The Seventh National Convention
April 3rd to 6th, 1928

Heidelberg College
Tiffin, Ohio

Otterbein College
Westerville, Ohio

Baldwin-Wallace College
Berea, Ohio

National Contests

For men in Debating
Oratory
Exttempore

For women in Debating
Oratory
Exttempore

Over 400 delegates representing more than 100 colleges attended the last convention. There should be a larger attendance at this one. The National contests will be bigger and stronger than ever. There will be special railroad rates of a fare and one-half for the round trip. Every chapter should send delegates.

For the preliminaries, the convention will be divided into three sections. The women will meet at Baldwin-Wallace. The men will be divided equally between Otterbein and Heidelberg. All delegates will assemble at Heidelberg for the last three days of the convention and the finals in all contests.
H. J. Oberholzer, winner of the National Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Professor C. C. Cunningham, his coach. Hardy M. Ray, who, as representative of Northwestern University, won third in the same contest. All of members of the North Carolina Alpha chapter of ΠΚΔ at North Carolina State College, Raleigh, North Carolina.
THE CONSTITUTION

H. J. OBERHOLZER
North Carolina Alpha, North Carolina State College
Winner of the National Contest

In my native country, South Africa, as in many other foreign parts, there exists some rather strange ideas and erroneous concepts regarding you Americans and your land. The most ludicrous one is, perhaps, the common belief that every second man in America "packs a gun" and that, at the slightest provocation, you may find yourself looking into the wrong end of it. This distorted notion probably had its origin in motion pictures of the wild-and-wooly west type, which always reek of slaughter and in which life is taken with impunity.

Since my arrival in New York a year ago, however, I have learned that, in spite of the chaos of nationalities represented in your population of one hundred and twelve million, the American people are as peaceful as my own. Furthermore, I have been made to realize that only in a form of government modelled as closely after yours as existing conditions will permit, will my country ever realize that great and glorious future predicted for it. Already many nations have emulated strong America; but a glance at world conditions shows that the principles contained in the American Federal Constitution need to be applied still further.

Imagine once again, if you please, that opening scene depicted in the biblical book of Job. From the courts of Heaven and the presence of the Lord there fares forth once more the Adversary, Satan, bent upon going to and fro in the the earth and surveying the nations of the world. The scene which unrolls itself before his eyes in this twentieth century of the Christian era gives him naught but gleeful satisfaction. As the mists and clouds are swept away from the voids and the abysses of unending space, he sees some of the greatest nations of humanity in the midst of mortal agonies of torment and pain. Some struggle in a great morass full of stagnant, fetid pools and treacherous quicksands. Others toil over blistering sands and jagged rocks. That morass is called Bolshevism. That forbidding desert is Fascism. In the swamp of Bolshevism are the one hundred and fifty million people of Russia. See! They are today scrambling desperately over one another in a mad effort to extricate themselves from the octopus-like sands of death. And, worst of all! Their leaders are seeking to lure or to drag other peoples into the pit of evil with themselves. The millions of India, China, and Mexico have their eyes so filled with the dust of deceit that is hurled at them from Moscow that they may, at any moment, plunge over the brink and find themselves floundering in the sodden bogs of Socialism. Yes, Bolshevism, with its satanic evils, does indeed give joy to the Adversary as he contemplates its work. And should his gloating eye grow satiate of the scenes of agony in that swamp, he has only to turn to that forbidding desert of Fascism. Here plumèd leaders in the garb of mighty military chieftains and armed with the sceptres of despots, are driving whole peoples over
the rough road of subservience to sheer brute force. Their mailed fists strike down, and their iron heels crush deeply into the earth all who, in the sacred name of liberty, oppose them. Mussolini threatens to lead an egotistic Italy on a mad career of attempted world conquest. Military leaders in Spain, Hungary, and Poland ape the great Italian dictator. France takes a leaf from the book of the Prussian Hohenzollerns, keeps nearly a million men in arms, and refuses to accept the American invitation to consider further reduction of naval strength. Yes, many nations are wandering across the hot sands of Fascism, from starved rock to barren plain, from thorny cactus grove to arid waste, as they seek a way to national greatness and happiness along the road of despotic military power. Is it a wonder that Satan laughs in horrid glee and throws aloft his scarlet cloak as he stands and contemplates the folly of men and nations today, even as he did in ages long since lost in the dark corridors of the past.

But see! Across the vast expanse of human destiny there lies a road, firm-built and gleaming white as marble under a full, round moon. It touches not the desert nor the swamp, but leads through pleasant, sheltered places. Along its way, on either side, are guide-posts bearing legends writ in fire:

JUST GOVERNMENT DERIVES ITS POWER FROM THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED.
NO SINGLE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT IS SUPREME—LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL—THEY BALANCE ONE ANOTHER, AND EACH AND ALL ARE SERVANTS OF THE COMMON WELFARE.
THERE ARE CERTAIN PRIVILEGES WHICH LIBERTY-LOVING PEOPLE MUST NOT, CAN NOT, LOSE.

Do you ask me whence this road, and whither does it lead? It is the American road—that way to ideal political organization laid down by the pioneers who made possible the great nation that your country has become. Wise philosophers were they, and they builided well, for, in the words of James M. Beck: “The worth and dignity of the human soul, the free competition of man and man, the nobility of labor, the right to work, free from the tyranny of state or class, was their gospel.” Yes, to the pioneers who constructed the American road, the militaristic power represented by Fascism would be equally abhorrent with the communistic power of Bolshevism.

Thus you see, citizens of America, that your government represents a high ideal for nations and noble dignity for man. It has said to the State, whether represented by a despot like Mussolini, or by a secret committee like the Russian commissariat, “There is a limit to your power. Thus far may you go, but no farther. Here shall your proud hosts be halted!” But it is not enough that you should recognize the merits of your Constitution and the government which grows out of it. Mere recognition is too supine, too negative. As a man from the distant shores of a foreign continent, I challenge you to make of your ideals an active force for the amelioration of world conditions.
How can this essential regeneration of the Constitution into such an active force be accomplished? In pursuit of such an ideal, it behooves you, first of all, as citizens of this great nation, to realize that only true patriotism, unstinted loyalty, and absolute confidence in the fundamental doctrines of your Constitution can be the means of such unparalleled success. Who of you here tonight can pick a flaw in any one of these principles laid down by the founding fathers of America to insure to you, their descendants, such a perfect union as you have today? No, these ideals of America, these guideposts along the American road of government, are imperishable. And because they are there, you can make your Constitution an instrument of salvation, a veritable searchlight to guide the hurrying, bewildered masses or other nations who are at present off the highway of successful governmental forms and practices. To these unfortunates floundering in the morass of Bolshevism, you should shout: "Here is the right way! You who labor shall receive your just reward, and shall be given unbounded opportunity to prosper as your powers permit; but you must not dictate how your fellowmen shall order their property and their lives." To those who are toiling over the burning sands and jagged rocks of Fascism, you should cry in cheering tones: "Come this way! Here is the road! Power is not a selfish end in life; it is a way to service! That nation is greatest which bestows most blessings upon all."

In a word, I would have you, citizens of America, demonstrate that government "of the people, by the people, and for the people," as laid down in the doctrines of your Constitution, is, in reality, the only panacea to cure effectively the malignant malaria of Bolshevism and to heal the throbbing, festering wounds of Fascism. When Americans realize completely, and hold up before all the world, the ideals of the founders of your nation, then shall you make of your Constitution and form of government the final and complete answer to what should constitute a nation of free men founded upon serviceable institutions.

H. J. Oberholzer, the winner of the national oratorical contest on the constitution, was last year a junior in the School of Agriculture of North Carolina State College, and a member of the North Carolina Alpha chapter. Mr. Oberholzer is a native of the Union of South Africa.

As a result of his success his own government has granted him a bursary, or scholarship, of $1,000 a year and traveling expenses for the next three years to be spent in this country in taking special work in agriculture. At the suggestion of his government, he is this year studying at Cornell University, New York. He expects to return to North Carolina next year to finish his college work. When he returns to Africa he will be employed by the government in extension work in agriculture.

Mr. Oberholzer was awarded $1,500 as a prize for first place in the oratorical contest. When the scholarship awarded him is also considered, it will be seen that his eloquence won him well over $5,000 his first year. Tell "Red" Grange to look out.
THE YELLOW PERIL

GLENN GINN, Missouri Beta, Park College
Winner of the Interstate “Old Line” oratorical contest

I come to bring you tonight a message of good-will from the Orient.
There has been much speculation of late over the outcome of the increasing contacts between the Orient and the Occident and there has arisen in the minds of many Occidentals anxiety lest these contacts shall bring about injury to Western civilization. From the jingoistic editorials of the newspapers to the scientific treatises such as “The Rising Tide of Color” and “The Revolt Against Civilization,” this anxiety has been broadcast and advertised, until from the Parliament of Australia to the Congress of the United States, measures of increasing rigor have been adopted against the Oriental. And it seems to me that unless an intelligent and unbiased approach to the problem involved is made, civilization actually may be in danger. If the despairing popular speculations about the so-called Yellow Peril are allowed to continue and increase, it is not impossible that in the end they may thrust mankind into a period of grievous bloodshed.

I wish to inquire this evening into the causes of this anxiety and to suggest if possible, a more hopeful outlook.

Look at the Pacific Ocean as pictured by a writer in a recent issue of the Survey. It has become a mere pond, dividing two different cultures and races. On one side are nations with teeming populations; on the other, vast areas of relatively vacant territory. One rim shelters the oldest and most stable of living civilizations; the other the most recent and most progressive. On one side lives a race which feels itself superior and destined to lead and dominate the world; on the other lives another race which is smarting under a sense of wrong and injustice and is becoming more determined not to accept the brand of inferiority without a decisive demonstration. The shadow of misunderstanding darkens both shores and the dread race conflict seems to threaten.

As long as the Pacific Ocean was five thousand miles wide and seven thousand miles long, the danger of an open encounter was unthinkable. But the distance has been dissolved under the magic of steam and electricity. Ships of commerce, in ever-increasing numbers, ply the intervening waters and the shuttle of trade is weaving the races into closer and closer union. With the merchant has gone the scholar and the teacher. And the result has been an increasing cultural as well as economic unity; a shortening of
the social as well as the physical distance. The Pacific Ocean has ceased to divide the Occident from the Orient; and this cultural and geographical impact has given momentum to the fear of a possible yellow domination; and the suspicion and hate that have been brooding over the horizon of humanity appear to be leaping out of their simmering caldron.

This fear of the yellow race, rising from the increasing contacts between the Orient and the Occident, is both magnified and intensified by the growing importance of the Far Eastern peoples. The direction of progress has ever been westward and the center of importance is rapidly shifting toward the continent of Asia. "What is taking place around the Pacific," says Professor Park of Chicago, "is what took place some centuries ago around the Mediterranean; what took place a little later around the Atlantic. A new civilization, a new commonwealth of the Pacific, is coming into existence." Such a turn in the course of affairs is not unexpected. Napoleon, for example, had likened China to a sleeping giant and predicted that when she was awakened, she would be a blessing or a menace to all the world. Secretary Seward forecast that the Orient would one day become the theatre of commerce and the center of world politics. Secretary Hay said that whosoever understood the social and political life of the Far East held the key to the peace of the world. And only the other day when Senator Borah was invited by the national council of Jewish women to speak on peace, he said: "You have asked me to speak on peace," and forthwith devoted his entire speech to the situation in China, declaring that world peace depended upon a frank recognition of the part of the Western powers of the rights of Asia in general and of China in particular!

These prophetic utterances of Western statesmen reveal the growing importance of the yellow race and suggest the increasing part which the Orientals are destined to play in human affairs. They also suggest the danger to the world, if, with the awakening of these vast multitudes to conscious solidarity and power, the frictions between them and the now dominant powers of the West are not abated and removed. No doubt, the destinies of mankind are wrapped up in the solution of the great Pacific Ocean problems and many fear the outcome if this solution should not embody the broadest principles of justice, equity and brotherliness. If we should ever have a race war around the Pacific, there will be no victory; there will be no defeat; there will only be a universal destruction of all life. Science has made this world a powder camp, and the slightest spark would set it in ruins.

But must we allow these conditions to develop until only a martial clash of color can be the solution, a clash in which all our achievements of value and beauty, wrought through long years of struggle and toil, will be laid to waste? Is our destiny so written in the Book of Time? If so, then we are miserable indeed; then there is no justice in the heart of the world, then all our hopes for a happier and more abundant life are mere inventions of some unseen power to mock the longings of our higher nature. God pity us if our future is so ordered!

I cannot believe that our relations will develop so tragically. I believe
that the facts which have given rise to the yellow peril conception have been misinterpreted, that these facts when properly interpreted and understood will dispel all race fears and inspire humanity with hope for a greater civilization.

As we have seen, one set of conditions which has given rise to the current conception of a yellow peril has grown out of the increasing commercial and cultural contacts of the Occident and the Orient. Many Occidentals believe that these contacts will be disastrous to Western civilization. Such an interpretation, friends, is not justified by the facts of history. Greece achieved her greatest glory when Athens was the center of international trade and the seat of the diverse cultures of the world. The influx of classical influences and commercial intercourse with India made Italy the pride of its people and the envy of all Europe. The brilliance and glory of the Age of Elizabeth had their origin in the contacts with strange peoples and cultures, brought about by Her Majesty’s daring mariners. After a certain level of civilization has been reached, the very difference in different peoples stimulate to achievements. The increasing contacts between the Orient and Occident, therefore, do not necessarily constitute a menace to either.

The second occasion for the flaming up of the yellow peril conception arises from the fact that the Far Eastern peoples are becoming more and more important in the affairs of the world. But to interpret this development as a menace to Western civilization shows an inadequate knowledge of oriental psychology. The Oriental people are by nature a peaceful people. They dream of no empire of force; they contemplate no destruction, save the destruction of evil. The rising tides of nationalism across the Pacific harbor no ill for the interests of the Occident. They are efforts directed to liberate the human spirit from the oppression of imperialistic commercialism imposed from the outside.

The recurring anti-foreign activities in China may be cited as evidence against the position I am taking, but I affirm in all confidence in answer thereto that when the Western powers have actually made good their avowed purpose to terminate the unequal treaties to which the Chinese are objecting, this anti-foreign feeling will die out and eventually will disappear. The Chinese want only to be left alone to work out their own destiny in the light of their best and latest wisdom and experience.

A recent survey of the opinions of Oriental statesmen in the matter of world peace, conducted by the Chicago Daily News, reveals nothing that might be interpreted as a yellow peril. President Coolidge, after having studied the statements of these Oriental leaders makes this significant comment: “One feels their earnestness, their sympathetic quality, their sincerity. Almost every principle and problem of civilized life falls within their range and their outlook consistently is that of the common interests of mankind.” The awakening of the Far Eastern people is prompted by the love of freedom and not of destruction. The rising tides of Oriental nationalism are instruments of peace and not implements of war.

In the words of Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada: “There is
no reason why war should come in the Pacific. Cultural interchange, friendly, free, continuous, progressive—this, not war, is what the Orient needs and what the Occident needs. Our civilizations are not antagonistic, not mutually exclusive, but supplementary. This is the great fact for statesmen and for all moral and intellectual leaders to grasp and push powerfully to the front."

The undercurrents of history are ever working for larger human unity. The growing sentiment of the Far East is for peace. The silent persistent yearning in the heart of all humanity is for a happier and a more abundant life. Shall not this meeting of the Orient and the Occident be the occasion for realizing this yearning of the human heart? Who knows what great works the East and the West may not undertake when once they have achieved a spiritual unity?

I believe a new civilization is in the making as a result of the meeting of these two cultures. The human race has arisen from isolated families into isolated tribes, and from isolated tribes into isolated nations. The twentieth century will witness the isolated nations merged into a world order, unified by the higher sentiments of humanity. This step is an inevitable historic sequence. "Custom regulations, immigration restrictions, and racial barriers may slacken the tempo of the movement; may halt it altogether for a time; but cannot change its direction; cannot, at any rate, reverse it."

This movement toward world unity threatens the legitimate interest of nobody, and constitutes a peril to no race. It comes not to destroy, but to fulfill. It provides a privilege whereby each race may contribute its best in the making of a world society and in so doing fulfill its supreme mission in a new creation.

I do not mean to be unduly optimistic. The race relations in the future will be perplexing. Problems of gigantic magnitude with no parallels in the history of the world will develop. For a time there will be no smooth sailing. There are rivers of suspicion and fear yet to cross; there are mountains of prejudice and hate yet to climb; there are plains of covetousness and greed yet to traverse. Rumors of war will be broadcast. Threats of violence will fill the heavens. But in the end the increasing contact between the Orient and the Occident has hidden within its baffling labyrinth some precious jewel as bright as a star, that shall light our way into a happier world.

My friends of the Occident, there need be no "Yellow Peril!"
VOTES CAST FOR MEN'S DEBATE QUESTION

First, 69 points—THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES IN LATIN AMERICA

First choice of:
1. Ouachita
2. Henderson-Brown
3. Redlands
4. Colorado Teachers
5. Colorado Western State
6. Eureka
7. McKendree
8. Illinois Normal University
9. Lombard
10. Illinois Wesleyan
11. Dubuque
12. Western Union
13. Upper Iowa
14. Simpson
15. Buena Vista
16. Drake
17. Des Moines
18. Parsons
19. Iowa Wesleyan
20. Morningside
21. College of Idaho
22. Hays Teachers
23. Southwestern Kansas
24. Emporia Teachers
25. Emporia College
26. Washburn
27. Baker
28. Bethany
29. Centenary
30. Louisiana
31. William Jewell
32. Westminster
33. Central (Missouri)
34. St. Olaf
35. Montana State
36. Hamline
37. St. Thomas
38. Olivet
39. Macalester
40. Gustavus Adolphus
41. Otter
42. Doane
43. Nebraska Wesleyan
44. Jamestown
45. Kearney Teachers
46. Linfield
47. Marietta
48. Tulsa
49. Oklahoma City
50. Sioux Falls College
51. Yankton
52. Dakota Wesleyan
53. Presbyterian
54. Newberry
55. Augustana
56. Northern Teachers of So. Dak.
57. Huron
58. South Dakota State
59. Howard Payne
60. Denton (Texas)
61. Southwestern (Texas)
62. Ripton
63. Carroll
64. College of Puget Sound

Second choice of:
1. College of Pacific
2. University of California at Los Angeles
3. North Central
4. Coe College
5. Sterling
6. Baldwin-Wallace
7. Hiram
8. Heidelberg
9. Wofford
10. Texas Christian

Second, 18 1/2 points—CANCELLATION OF WAR DEBTS

First choice of:
1. North Central College
2. Carthage
3. Coe
4. Sterling
5. Baldwin-Wallace
Second choice of:
1. McJndree
2. Illinois Wesleyan
3. Simpson
4. Buena Vista
5. Drake
6. Des Moines
7. College of Idaho
8. Emporia College
9. Washburn
10. Baker
11. Centenary
12. Louisiana
13. Central (Missouri)
14. St. Olaf
15. Kalamazoo
16. Montana State
17. Macalester
18. Otterbein
19. Marietta
20. Yankton
21. Northern Teachers of So. Dak.
22. Huron
23. South Dakota State
24. Howard Payne
25. Denton (Texas)
26. Ripon
27. Carroll

Third, 12 1/2 points—ABOLISH DIRECT PRIMARY

First choice of:
1. College of Pacific
2. Intermountain Union
3. Hiram

Second choice of:
1. Henderson-Brown
2. Colorado Western State
3. Eureka
4. Cathage
5. Dubuque
6. Upper Iowa
7. Central (Iowa)
8. Michigan State
9. Gustavus Adolphus
10. Doane
11. Nebraska Wesleyan
12. Oklahoma Baptist
13. Presbyterian
14. Augustana
15. Southwestern (Texas)

Fourth, 7 1/2 points—ABOLISH CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

First choice of:
1. Central (Iowa)
2. Michigan State
3. North Carolina State

Second choice of:
1. Ouachita
2. Lombard
3. Iowa Wesleyan
4. Oklahoma Baptist
5. Texas Christian

Fifth, 7 points—PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE

First choice of:
1. Centre
2. Wofford
Second choice of:
1. Illinois Normal University
2. Dubuque
3. Parsons
4. Morningside
5. Hays Teachers

Sixth, 6 points—ABOLISH THE JURY SYSTEM

First choice of:
1. University of California, at Los Angeles

Second choice of:
1. Redlands
2. William Jewell
3. Linfield

Sixth, 6 points—ABOLISH INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Second choice of:
1. Hamline

VOTES CAST FOR WOMEN’S DEBATE QUESTION

First, 56 points—THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES

First choice of:
1. Redlands
2. University of California, at Los Angeles
3. Colorado Teachers
4. Eureka
5. Monmouth
6. Illinois Wesleyan
7. Dubuque
8. Western Union
9. Upper Iowa
10. Simpson
11. Buena Vista
12. Coe
13. Drake
14. Des Moines
15. Parsons
16. Iowa Wesleyan
17. Morningside
18. Hays Teachers
19. Southwestern (Kansas)
20. Emporia Teachers
21. Emporia College
22. Washburn
23. Baker
24. Bethany
25. Centenary
26. Louisiana
27. William Jewell
28. Kalamazoo
29. Montana State
30. Michigan State
31. Olivet
32. Macalester
33. Cotner
34. Doane
35. Jamestown
36. Kearney Teachers
37. Linfield
38. Marietta
39. Tulsa
40. Sioux Falls
41. Yankton
42. Presbyterian
43. Augustana
44. Aberdeen
45. Huron
46. South Dakota State

Second choice of:
1. Henderson-Brown
2. College of Pacific
3. North Central

Second, 17 points—ABOLISH DIRECT PRIMARY

First choice of:
1. College of Pacific
2. Illinois Normal University
3. Lombard
4. Intermountain Union
5. Baldwin-Wallace

Second choice of:
1. Western State
2. Eureka
3. McKendree
4. Dubuque
5. Upper Iowa
6. Central (Iowa)
7. Des Moines
8. Doane

Third, 11½ points—CANCELLATION OF WAR DEBTS

First choice of:
1. Carthage
2. Sterling

First choice of:
1. Lombard
2. Illinois Wesleyan
3. Simpson
4. Buena Vista
5. Coe
6. Emporia College
7. Baker
8. Centenary
9. Louisiana

Fourth, 9½ points—ABOLISH CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

First choice of:
1. McKendree
2. Central (Iowa)
3. College of Idaho
4. Gustavus Adolphus
5. Oklahoma Baptist
Second choice of:
1. Iowa Wesleyan
2. Washburn
3. Centre
4. St. Olaf
5. Kalamazoo
6. Hamline
7. Michigan State
8. Otterbein
9. Colorado Teachers

Fifth, 9 points—PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE

First choice of:
1. Henderson-Brown
2. North Central
3. Centre
4. Oklahoma City

Second choice of:
1. Ouachita
2. Illinois Normal University
3. Western Union
4. Parsons
5. College of Idaho
6. Hays Teachers
7. Intermountain Union
8. Gustavus Adolphus
9. Baldwin-Wallace
10. Texas Christian

Sixth, 6 points—DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

First choice of:
1. Ouachita
2. Western State

Second choice of:
1. University of California, at Los Angeles
2. Monmouth
3. Drake
4. Jamestown
5. Kearney Teachers
6. Linfield
7. Dakota Wesleyan
8. College of Puget Sound

VOTES CAST FOR EXACT WORDING OF QUESTION

FOR ORIGINAL WORDING

1. Drake
2. Redlands
3. Hays
4. Park
5. Ottawa
6. Kansas State
7. Southwestern
8. Wichita
9. Pittsburg
10. Salina
11. Emporia College
12. Emporia Teachers
13. Baker
14. Sterling
15. Bethany

The last 12 of these asked to have their votes counted for question No. 1 if the original failed to carry. This was done and so these names occur also under question No. 1.
Resolved, "That we should condemn that part of the foreign policy of the United States which has resulted in its intervention by force of arms in the affairs of Latin American countries."

1. College of Pacific
2. Colorado Teachers
3. Iowa Wesleyan
4. Coe
5. Parsons
6. Des Moines
7. Park
8. Ottawa
9. Kansas State
10. Southwestern (Kansas)
11. Wichita
12. Pittsburg
13. Salina
14. Emporia College
15. Emporia Teachers
16. Baker
17. Sterling
18. Bethany
19. Centenary
20. Central (Missouri)
21. Montana State
22. William Jewell
23. Doane
24. Linfield
25. Tulsa
26. Oklahoma City
27. Baldwin-Wallace
28. Aberdeen
29. Sioux Falls
30. North Carolina State
31. Texas Christian
32. Baylor
33. Southwestern (Texas)

FOR QUESTION NO. 2

1. Henderson-Brown
2. Colorado Aggies
3. University of California, at Los Angeles
4. Western State
5. Franklin
6. Carthage
7. Eureka
8. Illinios Wesleyan
9. Monmouth
10. Upper Iowa
11. Western Union
12. McKendree
13. Dubuque
14. Buena Vista
15. College of Idaho
16. Transylvania
17. Georgetown
18. Louisiana
19. St. Olaf
20. Macalester
21. Gustavus Adolphus
22. Michigan State
23. Hamline
24. Olivet
25. Jamestown
26. Nebraska Wesleyan
27. Hastings
28. Grand Island
29. Michigan State Normal
30. Kalamazoo
31. St. Thomas
32. Intermountain Union
33. Heidelberg
34. Huron
35. Hiram
36. Newberry
37. Augustana
38. Wofford
39. Dakota Wesleyan
40. Denton (Texas)
41. Howard Payne
42. Tusculum
43. Carroll
44. Ripon
45. Kearney Teachers

The official question is therefore as follows:

"Resolved, that the United States should cease to protect, by force of arms, capital invested in foreign lands, except after formal declaration of war."
REPORT OF THE NATIONAL TREASURER
July 1, 1926 to July 1, 1927

August 22, 1927

To the Officers of Pi Kappa Delta:
I have carefully examined and audited the books of your National Secretary-Treasurer and herewith submit the following exhibits and schedules showing the operations for the period beginning July 1, 1926, and ending July 1, 1927.

I. Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
II. Detailed Chapter Reports.

Very respectfully,
A. O. Colvin,
Auditor.

I.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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Balance in banks, June 30, 1927: $6,289.66

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- Weld County Savings Bank, Checking Account: $1,373.24
- Corn Exchange Bank, N.Y., Checking Account: $2,517.19
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OUR NEW OLYMPICS
Reprinted from The Quarterly Journal of Speech Education for May

To The Editor of THE QUARTERLY JOURNAL OF SPEECH EDUCATION:

Dear Sir:—A new comet is swinging into our Ken. I seem to have been seeing signs and portents. Either decadence is made manifest or a new birth is in sight. Certainly a new spirit has arisen and points to—what?

How many present have attended a national convention or a provincial meeting of the forensic society bearing the name Pi Kappa Delta? Those who have, have had opportunity to learn anew the significance of such words as enthusiasm, earnestness, devotion, eagerness, and hard work. Here it is. At a Pi Kappa Delta gathering we have veritable Speech Olympic Games. Every college represented is entitled to bring along the whole public speaking menage; a men’s debating team, a women’s debating team, orators, and extempore speakers, both male and female. With them comes the “coach.” At a province meeting, ten or a dozen such caravans, at a national convention—well, there are over a hundred chapters.

The national organization adopts uniform debate questions for the year, one for the men and one for the women. And then everybody turns in and debates everybody else. For judges they use coaches from colleges not interested in the debate in question. At the national meeting in Estes Park a year ago, at least two hundred debates, I am told, were held. Preliminary rounds reduce the brackets to semi-finals and then the finals. At a province meeting there are debates up to twenty and more; all over the place; in churches, class rooms, assembly halls. Wherever four debaters and a judge can gather together in the name of forensics, they argue and render decisions. At the national convention mentioned they overflowed from Estes Park into Greeley and Fort Collins.

Then they rest from debate, gather together and listen to the extemporizers and the orators. In larger gatherings weeding out preliminaries are
held for all four of the speech-making contests, leaving finals in men’s extempore, women’s extempore, men’s oratory, women’s oratory. Add the finals in men’s debate and women’s debate, and there you have a kind of the blaze of eloquence—and glory for the winners—with which the convention ends.

For these finals they call in an “expert” judge. I have served in this capacity twice. An “expert” in forensic decision, I believe, is he not? is a man who is more successful than others in concealing and glossing over his mistakes and prejudices. Anyway, the expert fills the bill by being non-partisan and meaning well. And the prizes get awarded, more or less sensibly and justly.

And here let me record the joy some of my guesses—I mean my decisions—have brought me. In all my experience with debate decisions I have never seen decisions, and crucial ones they are too, accepted with such good sportsmanship. You see Pi Kappa Delta is a fraternity, and they accept it as such; so also they accept their victories and their defeats. Thank Heaven for the advent of brotherhood in the realm of forensic decisions. Have any of you found it before?

Let me record also that I have not met any finer courtesy in debate. Said one debater, and he spoke in all sincerity and simplicity, “If I am quoting my opponent accurately, and I trust I am—” You see, brothers have to feel that way.

Let me record a few impressions from my two meetings with the Olympics. First and greatest is this: here is a National Fair for the exhibition of goods and methods. I have long felt that our national association gatherings lacked one very vital thing, the exhibition of our finished products; Pi Kappa Delta has this every year. And it is amazingly illuminating. We gather and exhibit ourselves; and the things I have heard said about the quality of the public speaking by teachers of public speaking at public speaking conventions! Then we go home not knowing at all what each other is actually doing and what product he is turning out, except as some of us have scattering debates and contests, too. But, two hundred debates at one convention gives a basis for some sort of estimate of standards. Any coach at such a meeting would be quite insensitive to new influences who didn’t go home full of new ideas and values.

Then there are the boys and girls all working and playing together in a setting of ideals, dignity, social usefulness, and ideas. Underscore that last; Olympics with ideas as the tools and counters. A delightfully clean and bright spirit pervades these meetings. Let the cynic of social relations stay away—no; let somebody force him to go once or twice.

Let me not overlook the round table at the close of the orgy of oratory. Teachers and students carry out set programs of discussions that sound amazingly like the subjects at a public speaking section of the N. A. T. S. And they mean business about it, too. Like our discussions, some are valuable, others are—what they are. But as we all know, such exercise sets us thinking, and these youngsters honestly try to think.
Then the whole congress is topped off with a speech by the "expert." After he has given his verdict on the six final contests he must judge, he is either ready to seek a sound-proof cave or to unload on the universe a surcharged bosom. But he has no choice; speak he must. This gives a fellow worker in the field a fine chance to talk to eager ears. Don't think they listen in any perfunctory spirit. Give them a chance in an open forum and they will put you to your purgations on any and all subjects dealing with successful speech. They propose to succeed as speakers, and if you have any help for them they demand that you stand and deliver. It is a fine thing for this "expertness," and the "expert."

One vivid impression I get; there are very few law students at these meetings, but plenty of young preachers. Make of this what you will. What I gather from it is this. Our university forensics are dominated by the prospective lawyers; well and good. Our smaller colleges give the prospective preacher a chance. There is a difference. And with good preachers needed and the ministry going through a transition and preachers doing so much of our talking, I am glad they have their chance at a field-day, too.

Another bright impression is this. At the N. A. T. S. we are interested in "speech" as an academic subject; a matter of courses, disciplines, branches, fields, research, teaching, administration. At a Pi Kappa Delta meeting, "speech" is almost solely a matter of speaking; how to hold an audience, get a decision, deliver the goods. A wide difference there is, and one to challenge our interest.

From this somewhat rhapsodical account I draw this conclusion; it will pay the National Association of Teachers of Speech to continue keeping an eye on Pi Kappa Delta with its one hundred and ten or more colleges organized already into what is a functioning, vigorous, enthusiastic national association of teachers of speech all its own. Excellent steps were taken last year by the administration. I wonder how many of the teachers in those colleges are interested in the N. A. T. S. We need their enthusiasm fully as much as they need our dignity—or what have we? But at present they seem quite able to get on by themselves. There is something of a challenge here.

If any of you "experts" get a chance to sit with one of the Olympic games be sure you will get an ear full—I listened to sixty speeches in three days; but be sure you will come away stimulated and renewed in your faiths.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES H. WOOLBERT, University of Iowa
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OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, OHIO EPSILON
Where one section of the Convention will assemble.

"Four score years ago our forefathers brought forth" in the town of Westerville, Ohio, Otterbein College—so conceived and so dedicated that all men and women might have a fine opportunity for a higher education.

Westerville is a beautiful town centrally located in Ohio with about three thousand inhabitants. Its tall trees and broad avenues make it the ideal town for a section of the men's division of the 1928 National Pi Kappa Delta Convention. The college has a beautiful campus with nine large buildings in the west part of the town. Its location lies midway between the business section of the town and beautiful Alum Creek, where the moon beams steal through the tall trees and lend a romantic touch as they glisten on the slow rippling stream on a clear spring night.

Otterbein has always, since its beginning, had a deep interest in forensic activities and has carried on a program of intercollegiate forensics for a number of years. Finally, in January, 1924, a group of eight young men secured a charter for the Ohio Epsilon chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, at Otterbein, this being the eighty-eighth chapter of the national organization. The occasion of installation was a great event in Otterbein's history and
aroused much enthusiasm which has grown yearly on the campus. Now we have a wide awake chapter of members who are eager to entertain a portion of the men's division of the 1928 National Convention on the Otterbein campus.

The local 1926-27 forensic season was one of the most successful in Otterbein's forensic history. A noticeable feature was the increased interest in open forum and non-decision debates, accompanied by an increase in the number of speakers taking part. During the year nine debates were held with a total of twenty speakers participating. There were 3 intercollegiate oratorical contests in which Otterbein was represented.

Mention has been made of the quiet beauty of Westerville and the college campus. Westerville is a friendly town, always ready to welcome visitors, so we must not overlook the main feature that there is a friendly welcome awaiting the delegates who will be present on our campus.

Due to the central location of Otterbein, twelve miles from Columbus, it will be easily accessible to the delegates, and convenient transportation will be provided both from Columbus and to the place of the general assembly, Tiffin.

The Ohio Epsilon chapter is looking forward to the convention with great anticipation of a successful gathering and we assure all who anticipate attending the convention that they will find a hearty welcome and we hope an enjoyable visit at Otterbein.
THE OREGON PLAN OF DEBATE

Yes, we tried the Oregon Plan of debate. We try everything new at our college, for we are game to try anything once. How did we like it? What is our opinion of the Oregon Plan? Don't go so fast. One question at a time. The new debaters or the persons new to debate liked the Oregon Plan but the experienced debaters liked the old way better. We had a divided opinion on the plan also.

The women's league in Southern California used it last year. The men at our college got to use the plan only in practice debates among themselves.

We found in practice that the Oregon Plan needed further elucidation as it was not quite a finished and successful plan as first outlined in the Quarterly Journal of Speech Education. It needed working rules. We found that skillful debaters evaded questions, padded answers to kill time, magnified answers more or less unimportant, taking advantage of injudicious questioning, and that rules were needed to govern procedure.

In the girls' league we found the people were most interested in the questioning part of the debaters—but on the whole the questioners got nowhere because they did not plan their questions logically beforehand and did not make them lead to any logical end. In the final speeches they ignored the points brought out in the period of questioning—hence all the questioning was merely waste of time—an aimless affair somewhat detached from the debate but nevertheless interesting. This probably was occasioned by lack of experience in using the plan, and by lack of the legal instinct. Also some of the girls explained why they were asking the questions and what the answer ought to lead to and got "catty" replies which proved nothing. A certain amount of satire and caustic comment resulted, but on the whole the questioning got nowhere and crippled the debate as a consistent argument. Professor Gray of Oregon in a later article in the Quarterly Journal has done something to clarify the plan and to suggest the rules of procedure. The plan is not an unqualified success and probably never will be, but debaters with the legal turn of mind ought to get some good pre-legal practice out of it. A good cross questioner can get development out of it. The questions should be few and to the point, hewing always as close to the issue as possible. They should be clever in strategy and should be full of pitfalls for the unwary debater who must answer. In the final speech the questioner should make the most out of the ground he has gained and the points he has established by his questions. He should discuss the answers and turn them to his advantage. In our experience the questioner often got the worst of it despite the advantage of his position. This makes the contests between minds interesting. Perhaps with more experience in the use of the plan the questioner would soon take all the advantage that previous preparation would give him. As a novelty the plan is worth trying; as a steady diet in debate it would grow tiresome. That is our opinion based upon one season's trial.

E. R. Nichols, University of Redlands.
Trinity University was established at Tehuacana, Texas, in 1868, as the result of action taken by the Brazos Synod of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. In 1902 the school was removed to Waxahachie, Texas, where it is situated today, and is under the supervision of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. The school has a campus of thirty-three acres, and is situated on a very favorable location overlooking the city of Waxahachie. The annual enrollment is about 600, and although the school is small, its graduates are accorded as high a ranking by the larger colleges in the East as is given to the graduates of any school in the state.

The students of the University organized, during the year 1909-1910, an Oratorical Association for the purpose of promoting a deeper interest in public speaking. The Association has for its object the stimulation of an active interest in oratory, debating, and extempore speaking, and has under its control the arrangement of all intercollegiate forensic contests, besides sponsoring a very comprehensive local schedule.

The feature of each year's debating season has been a triangular men's meet with Texas Christian University of Ft. Worth and Southwestern University of Georgetown, the debate last year at Trinity with Texas Christian bringing out the largest crowd that has attended such a contest for years. Women's debating was sponsored for the first time in the history of the school. The work of Miss Anna Marie Bennet and Miss Mary Grace Lott was particularly gratifying as they won every debate, including one with Baylor College for Women, national Pi Kappa Delta champions.

Trinity also experienced a renewed and a remarkably successful interest in oratory during the past year. Eugene Reed, freshman orator and debater, won the Texas State Oratorical championship at the state meet held in Dallas. Miss Doreen Barber tied for second place in the state meet which the newly organized Texas State Women's Oratorical Association held at Belton, and a women's team from Trinity defeated Baylor College for Women in a dual meet, making the first time in the history of that school that Baylor had suffered a defeat on the home floor.

The enthusiasm and the interest in forensic work which has been developed in Trinity has been largely due to the efforts of Miss Catharine Padwick, head of the Department of Public Speaking and coach of debating and oratory. The climax of the rise of this interest was reached when at the instigation of the coach, a long contemplated Pi Kappa Delta chapter was installed in May by a team from Southwestern, headed by Prof. W. Dwight Wentz of the Speech Department of that school. There were six charter members and four more were admitted before school closed. Indications are that the new incentive provided by Pi Kappa Delta membership will make the competition for the various teams stronger than ever before. Plans are being formulated for an active year in Pi Kappa Delta, and Trinity expects to send several representatives to Heidelberg next year.
WELCOME TO HEIDELBERG

In behalf of the faculty of Heidelberg College I take great pleasure in sending this message of greeting and cordial welcome to all delegates to the Biennial Convention of Pi Kappa Delta to be held at Tiffin, Ohio, next April.

Heidelberg has always set high value upon all public speaking activities. We have every reason to expect that the forthcoming convention will bring to us fresh inspiration and increased interest in this important field of college training. It will be our pleasure to render all possible assistance in providing for the comfort of the delegates and the success of the convention. Welcome to Heidelberg!

Charles H. Miller,
President, Heidelberg College.
Dear Folks:

Words cannot express the mingled feelings of anticipation and pleasure with which we begin the convention year here at Heidelberg; anticipation of what we hope will be the greatest convention in the history of Pi Kappa Delta, and pleasure that is to be our pleasure, shared with neighboring chapters, to act as hosts to you all. We are even now preparing ourselves that we may serve in that capacity to the best of our ability and to your utmost satisfaction.

Our goal at present is not the “art of persuasion” but the “art of invitation beautiful and just” and yet no matter how beautiful or how elaborate we might make it, in the end, it would resolve itself into “You’ll all be welcome folks, mighty welcome,” and we’re just hoping and praying that “when the roll is called at Heidelberg, you’ll be here.”

Meanwhile, any information that we can furnish you, any favor that you would have us do, no matter how great or how small, don’t hesitate to let us know, and we’ll be “Johnny on the Spot” to the best of our ability.

Sincerely in behalf of Ohio Beta Chapter,

Paul H. Sheats.

John P. Cowley has been appointed by the local chapter as chairman of the Convention Committee. To him, will be turned over all correspondence relating to traffic management and general information. It is the wish of the Heidelberg chapter that you feel free to write to Mr. Cowley at any time and we are sure that you will always find him ready to assist you in any way possible, both before and during the convention.

Paul Sheats
President Ohio Beta

John Cowley
Chairman Convention Committee Ohio Beta
The Editor's Personal Page

Where inconsistencies cease from troubling and logic is at rest.

Says Senator McCumber: "This tariff bill is especially endowed with tooth and talon for the injury and destruction of the American farmer. You are about to commit a greater crime against the American farmer than has ever been perpetrated by any political party against any class of people during any period of recorded history."

It is for the sake of this kind of tommyrot that the Senate keeps the country waiting two months. The tariff debate is bankrupt of ideas. On both sides it descends to that frothy violence of language which is a sure sign that the debaters have run out of rational arguments. Senator Thomas is not content to absolve the Wilson tariff of 1894 for responsibility for the panic of 1893. He must say concerning the panic: "There can be no denial of the origin and purpose of this frightful calamity. Mr. Cleveland and the New York bankers conspired to wreck the progress and prosperity of the nation that they might be rid of an unwelcomed law."

Little boys debate that way: "My pa is forty times as strong as your pa." "Y're a liar. My pa could take your pa in one hand and break him in two."—Saturday Evening Post, August 16, 1913.

Such lofty strains embellish what you teach;
Mean you to prophesy, or but to preach? —Cowper, Table Talk.

The finest eloquence is that which gets things done; the worst is that which delays them.—D. Lloyd George, at the Conference of Paris, January, 1919.

I am bound to furnish my antagonist with arguments, but not with comprehension.—Ben Disraeli.

Perhaps eloquence is not contagious, but it is invigorating to be exposed to it from all sides as one is at a national convention.

We nominate the college bootlegger for the football team because he packs an awful kick.

Glenn Ginn, a native of China, won the Old Line Oratorical Contest. H. J. Oberholzer, a native of the Union of South Africa, won the national oratorical contest on the Constitution. A native of Mexico won the international scholastic oratorical contest, with the United States coming in fourth. With all the gum chewing and football yelling we have, one would think our own tongue twisters should be able to do better. It is about time some of our own people loosened up their tongues and got busy.
A few years ago a young man organized a number of so-called honor fraternities. Membership requirements were such that almost any student could qualify. As I remember it, students could be admitted to one for having supported the athletic teams consistently and to another for having attended chapel regularly for one year. All that was necessary, in reality, was the initiation fee, usually about ten or fifteen dollars. For a few dollars more the newly created member could buy a gold emblem to display on his bosom. In each case the young man who organized the society made himself secretary and treasurer. He received all money paid in but he never rendered to anyone an account of what he did with these funds.

After a while, some of the members of one of these societies became dissatisfied. They wanted to know what became of their initiation fees. Some of them had paid in money for keys but had received no keys. After a number of its students had complained, one institution took up the matter with the postal authorities, charging that the pseudo honor society was only a device for defrauding college students. Investigation disclosed the fact that the bright young man as treasurer of a dozen or so such fraternities was making a good income. It at once became evident why the entrance requirements for his societies were liberal enough to allow any one who had the funds to join. The more who joined, the greater his income.

Another young man turned to the high school field as offering greater possibilities. His honor society now has chapters in high schools all over the country. The national constitution provides that the secretary shall receive a liberal percentage of all money paid in. It is also drawn up so that without the consent of the secretary it is almost impossible to amend it. It goes
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without saying that it also provided that the bright young man should be secretary. He now enjoys a good income as a result of his promotion scheme.

A young man recently graduated from college made the boast that he belonged to twelve honor societies. He was mistaken, of course. Some of them were among the societies organized by bright young men mentioned before. No student can gain membership in twelve honor societies. He may belong to twelve fraternities, but if membership is so easily obtained that he can belong to that many, they are not honor fraternities. If an organization is truly an honor organization its membership must be conferred for such distinguished service that only a few can merit it. It takes most of a college course for a student to win a Phi Beta Kappa key.

The fact is that the honor fraternity business is going to seed. Societies are being organized and conducted for the few hundred dollars a year their promoters can make. These men are merely capitalizing the desire of the college student to decorate his vest with one of those bits of jewelry which have become emblematic of college life. Such people are not interested in encouraging scholarship or promoting a healthy college life and atmosphere.

This prostitution of the honor society to purposes of personal gain should be halted. A “blue sky” law for honor societies should be enacted. Their organizers should be required to show that there is a need for them and that all money received will be used for the good of the society. Colleges should insist that no society or fraternity may organize on their campus unless it published an annual financial statement accounting for all funds received. Baird’s Manual could refuse to list any society which cannot furnish satisfactory evidence that it is operating for altruistic motives.

It is encouraging to note a movement towards this end was begun something over a year ago under the leadership of the oldest and best known honor fraternity, ΦΒΚ. All other such societies should support this movement. There will be no tendency to interfere with the organization or operation of any legitimate society. But those who are using the honor society to cloak their schemes for enriching themselves should be compelled to operate in the open. The college student should know what becomes of the money he pays for the right to wear the emblem of an honor society. He can then better judge the value of the honor being conferred upon him. In the field of the honor fraternity, not all that glitters is gold.

We hear every now and then from the young man who wishes to allow some blushing damsel to wear his key as an indication that he has staked a claim to her and wants no trespassing. We always quote him the constitution. “It shall be cause for expulsion of any member if he shall voluntarily permit anyone not eligible to his standing in Pi Kappa Delta to wear his key.”

There is a reason for this. The pin of the social fraternity is a recog-
nized means of indicating engagements, but the emblem of the honor society has never been used for this purpose. If a young lady appears with the emblem of a men's fraternity just under her heart, no one thinks she is trying to pass as a member of the organization, for no social fraternity admits both men and women to its ranks. Were a woman to appear with the emblem of an honor society which admits both men and women, as most of them do, it should mean that she is entitled to the honor her key indicates. Imagine the embarrassment of the young lady if while wearing a Pi Kappa Delta key at some public gathering she were asked where she had debated or what college she had represented in oratory. While her friends who knew the circumstances would understand what the key indicated, those who did not would think she was trying to pretend to an honor she had not won. No man who wishes to save his fiancé from embarrassment would allow her to wear as a sign of their engagement the emblem of an organization admitting both sexes.

No man should enter into a dispute, Walt Whitman once wrote, unless he is willing to believe the opposite to what he does when he begins, for, as the purpose of a discussion is to discover the truth, he may find himself forced to a contrary opinion. Since this frame of mind is seldom retained in disputes on religious questions, he suggested that it was useless to dispute concerning such matters.

The Speaker of Tau Kappa Alpha is sending out a questionnaire to all the colleges on their debate programs for the year. The next issue is to be a debate program issue, and the editors hope to make it a clearing house of information on who is traveling, on what subject, and on open debate dates. The idea is good, and it is to be hoped that there is a general response. This number of the Speaker will be distributed free.

Prof. Charles A. Marsh of the University of California at Los Angeles, former president of Pi Kappa Delta, is revising Shurtlef's Extempore Speaking for the publishers. The book will be re-issued soon.

Bethany Night, admission 25¢ and 35¢ has been set for November 7. The local chapter is in charge. All organizations on the campus are putting on vaudeville stunts. The proceeds will help to send the "Swedes" to the nation convention.—The Bethany Messenger.
THE CONSTITUTION ON CONVENTION ATTENDANCE

The Constitution, Article V, Division A, Section 13, provides: Any chapter failing to have a delegate at the first national convention after the granting of its charter, or any chapter failing to have a delegate at two consecutive conventions shall have its charter suspended. Any charter thus suspended can be regranted only by action of a national convention, before which some delegate of the institution appears in person.

The following chapters, which were not represented at the Sixth National Convention, must be represented at the approaching convention.
2. Illinois Zeta, Monmouth College.
4. Illinois Theta, McKendree College.
5. Iowa Theta, Coe College.
6. Kentucky Alpha, Georgetown College.
7. Kentucky Beta, Centre College.
8. Kentucky Gamma, Kentucky Wesleyan College.
9. Maine Alpha, Colby College.
10. Michigan Zeta, College of the City of Detroit.
11. Montana Alpha, Intermountain Union College.
12. Ohio Gamma, Hiram College.
13. South Carolina Beta, Presbyterian College.
14. South Carolina Gamma, Newberry College.
15. Tennessee Alpha, Maryville College.

The following institutions which have received their charters since the last convention are also required to be represented:
1. Idaho Alpha, College of Idaho.
2. Iowa Mu, Drake University.
4. Texas Beta, Trinity University.
5. Texas Zeta, Texas Christian University.
6. Texas Eta, North Texas State Normal College.

THE GREATEST FORENSIC CONFERENCE

Perhaps the greatest strictly forensic conference ever held is the way the Quarterly Journal of Speech Education characterized the last II K A national convention. The approaching one should be bigger and better in every way.

Progress depends upon the rate of communication. It takes time for forensic ideas to spread. If we bring one hundred colleges together and have them present their best achievements in forensics we can hasten the dissemination of information. Where can an institution hope to get as
much forensic assistance in the same space of time? The institutions which have attended one convention, almost always return for the next.

Each institution wishes to do this year in its forensic program that which will benefit it most in improving its work. Nothing will stimulate student interest and improve quality more than participating in the greatest forensic event of the year.

ALUMNI WELCOME

George B. Arbaugh, now of Springfield, Ohio, is planning to attend the next convention. The Editor recently received the following letter from him. He was assured that graduates would be welcomed:

Dear Mr. Westfall:

Last year when I was in the graduate college at Iowa U. I got lonely for debate news so I subscribed for The Forensic. I guess it's going to be a habit for I want to do it again. This is a poor way to send money but I guess it will serve this time.

I'm now a student of Hamma Divinity School connected with Wittenberg College and I learned when I arrived here that Wittenberg's coach is a Pi Kappa Delta man. I was a member of the Carthage, Illinois Gamma chapter and I also found one of my fellow debaters from there taking his last year here.

I have attended the last two national conventions and since I am so near to Tiffin I would like to attend the convention scheduled for this year. I wonder if graduates would be welcome. If so I might get this other Pi Kappa Delta fellow to go along with me. Of course this may not be realized but I'd certainly like to be there.

Fraternally yours,

Geo. B. Arbaugh.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC SPEAKING LEAGUE

The Southern California Public Speaking League met at Pomona College, Claremont, Calif., Friday, Oct. 7, to make plans for the forensic season of 1927-1928. Professor E. R. Nichols of the University of Redlands was chosen President for the year and commissioned to re-write the Constitution for the organization. The league has only five members this year, the University of Southern California and the University of California at Los Angeles having withdrawn last year. The present membership is Whittier College, California Institute of Technology, Occidental College, Pomona College and the University of Redlands.

The league plans to have three annual contests in the field of oratory and speech, an extempore, an oratorical, and a declamation or reading con-
test. The reading contest is new, having been held by this league for the first time last year. It was won by Roy McCall of the University of Redlands. The type of readings used were narrative poems. This year dramatic readings of cuttings from plays will be used.

The League chose as its subject for the extempore contest “The Relation of the Press to American Life.” This subject will be subdivided, and after drawing their sub-topics the contestants will be allowed one hour of preparation just before the contest. The contest will be held at Redlands on the evening of November 22, 1927.

The Oratorical Contest will be held at Whittier College, April 26, 1928, and the Declamation Contest at Occidental May 15, 1928.

The league discussed debate subjects for the year but decided to leave the choice until after the Pi Kappa Delta national subject was chosen and announced. The Pi Kappa Delta question will be used by the league for at least part of the regular debate program if not for all of the debates.

The Women's College Conference of Southern California adopted a program similar to that of the Men's league comprising debate, oratory, extempore, and reading contests. The women will debate “Resolved, that the policy of the United States in Nicaragua should be condemned.”

The California Alpha Chapter will present “The Goose Hangs High” in December just before the Christmas holidays to raise money toward the expenses of sending a women's team to the National Convention. California Alpha has maintained a Pi Kappa Delta play tradition for years, in fact since the first National convention. The forensic fund at Redlands is now prosperous enough to send a team of four men and the coach to the convention but needs to raise considerable money to keep up local debate expenses and to send a women's team to Tiffin. Professor Nichols of the Speech department plans to have some evenings of one-act plays conducted by the class in play production, the proceeds of which will go toward helping the girls' team on their trip.

The Redlands men's team will tour the Northwest on the way to the convention. Linfield College, Idaho University and Montana State University are to be met, and Redlands hopes to meet Willamette and Spokane Universities. In addition a challenge has been sent to our National Vice President, W. H. Veatch, for a debate at Washington State College, as the Redlands team must pass through Pullman to reach Idaho University. Redlands will meet Wittenberg College at Springfield, Ohio, on Monday of convention week, and hopes to arrive at Tiffin in time to enter the Convention preliminaries.

The Redlands' women will meet College of the Pacific, University of California at Berkeley, and Wyoming University on their way to the convention, and are trying to get two more debates, University of Nevada, Utah,
and Denver being favored for their open dates. It has not been decided yet how many women debaters will make the trip with the women’s coach, Mrs. E. H. Van Camp.

NEW COACHES

The Forensic has not been able to get a complete list of the new debate coaches who will be in charge of forensic in many of our institutions. Here are a few of the changes we have learned about.

Alvin N. Rogness, a graduate of Augustana, will succeed Professor Carson there while Professor Carson continues his studies at Northwestern College, Minneapolis.

Miss Alice M. Gordon will assist Professor Richie at Ottawa. Miss Gordon is a graduate of Washburn. She has done graduate work at Northwestern University and has taught in both high schools and colleges.

Professor Ernest Henrikson is assisting in forensics at Gustavus Adolphus.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Burke will fill the place left vacant at Eureka when Professor Durward Sandifer decided to desert teaching and spend a year at Columbia University.

Professor Forrest R. Rose, last year at Kansas Wesleyan, will this year be at Park. Professor Rose made an enviable record in Kansas last year and should help to make the Pirates even more dangerous.

Earl W. Blank will guide the Iowa Wesleyan debaters in their search for forensic success. Professor Preston H. Scott, last year at Purdue, is now assembling a debate squad at City College of Detroit. He plans to take some of his debaters back to Indiana on a debate trip.

Orville Moore, a graduate of Missouri Wesleyan and a teacher in a Kansas high school last year, is looking after the forensic destiny of the Colorado Agricultural College.

Reeves of William Jewell has succeeded Orton of Redlands at Baylor College for Women.
WHAT THE COLLEGES ARE DEBATING

The Mid-West Debate Conference, consisting of about twenty colleges in Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota, meeting in Chicago, September 23, selected for its question this year: "Resolved, That the United States should cease to protect by armed force capital invested in foreign land except after formal declaration of war." The president of the league is Professor S. R. Toussaint, Monmouth College, Illinois.

"Resolved, That the direct primary for the selection of national officials should be abolished" is the question the members of the Indiana Intercollegiate Debate League will discuss this year.

Nine members of the Michigan Debating League decided to discuss whether or not we should condemn our present Latin American policy. A women's association composed of many of the same institutions will discuss whether or not the Democratic party should be placed in power at the next national election.

California women will argue our policy with Nicaragua. Minnesota colleges are planning to debate our Latin American policy. Two state institutions in South Dakota will discuss the advisability of protecting the financial condition of our state educational institutions from legislative idiosyncrasies. Drake and Cambridge will consider the possibilities of harmonizing business practices and morality. Some institutions will discuss the cancellation of the allied war debts. Many of our old friends, such as capital punishment and Philippine independence, will be called back from the hoary past and compelled to walk the boards again. Unusual and freak questions will not be much in demand.

CALIFORNIA COLLEGES HAVE CHANGED QUESTIONS

At a meeting of the Southern California Public Speaking Conference held October 28, the following statement of the Latin American question was adopted for the season's debates.

Resolved, "That the practice of armed intervention by the United States in the internal affairs of Latin American countries should be condemned.

The Southern California Women's Conference meeting at the same time as the men discarded the subject formerly chosen, which was, Resolved, "That the Policy of the United States in Nicaragua should be condemned," in favor of a discussion of the influence of advertising. The new question is stated, Resolved, "That the influence of advertising is detrimental to public welfare."

The Pacific Coast colleges which had chosen to debate the policy of the United States in Nicaragua have abandoned the subject in favor of a discussion of the abandonment of mass education in the United States.

The official question of the Pacific Coast League, composed of the larger universities of the western States, is, Resolved, "That American Investors and Investments in Foreign Nations should be protected only by the government of the nation in which the Investment is made."
ROEHM APPOINTED TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

Student Representative R. E. Hedberg, having been graduated from the Kansas State Agricultural College, has resigned from the national council. In accordance with the provisions of the national constitution, the national president, after consultation with the other national officers, appoints A. Wesley Roehm, of Baldwin-Wallace, Ohio Alpha, to fill the vacancy. The constitution further provides that in case a majority of the chapters do not vote against this appointment within thirty days, it shall be considered confirmed.

Below appears a short biographical sketch concerning Mr. Roehm:

Mr. Roehm was born in Greenville, Ohio, August 1, 1898. When in 1920 Professor Roehm left the Greenville High School of which he was principal, he accepted the post of Registrar at Baldwin-Wallace College.

Wesley entered the Berea High School, graduating in 1925, with the fourth highest standing in the class. Among the various high school activities to his credit are editor of the annual; business manager and editor of the school paper in successive years; member of the glee club; president of the senior class; president of the orchestra; and chairman of the chapel committee.

Mr. Roehm entered Baldwin-Wallace in the fall of 1925. Due to his popularity among his classmates he was elected President of the Class of 29. Because of his journalistic ability, he was given a position on the Grindstone staff, the college year book. In addition, he was made assistant cheerleader.

Last year, Mr. Roehm was fraternity editor on the school paper, a job that he handled very creditably.

This year, Mr. Roehm’s Junior year, promises to be the most successful of his entire college career. He is a member of the student governing body and editor of the Grindstone. In debate, Mr. Roehm can be relied upon to make the same good showing that he has made in the last two years. Last year, in particular, he demonstrated his ability to present facts and arguments in a straightforward convincing manner, a feat that must be mastered by a good debater. At the regional convention of Pi Kappa Delta at East Lansing, Michigan, Mr. Roehm represented B-W as extemporaneous speaker. He is president of the local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta.

Mr. Roehm is a very active member of Phi Pi Phi, national social fraternity. This year as vice president he will guide the social destinies of his fraternity. Among some of the other offices that he has held is Phi Pi Phi, his incumbency as secretary distinguished him as a man with excellent business capacities. He is also a member of Alpha Pi Gamma, national journalistic fraternity, and has recently been elected to membership in the Liberal Arts club, a society made up of students and faculty of the liberal arts courses. To be elected to this society is an honor that comes only to men and women of high scholarship. Mr. Roehm’s straight A average makes him a candidate for a magna cum laude, or even a summa cum laude.
WHAT THE NATIONAL OFFICERS HAVE BEEN DOING

After much additions of figures, up and down, over and back, round and about, to get things to balance, I got my financial statement off to the editor of The Forensic. I was just congratulating myself that that job was done when along comes a command from that selfsame editor that I give an account of my year in our foreign quarter, that is to say New York City. My training in Uncle Sam's army taught me to obey the commands of a superior officer and so I proceed to report:

We (in this case the pronoun denotes three of us, Mrs. Finley, Mary Elizabeth, 12, and their humble servant) left the mountains, the blue sky and the sunshine for the crowded conditions of the metropolis of our country in early September of last year. We stopped off in the city made famous by Colonel Lindbergh's companion. While there we visited Pi Kappa Delta, Dr. Frank L. Wright, who is now head of the Department of Education in Washington University, and saw Shaw's Gardens and our first Zeppelin.

We detrained at the seat of our national government, I mean the winter seat, not the Black Hills. Of course, we spent two busy days here, riding rubber neck wagons, tramping the halls of congress, inspecting the White House, watching people in the treasury department make more money in an hour than we can make in a lifetime, and doing the other things a "tourist" is supposed to do in Washington.

We were so worn out with our attempt to "take in" the capitol city that we didn't even pause to see the Centennial Exposition. Anyhow, it was too early in the fall for the "battle of the century" No. 1.

We landed in New York City via Jersey City and the bus line over the asked the bus driver about it. He suggested the McAlpin on West 34th St. We said that sounded all right to us and went in. We spent the night on the 17th floor. We may have slept but I can't remember it if we did. What I can remember is the infernal racket that poured into our windows incessantly. When I went to the desk to pay my bill the next morning I decided that at that rate I'd have money enough to stay in New York about two weeks. Fortunately we were able to get into our apartment at Columbia University the next day.

I found just the kind of work I wanted in the University, Mary Elizabeth enjoyed her experience in Lincoln School, and Mrs. Finley quite fell in love with the shops and theatres. We learned to scramble for seats in the subway, and when we failed to get one we not only stood on our feet but allowed several other people to stand on them at the same time. And so we had a great year in New York City.

We didn't learn the language of the natives there, but after a little we got so we could understand and make ourselves understood enough to do our shopping.

I was much interested in hearing a debate between Columbia and Harvard on the Nicaraguan question. It was a good debate but not as good
as some I have listened to by Pi Kappa Delta teams. The question struck me as being fairly good.

As summer began to come on we began to think of the snow capped peaks of the Rockies. We came back to them with great joy.

And now, Mr. Editor, I have reported. If there are any little details I have overlooked, it may have been accidental and it may have been otherwise. Anyhow, I shall now close the report.

G. W. FINLEY.

President Westfall, or perhaps it was Editor Westfall, asked me to write just a line or two telling the rest of you what I did during the summer. I suspect his idea was to discover how much the rest of us loafed during the summer. The rest of them will have to go some to keep up with me.

I spent eight weeks attending graduate classes at the University of Southern California during the early morning, then driving a hundred miles south to Oceanside and teaching two classes in Public Speaking, then driving the hundred miles back and doing my studying after that. Was I glad when Saturdays came? I'll tell the world I was! The rest of the summer was spent in moving what lares and penates I possess from Los Angeles to Pullman, Washington, where I am to be the Director of Debate at the State College of Washington. For the past three years I have had only an incidental connection with the intercollegiate forensics and I will tell you all (I learned that from the Baylor College debate team that came to Estes Park two years ago) that I am mighty glad to swing back into the grind of a debate schedule again.

Regarding Pi Kappa Delta, we are going to have the biggest and best convention ever at Tiffin. We are going to have more delegates than ever attended a forensic convention any place in the world before. We are going to have better oratorical, extempore speaking and debating tournaments than have been held before, and there are going to be more entered than ever before. Any chapter that loses out on sending a delegation misses more than it suspected there was to gain. Historian Nichols, who was in England when we met at Estes Park thinks the rest of us are the biggest brand of liars he ever met when we start talking about the last convention. Some of you people who have never been to the national conventions may think the same of us when we start talking about the next one in glowing language, but if you will stick your toothbrushes in your pockets and scrape up enough money to buy a ticket on the blind baggage to Tiffin, you will find that we were talking conservatively and that you will get just as enthusiastic as we are now. We have 121 chapters on our rolls. Let's have 121 respond "Here" when the roll is called.

W. H. VEATCH.
Your president spent the summer studying and teaching. The first half of the summer he carried on graduate work at the University of Colorado, where he frequently had opportunity to discuss ΠΚΔ matters with Dr. John R. Macarthur, who served as second national president of the society. While Dr. Macarthur is a Californian by profession, he was teaching in Colorado this summer. The coming national convention has occupied much of the attention and thought of your president this summer. With the cooperation of every chapter, he believes we can make it the greatest and most profitable forensic gathering ever held.

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**WATCH US GROW**

Last key ordered: No. 5153. Harold S. Wilson, Sterling College.
Last membership card: No. 7408. Jontie Venus, University of Tulsa.

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Forty members and alumni attended the annual banquet held by the Michigan Epsilon chapter. Professor Lionel G. Croker of the University of Michigan was the speaker of the evening. He had just returned from a trip around the world on the Ryndam. "We should be proud of the fact that we are Americans," he said, "and of our wonderful heritage, the English language, which is now being generally recognized as the universal language."

*The Normal College News.*

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Kansas Zeta is conducting an extensive program of intramural contests. It is awarding cups to the organizations winning the men's and women's contests in debate, oratory, and extempore speaking. Pins will be awarded the individual winners. The men will argue on whether the state should support higher education. The honor point system is the bone of contention for the women. College students and religion will be the subject for the extempore contest.
"WORLD'S GREATEST DEBATE," BY PROF. CLARK

Professor Glenn Clark is giving a most interesting English course this semester, that of argumentation and debate. The course includes the study of "The World's Greatest Debate," a compilation of the three debates of Henry and Madison, Hayne and Webster, and Douglas and Lincoln on the question of State Rights, as well as regular four-men debates once a week and formal discussion on topics of current interest.

The class is conducted as a Senate, each student representing one particular state. One day each week is given over to the discussion of a bill introduced into the Senate by one of the senators. The discussion is led by two people, one upholding and the other opposing the bill. The leaders are allowed five to seven minutes each before the discussion is thrown open to the other senators who are each expected to speak three minutes. After the general discussion, a vote is taken to determine whether or not the bill shall pass. Such questions as compulsory chapel, military drill in colleges, the open or closed shop, and Nicaragua situation are discussed.

Various Subjects Are Debated

One debate held in the class was on the subject, Resolved: "That the teaching of Evolution should be prohibited in the schools of Minnesota." A second debate was on the topic, Resolved: "That America should cancel foreign war debts," was the subject for another debate.

The Philippine question has also been debated in this class. The last debate, in which the affirmative was upheld by Ardell Look and Calvin Hunt, and the negative by Clifford Channer and Cecil Wilson, was on the subject of whether the United States should have a Catholic as president. Yesterday's general discussion was on the topic of the advisability of recognizing Soviet Russia.

"The World's Greatest Debate"

The text, "The World's Greatest Debate," is the work of Professor Clark and is still in manuscript form, two copies of which are kept on reserve in the library. It is a compilation of the three greatest debates given. The text were given many years apart, they all deal with the powers and rights of the states of the Union. Different questions taken up in these debates are the power of the states with regard to making constitutional amendments, the militia and the right of succession. These debates, constructive speeches and rebuttals dovetail as if they had been written for one grand debate. Each of the speakers is an example of the best kind of orator and debater.

The class work is proving to be very beneficial as well as interesting. Besides improving the self-confidence, poise, delivery and style of those taking the course it is helping them to be informed upon the current issues by the reading required as preparation for the discussions and debates.

—The Mae Weekly.
Finis Proctor was chosen honor debater at Kentucky Alpha.

Wake Forest won eleven out of eighteen debates last year.—*The Gold and Black*.

Otto Gruhn, South Dakota Zeta, was elected president of the student body.—*The Exponent*.

Lawrence A. Peakes, Maine Alpha, was elected editor of his college paper.—*The Colby College Echo*.

James H. McLaughlin won the fifty dollar prize in the annual prize debate.—*The Kalamazoo College Index*.

The Nebraska State Forensic Association adopted the Pi Kappa Delta question for its contests this year.—*The Antelope*.

John A. Nelson won the fifty dollar annual Hallowell speaking contest with the address, “War, a Challenge to Youth.”—*The Colby College Echo*.

“Digging Wells” was the title of the oration with which Margarette Olsen won the women's oratorical contest at Jamestown.—*The Jamestown Collegian*.

Eugene McElmeel won second place in the Northwest meeting of the National Intercollegiate Oratorical contest on the Constitution.—*The Purple and Gray*.

Aubrey Carrell, Nebraska Alpha, won the state extemporé contest. He had previously won the state oratorical and the regional ΔΚΠ oratorical. —*The Wesleyan*.

California Gamma will produce another Roman comedy under the direction of Gilmore Brown. The proceeds will be used as a convention fund.—*The California Tech*.

Wooster, Wittenberg, and Otterbein at first tied for first in the Ohio state Peace contest. The judges broke the tie by awarding first to Wooster.—*The Taur and Cardinal*.

Kansas Alpha is selling cushions at the football contests. The cushions are attractively made up in college colors. The funds thus raised will be used to send a forensic team to Tiffin.—*The Ottawa Campus*.

Resolved “That the Direct Primary should be abolished and the convention system reinstated,” is the question selected by the Ohio State Debating Association for the contests this year.—*The Exponent*.

Doane had a very successful season last year. Altho it began the season with only three experienced debaters, it won a large percentage of its debates and took in sixteen new members.—*The Doane Owl*.

The men of North Carolina State and the women of Virginia State Teachers College debated whether the tendency toward political, economic, and social equality of the sexes should be deplored. The audience vote was slightly in favor of deplored, as upheld by the men.—*The Technician*. 
Oklahoma Baptists plan to send delegates to the national convention.—The Bison.

College of Emporia is sponsoring interclass competition in debate and dramatics.—College Life.

Dubuque is planning a play early in December as a means of raising a convention fund.—The Blue and White.

Maryville, Tennessee Alpha, won thirteen and lost eight of its twenty-one debates last year.—The Highland Echo.

Arkansas Alpha, Henderson-Brown, is planning to send one or two delegates to the national convention.—The Oracle.

Hastings, Nebraska Delta, is planning to send a delegation of three-and-four-year men to the national convention.

California Alpha, Redlands, will produce "The Goose Hangs High," to raise a convention fund.—The U. of R. Campus.

"We are planning to send at least a men's debating team to Ohio next spring," writes Professor O. E. Winebrenner of Howard Payne.

St. Thomas, Minnesota, Epsilon, is planning to send two debate teams and an extemporaneous speaker to the national convention.—The Purple and Gray.

Iowa Beta conducted the chapel program recently and acquainted the student body with the work and purpose of Pi Kappa Delta.—The Central Ray.

Minnesota Alpha, Macalester, is sponsoring a lecture by Edwin Markham, the poet, for November 4, as a means of raising a convention fund.—The Mac Weekly.

Professor George W. McCarty, debate coach at South Dakota State, attended the American Legion convention in Paris this summer.—The Industrial Collegian.

A New England debating league, consisting of Maine, Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts, is being formed.—The Connecticut Campus.

Iowa Eta, located at Upper Iowa, is working on a program to get more people to take part in forensics and to give some form of recognition to those who do take part, such as a letter.—The Collegian.

Bethany is planning to repeat its "Bethany Nite" vaudeville program to raise funds for its forensic budget. Many of the men and women who won honors at the provincial tournament last year are again in school and the institution is planning to send some of them to the national tournament.—The Bethany Messenger.

The women's intercollegiate oratorical contest was held at Baylor College, May 5. Mary Louise Willard of East Texas State Teachers, who spoke on "Our Debt to the Longhorn," was awarded the first prize of fifteen dollars. Trinity and Texas Christian University tied for second. Baylor was awarded third.—Baylor College Bells.
Coach Anderson of Gustavus Adolphus begins the season with twelve experienced debaters.—The Gustavian Weekly.

Michigan Epsilon opened the season with a wiener roast at which thirty-three were present.—The Normal College News.

Bentley Barnabas, president of the Kansas Beta chapter, was elected editor of the college annual.—The Washburn Review.

Professor E. Henrikson was elected head of the Minnesota Women’s Intercollegiate Debating League.—The Gustavian Weekly.

Minnesota Alpha is laying plans to send representatives back to Tiffin. Its delegates won a first and a third at the last convention.—The Mac Weekly.

Western State is offering prizes for the extempore speaking contests. The winners will also get a chance at a trip back to Ohio.—Top O’ The World.

Professor F. Earl Ward, debate coach at Macalester, has been elected president of the Minnesota Intercollegiate Debate Conference.—The Mac Weekly.

Southwestern believes the story about what the early bird catches. It held try-outs for the men’s squad May 11 and for the women’s May 13.—The Southwestern Collegian.

With Professor Ritchie in charge, the Kansas Alpha chapter at Ottawa met and formulated plans for raising a convention fund. Kansas will be well represented at Tiffin.—The Ottawa Campus.

Harold Westlake, Michigan Epsilon, who last year won second in the provincial extempore contest, will teach English and speech and coach forensic in the high school at Fordson.—The Normal College News.

Drake scheduled a debate with Cambridge for October 28 on the question, Resolved: That this house thinks that the ethics and practice of the business world are incompatible with sound morality.—The Drake Deltic.

The final women’s debate of the tournament at the last convention between Southwestern and Baylor has been republished in a volume of “Inter collegiate Debates,” edited by Professor E. R. Nichols.—The Southwestern Collegian.

Professor Preston H. Scott, the debate coach at the College of the City of Detroit, plans to conduct debating on a larger scale than ever before. He plans to use the squad system and expects to have at least one hundred on the squad. From this number the twenty-four who make the best showing will be selected to represent the school in its debates.—The Detroit Collegian.

South Dakota State College will meet the University of South Dakota this year in both men’s and women’s debates. The men will argue that the state constitution should be so amended as to protect our state institutions from irregularities of legislation. The women will discuss the value of our Latin American policy to the Latin American countries.—The Industrial Collegian.
Forty-five men are on the debate squad at Gustavus Adolphus.—*The Gustavian Weekly.*

Southwestern will compete in six oratorical contests this year.—*The Southwestern Collegian.*

G. Milton Richards, Sioux Falls College, is now doing graduate work at the University of Illinois.

Washington Alpha, Puget Sound, is sponsoring a freshman debate tournament.—*The Puget Sound Trail.*

Huron, South Dakota, Beta, expects to send two delegates to the national convention.—*The Huron Alphomega.*

Huron will meet the Oregon debaters as they return from their round-the-world tour.—*The Huron Alphomega.*

Professor Henrikson represented Gustavus Adolphus at the Mid-West Debate Conference in Chicago.—*The Gustavian Weekly.*

Frederich Berger of Oregon Alpha will teach in the high school at Klamath Falls, Oregon, this year: He will be in charge of debating.

Northern State Teachers of South Dakota plans to send a men's and a women's team to the national convention next spring.—*The Exponent.*

Montana Beta, at the Agricultural College, has already completed plans for sending a debate team back to the national convention.—*The Weekly Exponent.*

Colorado Beta, the Teachers, will produce "Sure Fire," a fast moving comedy drama, November 9 and 10, to raise a convention fund.—*The Teachers College Mirror.*

When Hermond Westmoreland was awarded first place in the Arkansas State oratorical contest, he brought that honor to Ouachita for the fifth time.—*Ouachita Signal.*

Gustavus Adolphus is planning to send four men to the national convention. It will be represented in all three lines of forensics for men.—*The Gustavian Weekly.*

Miss Genevieve Temple of the University of California at Los Angeles won the women's state oratorical contest with the oration "Under American Roofs." Miss Marian Lickider of Redlands was second. "The Specter" was the title of her oration.—*The U. of R. Campus.*

Texas Christian University is planning two entertainments as means of raising funds to send a men's and women's debate team to the national convention. "The convention is the greatest thing before our eyes for this year," writes Lloyd Armstrong, president of the chapter.

College of the Pacific entertained the first W. C. T. U. inter-collegiate oratorical contest ever held in California. All the speakers spoke on one subject, what the modern social order has to gain by emancipation of the drink custom. Forty dollars was awarded the winner of the contest.
North Central, Illinois Iota, expects to send several debate teams to the Ohio convention.—*The College Chronicle.*

North Dakota Alpha is formulating plans to send a debate team to the national convention.—*The Jamestown Collegian.*

Forensics opened at Kansas State Teachers of Hays with plans for sending delegates to the national convention.—*The K. S. T. C. Leader.*

Miss Griselda Kuhlman, California Epsilon, was elected vice president of the student body of the University of California at Los Angeles.—*Daily California Bruin.*

Colorado Beta plans to send a full forensic team of debaters and orators to the national convention. It expects to begin the season with a squad of fifty.—*The Teachers College Mirror.*

The Baylor Belles of Texas Epsilon closed their forensic season with a week end party at a near-by resort. Swimming, boating, and practical jokes at the expense of the faculty members, kept them busy.—*Baylor College Bells.*

"Arming for Peace" by Miss Dorothy Blender, and "The Art of Being Common" by Paul Penney won the oratorical at Bradley under the auspices of the University of Chicago Club. These speakers will represent Bradley in the state contests in February.—*The Bradley Tech.*
For a number of years the national officers have been using a brown paper for all official correspondence. When you see a brown letter in the mail now you know what it means.

Would it not help if the chapters used the same kind of paper? Your chapter may order it with the names of the chapter officers at the head instead of those of the national officers. It may be had with or without the chapter list at the side.

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Winning Intercollegiate Debates and Orations, volume I of what we expect to make an annual publication, is now on sale. It was published during the summer. In it appear the debates, orations, and extempore speeches which won the national contests at Estes Park. Every chapter of II KΔ and every library in a II KΔ institution should have a copy. Each chapter should ask its library to order one. Individuals will want copies. As only a limited number of copies were published, the supply may run out. Order now. The price is one dollar. All orders should be addressed to

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