

P E R S P E C T I V E S

National Historian, Pi Kappa Delta

II. ORATORY

Oratory was second only to debate as an activity with the college student of 1870-1914. Not as popular as during the first half of the nineteenth century when the growing pains of the republic were evidenced by the great oratory of Webster, Clay, Calhoun, and the more simple, but effective style of Lincoln; oratory was destined during the latter half of the century to give way in part to the art of elocution which was reaching the height of its popularity. Oratory shared the curriculum in private schools that included the teaching of oratory, elocution, and the training of teachers. The National School of Elocution and Oratory in Philadelphia in 1885 had about two hundred and fifty students with ten to twelve faculty members. In 1880 the Emerson College of Oratory opened in Boston with about a dozen students and by 1891 had over 500 enrolled. The numbers include those enrolled for all purposes, such as physical expression, development of the voice, and vocal expression and in a number of cases borrowed freely from the principles developed by Delsarte. In time, elocution and expression were to give way to more popular terminology still in use, oral interpretation.

The period following the Civil War did not offer the incentives to students to engage in the development of original orations as did the period of the Revolution and that preceding the Civil War. A trend towards the use of the oratorical declamation, "standard oratory," that is, the non-original oration was seen. In this type of exercise the emphasis was placed on the development of the powers of physical and vocal delivery. The books of the period on oratory and elocution consist mainly of two or three preliminary chapters of suggestions on delivery while the major portion of the book consisted largely of exercises for practice taken from the masterpieces of oratory from the ancient orators as well as those of the early periods of American history.

Programs of the literary societies reveal that original selections were read or given from memory as well as selections from the orators of history. Contests in oratory were sponsored by the literary societies in some schools. Successful alumni sometimes made grants to be used as awards for winners in oratorical contests sponsored on the campus. The development of intercollegiate oratorical contests parallel the development of the debate leagues. In some cases the oratorical leagues were formed before the debate leagues, and in other instances, the same leagues sponsored both debate and oratory. To the Adelphi Society, of Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois, goes the credit for planning the first intercollegiate oratorical contest. Referring to the contest of physical power and endurance such as boating and ball games, it remained for them to "crown all former efforts in conceiving another outlet for this restless and impetuous spirit of rivalry, by testing intellectual merit through the eloquence of oratory." Invitations were sent to six other colleges and universities on November 4, 1873. All but one accepted the invitation. As plans for the event were made the idea of a permanent association was developed for the purpose of continuing the contests from year to year. Other invitations were issued to the same institutions, requesting that each send a representative to a planning session to be held on the afternoon preceding the first contest. The meeting was held in Galesburg, Illinois, at two o'clock the afternoon of the 27th of February while the first contest in oratory was held on the evening of the same day, February 27, 1874, in the Galesburg City Opera House. Another meeting was held in Chicago June 9, 1874, to complete plans for the permanent organization. Thus, the Inter-State Oratorical Association came into existence.

The following description of the first contest is of interest as it gives a list of

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I. EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

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aneous speaking in June, 1891.¹⁰ Brewer was a student at Grinnell at the time, and was one of six young men selected by the faculty to compete for prizes provided by two brothers who were graduates of the class of 1871. The brothers were Dr. Gershon Hill, an alienist of Des Moines, and Rev. James L. Hill, Congregational Pastor of Lynn, Massachusetts. The Hill brothers originated the contest which became known as the Hill Prize Contest for the purpose of the "promotion of excellence in extemporaneous speaking." The contest was endowed with the sum of \$700 which was increased from time to time until in 1919, it had reached \$5,000. In the first contests, subjects were assigned three to five hours in advance and speeches were to be from twelve to fifteen minutes in length.¹¹ The first contest was limited to men, although later a section was added for women.

Brewer admits that there is a dearth of actual evidence on the history of intercollegiate extemporaneous speaking but asserted that interest in the contest was spread from Grinnell as a parent institution by graduates of Grinnell. He introduced it at Montana State College for high schools in 1911, using a variation of the Grinnell plan.

Perhaps the best known disciple of extemporaneous speaking to graduate from Grinnell was Glenn Clark of the Class of 1905. Clark later became Professor of Speech at Macalester and used the extemporaneous speaking contest there.¹² Prof. Clark also gives credit to the Hill Contest of Grinnell as the earliest extemporaneous speaking contest on record. His enthusiasm for the extempore contest is indicated in his comparison of extemporaneous speaking with the oratorical contests held at Grinnell; "These contests originally came in Commencement Week the day before the Hude Prize Contest in old line oratory. Never was there a more striking proof of

the superiority of extemporaneous speaking over the old line than these two contests furnished. A handful of people attended the memorized speech contest; a full auditorium turned out to hear the vigorous, peppy contest in extempore other.¹³ Indeed, the entries in the Hill speaking. Few men cared to enter one; half the college wanted to try out for the Extempore contest were so large that preliminaries and semi-finals were necessary to select those to appear in the final contest during Commencement.

Under Prof. Clark's direction, Macalester inaugurated annual intercollegiate extemporaneous speaking contests with Hamline and the University of North Dakota, and it was his belief that this series was the first intercollegiate extemporaneous speaking contests to be held.¹⁴ In describing the events, Prof. Clark does not give the actual date of the first contest. It might be assumed to have taken place between the years 1910-1920. With intercollegiate oratory being used as contest since 1874, it might be left to conjecture why extemporaneous speaking was not developed as an inter-collegiate activity several years earlier. Nichols suggests that the first extempore speaking contest was held in South Dakota about 1916,¹⁵ however, the contest was on the high school rather than the college level. The "South Dakota" movement in extemporaneous speaking seems to have developed later under Prof. George McCarty of South Dakota State College. McCarty later served as National President of Pi Kappa Delta and editor of its publication, the *Forensic*. The "South Dakota" experiments in extemporaneous parallel those of Macalester under Glen Clark and together provided the background of experience which Pi Kappa Delta drew on to establish the first National Contest in Extemporaneous Speaking at its Convention at Bradley University, Peoria, Illinois, in 1924.¹⁶

10. W. F. Brewer, "Notes on the History of Extemporaneous Speaking," *The Forensic*, (1943) 28:51.

11. *Ibid.*

12. Editorial, *The Forensic*, (1925) 11:106.

13. *Ibid.*

14. *Ibid.*

15. Alan Nichols, *op. cit.* p. 405.

16. *The Forensic* (1924) 10:36.

The Secretary's Message

Perhaps your Chapter has already set the date for its annual initiation-banquet. Possibly you have made most of the other arrangements which I am about to suggest. More likely you have planned or will be making plans for many variations from these suggestions and hopefully all will be just what your particular situation requires.

Let's suppose the date is Saturday, May 2, 1970. Of course there will be conflicts but we have picked a Saturday early in May because the forensic season is over, the social season may not be in full swing, and Saturday night is the best time for graduate members of Pi Kappa Delta to return to campus.

The place and date have been chosen months ago to insure the best choice. The guest speaker has been booked. There are reasons for having an outstanding alumnus as speaker. The highlight of the banquet can be the presentation of an alumnus award. Also, alumni members are more interested in returning, if one of their number is featured. An evening devoted exclusively to local chapter "talent" as the entertainment is likely to have too much inside humor for those who didn't make the trips. This can be an occasion, not only for the active chapter members but also for the alums and others who have assisted with the program during the year. We'll send the invitations out, with all details included, at least two months in advance of the initiation-banquet so the date can get on the calendars.

Are the season's records complete? An abbreviated report should be ready for the banquet. It takes about fifteen minutes on a Monday to record the past week-ends results in detail. If left to the end of the season, when they are cold, it takes much longer and may never be done. The incomplete Form A's and B's in the National Office attest to the latter. There are many attractive ways to present a senior's college forensic record to him at the banquet.

With the records complete, vote on new and present members so the Forms can arrive in the National Office in time for



Larry Norton

membership cards to be returned for presentation that important evening. Be sure all who are eligible for membership are given the pledge test and are ready for initiation. Take in eligible Speech faculty as Active members. Take in at least one Honorary member each year.

Let's not neglect the awards. Perhaps something a little different than the usual hardware collected on the circuit would be appreciated by that outstanding debater, orator, interpreter, by those making most improvement, by that outstanding alumnus. Get the programs to the printer early. An attractive printed program is a most essential part of the occasion.

The initiation of new members is open to all. It is best to hold it one half hour prior to the banquet, in an adjoining room. An effective ceremony is not held without preparation. The three officers conducting the initiation must practice prior to that day. Those conducting the ceremony should wear robes as a symbol of dignity and they should have adequate assistance for escorting the initiates.

Installation of officers, elected at the last regular meeting of the Chapter, will occur at the conclusion of the banquet program. Each of the ladies may be given a red carnation from the bouquets on the tables. Remember, the red carnation is the Pi Kappa Delta flower and the colors are cherry red and white. These colors will be used for the streamers on the tables and for the cloth covers on the small tables used at each corner of the triangle which has been formed for the initiation.

Of course you will have a picture taken and send it to the Forensic.

CHAPTER NOTES *(Slightly Edited)*

STERLING COLLEGE, KANSAS

Reporter: Clayton C. Campbell

The Kansas Lambda chapter sponsored a regional high school debate tournament at Sterling College in January. Winners of first and second go on to state competition. This month our chapter sponsored a district high school forensic festival for Two-I high schools. Winners go on to state competition two weeks later.

WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE, MISSOURI

Reporter: Ben Morse

William Jewell's Delta chapter is feeling the full impact of forensic activity. Tournaments attended included the Kearney Nebraska Tournament and the Nebraska Wesleyan Tournament. A week after we loaded up the bright red mini-bus and headed for the Bradley Tournament. Our latest venture was to the annual Northwest Missouri State College Tournament. Numerous awards in both debate and individual events were won on these trips.

Coming events include hosting our annual Blizzard Debate Tournament, and trips to the Missouri State Tournament at Cape Girardeau and the Provincial Tournament Convention in Spearfish, South Dakota.

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGE

Reporter: Seth Hawkins

SCSC's forensic program has changed markedly in character, with a strong interest in individual events. SCSC has placed seventeen students in final rounds or among award winners in five tournaments this fall. Mary Galvin, Robert Francesconi, Janice Dombrowski, Ron Vigneault, Susan O'Connor, Nanci Chelstowski, and Kathleen Mortimer have all won awards for SCSC. Six of the awards have been in oratory, five in interpretation, three in after-dinner speaking, and three in extemp.

We have attended tournaments at Elizabethtown and the Collegiate Forensic Association tournament at East Stroudsburg State College. We hosted our own Southern Hospitality Tournament with three hundred contestants competing. SCSC hosted the Third Owl Invitational in March, while Governor Hawkins welcomes the Province of the Northeast on April 9-11.

HOPE COLLEGE, MICHIGAN

Reporter: Harold Mikle

The Speech Department has changed to a Department of Communication. Most of the Speech courses will be kept intact but to be developed will be the areas of Interpersonal and mass communication. A former Pi Kappa Deltan from Marietta, Jack Hopkins, will develop this area.

We have an enthusiastic debate squad at work — enthusiastic but inexperienced. We have been on the road almost every weekend with tournaments that included the Gavel Tourney at Ball State and the Cross Question at Bowling Green. Plans are underway to send a full complement to the Province at Akron University. The host will be John Mendiola, chapter sponsor. Competition will be in debate, discussion, extemp speaking, interp reading, and after-dinner speaking. Officers for the local chapter are: President, Charles VanEngen; Vice President, Joan Granzow; Sec-Treas., Barbara Rizenga.

AUGUSTANA COLLEGE, SOUTH DAKOTA

Reporter: Jerry L. Winsor

Enclosed is a picture of the Augustana debate team. Not pictured yet quite active are student body President, Les Miller, and nine other members.

Two varsity teams will be going to Colorado State College for the Pikes Peak Invitational — it was coming home from this tournament a year ago that the plane crash killed our debaters and two faculty members.

P.S. We are flying!



Augustana College Debate Team

SACRAMENTO STATE COLLEGE

Reporter: Jerry L. Howerter

Just a note to let you know that we still exist as an active member of Pi Kappa Delta. Newly elected officers of California Phi Chapter of PKD include: President, Duane Miller; Vice-President, Jerry Howerter; Secretary-Treasurer, Loren Bell. We wish to announce that Sacramento State College has a new forensics coach — Michael T. Dues, formerly of University of Indiana. He is known on the California circuit as "the Colonel" because he has received from the Governor of the State of Kentucky a certificate naming him as an official Kentucky Colonel. Colonel Dues is the first permanent coach this school has hired in its forensics history. With Colonel Dues directing this squad, it has reached final rounds in eight straight tournaments. Please join us in welcoming him to Pi Kappa Delta and to the West Coast.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Reporter: Ben A. Chappell

Texas Zeta of Pi Kappa Delta has had an active fall semester. Sixteen debaters — not all members of Pi Kappa Delta — have entered 15 tournaments with a 63% win-loss

in their 277 debates. They have won 19 trophies and 15 certificates for their competition in Kansas, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Colorado and Texas.

Dr. Jerome Moore, one of the charter members of Pi Kappa Delta, was recently appointed Dean of the University and will be involved in writing a history of its first hundred years in addition to his administrative duties.

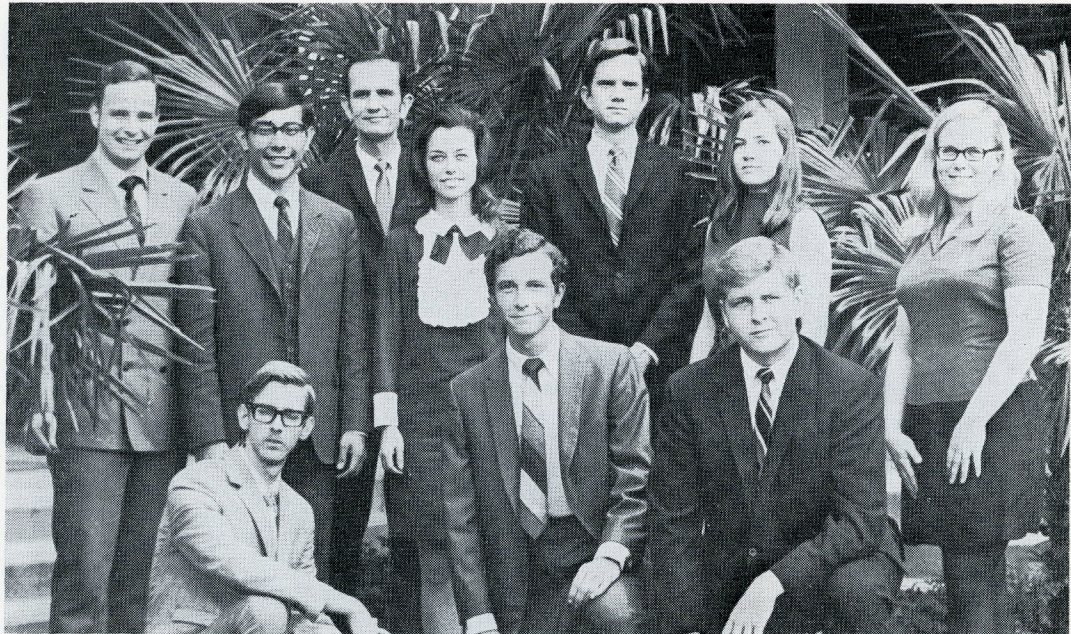
The Department of Speech is in the administrative structure of the School of Fine Arts. In honor of his support, Pi Kappa Delta has awarded the Dean of Fine Arts, Dr. Frank Hughes, with membership.

In addition to the college tournament it hosted in October, the chapter is also sponsoring a high school tournament which has a pre-registration total of some 200 teams from Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

HOUSTON BAPTIST COLLEGE

Reporter: Brenda Cherry

Chapter organized March 18, 1969 by William English of the Univ. of Houston. Eleven members were installed with Professor Rex R. Fleming as our sponsor. Officers are: Phillip Butler, President — Brenda



Houston Baptist College Squad

Cherry, Sec., Treas. and Jesse Gonzales, Chaplain.

Beginning with the 1969-70 school year, we have added seven Freshmen to our Debate Squad which brings our total number of debaters to 18. These Freshmen will soon make application for membership to our PKD Chapter.

The Texas Alpha Delta Chapter has enjoyed a most successful Tournament year thus far. Four First Places in Senior Debate with several teams making elims in Senior and Junior Divisions. We have many First Places in Extemp. and Oratory (all of the above won in six tourneys during the current Fall Semester).

Texas Alpha Delta is truly making a name for itself with a short history. Houston Baptist College is in it's seventh year — with it's Forensic program only three years old. Our sponsor and squad is dedicated to building one of the strongest PKD Chapters in the nation.

ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Reporter: Carl F. Dixon

On November 15 the Illinois Alpha Chapter (Illinois Wesleyan, Bloomington), in conjunction with the I.W.A. Speech De-

partment, hosted the First Annual Everett McKinley Dirksen High School Forensic Tournament. This competition was limited to only fifteen Central Illinois high schools for the first year, but will be greatly expanded in coming years. Events included in the initial tournament were after dinner speaking, debate, extemporaneous speaking, oratory, humorous and serious reading, and reading theatre. President Robert S. Eckley of Illinois Wesleyan University spoke at the Tournament Luncheon. Pat Cox, Chapter president, coordinated the tournament, along with Dr. Marie J. Robinson, Chapter advisor. Carl Dixon was in charge of the individual events competition, Dick Wray supervised the debate activities, and Elizabeth Sauter organized the Readers Theatre. Members of Pi Kappa Delta and other students in the speech department served as judges for the events. The Chapter is particularly pleased that Senator Dirksen knew of this contest and gave permission to use his name in connection with the tournament last July.

MORRIS HARVEY COLLEGE, WEST VIRGINIA

Reporter: Roselyn L. Freedman

I have two items for inclusion in *The Forensic*:

"Out of the light, through the darkness, and into the Light" seemed to be the underlying theme of the Morris Harvey College — Pi Kappa Delta Novice Debate Tournament, which was held in November. Fourteen teams assembled on what began as a typical winter's day, only to learn that they had stepped into the Twilight Zone. Due to a power failure at the College, there was a noticeable absence of heat and lights. In a true spirit of sportsmanship, the tournament proceeded in quasi-eighteenth-

century fashion. It was a most unusual day, especially for the onlookers who found debaters clad in boots, coats, and gloves as they worked by candlelight. Miraculously, the tournament results were ready for distribution within half an hour of receipt of the final ballot. A special award was granted to each participant in the day's struggle.

Recently we initiated four pledges into active membership.



Louisiana Chapter and Some of Their Trophies

LOUISIANA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Reporter: E. R. Minchew

Greetings from Louisiana Delta Chapter, and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Our Chapter of eight members has been very busy during the first part of the 1969-1970 session. We have attended four tournaments, and have hosted a Forensic College Tournament with 25 entries from six states. We have a 14 member debate squad. I am enclosing a picture of four of our debaters with trophies won during this

season. They are: (left to right) Keith Jones, freshman from Shreveport, Louisiana; Dick Thompson, sophomore from Shreveport, a Pi Kappa Deltan; Terry Kirkpatrick, junior from Lake Charles, La; and Jim Boren, junior from Alexandria, La, a Pi Kappa Deltan.

We also hosted a high school debate tournament in January. The local chapter hosts both the college and high school tournaments. The Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Paul J. Pennington is a Pi Kappa Deltan; so is the college business manager, Weldon Walker, and the Director of Admissions, Mrs. Patsy Lewis.

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the speakers with their subjects, descriptive statements about the subjects, and other highlights of the program:

The programme was opened with an overture by the Grand Orchestra. F. I. Moulton, president of the Adelphi Society, then introduced Mr. H. C. Adams, of Iowa College, Grinnell, Iowa. Subject: "The Student and the Mysterious," which the speaker rendered with true grace and eloquence. Mr. A. G. McCoy, of Monmouth College, Monmouth, Ill., followed Mr. Adams. His subject, "Conservatism," was of a political nature, and the speaker's style was energetic.

Mrs. Charles G. Hurd rendered the "Cavatina from Lucia di Lammermoor," an operatic solo that was highly appreciated, after which Mr. T. Edward Egbert, of Chicago University, Chicago, Ill., appeared. His theme, "The Heart, the Source of Power," won for him the first prize. Mr. Frank E. Brush, of Iowa State University, Iowa City, Iowa, next addressed the audience on the subject of "Ideas; their Power and Permanence." It was an erudite production, and Mr. Brush a natural orator.

The "Blue Danube Waltzes," by the Grand Orchestra, was given next place on the programme, at the conclusion of which Mr. Geo. T. Foster, of Beloit College, Beloit, Wis., discoursed "The British Rule in India," which was pronounced the second best oration. The last orator, Mr. W. W. Wharry, of the Illinois State Industrial University, Champaign, Ill., came forward with the subject of "Labor and Liberty; or, the Mission of America," which he delivered in an easy manner, and retired amid applause.

While the judges who had been appointed, according to agreement, by the Governors of the three States represented in the contest, withdrew for decision, Mrs. Hurd sang the favorite ballad, "Five O'clock in the Morning." The judges appointed were: Dr. A. Burns, president of Simpson Centenary College, Indianola, Iowa; Prof. A. Stetson, of Normal University, Bloomington, Ill.; and Judge A. A. Smith, of Galesburg, Ill. The prizes were awarded to Messrs. T. Edward Egbert and Geo. T. Foster.

Thus closed one of the greatest events in college history, the result of which is today an honor to our educational institutions.

Within a few years other oratorical Associations had been formed. Thomas C. Trueblood, for many years, head of the speech department at the University of Michigan, "was influential in founding the Northern Oratorical League in 1890; his students proceeded to win seven of the

first eight contests." The Northern was composed of larger institutions than the Interstate or "Old Line". Being composed of a smaller number of institutions, it did not hold preliminary state contests. As the interstate grew it was divided into an Eastern section of six states and a Western section of six.

Other interstate contests were; the Hamilton Club Contest, sponsored by the Hamilton Club of Chicago; the Civic League Contest, consisting of several colleges and universities in Ohio, New York, and Pennsylvania; the Peace Interstate Contests, with five regional contests and the Peace National, in which the regional winners competed; and the Prohibition Interstate, with an Eastern, Central, Southern, and Western division followed by a National.

The Peace Contests and the Prohibition Contests are typical of the oratorical contests that have been sponsored by special interest groups that offered substantial cash awards to the winners to encourage college students to study the subject area on which the orations were based.

Leonard D. Fackler, writing in the Intercollegiate Statesman, mentioned some interest facts about the Prohibition contests. He said that the first contest recorded was held at North Harvey, Illinois, in 1893, with thirteen contestants. Centre College, DePauw, and Drake took the first three places. Minnie Troop England, from Nebraska Wesleyan, competing in 1902, was the first woman to compete in the Prohibition National Oratorical. Eleven of the first seventeen contests were representative of a theological seminary. He estimated that during two decades at least ten thousand orations were delivered before three million listeners. (For. 6:19 1919)

One of the best known oratorical contests was sponsored by the Intercollegiate Peace Association and was known as the Peace Oratorical Contests. The Peace Association was founded in 1906 at Earlham College by a group of representatives from Goshen, Bluffton, and Earlham Colleges, three of the historic church-related colleges. The purpose of the contest is, "That of hastening in the era of international

peace, and so the ultimate elimination of war in settling international differences of opinion and judgment." The Association was revived after both World Wars. In 1947, it resumed its work among college students with the hope of "Arousing in them an interest in the importance and significance of international peace, a consciousness of the evils and barbarism of war, and to engender the highest ethical ideals of practical statesmanship in all international dealings." The Peace Oratorical has continued more consistently than any other intercollegiate oratorical endeavor with the exception of the Interstate. Twenty-seven states were holding the Peace Contests when they were interrupted by World War II.

Oratory, as well as debate, has had its critics from the beginning of its introduction as a college activity. Referring to these critics one of its staunch defenders said, "It is quite the fashion in some quarters to belittle the work of inter-collegiate contests in oratory and debating and to conclude that they serve no good purpose in the process of education. On such occasions it is not unusual to decide that winners of oratorical contests are generally simply smooth speakers without great depth of thought or personality, that sooner or later they are found out and become one-horse speakers in one-horse towns." Henry L. Ewbank decided to see what the evidence available actually indicated. Using the records of the Interstate Oratorical Association he investigated the winners of first and second places in the final contests from 1874 to 1902 inclusive. He found that twenty of the fifty-eight speakers, or slightly more than one-third, are listed in "Who's Who in America." They are:

1. Olin Alfred Curtis, *deceased*; one-time professor in Drew Theological Seminary; second place in 1876 representing Lawrence College.
2. Frank Prouty, *Congressman*; address, Des Moines, Iowa; second place in 1877 representing Central University of Iowa.
3. E. A. Bancroft, *lawyer*, general counsel International Harvester Company; first place in 1878 representing Knox College.
4. Robert M. LaFollette, *senator*; United States Senator from Wisconsin; first place in 1879 representing the University of Wisconsin.
5. Richard Yates, *ex-governor of Illinois*, 1901-

- 1905; address, Springfield, Illinois, second place in 1880 representing Illinois College.
6. Charles F. Coffin, *lawyer and life insurance official*; address, Indianapolis, Indiana; first place in 1881 representing DePauw University.
7. George L. Machintosh, *educator*; President of Wabash College, Crawfordville, Indiana; second place in 1884 representing Wabash College.
8. Albert J. Beveridge, *senator, author*; United States Senator from Indiana; first place in 1885 representing DePauw University.
9. H. H. Russell, *clergyman and reformer*; address Westerville, Ohio; second place in 1886 representing Oberlin College.
10. John H. Finley, *educator, editor*; President, College City of New York; 1903-1913; President U. State of New York 1913-21; Associate Editor New York Times; first place in 1887 representing Knox College.
11. Henry Morrow Hyde, *author*; address, Simeon, Albermarle Co., Va.; second place in 1888 representing Beloit College.
12. Edwin Holt Hughes, *bishop*; Bishop in Methodist Episcopal Church; first place in 1889 representing Ohio Wesleyan University.
13. J. A. Blaisdell, *educator*; President Pamona College, Claremont, California; second place in 1889 representing Beloit College.
14. S. W. Naylor, *educator*; Dean, Lawrence College; first place in 1890 representing Washburn College.
15. F. A. Fetter, *educator*; Professor of Economics, Cornell University; first place in 1891 representing Indiana University.
16. Guy Everett Maxwell, *educator*; President, Winona State Normal, Winona, Minn.; second place in 1891 representing Hamline University.
17. Mrs. E. Jean Nelson Penfield, *lawyer and parliamentarian*; address 34 Pine Street, New York City; first place in 1892 representing DePauw University.
18. C. F. Wishart, *educator*; President Wooster College; first place in 1894 representing Monmouth College.
19. Perl D. Decker, *Congressman*, U. S. Congressman from 15th Missouri district; first place in 1897 representing Park College.
20. Oscar Edward Maurer, *clergyman*; Pastor Central Church, New Haven, Conn.; first place in 1902 representing Beloit College.

The study did not include those that won third place and the many winners in the state contests. Also, it did not include the winners of other oratorical contests such as the Peace Oratoricals and the Prohibition Oratoricals. John A. Shields, one of the founders of Pi Kappa Delta, and its first national secretary was successful as an

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orator in the Prohibition Contests in Kansas during his undergraduate days at Ottawa University (Kansas). After graduation he was associated with the National Prohibition Association, the United States Chamber of Commerce, and the National Association of Manufacturers.

The Oracle, student publication of Monmouth College, mentions such notables as William Jennings Bryan, Jane Addams, Charles Wisehart, and John F. Findley as among those that took part in the Illinois Intercollegiate Oratorical. *The Oracle*, made special mention of the fact that in his only appearance in the contest William

Jennings Bryan won second place, losing first to a Monmouth College speaker.

CARTHAGE COLLEGE, WISCONSIN

The Editor wishes to correct an error he made in the January issue. Under CHAPTER NOTES he listed Carthage College as being in Illinois. This PKD school actually is located in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Carthage College was founded 124 years ago and was indeed formerly located in Carthage, Ill. The Editor years ago taught and coached in Missouri at which time he knew of the old location. But he hastens to apologize and catch up on the present. Professor Ross Gearhart is chapter Sponsor, John Choyce is President of the local chapter, and Valerie Jean Olsen is Reporter.

New Members of Pi Kappa Delta

HOPE COLLEGE

43299 Charles Van Engen

EAST CENTRAL STATE COLLEGE

43300 Barbara Campbell

43301 Karen Massey

WISCONSIN STATE UNIV. WHITEWATER

43302 Adrienne C. Hamparian

43303 Betty A. Turner

MONMOUTH COLLEGE

43304 Uttam Prasad Manandhar

STOUT STATE UNIVERSITY

43305 Lynn Kay Carlson

43306 Nancy Jo Strommen

ADAMS STATE COLLEGE

43307 George F. Lewis

S U N Y COLLEGE — GENESEO

43308 Craig M. Burgess

43309 Kathleen Eckert

43310 Faye Lynn Tischler

GENERAL CHAPTER

43311 John Kenneth Whitcomb

DRURY COLLEGE

43312 Peggy M. Dill

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

43313 Steven Bruce Hunt

43314 Marty Jones

43315 Shari King Lacy

43316 Michael Wayne Melton

43317 Robert Cornelius

Southwick, Jr.

43318 Bruce Thompson

43319 Artie Thrash

43320 Marvin Walker

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

43321 Clark Colvin

43322 Ralph H. Hester

43323 Mrs. Ralph H. Hester

43324 Lewis Nobles

BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE

43325 Kathy Bahan

43326 Hiram McDade

43327 Linda Reed

43328 Craig Smith

CENTRAL COLLEGE

43329 Susan Dickinson

43330 Patricia Hand

TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

43331 Wilma Jean Blanch

43332 Charles Faulkerson

43333 Troy L. Jones

43334 Thomas E. Poag

43335 Harvey Shaw

43336 A. P. Torrence

43337 Jamye Coleman Williams

LAMAR TECH.

43338 Susan Albritton

43339 Debbie Howell

43340 Linda De La Vergne

APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

43341 Keith Clark

43342 Ava Carol Creech

43343 Grady Franklin, Jr.

43344 Linda White

TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

43345 Daniel R. Thomas

43346 Sandrell Rivers

STETSON UNIVERSITY

43347 Ronald Lee Baugh

PHILLIPS UNIVERSITY

43348 Keith L. Spaulding

WHITMAN COLLEGE

43349 Robert Anderson

MANSFIELD STATE COLLEGE

43350 Kenneth Evans

43351 William R. Jones

43352 Lynn Karaffa

43353 Pamela Morgan

43354 Bonnie Mowers

43355 Donald Orris II

43356 Arlie M. Parks

43357 Marianna Potter

43358 Bruce Romanish

43359 Robert Schubmehl

43360 Gloria Tansits

43361 Andrew Tomkavage

BOISE STATE COLLEGE

43362 Janet Beautrow

43363 Eugene Brown, Jr.

43364 Charles R. Davis

43365 Lois A. Joslyn

43366 Patrick J. McDermott

STOUT STATE UNIVERSITY

43367 Cynthia Ballard

43368 Mark Larson

43369 Judith Marciniak

43370 Susan Morgan

BUENA VISTA COLLEGE

43371 Linda J. Goldfine

43372 Mary Jo Harrison

43373 Lonn M. Kaduce

43374 Linda L. Lanza

43375 Vicki R. Satern

EAST STROUDSBURG STATE COLLEGE

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43377 Marie Hetkowski

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Professor Short:

My personal association with Pi Kappa Delta is of such a lengthy duration and my many memories of its conventions and other activities are such favorable ones that I write this letter of invitation and welcome with a great deal of personal satisfaction. I have been a member of Pi Kappa Delta since 1933, I attended two national conventions as a student, I brought about the installation of a new chapter at the University of Illinois in Chicago when I was Forensic Director there, and I have continued to attend conventions after retiring from active coaching. Pi Kappa Delta is the only organization to which

I belonged as an undergraduate that I have continued to treasure throughout the years.

It is out of the context of the preceding statement of facts that I assure you and the other officers that I will personally contribute in every possible way to the convention when it is held on our campus. I can say with almost equal assurance that we have a sizeable staff of faculty and graduate students who will be available for whatever services may be needed in carrying out local arrangements and in supplementing the panel of visiting judges.

Please let me hear from you, both directly and through Bill English, whenever any needs arise.

Yours fraternally,
Wayne N. Thompson
Chairman,
Department of Speech