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The University

Bowling Green State University, established by an act of the Ohio General Assembly in 1910, will celebrate its Golden Anniversary in 1960. It is a state-supported, co-educational institution comprised of three undergraduate colleges — College of Liberal Arts, College of Education, and College of Business Administration — and a Graduate School which offers curricula leading to the master’s degree. All colleges have the highest level of accreditation.

On the 240-acre campus are 55 permanent buildings, with more under construction; golf course, natatorium, tennis courts, and playing fields; CAA-approved airport with surfaced runways; speech and hearing clinic; reading center; library with more than 270,000 volumes; a beautiful chapel; and other facilities necessary for a complete university program of education.

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Both Army and Air Force have ROTC units on the campus. The Steidtmann Wildlife Sanctuary, consisting of 65 acres, lies three miles south of Bowling Green. The University operates an educational theater at Huron, Ohio, on Lake Erie, during the summer months.

Total enrollment in September 1957 was 5,596, which included 4,796 on the Bowling Green campus and 800 in University branches and extension classes in northwest Ohio. Approximately 85 percent of on-campus students are from Ohio, 15 percent from outside the state. On-campus enrollment included 2,646 men and 2,150 women.

BGSU is primarily a residential institution, with approximately three-fourths of its students living on campus. The University has an excellent system of residence halls, operates twelve at present and plans...
construction of another men's residence soon. There are also eleven sorority and eleven fraternity houses on campus, four fraternity houses off campus.

The President . . .

In 1951 Ralph Waldo McDonald became President of Bowling Green State University, Ohio. Bowling Green State University is one of the five State universities of Ohio. Since Dr. McDonald assumed the presidency in the fall of 1951, the faculty has been strengthened to the point where it is considered one of the strongest in this section of the country. Faculty salaries have been almost doubled. Major improvements have been made in the University's facilities and equipment. The University is now in the midst of a $32,000,000 building program, more than $8,000,000 of the construction being already underway.

The Department of Speech . . .

In 1900, there were no departments of speech in our colleges and universities. Today there are approximately seven hundred and forty, among which is Bowling Green's, formally organized during the academic year 1937-38. No story of the growth of the department can be related without mentioning the names of James W. Carmicheal, teacher of public speaking and debate at Bowling Green for twenty-three years; Upton Palmer, who in 1938 brought a modern concept of speech to the University, and Elden T. Smith, who so capably guided departmental affairs from 1943 to 1955. In 1938, there were two teachers of speech. Today there is a staff of twenty-four, of which ten are full-time faculty members, two, part-time, and twelve, graduate assistants. Then, the total number of students enrolled in speech classes was six hundred; today, twenty-eight hundred. Then, the department had only a very few majors; today it has one hundred and ninety. From two courses, public speaking and debating, which were first offered in 1919 in the Department of English, has evolved a comprehensive speech curriculum reaching into the areas of public address, radio and television, speech and hearing therapy, and theatre.

These years of expansion have seen Bowling Green graduates in speech enter widely diverse occupations and professions. Many of these students have gone on for additional study. For example, within the past five years they have pursued advanced work at Illinois, Ohio State, Michigan, Missouri, Southern California, Utah, Syracuse, Michigan State, Northwestern, Wayne, and Western Reserve.

The Convention . . .

The convention will be held during the days, March 22nd through the 27th. It is understood that a few delegates will be arriving Saturday, March 21st, and housing arrangements will be made for them. Registration will take place on the first floor of the Union starting at 10 A.M. Sunday. The college is located 23 miles south of Toledo and the host school will provide transportation to Bowling Green from the Toledo airport and Toledo union station. The host school will assign rooms and sell meal tickets at the registration table.

The women will be housed in the sorority houses which are located on campus. At least one woman coach will be assigned to each sorority house. The men will all be housed in Rodgers Hall.

Meals will be provided for all delegates in attendance. All meals will be served in the Union Building. The banquet will be served Thursday evening in the ballroom which seats 1500.

Costs for five nights for Rodgers Hall and sorority house residents will be ten dollars.

Fifteen meals beginning Sunday evening and ending Friday noon will cost $15.00. This does not include the banquet. The host school will provide meal tickets which include all meals except the banquet.
Pi Kappa Deltans won first in both women's and men's divisions of the Interstate Oratorical Association, April 26, 1958 at Michigan State University. Gail Kimes, sophomore at Oklahoma State University was the winner of the twenty-third annual women's contest. Her coach is Leslie H. Kreps. George Worden of Hope College, Michigan, won the eighty-fourth annual men's contest. His coach is William Schrier. The Forensic is pleased to publish these two orations and to offer our congratulations to the winners.

The Publican

by GEORGE WORDEN

Hope College

Jonathan Edwards once stirred a religious revival in New England by preaching a powerful sermon "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God." Today we're in the situation, according to Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, famous radio pulpiteer, where "the power of God is in the hands of angry sinners."

This striking phrase warns us that H-bombs and guided missiles have superseded all previous concepts of war and peace. In the past we fought wars to gain and retain our freedom; today, the only possible way to preserve it is to prevent war. For we know that there will be no victors and vanquished in a global war, only losers, that civilization may be set back a thousand years. In the face of this awesome fact, even a blind man can see that openly idolizing military might and seeking to outdo our opponents in weapons of violence is madness. The accelerating arms race must inevitably result in the war which the plain people of neither country want. For you see the horrors of war today simply stagger the imagination. The spectacle of Johnny Jones in World War II and in Korea dying in agony on Guadalcanal and Heartbreak Ridge — that's bad enough. But multiply this individual suffering by the wholesale slaughter of entire nations — men, women, and children alike — and humanity must surely cry out, The next war simply must never be allowed to come. How to prevent it — that's the problem.

As a college student, I don't propose to solve it. But I do wish to urge a soul-searching re-examination of our national policies. Such an appraisal must surely lead us to the national repentance which must precede and underlie any solution and make possible a fresh approach toward averting an atomic apocalypse.

Many still believe the old slogan "My country right or wrong" to be the true test of patriotism. But these people haven't looked at our past history. If it proves one thing, it proves we have often been wrong in the past; so too, the future is certain to prove some present actions wrong. Patrick Henry once said: "The only way of judging the future is by the past." Let's take a look at our recent past. Remember after the war we imposed the Morgenthau Plan upon Germany, seeking to reduce her to a pastoral economy? Two years later we reversed ourselves and issued a new directive to General Lucius Clay specifically stating: "an orderly and prosperous Europe requires the economic contributions of a stable and productive Germany." Similarly, many of us wonder if the internment of our own citizens of Japanese descent in relocation camps was really necessary, if "unconditional surrender" was the best policy, if, in view of subsequent developments, the acceptance of Russia as an ally in the last five days of the war with Japan was in our best interest. My point simply is: we've been wrong before — we could be again.

Last week, I had my picture taken and, as usual, had a number of proofs from which to choose. I went to my room in the dorm and laid each proof on my bed. While I sat looking at myself, my roommate came in. He looked at each one carefully, picked up one of them and said, "George, this is the best one. It looks just like you." It so happened that the one he chose was one that I had decided wasn't
very good. I made some feeble reply that I didn't think it was very flattering. I sat there for a long time with his words ringing in my ears. "George, this is the best one. It looks just like you." I obviously thought myself to be better looking than I am. I guess this is true of most people and, come to think of it, it's true of nations as well. All of which leads to this matter of taking a real good look at ourselves as other nations see us.

Jesus at the Last Supper said someone would betray him. One of the best sermons of Phillips Brooks is based upon this incident. Peter, Bartholomew, James, John, Thomas all impulsively asked, "Lord, is it I? Lord, is it I?" Brooks says significantly: "... the first thought of each of them was the possibility of his own sin." As Americans, our reaction toward Russia has been one of tearing her down so that we ourselves may look better. We have magnified the faults of Russia, and minimized our own shortcomings. We haven't come to a realization that we too as a nation are sinners and in dire need of repentance! Lashing out with a hate-Russia program cannot lead us to the path of peace, particularly when combined with a failure to recognize our own grievous faults. In our relations with other nations including Russia, we too are vulnerable at many points and therefore need to change our ways.

There is an old Indian proverb that says, "Before you judge, you must first walk in the other Indian's moccasins." Specifically, have you ever wondered what our reaction would be if an entire naval fleet of Chinese communist ships were placed just off our coast such as we have off the coast of China today? Vis-a-vis Russia, what would we think if Mexico were equipped with modern weapons such as we have in Turkey ringing the Soviet with military bases? There are grave differences existing between the Communist and the free world regimes, but both share the responsibility of being the same threat to the survival of civilization. There are those who mistakenly think that the H-bomb is an instrument of peace in our hands but of war in the hands of Russia. This attitude of thinking in terms of black and white is Pharisaical; it causes us to see the splinter in the eye of our enemy and to ignore the log in our own. After all we must not forget that we are the only nation ever to have released an atomic bomb in war!

Today, in its struggle against Communism, our beloved country stands in the courtroom of world opinion. We seek a favorable verdict from the uncommitted peoples of the world. But in equity, "He who comes into court must come with clean hands." With no attempt whatever to condone Russia for its heinous sins – its Godlessness, its slave-labor camps, its suppression of individual freedom – just how clean are our hands? Those words of my roommate keep coming back to me. "George, this is the best one. It looks just like you." When other nations, especially the uncommitted ones, look at us, what do they see?

Take foreign aid. Whatever humanitarian motives first animated the Marshall Plan and the Point Four program seem to have passed. Our own self-interest is now our first concern; strings are attached to our giving so that we are attempting to buy good-will in the market-place. The effect of such assistance has created in many of the beneficiaries something very near to hatred by the way we give it.

As to our military aid, maybe there it might be well to attach a few more strings. Recently, the French bombed the Tunisian village of Sakiet-Sidli-Youssef in a savage act of war, killing men, women, and children. And they did it with planes furnished by us! What a cry of outrage would echo throughout this country if, say in Israel, a similar bombardment were made by Syria with Russian planes!

Starvation is a raw fact of life throughout the world with two-thirds of the world's peoples going to bed hungry every night. While other people starve, we destroy food. What must they think of our food surpluses, costing a million dollars a day for storage alone, one-third of which is spoiling – unfit for human consumption. Well has the President of the National Council of Churches said: "It's not half so important that we need Sputniks circling around the globe as that we should send more loaves of bread around the world."

In all of our foreign relations we ought always to be guided by our political principles and not by expediency. In this area
too we have fallen lamentably short. In Spain we opposed the tyranny of the dictator Franco and to this day he has been unable to win a seat in the United Nations. Yet, because we want air bases in Spain, we abandon basic standards of our democracy. Today, our airmen stroll the streets of Seville simply because we have considered the Pyrenees to be higher than our principles!

Every student of world affairs must realize that our failure to solve our racial problem at home weakens our position abroad. In respect to our race problem, Radio Free Europe and our own United States Information Agency have for years given the impression that America is the land of the free and the home of the brave . . . a solace for all people regardless of race, color, or creed. But our deeds have not matched our words. The Louisville, Kentucky Lions Club, for just one example, had to change its hotel meeting-place because its topflight hotel would not serve one of its guests, a thirteen-year-old Negro girl who had been invited to read the club’s prize-winning essay “Why I Love America.”

In this crucial hour of the world’s history, we need to examine the ways which will make us better as individuals and, therefore, as a nation. The best hope for the nation’s security lies in national repentance, in a frank recognition of the many areas in which we have fallen short — in a solemn determination to mend our ways. The ultimate solution to the peace-war problem is admittedly complex, but, basic to all else, all men and nations need the humble contrite spirit of the Publican. You remember the story. The Pharisee — arrogant, haughty, proud, boastful. But “the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast saying, ‘God be merciful to me a sinner.’

But you see, a nation in itself cannot repent. For America, like all nations, is made up of individuals — you and me. So, in the clamor of these days, the penetrating question comes to each of us. Which attitude do we have? I don’t ask what you are or have been; I ask only what you intend to be — Pharisee or Publican?

The Young South

by GAIL KIMES

Oklahoma State University

I was born in the South and I have lived all my life there — Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas. I love the region of my birth, but across it is spread a stain so black that I should bow my head in shame: racial prejudice!

Triggered by a court decision in 1954, a new group of vile men in high places have tried to stir up the people of the South to believe again that one race of men, arbitrarily chosen, is second class, and it appears as though they have been quite successful.

Former Governor Talmadge, of Georgia, in his effort to defeat Senator George, could accuse him of being a believer in racial mongrelism, and insinuate that George’s stand on integration marked him communist. When the voters seemed hesitant about accepting this verbal attack, in desperation Talmadge wrote seventy-nine pages of blasphemy called “Segregation and You,” in which he lauds the advantages of white supremacy. Unfortunately, on the basis of this filth, Talmadge was elected.

Governor Long of Louisiana could ramrod through his legislature a bill which provided that no sporting event, where the participants were integrated, would be permitted in his state.

A minister from Mobile, Alabama, can make the statement, “I’ll roast in Hell before I will allow Negroes in my church.” And yet he is a man of the Lord who professes to believe that all men are the children of God.

The Ku Klux Klan, under the white shrouds of anonymity, commit such heinous crimes as they did in Alabama when
a group of them decided to “scare the hell out of a nigger.” They chose at random a senile eighty-year-old man with whom they admittedly “had no grudge.” They castrated him with a rusty razor blade and poured vinegar onto the wounds.

A man like John Kasper can come down from the north and change the peaceful integration of a school in Clinton, Tennessee into a bloody riot in which a minister of the Gospel was brutally beaten.

Is this the progress made toward brotherhood? Is this to be the outcome of a court decision once heralded as a great step toward the eventual equality of man? Will the South and her people always hold the Negro to be a race not quite good enough to deserve the rights enjoyed by all other citizens? I don’t think so!

For if there is bitterness, there is also hope. If there is evil, there is also good being done. If there is back-sliding, there is also progress made.

Much can be cited to illustrate this progress. John Kasper is in jail now, serving the maximum sentence for inciting a riot. He would not have been convicted ten years ago.

When Louisiana passed the law making integrated sports illegal, the Texas League, composed of teams made up of both races from Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana, quietly asked that Shreveport give up her franchise so that all men might play baseball on the basis of their skill and not the color of their skin.

A Baptist minister from Kentucky, realizing the inconsistency of believing in Christ and upholding segregation, asked his congregation to admit Negroes. They refused. Whereupon he and ten of his congregation united with Zion Baptist, formally all Negro. Thus integration came to Louisville.

In 1956, Dallas elected the first Negro to the Texas legislature since carpet bagging days. The qualified young lawyer who won the seat was not from a gerrymandered, all-Negro district. He was elected by both White and Negro alike.

Houston desegregated its buses last year quietly and without incident.

But these are only examples to be matched one for one with those from the other side of the ledger. There must be more than this before we can truly believe that there is hope.

I know the South and so I know that there is hope, and I know where that hope lies. But I also know that you can’t legislate against what people believe and you can’t pass statutes to outlaw what people think whether those thoughts be good or bad.

No, you can only wait and hope that those thoughts will change or that new people with different beliefs will come along to take the place of those with unalterable views.

I am afraid that the beliefs held by the older generation in the South will never change. This is unfortunate but understandable to anyone who has lived below the Mason-Dixon Line very long. The hope lies not with the older generation, but with the new — the young people of the South.

If you closely examine the trouble caused during the attempts at de-segregation in various Southern schools, you will find that this trouble is caused not by the children but by their parents and the older members of the community. It is only when the students have been goaded and encouraged by their elders that they resort to the injustices of racial prejudice.

There is a little boy whom I know who goes to the first grade in a segregated school. Behind the school is the home of a Negro family with a son who is almost school age. Every day at recess he comes to watch the other children at play. After a while my little friend and the Negro boy became acquainted — as children do — and they began to play together each day. One day the mother of my friend asked her son about his new playmate. “Sidney,” he replied, “Oh Sidney can climb a tree higher than anyone and he has a pet rabbit, and he can play marbles, and . . . .”

“But you didn’t tell me that he was colored!”

And her son asked, “What’s colored?”

Yes, children seem to take it for granted that people should be judged by their achievement or their ability, or their personality, and not by the amount of pigment that the Almighty saw fit to put in their skin.
And these same children in Clinton, Tennessee, or Little Rock, Arkansas, or Mansfield, Texas, will go to college in places like the University of Texas, or the University of Arkansas, or Oklahoma University, or the University of Houston, all of which have men and women of all races — Negroes included — in their classes.

These students, when allowed to speak for themselves, speak for brotherhood.

In Austin, the students of Texas University filed a formal petition with the governor when an attempt was made to ban the performance of a college opera, Dido and Aeneas, because the star was colored and the rest of the cast was White.

In a little Texas town called Pleasanton, nine Negro students were welcomed into the high school. The students had voted on integration and were overwhelmingly in favor of it, 435 to 88.

In Georgia, the students of Georgia Tech, burned the governor in effigy when he refused to allow them to play in the Sugar Bowl because the star of the Pittsburgh team was Black.

Here is your hope, your young South. Upon the men and women of my generation lies the burden of believing that men should be judged on the basis of their merit and not their color. And it is a burden they are willing and responsible enough to accept.

But to the Negro this is not enough. He is not willing to sit by and wait while he and his children are considered second class citizens. Certainly his position can be understood. What then is our duty as young people — as citizens?

First, we must understand the thinking and motivation of the politicians of the South. Why do the Talmadges, and the Longs, and the Faubuses preach White supremacy? Not particularly because they believe it. No, they do it because they think they have to to win votes. They feel that the people of the South — the poor people — need a scapegoat, a group upon which they can heap their pent-up frustra-

tions. So these politicians find the perfect scapegoat — a race of men we imported to be slaves three hundred years ago.

But the political potency of the bigoted in the South is beginning to dwindle. The prejudiced people, these poor white trash, no longer control — nor have the right to control — the South. Our economy is changing. We are also industrially young. As the young people leave the worn out land and move into the cities where there are well-paying jobs, the need for scapegoats diminishes. The economic base of bigotry is being cut away in the young South.

It is in this industrially young South that the educated youth of my generation have their chance. We cannot expect sudden change, but as the reins of government pass from their elders to the young, a new group of political leaders will come who will not be afraid to stand for what they know is right.

But what can we do till then? We can enforce the laws which we must eventually accept anyway. And the area to begin is where children are so young that they haven’t yet learned the petty hatreds of their elders. De-segregation has been the most successful in the primary grades. Start here, in the most logical place.

Some day the South will be integrated. Some day her people will believe that all men are free and equal in the sight of God.

How long this takes and how much strife and bloodshed goes before, is up to us — each of us. For the whole success of this movement toward brotherhood depends entirely upon how every individual believes and how he acts concerning that belief.

The next time you give way to prejudice or judge a man on some artificial standard, ask yourself — am I being fair or right because he is my brother.

After all — every man who can kneel and pray “Our Father” acknowledges the fact that every man is his brother!
President’s Letter

As our Convention week approaches, it is perhaps in order to reflect upon our preparations that we may, in the words of Daniel Webster, “be able to conjecture where we now are.”

There are some things which it is too late to do very much about. For example, there is little time left to discover new gold mines with which to finance the trip to Bowling Green. From now on we are stuck with the remnants of this year’s forensic budget, the coaches gasoline credit card and a more rigid dietary plan for student delegates. It is also too late to carry on the research which could have been done so profitably last August and September. Only the last minute frantic but largely futile attempts to salvage something from a case which never quite solidified are now possible.

I would like to remind everyone, however, of some things which it is not too late to consider. First, there are the little mechanical obligations which, if performed early, contribute greatly to the success of our Convention. Be sure to get your entries in on time — by the February 21st deadline. I think we all know how a late entry can cause every convention and contest committee to start all over again in making schedules, in determining number of judges and rooms needed, and in general to become over-coffee. Closely allied to this point is the reminder to have entries complete and accurate. Also, if you are entering delegates who have not yet been initiated into Pi Kappa Delta, send their membership applications together with initiation fees to our Secretary-Treasurer well in advance of Convention week.

Perhaps most important of all the mechanical procedures upon which to check are these: Read the convention and contest rules carefully as they appear in this issue of the Forensic. Note such things as rules for entering each of the events, that discussion occurs at the same time as debate, that copies of orations must be turned in at registration time, etc. Check the information on fees carefully so there will be no unhappy surprises when the fee clerk utters the final verdict.

Remember also that one member of your delegation should be designated as the official voting delegate at the business meetings. Th efficiency with which our business can be taken care of depends in large measure upon well-informed delegates. Voting delegates should be appointed now so that they may have time to review basic information relative to the purposes and organizational structure of Pi Kappa Delta.

More important even than all these essential preliminary responsibilities of our delegates is a second area of preparation. I refer to the attitudes which we develop toward the Pi Kappa Delta type of Convention. It is our goal to provide something more than just another tournament. Our meeting is a Convention, the purpose of which is to provide the best possible inspiration, fellowship and recognition for those who have demonstrated the high ideals of Pi Kappa Delta. We try to achieve this purpose by setting up a schedule of events which permits the largest possible number to participate insofar as

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Convention and Contest RULES

General

1. Each student and one faculty director of forensics from each college attending the convention must pay a registration fee of $7.50. This covers the banquet ticket, admission to all meetings and contests and the semi-formal dance. The wives of faculty members will be issued a banquet ticket at cost and will not be charged the registration fee. Also, each college shall pay a $5.00 fee to aid in securing extra qualified judges. Colleges who do not have students participating in the convention contests will not be required to pay the judging fee.

2. Each student delegate to the convention and each participant in the contests shall be a bona fide undergraduate student who has not already had four years of forensics participation previous to 1958-1959 and who is carrying a minimum of twelve hours of college work with passing grades at the time of the convention. He shall be a member of Pi Kappa Delta or shall have filed a membership application with the National Secretary and sent in his initiation fee.

3. All entries in convention contests must be sent to the National Secretary so as to show a postmark not later than February 21, 1959.

4. There shall be separate divisions for men and women in all events except discussion. Men and women will discuss together in the discussion event but their ratings will be tabulated separately for the purpose of determining awards at the conclusion of the convention. Gold medals will be awarded to winners of Superior rating in each contest; certificates to those winning Excellent rating. Certificates will be awarded to the school for students who receive ratings of Superior.

5. Certificates of “Superior” will be awarded to the 10 percent of the chapters with the most points in men’s contests and to the 10 percent of the chapters with the most points in women’s contests. Certificates of “Excellent” will be awarded to the next 20 percent in each division. Those in the next 30 percent will be rated “Good” but will receive no certificates. Points will be given in debate as follows: Superior rating, 10 points; Excellent, 8 points; Good, 6 points; participation, 2 points. In extemporaneous speaking, oratory and discussion a rating of Superior will be given 5 points; Excellent, 4 points; Good, 3 points; participation, 1 point.

6. All contest arrangements not covered by the rules shall be in the hands of the individual contest committees and the Director of Tournaments. Questions concerning any interpretation of contest rules should be directed to Dr. Harvey Cromwell, Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus, Mississippi.

Judging

All competing chapters must provide at least one faculty member who is a qualified judge and who will accept his assigned service as outlined by the judging committee. Individual adjustments in that assignment will be made by the chairman of the committee. No college will be permitted to enter the convention tournament without providing a judge unless the delegation is limited to one student representative. No student member of the delegation will be permitted to serve as a substitute for a faculty judge. A college which cannot meet the requirements of this section or whose faculty representative feels that he cannot meet his judging assignments is requested not to enter the contests. A two dollar fine shall be imposed for each judging assignment not fulfilled. No results will be announced or awards presented to schools whose judge fails to meet his judging obligations.

Hiring of Judges

Ten qualified judges, one from each province, will be hired by the National Council to assist with the judging of convention contests. Two judges shall be hired from the same province only if some provinces fail to supply a qualified judge. Judges hired must be a second qualified faculty member attending the national convention. Judges hired by the National Council will receive room and board at
the convention, a banquet ticket, and two dollars for each round they serve. Each hired judge will be guaranteed a minimum judging assignment of twelve rounds. An applicant for assignment as a hired judge should apply to his Province Governor by February 10, 1959. The Province Governor will recommend to the National Secretary by February 21, 1959, the judge to be hired from his province.

Oratory

1. Contestants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one orator in the men's and one in the women's contest.

2. Orations. Orations shall contain not more than 150 words of quotations. Orations may vary in length from 1200 to 1500 words. All quotations shall appear definitely as such in the manuscript. All orations must be certified by the coach as being the original work of the contestant. Each orator shall bring two typewritten copies of his oration to the national convention. One copy shall be presented to the National Secretary of Pi Kappa Delta at the Convention Registration desk on March 22, 1959, and one copy shall be presented to a judge at the beginning of the first round of oratory. The oration delivered in the contest must conform to the manuscripts submitted. The manuscript presented to the National Secretary will not be returned.

3. Contests. The contests shall be held simultaneously, the number of such contests being determined by the number of contestants entered, it being provided that not more than seven speakers shall appear on one program. Each orator shall appear in four rounds.

4. Method of Judging. Three judges shall be appointed in each contest. Each judge shall rank only the three highest ranking speakers, first, second, and third. In tabulating the results, all other speakers in each contest will be given a ranking of four. No judge shall tie two speakers for first, second, or third places. The judges may comment on the speakers at the close of the round, but should not reveal their decisions.

5. Rankings. The orators ranking in the upper 10 percent will be rated “Superior”;
those in the next 20 percent will be rated “Excellent”; and those in the next 30 percent will be rated “Good.”

Extemporaneous Speaking

1. Contestants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one speaker in the men’s and one in the women’s contest.

2. Subject. Crisis in Education.

3. Sub-topics. The Contest Committee shall arrange for the securing of sufficient and suitable sub-topics for each of the four areas.

4. Drawings. One hour before the time of speaking in each contest, the contestant shall draw by lot for a subtopic. It is expected that the speech will be prepared by the student without the assistance of anyone.

5. Contests. The rules for these contests shall be the same as those for oratory.

6. Length of Speeches. Speeches shall not be more than six minutes. Each speaker shall be given a warning by the timekeeper at the expiration of five minutes.

7. The Question Period. Each speaker shall be asked one pertinent question by a judge at the close of his original speech. The speaker must answer this question impromptu; maximum time for the answer, two minutes.

8. The Method of Judging. The method of judging shall be the same as for oratory.

9. Ranking. The method of ranking shall be the same as for oratory.

Debate

1. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one team in the men’s division and one team in the women’s division. No mixed teams shall be entered.

2. Substitutions. There may be free substitution of debaters from round to round providing the names of those to be used are included in the entry lists.

3. Question. The official Pi Kappa Delta question shall be used in all debates.

4. Speeches. Each debater shall have two speeches, one of ten minutes and one of five. The affirmative shall introduce the

COMMITTEES, Continued

Milton Dobkin, Humboldt State College, Arcata, California

8. Committee on Convention Publicity

Emmett Long, Chairman, California State Polytechnic College, Pomona, California
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Franklin Shirley, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

9. Contest Committees

Contest Chairman: Harvey Cromwell, Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus, Miss.
Harold Larson, Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin
Donald Graham, Northwestern College, Moline, Illinois
Harold Obee, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio
Men’s Debate Committee: Rex Wier, Chairman, Southeastern State College, Durant, Oklahoma
James McCarthy, College of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota
Women’s Debate Committee: Jack Howe, Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas; Ruth Wilcox Marietta College, Marietta, Ohio
Men’s Extemporaneous Speaking: Don Sikkink, Chairman, South Dakota State College, Brookings, South Dakota; Fred Goodwin, Southeastern State College, Cape Girardeau, Missouri
Women’s Extemporaneous Speaking: Glen Reddick, Chairman, North Central College, Naperville, Illinois; J. H. Jackson, Pasadena College, Pasadena, California
Discussion: Robert Tuttle, Chairman, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado; James Ladd, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma
Oratory: Mary Louise Gehring, Chairman, Stetson University, DeLand, Florida; Leslie Kreps, Oklahoma State, Stillwater, Okla.
constructive and the negative shall introduce the refutation speeches.

5. Rounds. All teams will take part in eight rounds of debate, the pairings of which are to be arranged by the contest committee and posted for round to round.

6. Sides. Each college must debate both sides of the question, having an equal number of affirmative and negative debates.

7. Decisions. Decisions will be rendered by single judges, who may comment on the debate but who should not announce their decisions to the debaters.

8. Rankins. All teams winning all or seven of the eight rounds shall be awarded the "Superior" rating. All teams winning six debates shall be rated "Excellent." All teams winning five debates shall be given a rating of "Good."

9. Drawing. In order to avoid a drawing in which strong teams will meet only strong teams and weaker teams meet only weaker teams, every fourth team will be seeded on the basis of performance earlier in the year. Under this plan every team (including every seeded team) will meet two seeded teams and two only during the course of the eight rounds. Ratings of various colleges shall be determined by the Debate Committee with the assistance of the Province Governors and qualified Pi Kappa Delta members in the respective areas.

Discussion

1. Subject. How can we improve our relations with Latin America?

2. Procedure. There will be five rounds. Each of the first four rounds shall have a maximum time limit of one and one-half hours and the fifth round shall have a maximum limit of two hours.

Round I. Definition and delineation stage. (What is the nature, extent, and significance of the problem? What terms of the discussion question need defining?)

Round II. Problem — analysis stage. (What are the probable causes of the problem? By what criteria should probable solutions be measured?)

Round III. Solutions stage. (What possible solutions are there? What is the best solution for the problem? Use criteria for evaluating and eliminating solutions.)

Round IV. Solutions stage. (Continue evaluation of solutions.)

Round V. Written report. This report shall be prepared by the members of each section. It should reflect the consensus of the group's opinion regarding the problem and its solution(s). If a minority opinion exists, it should be included in the written report. Only one report (not a majority and a minority report) shall be submitted by a section. The report will be evaluated and each member of the section will receive the evaluation awarded. This report carries a weight which represents 25 percent of the discussion's final score. This report shall be limited to one typewritten page (8 x 11) or two pages (8 x 11) written in longhand. Specific instructions regarding the preparation and form of the written report will be given each section during Round IV.

3. Discussion leader. A discussion leader shall be appointed by the Discussion Contest Committee for each section of Round I. At the conclusion of Round I, II, III, and IV, the members of each section shall elect one of their members to serve as the discussion leader for the following round.

4. Participants. Each Pi Kappa Delta chapter may enter one man and one woman student in discussion. Men and women will discuss together but their ratings will be tabulated separately for the purpose of determining awards at the conclusion of the convention.

5. Judging. A faculty observer will sit with each section. It shall be his function to check attendance, serve as a guide in procedure, and evaluate the participants. The faculty observer shall evaluate each participant on his knowledge of the discussion question and his use of critical thinking, and his cooperation with other members of the group. The written report prepared by each section will be evaluated by authorities selected by the Discussion Contest Committee. Each member will receive the evaluation awarded by the judges for his section's written report. At the conclusion of Round V, each participant will complete an evaluation for each member of his section. Each participant's
final score will consist of the sum of the evaluations awarded him by the faculty observers (50 percent), the evaluation awarded the written report submitted by his section (25 percent), and the average of the evaluations given by the members of his section (25 percent). Faculty observers will use a different rating scale for evaluating discussion leaders and discussion participants.

CONVENTION PROGRAM
BOWLING GREEN, OHIO
March 22-27, 1959

Sunday, March 22
9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m., Registration
8:00 p.m. — Religious Services

Monday, March 23
8:30 a.m. — Business Meeting and Charter Presentation
9:30 a.m. — Taking of Convention Picture
10:15 a.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round I
11:15 a.m. — Extempore, Round I
1:30 p.m. — Oratory, Round I
3:00 p.m. — Convention Speaker
4:30 p.m. — Debate, Round I Discussion, Round I
8:00 p.m. — Host Province Entertainment

Tuesday, March 24
8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round II Discussion, Round II
10:15 a.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round II
11:15 a.m. — Extempore, Round II
12:30 p.m. — Province Governor’s Luncheon
1:30 p.m. — Oratory, Round II
3:00 p.m. — Debate, Round III Discussion, Round III
7:00 p.m. — Business Meeting

Wednesday, March 25
8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round IV Discussion, Round IV
10:30 a.m. — Business Meeting, Election of National Council
11:00 a.m. — Convention Speaker
1:00 p.m. — Oratory, Round III
2:30 p.m. — Debate, Round V
4:00 p.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round III
5:00 p.m. — Extempore, Round III
8:00 p.m. — Pi Kappa Delta Talent Night

Thursday, March 26
8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round VI Discussion, Round V
11:00 a.m. — Oratory, Round IV
1:30 p.m. — Drawing for Extempore Round IV
2:30 p.m. — Extempore, Round IV
4:00 p.m. — Debate, Round VII
6:30 p.m. — Convention Banquet
9:00 - 12:00 p.m. — Convention Dance

Friday, March 27
8:30 a.m. — Debate, Round VIII
10:00 a.m. — Province Meetings
11:00 a.m. — Business Meeting
12:00 a.m. — Announcement of Winners and Pictures of Superior Debaters
Alumni News
by FRANKLIN R. SHIRLEY

Patricia M. Litsheim, ex Minnesota Beta and a 1956 alumnus of Wisconsin Zeta 216, received her Master of Science degree in Speech at the University of Wisconsin in August. Her 800 page thesis entitled, "Speech Education in the Evangelical Lutheran Church Colleges in the United States" is a historical and descriptive analysis of the well established speech departments of the five Pi Kappa Delta colleges. Personal correspondence was received from 335 alumni, students and faculty of the colleges: Augustana, South Dakota Beta; Concordia, Minnesota Zeta; Luther, Iowa XI; St. Olaf, Minnesota Beta; and Pacific Lutheran, Washington Epsilon. This fall she is high school debate coach in addition to teaching speech and American history at St. Louis Park, Minnesota.

John W. Parker, Pi Kappa Delta Member, Chairman of the Department of English at the Fayetteville State Teachers College, and former President of the group, was one of ten language teachers over the country to receive the Distinguished Contributions Award made possible by the College League Association near the close of its eighteenth annual session held recently at Texas-Southern University in Houston, Texas.

In part, the citation reads: "... You were selected for the Award in recognition of distinguished contribution to the teaching profession as published by the profession itself, by students, and by the community of scholars."

Coming into the Association shortly after its founding at Le Moyne College, Memphis, Tennessee in 1937, Mr. Parker has been an active member. He has served as President of Region "B" during past years; Chairman of the Committee on Program; Vice-President; and served as President of the organization during 1952-1954.

T. Lamar Caudle, III, who was active in debating at Wake Forest College (1946-1950) while a member of the North Carolina Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, and a graduate of the Yale Law School, has moved from his position with a Dallas, Texas, law firm to direct a housing development project on the Atlantic coast near Savannah, Georgia.

Virgil Moorefield, a Pi Kappa Delta member at Wake Forest College from 1949 to 1953 and a representative of the United States on the International Debate Team travelling to England in 1953, is now teaching at the Southeastern Baptist Seminary and will leave with his wife and son for Italy in February to become a liaison officer between the Southern Baptist Seminary in Italy and the mission churches.

David Hughes, a member of the North Carolina Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, graduated from Wake Forest College in June 1958 and is now enrolled in the School of Law at Mercer University.

Carwylere Leroy, 1955 graduate of Wake Forest College, member of the North Carolina Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, and winner of the Superior Sweepstakes Award at the Pi Kappa Delta Convention at Redlands University, is now enrolled in the School of Medicine at the University of North Carolina where he has recently been elected national president of the Student American Medical Association.

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facilities are available. We introduce social events, talent night, business meetings, and distinguished speakers into this schedule to give additional emphasis to our educational program.

Many of us believe that this biennial Convention should be the climax to a students collegiate forensic career. Many recognize it as an opportunity to reward those students who have been loyal to their school, to the intercollegiate program, and to the purposes of Pi Kappa Delta. Most of our students have but one opportunity, at the most, to attend a Pi Kappa Delta National. We hope that our 1959 Convention will be an inspiration to those who have earned the right, through loyalty and hard work, to exhibit the educational values of intercollegiate speech.
Chapter Notes

Back row, left to right: Norman Van Klompenburg, Ron Olson, Ken Green, Maureen McKenna, Ray Morgan, Bob O'Rourke. Front row, left to right: Jim Knott, Ron Michener, Gladys Kuehl, Carolyn Claussen, Ruth Paulson, Ken Kannenberg and Don Koebele.

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Thirty-six Baylor debaters met for their opening session on Tuesday night, September 30. Plans were made to attend some 12 intercollegiate tournaments during the year including the National Pi Kappa Delta tournament at Bowling Green, Ohio.

Baylor University and Southern Methodist University engaged in an exhibition debate on the national high school question as part of the Texas Speech Association convention program on October 3. The debate drew a capacity audience of some 400.

Baylor University debaters engaged the Texas University debaters in three non-decision public debates on Thursday, November 6 on University of Texas campus. Texas University appeared for a public debate on November 25 on the Baylor campus.

Seven Baylor debate teams journeyed to Denton, Texas November 7 for practice debates with teams from Texas Christian University, North Texas State College, and East Central Oklahoma. They won the decision in 13 out of 14 debates in which they participated.

The Baylor Ex-debaters Association held its annual banquet on October 25 as a part of the Homecoming activities. Matthew Dawson of Corsicana was the principal speaker. Mr. Dawson was a championship debater at Baylor in 1930's. Thirty-eight ex-debaters attended the banquet.

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

The president of the Ohio Eta chapter of Pi Kappa Delta for 1958-59 is Robert Kinstle. Other officers include Robert Rask, vice-president, and Janice Heinze, secretary-treasurer.

There are approximately fifty students participating in debate during the first semester. To date, Bowling Green has scheduled twenty cross-examination debates before service clubs and ten public debates with other colleges.

The following include tournaments in which Bowling Green debaters will participate: Bradley University, Illinois; Women's State Debate at Capital; Otterbein; Navy Pier at University of Illinois; Ohio Wesleyan; Ohio State; Buckeye at Kent State; Marshall-Wythe at William and Mary; Women's Individual Events at Wittenberg; Novice at John Carroll; NODC Varsity at Akron; Men's Individual Events
at Akron; Men's State debate at Capital; West Point Elimination at Butler; Pi Kappa Delta National at Bowling Green; Novice at Bowling Green; Miami Sesquicentennial.

BUENA VISTA COLLEGE

The Iowa Kappa Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at Buena Vista College carried out an extensive program of speech activities during 1957-58, which included participation in nine intercollegiate tournaments and numerous local speaking engagements. The members of the Speakers' Bureau were especially active, appearing before service clubs, PTA's and other community groups. Discussion groups speaking on the problems of education were well received last year.

Campus events open to college students in competition were an oratory contest in January and an after-dinner speaking contest in April. Ken Green was winner of the plaque for original oratory; Ron Olson received first place in after-dinner speaking.

The eighth annual High School Forensics Conference was a highly successful venture with over two hundred students from Northwest Iowa participating in discussion, debate, extemp speaking, interpretative reading and radio newscasting. Advanced speech students, under the supervision of Professor Gladys Kuehl, Director of Forensics, acted as judges and chairmen for the various events of the local conference as well as in high school declamatory and forensic contests throughout the season.

The climax of the season was a 3000-mile trip to Nachitoches, Louisiana, to attend the Northwestern State College Invitational Conference in which schools from a wide area participated.

The formal banquet for initiation of new members and installation of officers was held on May 14. Six new members were initiated: Maureen McKenna, Ken Green, Norman Van Klompenburg, Ron Olson, Bob O'Rourke, and Ray Morgan. William C. Jarmigan, editor of two Storm Lake newspapers, was awarded an honorary membership in recognition of his personal prestige as a public speaker and his active support of the college forensic program.

Carolyn Claussen, chapter president in 1957-58, received the plaque presented annually by the Buena Vista Alumni Association to the senior having achieved the most outstanding record in forensics.

New officers for 1958-1959 are: Maureen McKenna, president; Ken Green, vice-president; Ray Morgan, secretary-treasurer; Bob O'Rourke, corresponding secretary.

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

It is almost as rare as a decrease in the total entropy of the universe to have the opportunity to debate a tailor-made topic. This year Caltech has had fall into its grip a subject for which it can claim authority, familiarity and enthusiasm. In the first two debate tournaments Caltech debaters have had a 75 percent winning record.

At the El Camino Novice Tournament, Carl Hamilton and Carl Rovainen won all four debates. Gary Lorden and Andy Kukla won three of four, and Kip Thorne and Dave Jefferson did likewise. Lance Taylor and Sid Leibovitch won two.

At the Los Angeles City College Tournament, both a superior rating and a medal for an undefeated record went to only two teams — both from Caltech. These two outstanding teams were Cleve Molar and Roger Noll, and Thorne and Jefferson. Helping total twelve wins of sixteen tries were Hamilton and Rovainen, Dick Jones and Joel Yellin.

The Caltech speech squad achieved gratifying results at the tournament held at Fresno on November 14 and 15.

Kip Thorne and Dave Jefferson won four of the six preliminary debates while Carl Rovainen and Carl Hamilton won the first place award.

In individual events the Santa Barbara Tournament has been the squads' only proving ground. Tom Morton got an excellent rating in interpretation; Jefferson an excellent in discussion and in oratory; Thorne, superior in discussion and in oratory and one excellent in impromptu; Pete Bickel received a superior for his interpretation.

This year's chapter officers are Tom Morton, president; Ken Scholtz, vice-president, and Stan Klein, secretary.
CENTRAL MICHIGAN

Michigan Theta chapter with 24 active members began a busy semester on October 4 with a High School Discussion and Debate Conference. The Pi Kaps welcomed 409 students from 45 high schools in Central Michigan to the annual program which began with an address by Moyne Cubbage, manager of the Michigan High School Forensic Association. Mr. Cubbage is an alumni member of the Michigan Iota chapter at Eastern Michigan College. The students considered some of the aspects of the 1958-59 high school debate proposition in discussion groups led by P. K. D. members, and a demonstration debate by four of Michigan's top high school debaters climax the conference.

In its first meeting, the Central chapter established three permanent committees: social, initiation, and publicity.

The social committee presented an enjoyable program for the second P. K. D. meeting. Dr. Richard Rothman of the C.M.C. Speech Department read selections from Duo-Tone: A Study in Contrast, a collection of his own poetry. Furthermore, this enterprising little committee requested faculty advisor Dr. Emil Pfister to invite the Pi Kaps to a Christmas party in his recreation room – which he did.

The newly-created initiation committee reports that no promising orator, debater, or "extemper" is escaping their scrutinizing consideration for next January's formal initiation.

A publicity committee was set up. The extent to which Michigan Theta Chapter news is printed in The Forensic will indicate the success of the publicity committee.

Twenty-six Central students and four faculty members attended the P. K. D. tournament at Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois. The Michigan Theta Chapter was represented in Oratory, Listening, Discussion, Radio, Newscasting, After Dinner Speaking, Extempore Speaking, Oral Interpretation, and Debate.

EASTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE

The beginning of the 1958-1959 school year has been busy for the Forensic members of Eastern Michigan College. Eastern has sponsored two high school tournaments with the view toward encouraging high school students to continue their speech activities when they enter college. The high school Regional Discussion Festival was held Friday, October 31, 1958, and involved 75 high school students. The high school Practice Debate Tournament involved 150 high school debaters from 17 schools. It was held November 13, 1958, and was one of the largest demonstration debates held in the state. Eastern Michigan students working in Forensics and Pi Kappa Delta members helped with these events and practiced judging the participants.

Pi Kappa Delta members are looking to the next tournaments of the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech League and the Peace Tournament to be held in the spring.

Through the use of practice tournaments and public discussions, the Forensic group is gaining speech experience and building a reserve of material to use in future speech events.

Students in the Forensic group and Pi Kappa Delta are looking forward to a busy and eventful year.

FRESNO STATE COLLEGE

Thirty-two colleges and universities from five states participated in Fresno State College's first Invitational Intercollegiate Debate Tournament November 14 and 15.

There were 100 teams entered in the six rounds of debate. Individual events included persuasive speaking on the topic of "American Foreign Policy" and interpretation.

Trophies for first place winners were awarded in all divisions of individual events. First, second, and third place trophies were awarded in each division of debate. Sweepstakes trophies were awarded the top ranking two-year college and the top ranking four-year college. Other winners received medals.

The debate squad, with coach Howard Holladay, has begun a very active season. At the Santa Barbara Individual Events Tournament, October 17 and 18, the team won eighteen excellent ratings and eight superior ratings.

At the College of Pacific Tournament the team of Betty Boos and Kenneth Burke was undefeated in the junior debate division; and John Goss and Dick Hana-
walt tied for second place in the senior division. In impromptu speaking Jim O'Bannion took first honors in the senior division and Richard Schulenberg was first in the junior division. Allen Oakes won second place in interpretation, while in oratory Betty Boos came in second.

The squad is looking forward to a good deal of traveling this season with about fifteen tournaments on the schedule of coming events, including the WSA Forensic Tournament at Salt Lake City, November 24-26, and the Pi Kappa Delta Nationals in Ohio March 22-27.

The president of the California Nu chapter is Dalton Reimer, Myron Brown is vice president, and Betty Boos is secretary.

Fifteen new members were initiated this fall.

HOPE COLLEGE

Hope College continued its winning ways in Oratory last year. The high point was reached when George Worden with his oration “The Publican” was awarded first place in the eighty-four annual men’s contest of the Interstate Oratorical Association at Michigan State University April 26. Worden had previously won first place in each of three rounds at the Province of the Lakes Convention at Morris Harvey College, Charleston, West Virginia, April 9-11, and first place in the Michigan State Contest at Eastern Michigan College of Education, Ypsilanti, March 7. Last year Worden won first both in the state and national contests of the Intercollegiate Peace Association.

On February 7, 1958 Hope College was host to the State Peace Oratorical and Extemporaneous Contests and placed first in both men’s and women’s oratory events, second and third in women’s and men’s extemporaneous contests respectively.

Marianne Hageman, local chapter president, took top honors for women orators and Ron Chandler for men. James Stevens was third in men’s extemporaneous speaking and Carolyn Kleiber, freshman woman entrant, received second place. Carolyn also received second place in Extemporaneous Speaking at the Charleston, West Virginia, Provincial Convention.

Since 1950, Hope has won first in either the men’s or women’s State “Old Line” Oratorical Contest except in 1952 when its woman entrant won second, and its man third. In eighteen State Peace Oratorical Contests (nine for men and nine for women) since 1950, Hope has won eight firsts, three seconds, and six thirds.

IDAHO STATE COLLEGE

The Idaho Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta picked up this school year where they left off last spring. At the Tau Kappa Alpha Invitational in Missoula last May the squad took five out of the nine trophies. First place honors went to Jon Harward in men’s oratory, Carolyn Fishburn in women’s oratory, Darla Chilcote in women’s interpretation, and Carl Larson and John Clawson, a last-minute pair-
ing, in men’s debate. Sally Thornton took third in women’s interpretation and Lonnie Kelly was in the finals of men’s extemporaneous speaking.

Climaxing the highly successful year was the Annual Pi Kappa Delta Banquet with Captain Sylvester of West Point as the guest speaker. Outstanding Debater Awards were presented at that time to Jon Harward, Carl Larson, John Clawson, son, Norman Smith, and Lynn Thomas.

At the squad’s first tournament this year at Brigham Young University, Idaho State took five out of a possible six trophies. Lonnie Kelly and Carolyn Fishburn took first in debate. John Clawson and Eileen Taney won first and second, respectively, in Lincoln-Douglas debate. In oratory Carolyn Fishburn, Stanley Byrd, and William Tway won first, second, and third. In extemporaneous speaking Lonnie Kelly took second, Floyd Anderson third, and Stanley Byrd and William Tway tied for fourth. Interpretative reading was won by Judy Elder with William Tabor second.

The first meeting of the Idaho Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was held on October 1, 1958. New officers, elected last spring, were John Clawson, president; Carolyn Fishburn, vice president; Stanley Byrd, corresponding secretary, and Tom Stoltz, treasurer.

On October 31 and November 1, Idaho State College played host to the second annual Gem State Jamboree. Out of schools from six different states a West Point affirmative team took top honors. Each school was allowed to enter one affirmative and one negative team, as well as one person in the individual events. Representing Idaho State on the affirmative were John Clawson and Lynn Thomas, with Eileen Taney and Carolyn Fishburn on the negative. In the individual events Floyd Anderson tied for third in extemporaneous, Judy Elder placed third in interpretation, and Stanley Byrd won second in oratory.

Plans for the future include attending the Western Speech Tournament at Salt Lake City on November 24-26, Idaho State Tournament as defending champions in both junior and senior men's debate, the Linfield Tournament of Champions, the Tau Kappa Alpha Invitational at Missoula, and the National Pi Kappa Delta Convention. Tentative plans are made for several other tournaments. Idaho State will also host a high school tournament in January.

With a large squad this year the Idaho Gamma Chapter is expecting a record number of initiates into Pi Kappa Delta. Those on the squad include Cheryl Adams, Floyd Anderson, Charlotte Baird, Herman Buening, Stanley Byrd, John Clawson, Anthony DeGiulio, Judy Elder, Carolyn Fishburn, Meredith Goodey, Raymond Heidt, Walter Heady, Ivy Hoag, Judy Hopkins, JoAnne Johnston, Dan Juchau, Mont Juchau, Larry Judd, Lonnie Kelly, Paul Knight, Reed Parr, Reva Rowe, Marvin Shurtliff, Calvin Smith, William Taber, Eileen Taney, Lynn Thomas, William Tway, and Robert Williams.

ILLINOIS COLLEGE

In keeping with the policy of encouraging entering students to investigate the advantages of forensics training, Illinois College welcomes a group of ten new students who are starting work for the first time in the field of competitive speech.

This is the largest beginning group in some years at Illinois College and includes Marilyn Mann, Suzanne Carroll, Sharlene Stevenson, June Oetgen, John Boyd, Park Davis, Richard Ommen, Kenneth Dobson, Bill Roosen, Bob Thomson and Norman Popovsky.

Plans for the 1958-59 year include tournaments at Bradley, Greenville, Illinois Normal, Northern Illinois University and Northwestern, as well as participation in the State Oratory and Exttemp contests and the State Debate League and National Pi Kappa Delta convention.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The University of Illinois at Chicago closed its 1957-58 forensic season on Saturday, May 10, with a candlelight initiation ceremony for Pi Kappa Delta and a banquet. During the academic year of 1957-1958, fifteen new members entered Pi Kappa. Of these, three were alumni. The banquet, which included a presentation of speech awards, varsity debate awards, and debate certificates, was attended by fifty-six, including eighteen alumni.

The UIC Alumni Debate group presented two plaques to the University. The
first of these, known as the Sabato John Insalata Plaque, will record each year the name of the top ranking intramural debater. The donor, who holds most of the major all-time UIC records in debate, now is an attorney in Chicago. Martin Farrell is the first name to be engraved. The second plaque records in parallel columns the names of the Debater of the Year and the Alumnus of the Year. Richard Fischmar and Irwin Rosen are the 1957 and the 1958 winners among current debaters, and Matthew Rigler and Dr. James Hunter are the alumni to be honored.

Competitively UIC had another good season, which included participation in the West Point National Invitational Tournament. The team tied for first in the Pi Kappa Delta Joint Provincial Tournament, tied for second in the tournament of the Illinois Intercollegiate Debate League, placed first in the tournament sponsored by Eastern Illinois University, and in the Novice Division of the tournament sponsored by Northern Illinois University. At both the St. Thomas and the Northwestern University tournaments the team had enough wins to qualify for the quarterfinals but lacked the team points.

In general, it was the most active year in the eleven-year history of UIC. New all-time records were set for both the number of intercollegiate debates and for the total number of wins. The number of participants - thirty-five - was second high for the eleven years. Joe Podolsky with thirty-five victories set a new record for a first-year debater, but Nick Beeler with thirty-nine wins was the leading speaker for the year.

Besides the tournament program, UIC had sixty-two non-decision debates, a number of public presentations of timely topics both on and off campus, and competition in discussion, oratory, extemporaneous speaking, and other forensic events. During the season UIC sponsored a college tournament, two high school tournaments, and the National Contest in Public Discussion. Joe Wenzel, a former outstanding debater and twice a participant at West Point, came "home" for the year as the Assistant Director of Forensics.
KANSAS STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE

The Kansas Theta Chapter at Pittsburg was host to two English debaters from Oxford University last December. The English debaters and two of Pittsburg State's debaters, Larry Larmer and Jerry Watson, put on a demonstration debate which was enjoyed by a large audience.

The Pittsburg Gorilla Forensic Tournament was held January 31 and February 1. Thirty-two schools from eleven states attended the tournament with Northwestern defeating Southern Illinois in the finals.

The initiation of new members into Pi Kappa Delta and the election of officers took place at the annual spring banquet. The speaker at the banquet was Professor F. O. Grubbs, one of the oldest charter members of the Kansas Theta Chapter.

This year the Pittsburg State debaters are in the midst of another busy season. The first activity of the year was a high school debate clinic sponsored by the Theta Chapter.

On November 4 four members of the debate squad participated in a panel radio program discussing the proposed Right-to-Work amendment with Coach Francis Short moderating. The panelists were: Jim Lovern, president of Theta Chapter; Jerry Watson, vice president; Diantha Tedlock, secretary-treasurer, and Ben Lightfoot. The other members of Pittsburg's debate squad and active members of the local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta include Lorraine Painter, Carol Schlenker, Larry Larmer, Kim Roper, Judy Koch, Norma Weiss, and Mrs. Ruth Short.

Plans are now underway for this year's debate tournament to be held January 30 and 31. On the 23rd and 24th of January Pittsburg debaters are to be host to a high school district elimination tournament.

LINFIELD COLLEGE

The Oregon Alpha chapter of Pi Kappa Delta is planning its usual full schedule of events for this year. Linfield has an encouraging freshman squad for development in future years.

Mrs. Judy Hafner is president of the local chapter, and Miss Shirley Sherman is forensic manager and secretary. Invitations have been issued for our twenty-seventh annual interscholastic tournament which will be held in February and for the twenty-ninth intercollegiate tournament which will be held in March.

The chapter is planning to raise funds through the sale of pen sets and other activities to send five or six people to Bowling Green and then on east and south for additional debates.

MARIETTA COLLEGE

This year the Marietta College Chapter of P. K. D. has twenty student members: Paul Gray; Cris Roberts Wall; Linda Ingols; Dave Reisdorf, vice president; Ray Leasure; Sandy Espenshied; Bob Pope; Connie Matthews, recorder; Carolyn Griffith, president; Mort Anekstein; Elsie Munsell; Clare Titcomb; Barbara Rusinko, secretary-treasurer; Linda Brown; Lee Holloway; Margie Prokasy; Barbara Knaus Lechner; Sheila Kolman; Stan Fink, and Guy Fay. Marietta also has six faculty members of Pi Kappa Delta. They are: Dean Ruth Wilcox, Mr. Willard Friederich, Mr. John Sloan, Mr. Bernard Russi, Mr. Walter Hobba and Dean Merrill Patterson.

Debate meetings are held every Wednesday night. Professors from the History and Physics Departments have helped in providing background for cases.

Thus far, 16 debaters have gone to the Ohio University Debate-Discussion Clinic and 12 debaters went to the Denison University practice debate.

Plans for this year (1958) included the practice debate at Ohio University on November 14, a cross-examination debate at Capital on November 22, the Women's State Tournament on December 5 and 6, the Pittsburg cross-examination debate on December 12 and 13 and the Otterbein invitational debate on December 13.

MIDLAND COLLEGE

Pi Kappa Delta members introduced their program to potential forensic participants at their September meeting. Various speech activities were demonstrated in a skit.

Midland Pi Kappa Deltans attended their first tournament November 7 and 8, where 1958 state winners, Linda Mann and Nancy Hoppel, earned a 4-0 record. Other participants were Rochelle Christen-
is a league made up of U.S. and Canadian schools. It is what they call a “one shot” program, since the schools debate only one time on a previously selected topic. So far this program has operated only in the fall, but it will be expanded later. This phase of Forensic activity at M.S.C. is under the able direction of Dr. K. D. Bryson. Under this program M.S.C. debaters will meet the University of Manitoba at Winnipeg, Concordia College at Bozeman, and Washington State College, Pullman.

In addition to these regular Forensic activities, Montana Beta chapter supports a program of community speech participation and serves as host to an annual High School Speech and Debate meet in the spring.

Chapter officers at the present time are: Martin W. Perga, President; Don Micken, Vice President; Pat Forney, Secretary-Treasurer.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN COLLEGE

This promises to be an exciting and busy year for the Washington Epsilon Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at Pacific Lutheran College.

Thirty-five Freshmen turned out for debate this year. Pi Kappa Delta held a welcoming party for them at a Sunday evening barbecue. The purpose for this get-together was to acquaint these new debaters with members of the organization so that they might feel free to ask for assistance when they need it. They are looking forward to many new membership candidates at initiation time.

In order to raise money for their debaters to attend the national tournament at Bowling Green, Ohio, this spring, Pi Kappa Delta has planned several interesting events. The first of these events was a waffle supper headed by Chairman Delores Nims and James Traynor. The supper was held after a football game during tolo weekend. Two hundred and fifty students and faculty members enjoyed waffles, sausages, and milk or coffee. With such a good reception for their first project, they are enthusiastically looking forward to making their other projects equally successful.

As it has for the past ten years, Pi Kappa Delta again this year sponsored the High
School Student Congress, held on the Pacific Lutheran College campus Saturday, November 1. James Traynor was in charge of the congress which 125 students from high schools all over Washington state attended. Their attendance was based on a formula of two seniors from each school and members of the House of Representatives selected on basis of population of each school. U. S. Senator Warren G. Magnuson gave the State of the Union Message.

Headed by Professor Theodore O. H. Karl, the Pi Kappa Delta chapter acted as hosts to 17 colleges from Washington and Oregon for the annual practice debate tournament. Approximately 275 debaters and coaches attended. The same events as those of the Western Speech Association were used. P.L.C. debaters came out with seven firsts and assorted seconds and thirds.

The P.L.C. traveling squad attended the Western Speech Association tournament on November 24, 25, and 26 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Fifty colleges and universities were expected to be represented. In January the squad will attend the Seattle Pacific College tournament in Seattle.

UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS

The University of Redlands Forensic Squad has embarked upon the most extensive season in its history. Approximately forty-five debaters and speakers have been hard at work since last September. The Redlands schedule will include many extended trips. The various travels are expected to cover at least 10,000 miles in total. This year’s squad is the largest and Redlands hopes the best in recent years.

The California Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at the Redlands campus totals over thirty members. These people are vying for the privilege of attending the 1969 National Convention in Bowling Green, Ohio. As is Redlands’ habit in recent years the squad will include the maximum number permitted under convention rules. This year’s activities opened with a Pi Kappa Delta barbecue at Dr. Moulton’s home and will close with the annual Pi Kappa Delta banquet at the Mission Inn in Riverside, California next April.

RIPON COLLEGE

Early in May the president of Ripon College agreed to uphold the ideals of Pi Kappa Delta and thus became honorary member in the degree of fraternity. The Wisconsin Alpha Chapter awarded the honor to Dr. Fred O. Pinkham at a banquet in Harwood Memorial Union on the college campus. After dinner speaking followed the meal. Prof. Howard C. Hansen, chairman of the college speech department and sponsor of the group, told the history of Pi Kappa Delta on this campus. Ross Lathrop, president of the chapter, brought the history up to date by recounting the activities of Pi Kappa Delta this year. Dr. Lyman Judson, director of development at Ripon, was guest speaker. Dr. Judson became an honorary member of this organization at Kalamazoo College. He has written several texts on speech subjects.

Present at the banquet were several alumni of Pi Kappa Delta. A. R. Sutherland of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, one of the original officers of Pi Kappa Delta on the Ripon campus; Dr. William Tyrree, chairman of the college philosophy department; Prof. Henry Phillips Boody, professor emeritus of speech at Ripon, and Dr. Judson were the guests.

Joyce Ahrens and Jane Jeffrey were admitted to the organization earlier in the spring on the basis of their participation this year.

The Wisconsin Alpha Chapter in cooperation with the speech department brought approximately 120 high school speakers to the campus for National Forensic League state finals in individual events. More than thirty Ripon College speech students, including all of the chapter’s active members, helped judge the first two rounds of the events. Pi Kappa Delta sponsored a reception for the speakers and their coaches.

The annual James Oratorical contest, a local activity, picked John Wolf, with his oration, “An Enemy of the People?”, as top speaker. The second place went to Joyce Ahrens and “The Next One Second of Eternity.”

Joyce went on to capture second in the state finals in the women’s division. John took his oration to state and again came in first. This meant a trip to the nationals.
Oshkosh State College came to Ripon to debate two members of the Ripon debate squad in an all-school convocation. Jane Jeffrey and Liga Viksne met the two guests from the neighboring school.

At the last convention of the school year President Pinkham awarded keys to all those who had been chosen for Pi Kappa Delta membership this year.

Plans have been completed for exchange convocations this year with Carroll College debaters.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Southern Illinois University is in the process of rebuilding this year. Marriage and graduation struck hard at the core of debaters who compiled an over-all 74 percent winning average last year. Leading the squad in experience this year is Gary Bengston. Gary is the local PKD president, and is in his third year of inter-collegiate debate. The three other returning debaters each have one year's experience. They are Keith Saunders, PKD vice-president; Gailverne Kopp, PKD secretary-treasurer, and Kent Brandon.

Coach Walter Murrish has an extensive list of tournaments scheduled for the fall and winter terms. Included in the fall schedule are: Emporia State at Emporia, Kansas; Central State at Edmond, Oklahoma; Bradley at Peoria, Illinois; Northeastern Missouri State at Kirksville, Missouri; Greenville College at Greenville, Illinois; and The University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, Arkansas.

The debaters held the first of a series of social events on October 11. They went to Pine Hills National Park for a highly successful picnic.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

Southwestern Louisiana Institute's varsity debaters opened the season at the Fourth Annual Louisiana State University Forensics Conference early in November. Dean O'Dea, a veteran Southwestern debater, was rated the top participant in the Forensics Conference. She won superior
ratings as an advocacy speaker and discussion chairman. She came within one-fifth of a point of having a perfect score of five.

Other Southwesterners excelled as follows: Kathleen McBride of Crowley, was rated superior in advocacy speaking and excellent in discussion. Garry DeBellevue, of Crowley, was awarded excellent ratings in both discussion and advocacy speaking. Charles Sonnier, of Abbeville, and Gladys Barbee, of Pointe-ala-Hache, were both rated superior in advocacy speaking. Jackie DuBois and Philip Yazbeck, both of Lafayette, received excellent ratings in discussion.

A total of fifty first-year and varsity debaters are working on the national debate proposition. Southwestern expects to participate in about eight tournaments during the current academic year. The season will be terminated with the Pi Kappa Delta Convention at Bowling Green, Ohio.

Southwestern is planning to host the Fifth Annual Louisiana Speech Association Professional Conference and Speech Festival. This meeting will attract over 500 students and teachers to the campus. Professional meetings will deal with debate, interpretative reading, speech correction, radio-television broadcasting and theatre.

During the three day meeting in December, about twenty one-act plays were presented, about 600 debates were held and over 40 interpretative readings and oratorical contests were held. Both college and high school students participated in the Speech Festival.

THE CENTENNIAL OF THE LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE OF OCTOBER 15, 1858, IS OBSERVED ON THE WESTMINSTER COLLEGE CAMPUS.

Speaking to a group of Westminster and William Woods students who had marched to the campus in a torchlight procession is Don Metivier, Griffin, Indiana, who took the role of Senator Douglas. Others on the platform, left to right, are Dr. William Parrish, who explained the historical background of the debates; Paul Davis, Park Ridge, Illinois, moderator, and Tom Baumgardner, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, who read Lincoln's speech. As signs in the background indicate, the supporters of "Honest Abe" were in the majority.

(A Sun-Gazette photo)

The climax of the season will be attendance at the national convention in Bowling Green, Ohio.

TENNESSEE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Debaters for Tennessee Polytechnic Institute have attended several tournaments this year. They include the Alabama Discussion, Maryville Novice, and the Western Kentucky Tournament. As a special event, Thomas Stuart Griffiths and Brian Alastair Walden, members of the Oxford University debate team debated against Miss Faye Derryberry and Mrs. Canelle McClure Samples at Tennessee Polytechnic Institute.

The tournaments thus far have proved to be a challenge and the Phi Kappa Delta members look forward to some outstanding debates.
WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

Missouri Alpha began its forensic program for the year with an observance of the 100th anniversary of the Lincoln-Douglas debates, October 15, 1858. Forming on the campus of nearby William Woods College, an old-fashioned torchlight procession of students marched to the Westminster columns, where excerpts from the famous final debate were read. Pi Kappa Deltsans Don Metivier, Griffith, Indiana, and Tom Baumgardner, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, took the roles of Douglas and Lincoln, respectively.

Scheduled tournaments for the year include the Midwest Speech Meet at Kirksville, William Jewell College’s “Blizzard Blitz”, the Missouri State Speech Festival, and, of course, the Pi Kappa Delta National Convention at Bowling Green. Home and home debates with the University of Missouri have been arranged, as well as with other colleges in the area. For January, a triangular meet with Cape Girardeau Teachers and Southern Illinois University has been scheduled.

Missouri Alpha member Robert Richards will be absent from the Westminster teams this year, since he is taking his junior year abroad at Forman Brothers College, Pakistan. It is expected that Metivier and Baumgardner, only returning members of PKD, will bear the brunt of this year’s debating.

WHITWORTH COLLEGE

The Washington Delta Chapter here at Whitworth has bigger plans than ever for this year. Forensics have not been highly developed in the past due in part to low budgetary allowances, but the administration of the College has given the green light by nearly doubling our budget. That means they can make more ambitious plans and the new enthusiasm has already caught on with some of the students. They are including more tournaments this season, will sponsor a high school tournament and hope to get the Pi Kap Provincial in 1960.

The new president of their Chapter is Miss Margaret Ewell and she is trying to infuse interest in the girl population of the school. Ken Nickel, new to Whitworth but an old hand at debate, is infusing interest in the men.

They began inter-collegiate competition at the popular tourney at Washington State College in Pullman and end it at the Montana Tournament on May 2nd. The highlight of the year will be in attending the National at Bowling Green, Ohio.

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING TOPIC
MEN’S AND WOMEN’S DIVISIONS
NATIONAL PI KAPPA DELTA CONVENTION
MARCH 22-27, 1959
CRISIS IN EDUCATION

The following areas of study will be used in each of the four rounds of speaking:

1. The History of Education in the United States.
3. Providing Instruction to Meet the Needs of American Youth.
4. Financing United States Education.
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