of the State of Texas, and became effective April 11, 1874. The purpose expressed in this Charter was to support and promote literary and scientific education. This end was to be attained by maintaining an institution of high order, and unexcelled advantages under influences thoroughly Christian, and yet free from all narrow sectional and sectarian principles.

How this institution grew, from its humble start to one of the leading universities of Texas, is of secondary interest, but the hardships which were endured by the early educators in moving the college in 1895 from Thorp Springs to Waco, and several years later after a disastrous fire, to Fort Worth, were not unrewarded, for now their spirits give T. C. U. its splendid integrity of character and are dominating the activities of the institution as it advances to possess its larger heritage.

In these early years, forming a background to our present T. C. U., there was little time for Forensics, for in those days the "three Rs" formed a basis for study. But now, as T. C. U. meets the problems of college life, the arts of debate and public speaking must be given a prominent part in the life of the school.

Until 1925, T. C. U. had gained little prominence as a school, for their forensic activities, but with the injection of exceptional talent in that year, her record was begun; five debates were participated in in 1925, and in three of those encounters T. C. U. debaters brought forth the judges' decision for their arguments. And there was also a member of the oratorical society representing T. C. U. in the state contests held at Brownwood.

However, in 1926 T. C. U. established her place in debate and oratory by a string of amazing victories, nine debates were participated in by the "Horned frog" debaters, and not one was lost. Among the colleges and universities with which debates were held, were:

Tulsa University, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 3-0 decision at Tulsa.

Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma, 2-1 decision at Enid.

Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, audience decision at Drake.

Baylor University, Waco, Texas, 1-0 decision at Baylor.

Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, 3-0 decision at Southwestern.

Trinity University, Waxahachie, Texas, 3-0 decision at Trinity.

The future of forensic arts in T. C. U. is practically assured for the next three years, because most of the debating and oratorical work that has been accomplished, has been through the efforts of Freshmen and Sophomore debaters. On the nine debates held during the year, five were won against more experienced debaters by Freshmen representing T. C. U., Drake University losing an audience decision to a freshman team at Fort Worth early in the season. A Sophomore representative has captured the Texas State Oratorical contest, and at press time is participating in the Try Outs held at Abilene, Texas, for the National contests to be held at Los Angeles, California, some time later.

Texas Christian University is very glad to enter Pi Kappa Delta and pledges herself to a more extensive and careful expansion of forensic arts in the future.

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE, CHAPTER NO. 119

Since Wake Forest College opened its doors on February 2, 1834, its students have always shown much interest in debating. During the first year the students had what they called "The Polemic Society," which met in an old carriage house once a week and held stormy debates. On February 14, 1835, the Philomathesian and Euzelian Literary Societies were organized. In these societies the forensic arts were maintained at a high stage of development. There were regular meetings on Friday evening for debate and on Saturday morning for declamations and essays. Membership in one or the other of these societies, which was compulsory until 1923, included all the students. Attendance and performance of prescribed duty were prescribed and rigidly enforced. The members of the senior class acted as critics and drilled the new members in the things that go to make a good public speaker, proper attitude on the floor, gestures, enunciation, pronunciation, cadence and emphasis, courtesy toward opponents, and general arrangement of matter.

The societies have always celebrated their anniversaries with a debate. Until 1853 the celebration had been in the halls of these societies, but at the anniversary of that year a public feature was added when a member of each society delivered an oration in the College Chapel. In 1872 a further feature was added to the anniversary celebration and gave it much additional interest. This was a public debate. Owing to the keen rivalry between the two societies it was thought dangerous to pit society against society. Accordingly a speaker from each society defended each side of the question. These debates attracted much interest and were largely attended. Often the college chapel would be filled to overflowing, and not infrequently in the audience would be found the governor of the State, judges of the Supreme Court and men prominent in business or the professions. The subjects chosen for debate usually related to some topic of current interest and on more



WAKE FOREST, North Carolina Beta, Chapter 119.
 TOP Row, left to right: Baker, T. W.; Hopkins, J. S.; Wall,
 R. E.; Malone, F. H.; Moseley, L. B.
 BOTTOM Row: Earp, C. B.; Haworth, D. S.; Doberts, E. L.;
 Lamb, S. N.

than one occasion swarms of members of the State Legislature have come to hear a topic discussed that was being considered in our General Assembly. For many years there was nothing else like it in North Carolina. For many years the debate was of the Open Forum kind and the issue was decided by a rising vote of the audience.

It was in 1897 that the College had its first intercollegiate debate. This was in Raleigh with Trinity College. For five years this debate with Trinity was kept up. It excited large interest. No hall in the city of Raleigh was large enough to accommodate even half the people that wished to attend. The girls from the women's colleges in the town were given seats of honor. The students from Wake Forest and Trinity were there almost to a man, and enthusiasm ran high. More obstreperous bands of rooters were never seen at football or baseball games. In fact the impossibility of controlling this exuberance of college spirit made it necessary to discontinue the debate after the five year period. Since that time Wake Forest has had one or more debates every year. For about ten years it has met some other Baptist college at the time and place of the Southern Baptist Convention, sending teams to Washington to debate Colgate, to Kansas City to debate William Jewell; to Atlanta to debate Mercer or Baylor, to Houston to debate Simmons. During the present year the College has five debating teams and has scheduled ten debates. Of these, four have been at the College, two of them Open Forum debates. It is worthy of note that the Open Forum debate has proved much more interesting here and drawn much larger audiences than the debate decided by a number of judges. At both of our Open Forum debates the audience hall was filled, students and citizens alike showing a keen interest and casting their votes.

KANSAS PICKS ALL-STATE DEBATERS

To the Kansas Debate Coaches:

As the 1925-26 debate season is over, we can now enjoy a short breathing spell in which to take inventory of our stock in trade. In doing so we find that several things are to be noted as worthy of more than passing consideration.

In the first place, if Kansas can be taken as a fair example, intercollegiate debating increased in value during the past season about 30 per cent over the previous season.

Second, a greater amount of extempo debating was done this season than ever before.

Third, interest is increasing favorably to decisionless debates thus developing a spirit of debating for the art's sake rather than for a judges decision.

Fourth, in number of points Kansas won the National tournament at Estes Park, by winning first in both men's debate and extempo speaking by College of Emporia and Kansas State Agricultural College respectively; second in women's debate by Southwestern; and third in men's debate by Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia. No other state equalled this record.

Our task now is to review our debaters and select, if possible, two all-state teams. It has fallen to my lot to attempt this selection. In arriving at my conclusions, I have asked the coaches and others in the state who have frequently judged the college teams to make selections and send them to me. Thus the final selection is a composite of all individual selections. The majority of those who were asked for this help have responded. However, several have not.

The ratings for the men made possible the selection of one, four or six, but not three. Orlo Coughill, College of Emporia stands out as the greatest favorite. Ranking slightly below him are John Brewster, College of Emporia, Robert Hedberg, Kansas State Agricultural College, and Royal Alcott, Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia, with equal rating. These three are in turn hard pressed by Kenneth Hamer, Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia, and Carl Taylor, Kansas State Agricultural College, with a very small margin between them.

In the case of the women the opinions varied, but a composite rating resulted in the naming of Miss Elizabeth Tippin, Sterling, Miss Lucille Kaul, Bethany, and Miss Lucille Wright, Southwestern, as members of the all-state team with Miss Alice Wells, Washburn, as alternate.

Respectfully,

F. B. ROSS,

Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia.

The Editor's Personal Page

Where inconsistencies cease from troubling and logic is at rest.

"Then you should say what you mean," the March Hare went on.

"I do," Alice hastily replied; "at least—at least I mean what I say—that's the same thing, you know."

"Not the same thing a bit," said the Hatter. "Why, you might just as well say that 'I see what I eat' is the same as 'I eat what I see'!"—*Alice in Wonderland.*

"So live with thy friend that if he become thine enemy he can do thee no harm."—*Tully.*

A group of ladies and gentlemen who belonged to, let us say, the Presbyterian Church, fell into a dispute. Being unable to settle the matter among themselves, they laid it before three of the elders of the church whom they happened to meet.

"It is not our dispute, and we should prefer not to enter into the matter," said the elders.

"We can not settle it for ourselves. You are not interested in the matter, and you will decide fairly."

"We do not profess to understand the matter fully," the elders pleaded.

"But we shall be glad to accept your judgment."

"You cannot both be right, so that we shall have to decide against one party."

"That we understand. We only ask you to decide for the truth to the best of your ability, and we shall be satisfied," said all of the disputants in chorus.

Thus urged the elders listened patiently to both parties to the discussion. They considered the evidence and finally gave their decision as honestly as they could. The disputants went their ways.

What do you think they did when they returned to their friends? Remember that they were ladies and gentlemen and that they had asked the elders to decide the case for them, knowing that the decision could not support both sides.

The members of this, let us say, Presbyterian Church, went home and told their friends that the elders of their church were dishonest, and stupid, and a disgrace. But they still continued to go to this church. And remember they were ladies and gentlemen

The snow was bad enough in Estes Park, but at Park College, Missouri, school was called off the morning of March 31 until paths could be dug thru the snow.

Some paper had this to say about us: "Three hundred Pi Kappa Delta delegates were marooned by a snowstorm in the Colorado mountains near Denver. To Kappa climax, nobody Delta Pie apiece to 'em."

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DID IT PAY?

The sixth national convention is history. It was a forensic carnival which has probably never been equalled and which will be long remembered by those who took part in it. Its purpose was to strengthen and promote forensics. Whether it was a success or not depends upon what happens in the next two years.

If the delegates who attended obtained a clearer and a loftier conception of what intercollegiate forensics should be and went home to realize this ideal on their own campus, the convention for their own college at least was worth while. If the delegates do not strengthen forensic on any campus, the convention for that college at least was a failure.

This is what the convention meant to one delegation. The quotations are from its college paper.

"The biggest thing we got from the convention was the realization that ——— College is just twenty-five years behind the times. Delegates from other colleges much smaller were talking about their ten and fifteen debates. When they asked us how many we had, we blushed and said "two or three."

"After we woke up to the fact that we were a monstrosity in forensics, we armed ourselves with several sheets of paper and a pencil and started out to interview other representatives. The first eight we happened to strike—and we took them as we came across them in the hotel lobby—were from institutions about the size of our own, for the most part, in fact, smaller. All of them were denominational colleges. The average number of debates held a year was between fifteen and twenty, altho some held as high as thirty. The debate budget averaged

four or five hundred dollars. We spend less than one hundred dollars.

"Practically all of the institutions employed debate coaches. Many colleges give scholastic credit for debating. Some colleges pay for ΠΚΔ keys for the men eligible to wear them and present them in chapel at commencement.

"We found in all parts of the country there was a keen interest in the art of debating. Men spoke of going out for the debate team, much as men here speak of going out for the football or basket ball team."

It cost something for your institution to send you to the convention. We hope you can prove to it that the investment was a good one.

SPORTSMANSHIP

A member of one of the debate teams had a slight attack of illness Sunday night after arriving in Fort Collins. He was not feeling very well Monday, but he went into the debates and did the best he could any way. In one of the early rounds this team defeated another which seemed to resent it. In the evening the debate coach and another faculty member from the defeated institution went to the people in charge of the debating tournament and asked to be allowed to judge the debate in which their late opponents were contesting. The men in charge of the tournament were short of judges and did not know the history of the case. The two judges voted against the team which had won over theirs, altho the chairman apologized for the decision when he gave it.

By a good deal of grit the team with the one sick man managed to get thru five debates on Monday losing only the one described. Instead of making any complaint over this decision, the debaters went home to conserve their strength and plan for Tuesday's debates. Tuesday the sick man was worse. He could not eat, but he managed to debate and his team kept in the running. Wednesday he was no better, but he stuck it out, and still his team kept winning. Thursday the team won the final debate and the tournament, altho the sick man had not eaten since Monday, and was barely able to be out of bed. He was so sick that he could not even attend the final banquet to receive the cup.

In a big tournament where many things are pressing, it is not possible to handle everything as it should be handled. Undoubtedly some injustices were done. A few dissatisfied people were protesting this or complaining about that. Frequently they were so busy over what had happened that they did not prepare for their next contest. A team which took without a whimper as unfair a thing as happened during the convention, which labored under a severe handicap all the way thru and yet never asked a special favor or to have a contest postponed, had the good wishes of every one. It gave us all a good example of sportsmanship and no one begrudged it its victory.

WE LEFT A GOOD IMPRESSION

Pleasant reports of the convention have come in from a number of sources. The Estes Park Trail, the paper of the village, says: "This convention was of the finest type of any of the student conventions ever held in the Park and their presence in the community was highly appreciated and every possible courtesy was shown them."

Mr. Frank J. Haberl, manager of the Stanley Hotels, sent a personal letter to the national president stating, "We take this opportunity to tell you that it was indeed a great pleasure to take care of the Pi Kappa Delta convention and I hope that the members of the fraternity enjoyed it as much as I did. The other hotels unanimously join me in saying the Pi Kappa Delta convention was one of the loveliest to handle from every standpoint and I know they will always remember it with pleasure."

The transportation company made the statement that this was the first fraternity convention group it had ever handled in which there had been no drinking.

The officials of the two entertaining colleges, the business men and citizens of both convention towns have taken opportunity to express their appreciation of the high class of people who came as delegates.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHAPTERS

The sixth national convention created three new chapters.

117, Iowa Mu, Drake University, Des Moines.

118, Texas Zeta, Texas Christian University.

119, North Carolina Beta, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest.

Π K Δ is honored in being able to list these strong institutions in its chapter roll. It extends to them a most cordial welcome.

We say to them, as we say to all new chapters, Π K Δ is a cooperative enterprise, the product of our joint efforts. By all working together we are able to accomplish some things which we could not accomplish alone. The best we can offer you is an opportunity to work with us. We shall be better for your contribution. What you get out of the society will depend upon what you put into it.

GET READY FOR 1928

It is worth while to note that out of the 113 chapters active at the time of the convention, all but 16 were represented at the convention. Most of them were chapters which had attended previous conventions and came back because they felt it was worth while. Most of those who attended went away with the statement on their lips that they planned to attend the next convention no matter where it was held.

Several of them have already started a convention fund for 1928. "The national convention is a regular part of our forensic program," writes one California institution. "We shall attend no matter where it is held. The further away it is, the easier it is to attend, for there is more incentive to work for it. We set aside a part of our forensic budget each year for this purpose." One of the delinquent chapters writes that a bit of hard luck at the last prevented it from being represented, but that it is already at work on a fund for the next convention.

Many individual delegates are planning to come back. One young lady who is now a junior is going to stay out of school next year so that she will be eligible to attend. The editor has already received letters from three delegates who are working out a program of training to prepare for the 1928 contests.

Now is the time to begin to plan for the 1928 convention. It will be some where in our central or eastern territory. The exact place will be announced this spring. Begin work on your convention plans and your convention fund now.

THE VISIT OF PRESIDENT HOUCK

The presence of Stanley B. Houck, national president of the Delta Sigma Rho, meant much to the convention and to the society as a whole. While it helped to make stronger the rather full understanding which has existed between the two societies for some time, President Houck's visit was welcomed as much for personal reasons. It was a pleasure to have him present, to talk with him, and to associate with him. His address at the final banquet was much appreciated. It was both encouraging and instructive. We were all glad to learn of the increasing interest in public speaking and to receive the suggestions in regard to debating.

We repeat, "President Houck, we are glad you came."

BEWARE OF SIZE

A close observer could not have failed to observe the air of self satisfaction which pervaded the convention. There was a feeling that the society was just about right and that its members didn't care about admitting anyone else to its privileges unless he was unusually good. Petitions from eleven colleges were presented and only three of them accepted.

There is a grave danger that the society will become too large and disintegrate of its own cumbersomeness. This must be watched. But there is still much to be done. I K Δ was established to strengthen forensics. Are we right in refusing a charter to an institution which

we might help on the theory that the institution itself would probably not help us? Should we not have courage enough to go forward and resolutely occupy any field where we can do good?

What will happen to the eight institutions whose petitions were denied at the convention and the many others whose petitions have been denied during the past two years? We assume that there are advantages to be gained by belonging to an honorary forensic society. Are we then to deny these advantages to these other institutions? There is full accord between the three forensic societies now most prominently in the field. It is doubtful if either of the other two would accept these institutions.

Either we must change our attitude or we must unite with the other societies and the interested institutions to create a fourth society which will administer to the needs of these institutions. The traditions of $\Pi K \Delta$ and the spirit of fairness which is ever outstanding in inter-collegiate forensics urge us forward to see that any forensic blessings which we enjoy are not denied to any one else.

ALABAMA ALPHA

It is with real satisfaction that the society records the return of Alabama Alpha to the active list. The chapter at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute was the sixteenth established. Its presence on the inactive list has long been a source of worry to the national council. We welcome it back to active participation in the affairs of the society and trust the revival will be beneficial to both the institution and the society.

It is also worth while to note that we now have only one inactive chapter out of 118. It is in an institution which changed from a four year college to a junior college after the chapter was established. It is anxious to have the chapter revived. While we cannot maintain a chapter in a junior college, perhaps some day the college may regain its former standing and we shall then remove from our lists our last inactive chapter.

POSITIONS OPEN

The Colorado Agricultural College needs a debate coach and instructor in argumentation and public speaking. A young man with some graduate work and experience is preferred. Address applications to Professor Alfred Westfall.

Baylor College for Women needs a man with experience and graduate training to coach forensics and do some class room work. Address applications to Professor W. H. Vann.

WINNING

Some delegates went to the convention to win contests and went away disgruntled and disappointed when they did not win. This was a mistake. The convention was more than the contest, more than winning. It was an opportunity to discover a bigger future in forensics. Not every one could win. We knew that in advance. But every one could yet learn something worthwhile about the advancement of forensics.

OUR SUSPENDED CHAPTERS

In 1924 at Peoria the convention amended the constitution to provide that any chapter which missed two consecutive conventions should have its charter suspended. At that time the convention specifically ruled that the rule should become operative at once and apply to the Peoria convention itself.

Upon the strength of this ruling the national officers did all that they could to have chapters attend so that they would not lose their charters and called their attention to this clause in the constitution. In spite of this four chapters which had not attended the previous convention failed to attend this last one. At the meetings in Estes Park this situation was discussed and again it was clearly the will of the convention that such chapters be considered suspended and be treated as such.

The chapters affected are:

Connecticut Alpha, Connecticut Agricultural College.

Kentucky Gamma, Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Maine Alpha, Colby College.

South Carolina Gamma, Newberry College.

In addition Missouri Eta, Central Missouri State Teachers College which had been granted a charter on condition that it be represented at the first national convention after its installation, failed to send a delegation.

When the national officers attempted to carry out this ruling they were met with the protest from some of these institutions that the law was in effect *ex post facto* in that it was applying to the convention in which it had been passed. They said that had the ruling been in effect at the Peoria convention, they would have had delegates at that meeting which was much closer.

The national officers recognize some of the justice in this plea, and, unless there is a definite protest from a representative number of the chapters, are going to postpone suspending these chapters until the next convention, feeling that while this is directly contrary to expressed desire of two national conventions, it is better to err on the side of leniency than to do any chapter an injustice. This is not a

weakening on the part of the national officers. While some institution which came in good faith to save its charter may feel that this action is not consistent, still we hope it will grant that attendance at the convention was worth while and that it has not suffered from attending.

The suspension of the Missouri Eta chapter will have to stand as that is another matter. This chapter was admitted after the constitution had been amended to provide that all chapters must attend the first convention after the granting of their charter. Missouri Eta assumed this obligation in accepting its charter but did not meet it.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

Membership certificates, about 8½ by 11 inches in size, handsomely printed and suitable for framing, are now on hand and may be secured thru the secretary's office. They cost fifty cents, payable in advance. This charge covers the cost of having the name inscribed on the certificate and the mailing charge.

WATCH US GROW

The national secretary issued Key 3907 to John Thomas of Oklahoma City University on May 1. Membership card 6000 was issued May 10 to Harvey Strong, Dakota Wesleyan University.

There are a few of the programs of the final banquet still on hand. Any delegates who did not secure one and others who are interested may secure one by writing to the national secretary. Copies of the extra edition of The Rocky Mountain Collegian are still available and may be secured from the national secretary at ten cents per copy. These papers give the full story of the convention, the results of the contests, and pictures of the national officers.

Locals

Baylor defeated Ouachita by a split decision.—*The Ouachita Signal*.

Ouachita negative lost to the Arkansas Teachers on the $\Pi K \Delta$ question.—*The Ouachita Signal*.

Merrill Brininstool, Redlands, won third place in the California Peace oratorical.—*The U. of R. Campus*.

Arkansas Alpha lost a co-ed debate to Arkansas State Teachers. The negative of the $\Pi K \Delta$ question won.—*The Oracle*.

Henderson-Brown, Arkansas Alpha, on the negative of the Child Labor question, defeated the College of the Ozarks.—*The Oracle*.

In the first freshman debate between the two Arkansas chapters, Henderson-Brown and Ouachita discussed the unified air service plan.—*The Oracle*.

La Verne won first and Southern Branch second in the California women's extempore contest. The general subject was "Lawlessness in the United States."—*The U. of R. Campus*.

When his colleague was called away at the last minute, S. H. Lynne, Alabama Alpha, took over his work and carried on alone the whole debate against Birmingham Southern College. His efforts were rewarded with a unanimous decision of the judges. The proposition of adding a secretary of education to the president's cabinet was the question discussed.—*The Plainsman*.

Three debaters from the University of Arizona have started out on what is possibly the most ambitious tour yet attempted by college orators. On March 30-31 they will debate the University of Porto Rico team in two debates—one in Spanish, the other in English. On the way to and from Porto Rico the debaters are meeting twenty-four college teams in the Middle West, South and East. They have prepared themselves to speak authoritatively on four topics: Prohibition, The League of Nations, Restriction of Liberty and the Child Labor Amendment.—*The New Student*.

"When I was a boy, debating was more popular in the high schools and colleges than athletics," said President George W. Frasier of Colorado Teachers College in his speech of welcome to the delegates to the Pi Kappa Delta convention at a banquet given by the college Monday evening in the club house to visitors and members of the local chapter.

"When I debated on the team in my sophomore year in high school we went to another town for a contest. The town band met us at the station, and the crowd at the auditorium was so big that people were standing outside the doors," he said.

"Some of the best training that I got when I was in school was through my work in debate and extempore speaking," the president continued. Forensics is invaluable vocational training, he believes.

Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensics fraternity, is doing much to make debate popular again, the speaker told the delegates. The colleges are imitated by the high schools, he said, and the importance of forensics cannot be overestimated.—*The Mirror*.

Pacific on the negative of the ΠΚΔ question defeated Redlands—*The Pacific Weekly*.

The College of the Pacific engaged in thirty-seven debates this season.—*The Pacific Weekly*.

Miss Leora Fuller represented Occidental in the women's extempore contest.—*The Occidental*.

Pacific and Stanford met in a no decision contest on the grandchildren question.—*The Pacific Weekly*.

The Pacific women on the negative of the Child Labor question defeated the Caltec men.—*The Pacific Weekly*.

North Carolina Beta, the new chapter at Wake Forest, has just defeated the University of Pittsburgh and the College of William and Mary.

Pacific lost to Fresno and San Jose State Teachers on the proposition of having the only scholastic evaluation in college "passed" or "failed."—*The Pacific Weekly*.

In a debate before the assembly of the San Diego State Teachers College, Redlands on the federal end of the child labor question won the decision.—*The U. of R. Campus*.

In a special service President Duke of Redlands presented to the student body the cup Roger Walsh brought back for winning the oratorical contest.—*The U. of R. Campus*.

The Pacific women took a northern debate tour meeting Albany, Willamette, Linfield, Washington State Normal, Whitman, College of Idaho, and Weber College of Utah.—*The Pacific Weekly*.

In no decision contests on the question of declaring war by direct vote of the people, Redlands met California Institute of Technology, University of Southern California, and Occidental.—*The U. of R. Campus*.

In the only decision debate on its own campus this season, Redlands lost to Southwestern Law School of Los Angeles. Redlands upheld the affirmative of the proposal to have war declared by a direct vote of the people.—*The U. of R. Campus*.

The California Alpha men from Redlands engaged in seven debates on their trip to the convention. In the four decision contests, they defeated Willamette, Linfield and Intermountain Union, but lost to Pacific.—*The U. of R. Campus*.

The California Beta chapter at Occidental sold sandwiches and doughnuts and put on a special entertainment consisting of singing and dancing to raise enough funds to send its delegate, Miss Ruby MacDonald, to the convention.—*The Occidental*.

The Pacific women have engaged in 16 debates this season, winning 12 of the 14 decision contests. They met the visiting men's team from Wheaton College, Illinois, and carried away the decision. Pacific had the negative of the ΠΚΔ question.—*The Pacific Weekly*.