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PI KAPPA DELTA

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Directory of Pi Kappa Delta

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LOCAL CHAPTERS


Colorado—Colorado Agricultural College—Forrest S. Knapp, Fort Collins.

Colorado Teachers’ College—Dewey Marker, Greeley.

Illinois—Illinois Wesleyan University—Harry R. Evans, Bloomington.
Eureka College—Russell B. Thomas, Eureka.
Carthage College—Lloyd Yepsen, Carthage.
Bradley Polytechnic Institute—W. Ross Marvin, Peoria.

Indiana—Franklin College—E. H. Shideler, Franklin.

Iowa—Iowa Wesleyan University—Roscoe Eliason, Mt. Pleasant.
Simpson College—F. Kenneth Stratton, Indianola.
Parsons College—Curtis G. Schillerstron, Fairfield.

Kansas—Ottawa University—Walter Halbert, Ottawa.
Washburn College—George McCausland, Topeka.
Kansas State Agricultural College—J. Wheeler Barger, Manhattan.
Southwestern College—Charlotte Burgert, Winfield.
Fairmount College—G. Vernon Kelley, Wichita.
Kansas State Normal School—Professor F. L. Gilson, Emporia.
Kansas Wesleyan University—Ralph Snyder, Salina.
Kansas State Manual Training School—Professor J. R. Pelsma, Pittsburg.

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Local Chapters

Kentucky—
Georgetown College—Robin D. Martin, Georgetown.

Maine—

Michigan—
Hope College—Winfield Burggraaf, Holland.
Kalamazoo College—Harold B. Allen, Kalamazoo.
Michigan State College.
Olivet College—Albert R. H. Janzen, Olivet.
Ypsilanti Normal—

Minnesota—
Macalester College—Professor Glenn Clark, St. Paul.

Missouri—
Westminster College—Maurice Backer, Fulton.
Park College—Lowell C. Beers, Parkville.
Central College—Robert D. Crowe, Fayette.

Montana—
Montana Wesleyan College—Martin E. Van Demark, Helena.
Montana State College—R. E. McConnell, Bozeman.

Nebraska—
Nebraska Wesleyan University—Lola L. Duncan, University Place.
Cotner University—Freda Sollenberger, Bethany.
Doane College—R. W. Tyler, Crete.
Grand Island—
Hastings College—Luther Stein, Hastings.

Ohio—
Baldwin-Wallace College—Chester E. MacLean, Berea.
Heidelberg University—Harold A. Van Kirk, Tiffin.

Oklahoma—
Oklahoma A. & M. College, Prof. H. I. Jones, Stillwater.
University of Tulsa—Elvira Jones, Tulsa.

South Carolina—
Wofford College—Glenn Parrott, Spartanburg.

South Dakota—
Dakota Wesleyan—Ralph Junbar, Mitchell.
Yankton College—J. D. Hall, Yankton.
Huron College—Herman Sweet, Huron.
South Dakota State College—George Vold, Brookings.
Sioux Falls College—William E. Moore, Sioux Falls.

Wisconsin—
Ripon College—Clarence E. Rinehard, Ripon.
Pi Kappa Delta

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Instruction, emerald circle.
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Orat. and Deb., turquoise circle.
Orat., Deb., and Inst., diamond circle.
THE YEAR

This issue of THE FORENSIC is the last one for the academic year 1920-1921. It begins the seventh volume of the magazine. Looking over the year, we see it to have been characterized by the greatest expansion the organization has yet known. Since the last Convention, occurring at the end of March, 1920, we have added to our chapter roll no less than twenty-two institutions. It seems likely, too, that two or three more may come in before the first of June. Look at the list: Parsons, Sioux Falls, South Dakota State College, Hnry Kndall (now the University of Tulsa), Cotner, Doane, Park, Hastings, Colby, Carthage, Kansas Wesleyan, Montana Wesleyan, Central (Mo.), Heidelberg, Montana State, Georgetown, Baldwin-Wallace, Kansas State M. T. S., Wofford, Bradley Polytechnic, Olivet, and Malacaster. It is thoroughly representative of the Pi Kappa Delta field, that of the so-called small college and the technical school. Some members of the Order may feel that we should advance more slowly and that we should pursue a cautious selective policy. But would such a policy be in accordance with the democratic ideals of Pi Kappa Delta? Is it not our purpose “to stimulate progress in and to promote the interests of intercollegiate oratory, debate, and public speaking by encouraging a spirit of intercollegiate fellowship, of brotherly cooperation and interest”? Can we, therefore, in putting this ideal into practice, keep out of our Order institutions whose degrees are recognized and whose students are engaging in a good quality of forensics? The National Council feels that it can not; and its experience with many of the smaller institutions leads it to believe that often the quality of forensics varies indirectly with the size of the college. Let us remember that Pi Kappa Delta, like Delta Sigma Rho, is an honorary society, not a fraternity; and let us beware of any tendency to exclude worthy institutions where forensics are worthily engaged in. The National Council, in pointing to the long list of chapters added this year to the Order, is not doing so with pride because of the length of the list, but because it feels that the introduction of Pi Kappa Delta ideals into these institutions means the stimulating and the raising of the standards of forensics in just so many institutions, and, more than this, that thereby the organization is continuing to make more and more substantial contributions to democracy.

FOR EXAMPLE

Let us place before the Order a concrete instance of something that we discussed earlier in the year. In the fall the president of one of our oldest chapters, let us call it Idaho Beta, wrote us stating that their new debate coach was a member of Pi Kappa Delta, having been initiated into their chapter some years ago, and that last year, when he wrote to the National Treasurer for a key, he was unable to obtain one. The president of Idaho Beta said that the chapter felt distinctly embarrassed over the matter. It happened, however, that the good brother, in stating the case and the embarrassment of the chapter over it, forgot to mention the name of the de-
bated coach in question. This necessitated a letter asking for the name. Some two months later the name was sent. The National officers looked in the Grand Catalogue but found no such name there. The records of the National Treasurer were searched, but nothing was found there. The local chapter, Idaho Beta, had evidently kept no minutes or records of its doings in those early days; or, if they had been kept, they were not preserved. The former National Treasurer, who kept his records very carefully, as might be expected of a banker and a lawyer, when written to, said that he seemed to recall the name; but that if the man in question had had his initiation fees forwarded to the treasury, his name would appear on the records. The name did not appear. Finally, it was stated by the President of Idaho Beta that the coach had been initiated by a former national officer. We wrote him a letter, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope, stating the embarrassment of the chapter and of the National Council over the matter, and asking him for an immediate reply of a line or two for verification. There was no reply. A month later we wrote this previous officer another letter, again enclosing a stamped addressed envelope and registering the letter this time, requesting from the postal authorities a return receipt. The receipt came back signed by the former national officer, but our communication has never been acknowledged.

We felt distinctly aggrieved. In the meantime an interesting side light upon the earlier history of Idaho Beta came to us through another national officer. A few weeks ago a gentleman residing in his vicinity asked this officer something regarding membership in Pi Kappa Delta. He stated that he had been initiated into Idaho Beta, so far as we can gather, about the same time as the present coach of that chapter. He further stated that he paid his initiation fees, as we suppose other members of the chapter did; but that the treasurer went away inadvertently taking all the dues with him so that none were sent in to the National Treasurer.

So at the end of our long trail we seem to have come upon the clue. What is to be done about it? The national officers can do nothing. They have no records to go by. We do not doubt the word of persons who claim they were initiated into Pi Kappa Delta at some previous time; but if neither the Grand Catalogue nor the Treasurer’s records give such a man’s name, we cannot recognize him. The only procedure that we can suggest is that such members, whose records are surely to be found in the institution somewhere, should make out new application blanks and send in their initiation fees again. Or, of course, they might hunt up the delinquent treasurer of the local chapter and make him refund. It might be hard to do so after so many years.

LIKEWISE

All of the above might be thought ancient history. It is, in a way, but history repeats itself. Last year three of our chapters failed to send in dues for five members, thus rendering themselves, under the Constitution, liable to suspension of their charters. Upon investigation we found that in one of these chapters the local treasurer had collected the dues and carefully deposited them in the treasury of the chapter. He forgot to send them on to the National Treasurer, hence the chapter was in the black books of the National Council. In another of these chapters, the local treasurer left college taking the collected dues with him. As he was not so far away and as the time was not so long, he was reached and sent the dues to the National Treasurer. These last two cases have been unearthed since the beginning of this year.
The moral is plain. Insist upon your officers doing business in a business-like way. If they will not, recall them and replace them with officers who are not so “busy.” See that minutes are kept of your meetings; see that your accounts are scrupulously kept; see that all membership applications and dues are sent to the National Treasurer; see that your chapter letters are sent to the Editor of THE FORENSIC: and see that at the end of the year, all your records, accounts, Rituals, and Constitution are placed in the custody of some college officer who will deliver them to the Pi Kappa Delta officers of next year. Unless officers of local chapters can get these business-like habits in college, we fear that when they get out in the world they will lack an essential for success in whatever profession they may enter, no matter how distinguished their forensic career may have been. The college which does not instill business-like methods of procedure fails in a fundamental point of education.

INSTALLATIONS AND PETITIONS

Since our last issue, there have been four installations. Ohio Beta was installed at Heidelberg University by National Historian Foth. An account of this ceremony will be found among the chapter letters as will one of the installation on Washington’s birthday of Kentucky Alpha at Georgetown by Mr. J. A. Shields, one of the founders of Pi Kappa Delta. On Monday evening, March 2, Roy Painter, so long our efficient National Treasurer, installed Montana Beta at the Montana State College in Bozeman. After the installation there was a banquet with speeches. The President of the College was there and was heartily in favor of Pi Kappa Delta. He called attention to the fact that agricultural colleges were in danger of turning out efficient makers of things and money but without the finish necessary for good citizenship. He considered that Pi Kappa Delta offered part of the solution. Fourteen members were initiated. The installation of Minnesota Alpha at Macalester College, St. Paul, is found also under the letter from that chapter. Bradley Polytechnic at Peoria will have been installed by the Eureka chapter by the time this issue is printed as will be Michigan Beta at Olivet College, by National Historian Foth, and Kansas Theta at the Kansas Normal Manual Training School at Pittsburg. Ohio Alpha should also have been installed by National Historian Foth or by members of Michigan Alpha. We are sorry not to be able to report as yet the installation of South Carolina Alpha at Wofford College, Spartanburg. As we write, though, it looks as though some arrangement can be made for them to secure installation or initiation of one of their members by former Vice President E. A. Vaughan who is in Birmingham, Alabama, together with a couple of former members of Alabama Alpha. Petitions have been received from the Michigan Agricultural College, Hope College, Grand Island College, Franklin College. The first institution is well known; the latter are small but old colleges with excellent traditions. In addition the Ypsilanti Normal School of Michigan and the California Institute of Technology are petitioning, two excellent institutions of professional and technical nature. Several inquires from excellent and approved institutions have been received by the national officers.

SOME PI KAPPA DELTA ORATORICAL VICTORIES

Baldwin-Wallace—R. Tavaglione—"The Russian Crisis"—3d in Ohio State.
Redlands—Douglas McPhee—"The Statesman of Tomorrow"—1st in Jones
Oratorical.
Fairmount—Lee Johnston—"Our Antipathy to England"—1st in Kansas
State Oratorical.
Washburn—Melvin Booth—"Our International Task"—3rd in Kansas State
Oratorical.
Kansas Aggies—Milton Eisenhower—"Failure of Student Self Govern-
ment"—1st in Missouri Valley Contest.
Morningside—Hazel Reed—"America's New Hope"—2nd in Women's State
Oratorical.
Morningside—Bessie Reed—"Education of Immigrants"—2nd in State
Women's Extemporaneous.
Parsons—Ella Lamson—"America's Great Leader"—3rd in Women's State
Oratorical.

SOME PI KAPPA DELTA DEBATE RESULTS

(Note: The Affirmative team and result are given first.)

Japanese Exclusion—
Colorado College-Colorado Aggies, 2-0; Colorado Aggies-Colorado College,
0-1; Colorado Aggies-U. of Wyoming, 1-0; Colorado Teachers-Colorado Ag-
gies, 1-0; U. of Wyoming-Colorado Teachers, 0-1; S. Dakota State-N. Dakota
Aggies, 2-1; Montana State-S. Dak. State, 3-0 Hilldale-Kalamazoo, 0-3; Kala-
mazoo-Albion, 0-3; Hastings-Nebraska Wesleyan, 0-3. Neb. Wesleyan-Hast-
ing, 0-3; Doane-Hastings, 1-2; Hastings-Doane, 1-2; Franklin-Kalamazoo, 2-1;
Kalamazoo-Franklin, 0-3; Westminster-Denver U., 2-1.

Closed Shop—
Colorado Aggies-Col. Teachers, 0-1; U. of Wyoming-Col. Aggies, 1-2; Col.
Teacher-Denver U., 1-0.

Consolidation of Schools—
Dak. Wesleyan-Yankton, 0-1; Huron-S. Dak. State, 0-1; S. Dak. State-Dak.
Wesleyan, 0-1; Sioux Falls-Huron, 1-0; Yankton-Sioux Falls, 1-0.

League of Nations—
Dak. Wesleyan-Upper Iowa, 1-0; Upper Iowa-Dak. Wes., 0-1; Simpson-
Drake, 0-1; Penn-Simpson, 1-0.

Kansas Industrial Court—
Coll. of Emporia-Washburn, 2-1; Southwestern-C. of Emporia, 0-3; Wash-
burn-Southwestern, 1-2; Parsons-Iowa Wes., 1-0; Penn-Parsons, 1-0; Huron-
Jamestown, 2-1.

Restriction of Immigration—
Naperville-Ripon, 0-1; Ripon-Monmouth, 0-1; Morningside-U. of Arizona,
0-1; Morningside-Redlands, 1-2; U. of California-Redlands, 1-2; U. of Arizona-
Redlands, 2-1.

Substitution of Commission of Experts for Jury in Criminal Cases—
Eureka-James Millikin, 3-0; Illinois Wesleyan-Eureka, 0-3; Bradley Tech-
Eureka, 1-2; Carthage-Bradley Tech., 2-1.

Repeal of State Initiative and Referendum—
Yankton-Huron, 1-0; Huron-Dak. Wesleyan, 0-1; S. Dak. State Coll.-Yank-
ton, 1-0; Dak. Wesleyan-S. Dak. State Coll., 1-0.
FROM THE NATIONAL TREASURER

The National Treasurer herewith presents his report for the fiscal year ending April 1st, 1921. Look over the report and see what your chapter did last year, what others did.

How many active members did you have last year? One hundred and sixty-seven members bought keys last year; but ten chapter did not purchase a single key in that time. With the price of keys lowered to a reasonable figure, each chapter should make a special effort to have as many of its members as possible buy keys. If you don't wear a key, why not? The key of Pi Kappa Delta is a badge of distinction. Show your colors.

This is the time for each chapter to send in its national dues. The local treasurer should collect the required initiation fees and dues and forward them to the national treasurer before the end of the school year. Has your chapter paid its annual dues?

Many people will be ordering keys now with the desire of having them by Commencement. You must allow thirty days for delivery. Do not wait until the last thing and then feel dissatisfied because you can't get keys on short notice. Pi Kappa Delta does not carry keys on hand. Each order is forwarded to the national jeweler who makes up the keys as they are ordered.

Report of the National Treasurer of Pi Kappa Delta for the fiscal year April 1st, 1920 to March 31st, 1921.

Received From, Dues Keys, Charters, D.S.R. Mis.
Roy Painter, former treasurer .......... $154.20
J. F. Newman, refund ..................  50.00
Ottawa University .................... $34.00 $90.58
Iowa Wesleyan .......................... 13.50 13.10
Washburn ............................. 28.50 31.52
Nebraska Wesleyan ........................ 6.00 31.50
Ripon .................................. 17.00 54.26 $9.00 9.00
Illinois Wesleyan ........................ 16.50 12.11
Kansas State Agricultural C. ............ 27.00 31.49
Redlands ................................ 13.50 7.88  3.00 3.00
Colorado Agricultural College ............ 18.50 61.60
Southwestern .......................... 27.00 17.26
Eureka .................................. 19.00 18.34  6.00 6.00
Dakota Wesleyan ........................ 11.50
Fairmount ................................ 23.50 7.59  3.00 3.00
Oklahoma A. & M. ........................ 4.50 25.78  3.00 3.00
Morningside ............................ 36.00 18.38  9.00
Huron .................................. 22.50 72.42  7.50
Colorado Teachers College ............... 12.50 34.14
Emporia .................................. 19.00
## Treasurers' Report—Continued

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**Total General Expenses—**

Paid for Keys .............................................. 908.19
Grand Total Disbursements .............................. 1703.36

**Total Cash in Bank April 1st, 1921** .................. 731.56
THE FOURTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

The National Council has decided to accept the invitation of Iowa Epsilon to hold the next convention at Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa. The dates will be supplied by Professor Nichols. Indianola is just a few miles from Des Moines with which city it has excellent railroad connections. The first two conventions were held in Kansas, the first being with Kansas Beta at Washburn College, Topeka, and the second with Kansas Alpha at Ottawa University. Iowa will have entertained the third and fourth. After this, if our march eastward continues, we may have to hold a convention a little nearer the Atlantic in order to give the eastern members a better chance to attend. It is none too early to make plans for the Convention. The debate tour is coming more and more into prominence, as we note elsewhere in this issue. We hope that just as many teams as possible may plan tours which may lead to the Convention. The last Convention saw an excellent beginning in this respect. Make plans this spring for the sending of at least one delegate, and, if possible, of a whole team with their coach to the Fourth Biennial Convention. The California Alpha chapter plans to be present again with a debate team. This will make the fourth time that it has sent such a delegation to the Convention. It will be remembered that at Sioux City last year, the only two chapters unrepresented were in states adjoining Iowa and that the chapters farthest away had the largest delegations.
PI KAPPA DELTA STATIONERY

A great many inquiries have come to the Editor of THE FORENSIC about Pi Kappa Delta stationery. We are pleased to announce that L. G. Balfour, Attleboro, Mass., has our stationery for sale at about $1.15 a box and up, depending on the grade of the paper. Will all members of the Order interested in stationery apply to the above company for it?

AS THE CHAPTER LETTERS COME IN

What records of splendid achievement some of them are. It is hard to pick out certain ones for special mention; but it seems to us that the record of Wisconsin Alpha is one that has set the pace for most of the chapters. On the other hand, just give a glance at the Huron letter. Only two active members were left to begin the year. See what they did. Not only did those two take part in debate, but they managed the forensic program almost entirely and coached the Academy debating teams. Huron closes the year with fifteen or sixteen members in her chapter. These are only two examples of what Pi Kappa Delta is doing. It is the spirit shown by chapters like these that is making Pi Kappa Delta grow. It is this spirit that heartens the national officers and makes them feel that they are connected with a worth while organization.

ALPHA PHI EPSILON

We are in receipt of a letter of greeting from the president of the above fraternity, an account of the organization of which appeared in the last issue among the Exchanges. Founded as it is to strengthen the work of literary societies and of debate, Alpha Phi Epsilon can rest assured of the best wishes of Pi Kappa Delta. Any organization that tends to build up the literary society promotes those interests for which the honorary forensic society is striving, and such an organization is heartily welcomed by us. All power to it!

THREE OF A KIND

On March 21, at the University of Redlands, the National Vice-President of Pi Kappa Delta was host to the National Secretary and the National President. The occasion for the gathering was the debate between teams representing Morningside College and the University of Redlands. Professor Marsh and Professor Nichols were the coaches of the two sides of this most important interstate debate. The National President occupied the exalted position of Judge Selector for the debate. The visitors from Iowa were defeated by a score of two to one after an extremely close contest, one that was quite worthy of the teams and their coaches. The three officers spent a great part of the afternoon in conferring upon matters relating to the good of the Order.

CONVENTION DEBATES

The National Secretary has sent out a request to the chapters to submit one definitely stated proposition for debate so that a list of questions shall be submitted to the chapters for a referendum vote. The question preferred by the majority shall be considered the official Pi Kappa Delta question for next year. It is believed that by having the question known in advance many more debates will be arranged by teams visiting the Convention.
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Editor wishes to express his thanks to the chapters which have arranged for an exchange between the FORENSIC and their college paper. The papers which have been thus received throughout the year have been: University of Redlands Campus, Rocky Mountain Collegian (Colorado Aggie), Colorado State Teachers' Mirror, Illinois Wesleyan Argus, Eureka College Pegasus, Bradley Tech, Morningside Collegian Reporter, The Simpsonian, Parsons' Portfolio, Washburn Review, Kansas State Collegian, Colby Echo, Kalamazoo College Index, Westminster Fortnightly, Park Stylus, Capital Collegian (Montana Wesleyan), Orange and Black (Oklahoma Aggies), Phrenocosmian (Dakota Wesleyan), Yankton Student, Huron Alphomega, Industrial Collegian (South Dakota State College), Sioux Falls Stylus, Ripon College Days. By the cooperation of these chapters it has been possible to pass forensic news around the Pi Kappa Delta circle.

SOMETHING NEW UNDER THE SUN

We should like the readers of THE FORENSIC to read with close attention the first six selections under the Exchanges. To our mind they give us some significant developments in the forensic world and perhaps point out the way that we shall ultimately go. The adoption of the one judge system by the five Pi Kappa Delta institutions of South Dakota, together with a definite example of a decision rendered under that system; the judgeless debate between Morningside and South Dakota; the extemporaneous debate between Macalester and North Dakota; and the rise of the intercollegiate extemporaneous speaking contest based on the intramural contest—all these are newer and, we think, most wholesome developments. Already the National Council of Pi Kappa Delta has had to reinterpret some of the rules in order to provide for speakers engaging in these newer intercollegiate forensic contests. The promotion of these developments of the speech arts is our clear duty.

THINK IT OVER

In the chapter letter of Missouri Beta from Park College there is an extract that we wish especially to commend. Here it is. “Many of our members who graduated last year are writing to us that they meet quite a good number of Pi Kappa Delta men in graduate schools. They have discovered that they underestimated the benefits of the organization.” How much stronger our organization would be if every member had a key and wore it.

REMEMBER

TO SEND ANNUAL DUES AND INITIATION FEES TO NATIONAL TREASURER BEFORE THE CLOSE OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR. TO SECURE THE CUT OF YOUR CHAPTER FROM YOUR YEAR BOOK EDITOR TO SEND TO THE EDITOR OF THE FORENSIC FOR PUBLICATION IN NEXT FALL'S ISSUE.
CHAPTER LETTERS

KANSAS ALPHA

Ottawa University has just closed the first part of an active debate season and is entering on the second part of the season at the present time. The outstanding achievement of the year has been the organization of the Kansas-Missouri Inter-collegiate Debate League, a pentangular league composed of Ottawa University, Baker University, College of Emporia, Park College and William Jewell. The contracts, as signed, are for three years and call for two rounds each year on a question selected by the schools.

The first round this year occurred on April 1 when the Ottawa affirmative team defeated Park on the home floor and the Ottawa negative lost to Baker University unanimously. The second round occurred on April 8 when the Ottawa negative defeated College of Emporia at Ottawa by a unanimous vote and the affirmative won from William Jewell by a unanimous decision. The question was: "Resolved, That the United States Congress should, by appropriate legislation, prohibit all immigration into this country for a period of three years, except for study and travel." The official results of all the debates have not been sent in yet, but unofficial returns indicate that Ottawa won the series.

A girls' debate with Park College has been arranged for May 6. This will probably be one of the hardest fights of the year as Park has a strong reputation and will be out for revenge. The affirmative team remains at home in each school to defend the question: "Resolved, that the principle of the closed shop is justifiable."

Prof. R. H. Ritchie coached the pentangular teams and will coach the girls' debate.

WALTER P. HALBERT.

IOWA ALPHA

We started this school year with five members. We are planning the initiation which is to take place soon, and our chapter will be composed of nine members. Only two members will be lost from college this year.

Our debate season was not as full as we would have liked to have had it, but we are planning to make up for it next year. We are planning to arrange debates with other Colleges who are coming to the Pi Kappa Delta Convention; also we want to send at least one debate team to attend the festivity. We had planned a trip East this year for several debates, but due to College difficulties we were unable to carry out our program.

The following is our list of officers:
Roscoe E. Ellason—President.
Frank Oliver—Vice President.
Mayne Longnecker—Secretary and Treasurer.

With best wishes to all Pi Kappa Delta Brothers, and hoping that we may have a "Big Time" at the convention next year, I am,

Fraternally yours,
ROSCOE E. ELLASON,
Pres. Iowa Alpha.

KANSAS BETA (No chapter letter sent).
NEBRASKA ALPHA (No chapter letter sent).

WISCONSIN ALPHA

This year the Wisconsin Alpha Chapter has prospered as never before. Under its auspices a Ripon College debating team was sent on a three weeks' tour through the Eastern and New England states, meeting the following institutions: Westminster College, Pennsylvania, Union College, New York, Pennsylvania College, California, St. Lawrence University, New York, Bowdoin College, Maine, Dartmouth College, New Hampshire. The team traveled 3700 miles and visited thirteen states, Canada and the District of Columbia, there witnessing the inauguration of President Harding.

Not only has this tour marked the first forensic invasion of the East by the West, but has demonstrated that younger colleges of the West can compete with
the older institutions with commendable success. The Ripon team more than held its own against adversaries which either had not been beaten for years or else had a formidable list of forensic victories. Of the seven contests the team lost only to Pennsylvania, Bowdoin and Dartmouth.

At home Ripon won five out of six debates and entertained the State Oratorical Contest. With three teams on the platform this year, Ripon held thirteen debates with twelve different institutions in seven states from Minnesota to Maine. In nine of these thirteen contests our teams won. There are now twelve Pi Kappa Delta members at college. One of these is a woman, the first to be admitted to Wisconsin Alpha. Two members have been admitted to Delta Sigma Rho, and three more have made application. In degree, four are Special Distinction, three Honor, four Proficiency, and one Fraternity.

One of our members, Paul G. Rodewald, has debated for four years, has been team leader for three years, and has participated in sixteen intercollegiate debates. Another, Arthur H. Filbey, has participated in nine debates within five consecutive weeks.

The booklet "Suggestions for the Debater" prepared by the chapter, has passed through three editions, has been revised, enlarged, and copyrighted, and has now reached a distribution of 10,000 copies. In order to help finance the debating trip into the East, the booklet was offered for sale at ten cents per copy and on this basis enjoyed wide distribution in three states.

Wisconsin Alpha is now looking forward to the coming year. The forensic relations we have established with Eastern colleges we expect to continue, both by again sending a team to meet still larger and stronger institutions and by encouraging Eastern Colleges to send their teams into the West.

BRUNO E. JACOB.

ILLINOIS ALPHA

Illinois Alpha saw to it that over twenty men and women were in the debate tryouts this year. It is also pushing the annual preliminary contest to select the orator for next year.

We have had five debates so far with one still on the way. On the evening of March 18 an Affirmative team from Wesleyan consisting of Harry Evans, Captain, Jual Ford and Harry Painter met a Negative team from Eureka College at Wesleyan on the question: Resolved: that in criminal cases a commission of experts should be substituted for the present jury. The limitations of the question were: (1) that the constitutionally of he proposed change be waived; (2) that the experts consist of a criminologist, a psychologist, and a Doctor of Jurisprudence; and (3) that the practicality of securing the proposed experts be waived. The decision was unanimously in favor of the Negative. On April 5 an Affirmative team from Wesleyan met a Negative team from the University of Denver at Wesleyan on the question: Resolved: that the Japanese should be excluded from the United States on the same basis as the Chinese. The Wesleyan team consisted of Merritt Meaker and LaRue Van Meter. The decision was two to one in favor of the Negative. The next debate will be between Wesleyan's Negative team on the jury question, consisting of Russell Sheares, captain, Louis Williams and William Swanzig, and an Affirmative team from Bradley Polytechnic Institute of Peoria, Ill.

Wesleyan has been successful in oratory this year. Harry Evans of Pi Kappa Delta, speaking on "The House in Order" won first place in the annual Illinois Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Association Contest held at Northwestern College, Napoleon, Ill., in November. He won fourth and tied on rankings for third in the Eastern Divisional Inter-State Oratorical Contest held at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wis., on April 8. Last year he won first place in the Illinois State Peace Oratorical Contest. Walter W. Kronsgaen, of the local chapter was President of the Illinois Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Association this year.

We expect to have ten members at the end of the year.

ILLINOIS ALPHA.

KANSAS GAMMA

The Kansas State Agricultural College will soon have completed one of the most successful years in its existence. Forensic endeavor, along with every other activity, has been supported as never before.

Two intercollegiate debates have been held so far with record breaking attendance at both. More than 50 persons stood during one of these contests. Our schedule is not yet completed, but the prospects for our share of the victories are good.

We are particularly proud of our victory in the Missouri Valley oratorical con-
test. Our representative, Milton Eisenhower, won first place on his discussion of the subject of disarmaments.

Pi Kappa Delta men have been active this year in all forms of collegiate activities. One of our members has been elected editor of the college yearbook the coming year; another, president of the Y. M. C. A. One is now class president, and another, coach of the preparatory school's debate team. The winner of first place in the intersociety oratorical contest was formerly a member of the Kansas Washburn chapter; but since coming here has transferred her membership to Zeta Kappa Psi. A P. K. D. man coached the debate team which won the championship in the Intersociety tournament, and on several occasions we have been called upon to serve as judges in high school contests.

Our chapter meetings this year have been interesting and worth while. We have supper together, after which one of our faculty members or some prominent visitor gives a short peppy talk. This is followed by a business meeting.

We have eight active members and will soon initiate six more. Only two persons out of the 14 are seniors, so we shall have 12 men in school next fall. In addition, we have three brothers from Delta Sigma Rho with us, namely: Professor Burns, Dr. H. T. Hill and Dr. J. G. Emerson.

I send the best wishes of the Kansas Gamma chapter to every chapter in the order.

Fraternally,

J. WHEELER BARGER,
President.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA

California Alpha has had an excellent year. There are four activities on our yearly calendar: Debates, Oratoricals, Dramatics, and Social Events.

Debates first: On the subject of Restriction of Immigration by additional literacy tests we had four debates. We won on the Negative against Morningside and University of California and lost on the Affirmative to Arizona University and La Verne College. The Affirmative team was composed of Douglas McPhee '22, George Finley, '22, and George Brown, '23. The negative team: Harold Scott, '21, Clyde Reid, '21, and James W. Brougher, Jr., '24.

We have a cup debate (an annual contest) with Whittier College, subject, Philippine Independence, and a Woman's debate with Occidental, subject, Anti-Strike Legislation, and a Freshman debate with Pomona, subject, Presidential Primaries still to be held.

In oratory we expect to enter Douglas McPhee in the Old Line and Clyde C. Reid in the Japanese-American contest. We have an excellent record in oratory, having won the Japanese-American each year since its inception and we have never taken lower than fourth in a contest of six to seven in the Old Line. We have won the Old Line but once. We have tied for first twice and have taken second every other time except for one third place and the fourth mentioned.

This year we returned to a stunt which we originated several years ago—that of putting on a play for the purpose of getting money for debate trips. We helped send teams to Arizona and to Berkeley to meet the University of California. We have a few dollars left to go on our team's trip to the National Convention next spring. We hope to put on another play next year for this purpose. Our last play was one of the most successful dramatically and financially that the U. of R. has staged.

In a social way we have not done a great deal this year. We entertained at the home of Prof. and Mrs. A. Harvey Collins for the Morningside men and invited the members of the cast of our play to join with us. We had a delightful evening. We are planning to have our annual initiation and annual dinner soon.

The visit of Prof. Marsh and his Morningside team was one of the high lights in the forensic history of Redlands. We did not expect to win this debate and consider ourselves quite fortunate in obtaining the decision. Prof. Marsh had a magnificent team as those who heard them debate at the last convention will testify. Of the men we sent East at the last convention to meet Morningside, two are in the graduate school at Harvard this year, Fred D. Pagg, Jr., and Raymond E. Unterehner. They have made wonderful records there and have been given teaching positions at Harvard for next year. These instructorships will enable them to continue their work for doctor's degrees. We are proud of them. The other members of our eastern team was Vernon Green. He went to Stanford this year and was on a team which defeated Washington University. He was also entered by Stanford in the Joffre medal debate against California. He is president of the chapter of Delta Sigma Rho at Stanford.

CLYDE C. REID, President.
COLORADO ALPHA

The interest in debating at the Colorado Agricultural College has been increasing quite rapidly during the last few years. Last year the trip to Nebraska and South Dakota by the men's debating teams was the center of attraction. This year the girls are going 'East' to demonstrate the correct method of formal argumentation on the forensic platform.

The men's debating schedule is closed for this year, there having been four debates. The girls have had two debates thus far but the number which they will have on the eastern trip is not yet definitely settled.

A new plan of judging, namely the one judge system, was tried this year for the first time. The difficulty of obtaining an expert judge has resulted in creating quite a sentiment in favor of the old plan. However, the impossibility of eliminating the 'personal factor' of the judges is always a source of dissatisfaction.

The Colorado Alpha chapter of Pi Kappa Delta is commencing to extend its activities beyond debating and the local institution. Arrangements have been made to hold a discussion contest among the high schools of northern Colorado. This contest will take place in connection with the Northern Colorado track meet which is held there annually. Plans are well under way and indications point to a big success.

KANSAS DELTA

The year 1921 has been a successful and busy one for those students of Southwestern Colleges who have participated in forensic activities. Sixteen new names are ready to be submitted for membership in the local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. It is expected that the chapter will have a nucleus of 25 with which to start the year 1921-1922. Southwestern has been represented in the Old Line and Anti-Tobacco contests and will send a contestant to the Women's State Oratorical contest which is to be held at Friends University at Wichita on April 15. She has eight men and six women debaters this year and will have participated in twelve debates. The men have engaged in three dual debates with Fairmount, Friends, and Bethel respectively; and are soon to debate with Kansas Wesleyan University. Their question for debate is: Resolved: That the principles of the open shop should be made obligatory by federal statute.

The women have engaged in one triangular debate; three of the representatives debating Washburn College at Topeka, and three defending Southwestern against the College of Emporia at home. A dual debate between Southwestern and Pittsburg Normal will occur on April 15. The question for the women's debates is: Resolved: That the Federal Government should enact legislation embodying the principles of the Kansas Court of Industrial Relations for the settlement of labor disputes in public utilities. Both teams are doing good work and are upholding the standards of Southwestern College. The prospects for an active and fruitful new year are most encouraging.

ILLINOIS BETA

The officers for this year are as follows: Harry Ruckteschel, president; Richard Jackson, secretary; and Gaines Cook, treasurer.

You will be interested to know that in our annual triangular debate held two weeks ago that Eureka won from both James Millikin and Illinois Wesleyean Universities. This gives us a total of 14 out of 18 possible decisions since the organization of this triangle. The subject for this year was: Resolved that in all criminal cases, a commission of experts be substituted for the present jury. Commission to be composed of psychologist, sociologist and doctor of jurisprudence. The personal of the teams was:

Aff. (debated Millikin) Roland Slater, Maurice Hall, Russell Thomas.
Neg. (debated Wesleyan) Richard Jackson, Paul Rosborough, Gaines Cook.

Next Friday our second debates are held. This will be the first of a new triangle. It will include Eureka, Carthage, and Bradley. The subject will be the same as the above; the personnel will be changed.

Aff. (debates Bradley) Harry Ruckteschel, Ruby Painter, Finley Hogbin.
Neg. (debates Carthage) Edith Rose, Russell Thomas, Gaines Cook.
We have 13 active members at present.

RUSSELL B. THOMAS.

SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA

Dakota Wesleyan University has had a very successful year in forensics. She
opened the season with a double victory in debate over Upper Iowa College of Fayette, Iowa. The question under consideration was: Resolved that the covenant of the League of Nations as formulated by the Peace Conference at Paris should be ratified by the Senate of the United States. Wesleyan’s negative team stayed at home and was composed of Ralph Dunbar, Herbert Emery and Harry Wolcott. The members of the affirmative team going to Fayette were Rose Strong, Marjorie Thurston and Henry McKay.

Wesleyan again won the men’s debate championship of the state by defeating Huron and South Dakota State College. The initiative and Referendum was the subject of discussion. The Negative met Huron at home and was supported by Frank Ferguson, Leonard Hardwick and Herbert Emery. The affirmative team that won from State College at Brookings was composed of Ralph Dunbar, Cecil Monroe and Charles Sarlott.

In the women’s debates Wesleyan won from State College but lost to Yankton College. They debated the question: Resolved that the schools of South Dakota should be consolidated under the present consolidated school law. Again the negative team remained at home and was composed of Marjorie Thurston, Elsie Wolcott and Alice Strong. The members of the affirmative team were Rose Strong, Esther Petrie and Agnes Hyde.

The local Academy debaters won from the Academy men at Yankton but lost to Huron. Later the team that won from Yankton defeated Freeman Academy at Freeman, South Dakota.

There are two more dates on Wesleyan’s forensic calendar. On April 22 two debate teams from the freshman class will meet the freshmen from Yankton College. On May 5, the National Oratorical Contest will be held at Mitchell.

L. GUY BROWN,
Corresponding Secretary.

KANSAS EPSILON

The results of Fairmount’s forensic activities in 1921 have been very encouraging. All of the participants in the contests have taken a conscientious interest in the work; and forensic events have been accorded unusual support by the student body. The contribution to Fairmount’s success made by her debate and oratory coach, Professor C. C. Harbison, cannot be overestimated. His record in Fairmount has been marked with phenomenal victories, and 1921 has merely added to the list.

The representative in the Old Line Oratorical Contest was Leo C. Johnston, of the Sophomore Class. In the elimination contest on thought and composition, his oration, “Our Antipathy to England,” was awarded first place by all three judges. In the Kansas State Contest, held at Washburn College, March 18, Mr. Johnston won State Honors easily, with four votes for first place, and one for second.

The Men’s Debating Team stands as yet undefeated this year. The members of the affirmative team are Harold Malone and G. Vernon Kelley. The negative team is composed of John K. Layle and George Pease. The question is, “Resolved that the principle of the open shop should be made obligatory by federal statute.” The first debate, with Southwestern resulted in a Fairmount victory; by a four to two decision. The second was won from Bethel, by a vote of five to one. And the third debate, with Friends University, gave Fairmount her third success, by a four to two vote. Fairmount thus won the championship of the Southern Division of the Kansas Intercollegiate Debating League.

Miss Margaret Snyder will represent the college in the Women’s State Oratorical Contest, to be held April 29. The Women’s Debating team, composed of Misses Carol Hubbard and Tommie Gene Brown for the affirmative; and Blanch Myers and Alice Wellman for the negative, are arranging their schedule. We now have thirteen members.

G. VERNON KELLEY.

OKLAHOMA ALPHA (No chapter letter sent).
KANSAS ZETA (No chapter letter sent).

IOWA DELTA

This year has been a great one for Iowa Delta, forensically speaking, as well as otherwise. While as a chapter our work has been far from what is to be expected still we have had two meetings each month, one for business and the other for a program or initiation. As usual, some of our program meetings failed to meet fully our expectations, but one in particular is worthy of comment. Just previous to the last presidential election, we held a debate over the merits of the two principal candidates and the platforms of their respective parties. In line with the recent
woman suffrage landslide, we let two of our Pi Kappa Delta sisters do the arguing. No volunteers showed up to act as judges for the present contest between these two spirited aspirants for household leadership through the right gained by the power of persuasion. The student body was invited and those who attended thought the debate exceptionally interesting and enlightening.

At each of the local intercollegiate debates, our chapter has held an informal reception afterwards for the visiting team. These have apparently been well received and for our part we have certainly enjoyed them and the fellowship with the members of the other colleges.

We have every reason to be proud of our record for this year. Our representatives in the state contest won second place. This feat was duplicated in the state oratorical contest for women, and again in the state extemporaneous contest for women. In men's intercollegiate debate we won three out of the seven debates, and are entirely satisfied in our minds that had there been judges for the other two, they would have given us their decisions.

A feature of our forensic record this year is the western trip of our three best debaters under the chaperonage of their coach, Professor Charles A. Marsh. From the standpoint of winning debates these experts of the tongue and mind were forty per cent successful; but from the point of view of real debate they far more than doubled that percentage in establishing a higher standard of debate in Morningside College. Upon this trip they met the strong teams of the University of Arizona, Redlands University and La Verne College in California, Willamette College in Oregon, and Montana Wesleyan. It is a trip that shall long be remembered in the history of Iowa Delta.

On April 14 we lost both debates in a dual debate between Iowa State Teachers' College and Morningside. The girls did remarkably well in view of the handicap of receiving no help whatsoever from our own coach, Professor Marsh, who has been under very strict orders from his physician.

Our chapter now has a membership of fifteen and with those who have become eligible we shall have twenty-one by the close of the year. Iowa Delta is attempting to raise the standards of forensics, and in order to accomplish this is encouraging interest in all lines of such endeavor. We have an admirable esprit de corps and every member feels his or her own individual responsibility for the task. To this is due whatever standard of activity has been set during the year.

ARTHUR J. COOMBS, Pres.

SOUTH DAKOTA BETA

So many members had graduated or left the College that we began the year with only two active members. We could not do very much in the way of meetings and so forth, but we did everything possible to further forensic endeavor in the school. We managed the forensic program almost entirely and coached the Academy debating teams. Both of us took part in debate.

Besides the inter-class debates, Huron took part in five inter-collegiate debates and the state oratorical contest. The girls debated the girls of Sioux Falls College and of State College; the men met Dakota Wesleyan, Yankton College, and Jamestown. All through the year we advertised Pi Kappa Delta, a great deal and found it to be largely instrumental in getting people to desire places on the teams. They wanted the keys. Owing to the fact that we had no more than two or three experienced debaters in the entire group, we were unable to win from the experienced teams we met, but managed to defeat Jamestown College after the experience of the other debating had aided greatly. Our orator took second place in the State contest.

A short time ago the chapter initiated fourteen new members whose applications for membership have been sent in. This brings the chapter back to normal in the matter of membership and, as a number of these people will be back next year, the outlook is very bright for a more successful year. An election will be held soon to select new officers for the coming year.

HERMAN SWEET.

COLORADO DELTA

The school year opened with only three student and two faculty members of Pi Kappa Delta in attendance. During the fall quarter Miss Lucy McLane was taken in under the order of instruction.

Although Pi Kappa Delta was small in numbers, it was not lacking in energy and courage. The debate schedule for both men and women has been extended during the year.

The regular women's triangle made up of Colorado Agricultural College, Wyoming University, and Colorado Teachers College was extended to include Denver University. The debates were held on March 23, each college meeting two of the
other colleges in the quadrangle on the question: Resolved, That the principle of the closed shop is justifiable. Our teams met Denver University at Greeley and the Agricultural College at Ft. Collins, winning the decision at both places. The one Judge plan was used.

The men this year entered a triangle with Colorado Agricultural College and University of Woming and debated the question: Resolved, That the Japanese should be excluded from the United States on the same basis of federal legislation on which the Chinese are now excluded. Both teams were successful in winning the decisions.

The men have one more debate on their schedule. They go to Gunnison to meet the State Normal School at that place on April 30, using the Japanese Immigration question.

The chapter will initiate eight new members this spring, four men and four women. Cyrus E. Albertson, formerly at Morningside College, has been with us this year and has taken an active and effective part in our men’s debates.

G. W. FINLEY.

MICIGAN ALPHA

The Michigan Alpha chapter, of Kalamazoo College, is having the most successful year since its installation. Each member is doing his or her utmost to make the chapter a success. The value of Pi Kappa Delta to the College is shown by the large number of students who have endeavored to become eligible for membership in the fraternity. Sixteen new members are to receive the initiation ceremony, and by June our membership will be twenty-five. The interest in forensic activities has increased fully one hundred per cent since the installation of Pi Kappa Delta in Kalamazoo College.

So far this year our members have participated in four intercollegiate debates and two oratorical contests. This year has been a success in every way, but we expect greater success in 1921-22. We hope that every member secured the benefit and pleasure from Pi Kappa Delta that we have.

Fraternally,

HAROLD B. ALLEN, Pres.

IOWA EPSILON

Iowa Epsilon expects to initiate eleven new members in the near future which will bring our roll to about twenty-five, so you can see that Pi Kappa Delta in Simpson College is on the up grade. In the Western Divisional Oratorical Contest in Iowa, Benjamin Hamilton, Simpson’s representative, was named one of the three to enter the State contest. He failed to place, however, in that contest. In a triangular debate with Morningside and Iowa State Teachers’ College, Simpson broke even, defeating Morningside but losing to State Teachers. The question was on the Kansas law. A team composed of freshmen lost to an experienced Grinnell team on the Esch-Cummins bill. In girls’ debates, Simpson entered a quadrangular with Penn, Parsons, and Drake on the League of Nations. Unfortunately both the affirmative and negative teams lost. The debate season will be closed within the next three weeks when a team consisting of Floyd Daft, Roscoe Cartwright, and Kenneth Stratton engages in a series of debates through Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Nebraska, meeting Graceland College, at Lamoni, Iowa, Tarkio College, Kansas City University, Oklahoma A. & M., Oklahoma Baptist University, Kingfisher College, Nebraska Wesleyan University, and Bethany College. The question is: Resolved, That the federal government should enact legislation embodying the principles of the Kansas law for the settlement of labor disputes in public utilities. This is the same team which defeated Morningside last fall on the same question.

KENNETH STRATTON.

MISSOURI ALPHA (No chapter letter sent).

IOWA ZETA

Iowa Zeta chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, of Parsons College, has had exceptional success this year in all departments of forensics.

With only eleven members when college opened in September the chapter now has a membership of twenty.

In the men’s Iowa Intercollegiate Oratorical contest Parsons representative, Albert Thornberry, tied for third place. In the women’s State Oratorical contest,
Miss Louise Lamson placed third, and in the extemporaneous contest Miss Josephine Montgomery took third place. 

Debating the “Kansas Industrial Court Act for National Adoption” Parsons College men defeated both Penn and Iowa Wesleyan in a debate triangle. Also in a dual clash with Central college they won both debates. May seventh closes the season with a dual clash with Hedenning college of Illinois.

The college women’s debate team, arguing the “League of Nations” won over Penn college but lost to Drake U. in a quadrangular with Penn-Simpson-Drake-Parsons. Using the same question in a triangular with Monmouth and Northwestern they defeated Northwestern but lost to Monmouth. The women will also close their season with a dual with Heding.

The chapter will hold its annual banquet during the third week of May.

CURTIS G. SCHILLERSTROM, President.

**SOUTH DAKOTA DELTA**

South Dakota Delta is not old in the ranks of Pi Kappa Delta, yet the record for the past year is one which indicates greater things for the future. Our chapter was installed last spring with eight charter members and two additions later. This year we have been rather seriously handicapped by the fact that we lost most of our members by graduation last spring or else they failed to return this year.

However, during the past winter eight debating teams have represented S. D. State College and the results have been quite satisfactory considering the inexperience of most of the debaters. The eight debate teams aggregated a total of twenty persons who took part in the debate, aside from the alternates. Of these twenty, seventeen had never been in a collegiate debate before. With this kind of material we broke even, winning one and losing one in all our debates except the freshmen dual with Jamestown (N. D.) College in which we lost both. Most of these new debaters will become members of the Pi Kappa Delta.

**Our Debate Record—1921.**

February 11, 1921—Women’s Pentangular. State College vs Huron College. Won.

State College vs Dakota Wesleyan U. Lost.


March 4, 1921—Freshmen Debate. Dual debate with Jamestown College (N. D.) Lost both.


We were also represented in the state oratorical contest held at Yankton but did not secure a winning place.

Next year we expect to conduct a debater’s training club throughout the year in order to promote serious debate effort on the intercollegiate questions and give the new debaters a better grasp of the situation.

GEORGE B. VOLD.

**SOUTH DAKOTA EPSILON**

The Academy team participated in pentangular debates of the Academies of the State of South Dakota, debating the question, “Resolved that Congress Should Enact Legislation Providing for the Compulsory Arbitration in an Industrial Court of Disputes Arising Between Capital and Labor.” They were successful in getting the decision on both sides of the resolution. The Academy debaters consisted of, on the affirmative, Bertha Finch, Robert Harris, Victor Larson; on the negative, Carl Swenson, Edward Thomsen, Lillian Shandoff.

The college women of the state debated the question, “Resolved that the Schools of South Dakota be Consolidated Under the Provisions of the Present School Laws.” The women debaters consisted of, on the affirmative, Opal Leinard, Susie Olson, Rena Button; on the negative, Elouise Bennett, Muriel Hornbeck, Alma Raugust.

The question for debate for the men’s College teams of the state was, “Resolved that the Provisions of the Constitution of South Dakota Relating to the Initiative and Referendum as Applied to State Measures be Repealed.” Our teams did not participate in this debate, due to the illness of a number of the men at the time of the debate.

We were represented in the State Oratorical Contest by Ralph Nordlund. The subject of his oration was, “Tegner, The Poet.” Our orator failed to get a place in the contest, and he is preparing his oration at the present time for next year’s contest.

It is a requirement of the school that all the freshmen participate in the freshman oratorical contest. This contest has not yet been held, but will prove one of the most spirited of student activities of the entire year.

PAUL J. HOFFMANN.
OKLAHOMA BETA

Enclosed herewith you will find some detailed information concerning the Oklahoma Beta chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. First, I would like for you to know that on date of Feb. 8th, this year, the name and rank of this institution was changed from Henry Kendall College to University of Tulsa. New departments are to be added, and the plan is to greatly enlarge our institution in the immediate future.

Our local chapter has had a very successful year and Pi Kappa Delta is known as one of the leading organizations in our school activities. The state oratorical contest will be held here on the evening of April 1st. Miss Jones, president of our local chapter, will represent us. Our school has entered a Pentangular Debate League of the five denominational schools of Oklahoma. Debates will be held April 12th and 15th. Question: “Resolved that our Federal Government should enact Legislature, embodying the principle of the Kansas law, for the settlement of labor disputes in Public Utilities.” Affirmative team: Ray Fleek, Gerald Kleinknecht. Negative team: Roy Raines and J. R. Robinson.

We will have a dual debate with Oklahoma City College and a debate with Oklahoma Baptist University, and Kingfisher College. Mr. Kleinknecht, who is a freshman, will be eligible for initiation after the debate contests, also our chapter has voted to initiate Dr. W. E. Howard.

Perhaps you would be interested to know that Mr. Seymour, who was here last year, is in the Theological Seminary at Princeton University.

Mr. Anderson is attending the Law School at Oklahoma University and Mr. Grove is athletic coach at Oklahoma Baptist University. All the other members of last year are still with us.

Kindest regards from Oklahoma Chapter.

J. H. ROBINSON.

NEBRASKA BETA (No chapter letter sent).
NEBRASKA GAMMA (No letter sent).
NEBRASKA DELTA (No chapter letter sent).

MISSOURI BETA

This year we have formed a pentangular debating league with the College of Emporia, Ottawa University, Baker University, and William Jewell. Considerable interest is being manifested in all the schools and there promises to develop out of this new association some keen competition of a high order. Park entertained the Missouri Oratorical Association on March 3.

In her work here in Pi Kappa Delta Park is undertaking intercollegiate debate for young ladies’ teams exclusively. This movement has been initiated and fostered by our local chapter and we are directly responsible for this worth while innovation. This has been a part of our platform and we are proud to say that at least this much has been realized. This is our first year as an organized and officially recognized chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. The present membership then are primarily pioneers and consider ourselves as such. We feel, however, that we are pioneers in a good cause and have done much more than merely act as key wearers. We are advertising ourselves as much as possible, placing our claims squarely before the students in an urgent and polite manner as possible. The result has been the stimulation of unusual interest in our work and organization. We intend to maintain this attention and transform it later into the strengthening of our activities. Our success here is assured and we are striving to establish a useful local organization.

Many of our members who graduated last year are writing to us that they meet quite a good number of Pi Kappa Delta men in graduate schools. They have discovered that they underestimated the benefits of the organization and realize that a key carries with it a measure of distinction.

With every good wish for the continued success of the work and mission of Pi Kappa Delta, I am

Very truly yours,
HOWARD Y. McCLUSKY.

MAINE ALPHA

In Maine Alpha of Pi Kappa Delta we have at present five active members. Three other men are eligible for membership and their applications have been accepted by the National Council, but at yet they have not been initiated. Four of our five members are intercollegiate debaters, the fifth is our forensic coach, Dr. H. C. Libby.
Weekly chapel debates have been held as scheduled in The Forensic of November-December. We are now working on the Triangular Colby-Clark-Tufts debate. Two new men of ability have been chosen to represent Colby by the side of our four more experienced debaters. After this debating season, these two will be eligible for Pi Kappa Delta.

Brothers Marden and Shaw have also been chosen as speakers in the annual Goodwin Prize Speaking Contest which will be held about April 18th. The Hallowell Prize Speaking Contest will be held on May 5 from which Pi Kappa Delta should gain at least one new member. As a matter of forensic interest we might say that the annual Lyford Prize Speaking Contest, open to all preparatory school men in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts, is scheduled for May 6, with these men as guests at the Hallowell's on May 5. With this tentative schedule our membership in Pi Kappa Delta should be raised to approximately ten before Commencement. The roll at present is: N. F. Leonard, '21; D. A. Shaw, '21; H. C. Marden, '21; G. B. Wolstenholme, '22; Dr. H. C. Libby, Faculty. To be initiated: C. A. Mitchell, '21; T. G. Grace, '21; E. C. Niles, '21.

Fraternally,
H. C. MARDEN.

ILLINOIS GAMMA

The Illinois Gamma chapter of Pi Kappa Delta wishes to report the greatest interest and enthusiasm ever known in debating this year. Carthage has four intercollegiate debating teams in the field. Debates are scheduled with Culver Stockton for March 18, and a triangular with Bradley Polytechnic and Eureka on April 8, on the question: Resolved: That in criminal cases a commission of experts should be substituted for the present jury system, such commission to consist of a psychologist or pathologist, a sociologist, and a doctor of jurisprudence. Debates are scheduled with Augustana for April 5 and with Monmouth for April 15, on, Resolved: That immigration into the United States should be further restricted. At present there are nine applications for membership. Plans are being made for a banquet to be held when the new members are initiated. Everything points to more and better forensic work next year and to the further advance of Pi Kappa Delta.

HAZEL JONES, Sec.

KANSAS ETA

The members of Kansas Eta of Pi Kappa Delta feel that the organization has aroused more interest at Kansas Wesleyan in forensics than anything else has done in years, especially since we have been able to get our keys. Every member of Pi Kappa Delta now in school has been engaged in some intercollegiate forensic contest, with the exception of one. Two of our members represented the college in the oratorical contests of the state, while three members have been on debate teams. Kansas Wesleyan entered the Northern Division of the State Debating League, and although she did not win the divisional championship according to points, the grades of her debaters averaged more than those of any other school. A dual debate was held at Ottawa College is scheduled for April 22 and we have a Pi Kappa Delta man on that squad. Our membership will be enlarged by at least five new members this spring. One of these is a senior. Of the charter members, four are seniors. The outlook for next year is bright. Our new debate coach, Dean Charles Templar of Ohio Wesleyan has done good work in coaching forensics here and we expect a strong debate squad and strong orators for next year. I have just received a letter from Secretary Marsh in regard to questions for debate. I think that the plan is a very good one and should have great success.

Fraternally Yours,
RALPH SNYDER.

MONTANA ALPHA

Montana Alpha Chapter at Montana Wesleyan College has for the second time enjoyed a very successful season. Two intercollegiate debates were held resulting in two victories by unanimous decisions. The affirmative team of Montana Wesleyan met the negative team of Montana State College, and Wesleyan's negative team met an affirmative team from Morningside College of Sioux City, Iowa. Both debates were on the immigration question. This makes four victories and no defeats for Montana Wesleyan in the last two years with a unanimous decision in each case. The veteran Wesleyan debaters who participated this year were Carl Knudsen, Adelbert Redfield and Herbert Durand. The three new members to take part and be initiated into the Pi Kappa Delta are Thomas Bum Garner, Miss Blanche Crawford, and Mr. Horace M. Lane.
Montana does not have a state oratorical association as formerly and so no intercollegiate contest could be held this year. A local oratorical contest was held, however, at Montana Wesleyan College and a good deal of interest was taken in it. The winner of the contest was Adelbert Redfield. Efforts are being made by various institutions in Montana to revive the state oratorical contest for another year.

The Montana Alpha Chapter now consists of ten members. Besides the six debaters mentioned Forrest W. Werts, Alvin Canole, Martin E. Van Demark who formerly represented the college in oratory, and Dean A. C. Lemon, coach of the debate teams, are also members. The chapter is a live organization and has created a great deal of interest in forensics at Montana Wesleyan College.

Very Fraternally,
ALLAN C. LEMON, Dean.

MISSOURI GAMMA

When school resumed in September last, seven active members of the Forensic Club, which was organized the previous year, returned; and each of these men was eligible to membership in at least two of the three existing national forensic societies. We believed that the standard of debating and oratory at Central College was sufficiently high to place Central on a par with the colleges holding membership in the Pi Kappa Delta society. Acting on this belief, we applied for membership in that order and our petition was granted. The installation ceremony was held on Thursday evening, February 3, with Professor McGuier of the Missouri Alpha chapter as the installing officer. We had realized our hopes of a Pi Kappa Delta chapter on our campus.

Although there has been less activity at Central this year in the realm of oratory than there was last year, for we failed to have a representative in the Missouri Collegiate Oratorical Contest. Nevertheless, we have been unusually active and greater interest in debate have been expressed with the renewed interest in this type of forensic work for we believe that it is the most fruitful source of development in public speaking. We have enlarged our debating schedule this year, and now engage in five intercollegiate debates. A noteworthy factor in our development is the young ladies' entrance into debating. Out of a hotly contested tryout, in which there were many more candidates than there were places on the team, four ladies were chosen who promise to become capable debaters. They hold their debates on April 11.

Two of our intercollegiate debates have just been held. We engaged in a triangular debate. A team composed of Messrs. Marvin, Kumel and Middleton met the Central Wesleyan team at Warrenton on April 5 and on the same night a team composed of Messrs. Kenaston, Maclanahan and Wise debated a Missouri Valley team here. Our team at Warrenton lost while the team here got a unanimous victory. The immigration question constituted the subject for the above debates. The last debate of the season is with Westminster on May 1. The team composed of Messrs. Selah, Crowe and Whittle are all experienced debaters and we have a right to expect a high grade contest from them. This debate will be held at Fulton on the question: Resolved: that the Japanese immigrants should be excluded from the United States on the same basis as the Chinese.

The Gamma chapter will receive a great impetus at the close of the debating season when the candidates can be granted membership since the majority of the intercollegiate debaters are in the college forum for the first time. We are planning to have the initiation of new members in the first part of May.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT D. CROWE.

OHIO ALPHA

The charter for the Ohio Alpha chapter was granted late this fall to an organization composed of Professors Ridenour and MacLean, Miss Stella Teperawicz, Messrs. Cox, Wicke, Matthews, Mueller and Gentile. We have invited to honorary membership President Storms, Vice-President Grover and Professor Ward, and expect to admit to active membership at least five more students.

This year, our representative, Rocco Tavoloni, a Freshman, won third place in the Intercollegiate Contest of the Ohio Oratorical Association, consisting of Heidelberg University (which has the Ohio Beta chapter of our Order), Hiram, Wooster, Muskingum, Ohio University, Kenyon and Baldwin-Wallace Colleges. We have held a local Declamatory Contest between the Women's Literary Societies and will compete with Ashland College for a cup. We have but one debate this year, scheduled for April 26, with Kalamazoo College. This will be a dual debate, and the question will be "Resolved: That in the future immigration of Japanese into the United States should be prohibited."

Our chapter was to have been installed in February, but due to the arrange-
ment of a debate with Kalamazoo and the subsequent unavoidable postponment, it has not yet taken place. However, Mr. Foth, who will come with the Kalamazoo team, will install the chapter on April 27.

The members of our chapter are all intensely interested in Forensics, and the student body is taking even a greater interest therein than before. We had twenty-five men out for debating, and indications are that next year the competition will be even keener. All in all, we consider the record of the year as very satisfactory, and the prospects for next year very bright.

Fraternally yours,
S. J. MATTHEWS,
Corresponding Secretary.

MONTANA BETA

Though but an infant branch of Pi Kappa Delta, Montana Beta chapter has already taken great strides in the matter of putting Montana State College on the map in her forensic endeavors. Debate here had fallen sadly, due to lack of support and to general apathy on the part of the student body, and as a result any effort to put out a winning team was a difficult task. The installation of our chapter of Pi Kappa Delta has however put debate under firm organization and the result has been very noticeable even in this short time. We are now securing more support on the campus and we have succeeded in bringing out three times as many students for the try-outs as we were out in previous seasons.

In our debate with the University of Montana we were defeated this year, as has been the case in the past several years; but the judges were loud in their praise of the manner in which our team composed of Miss Zelma Wernli and Mr. John Mahan, handled their argument. We expect to take the honors in this debate next year and so break the spell of bad luck that has been on us.

We have arranged a triangular debate league with North and South Dakota, the first debates in which were held this year. Our team, consisting of Robt. Jones and Charles Lyndon won a unanimous decision in the South Dakota meet; and our other team, on which were Leon Sayers and Ray Ecton lost to North Dakota.

Our freshman debate team lost to the Utah Aggies at Logan, Utah, this season; and we have now sent them against the Montana Alpha Chapter debaters at Montana Wesleyan.

During the interscholastic basketball tournament held here each year to decide the state championship, there is held also an extemporaneous contest for the state championship in oratory, and we have undertaken to foster this work in the future. At the close of the last contest the chapter staged a banquet for the speakers and provided entertainment for them.

Another thing we have taken up this year is the matter of suitable awards to the men making the debate teams. New designs for the emblems are being submitted and we hope to secure a very neat emblem of recognition in the near future.

As a chapter we are glad to make mention of the faculty members who are enrolled as our honorary members and to offer our appreciation of the manner in which they have helped in the organizing of the chapter. We feel that we are especially blessed in this respect. Prospects are bright for the coming year and we hope to see our chapter rank among the best in a very short time.

KENTUCKY ALPHA

Just a few words about the work of the Kentucky Alpha chapter and words of good cheer and best wishes to all brother chapters.

The Forensic work at Georgetown College has taken on a new interest due to the activities of the Kentucky Alpha chapter of Pi Kappa Delta which was installed here on the twenty-second of February. The college has recognized that as Forensic Day and it will become an annual affair.

On Forensic Day we had a full program for the whole day. In the morning we had a speaker to deliver the address of the day. The College orchestra assisted at the morning program. In the afternoon we had the public Installation of Kentucky Alpha. For the evening program there was an oratorical contest which was followed by a basketball game in the college gym. After the game there was a reception given by Kentucky Alpha. The ushers at the reception were dressed in George Washington costumes and the six girls on the entertainment committee were dressed in Colonial costumes. The whole day was a great success.

Georgetown College won second place in the state oratorical this year. The Georgetown representative won three first places in delivery but fell down on composition and thought. Georgetown also won both sides of the Dual State debate this year. The first time that one college has ever won both sides in one year.
Three new men were added to Kentucky Alpha. The local chapter had a public pledging exercises in College chapel service one morning soon after the State contests were held.

There will be a Senior Oratorical contest this year at Commencement time. The faculty has chosen four Pi Kappa Delta men to speak. A medal will be awarded to the winner.

Our year has been very successful and our wishes are for the success of all other chapters and for the triumph of Pi Kappa Delta.

R. D. MARTIN, Pres.

OHIO BETA

The Ohio Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was installed at Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio, on February 16th, 1921. The initiation was conducted by the National Historian, Prof. J. H. Foth of Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, Mich. Six charter members comprise the local chapter, and are as follows: Prof. Harold A. Van Kirk; David D. Baker; George R. Cameron; Edison L. Bowers; Willis D. Mathias, and Alfred G. Buehler. A feature of the chapter installation day program, was a very successful banquet, held in the evening to which all who were directly interested in forensics activities were invited. The President of the University acted as toastmaster and toasts were responded to by various members of the faculty as well as by the Chapter charter members.

This year, Heidelberg debated the question: "Resolved, that Ireland should be granted absolute independence by England." Mount Union was met in a dual debate. The Heidelberg negative won from Mount Union 3 to 0 with professors from Toledo University and Oberlin College acting as judges. At Mount Union, the veteran Heidelberg Affirmative team was conceded the debate, but two of the three judges were known to be partial and were not sanctioned by Heidelberg, so in the judges decision, the vote was 2 to 1 against Heidelberg. Dual debates were also scheduled with Oberlin and Findlay; and a triangular with Oberlin and Wooster, but these all were cancelled due to the fact, that those schools finally decided to debate the question of "Government Ownership of Coal Mines", which was exceedingly popular this season in this state.

Willis Mathias, one of our charter members, after having won the local oratorical contest, represented Heidelberg in the State Contest and brought the first honor to the local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta.

The pledge ceremony for the new members of the local chapter is to be held soon, and the initiation will take place about May 10th. Plans are under way to receive into honorary membership, several members of the faculty, who are much interested in forensics. An honorary chapter is in the process of formation, and already, many old debaters have signified their intention of joining.

At this time Heidelberg has high hopes of sending a debate team to next year's biennial National Pi Kappa Delta Convention, staging debates with Pi Kappa Delta schools while enroute.

MINNESOTA ALPHA

Minnesota Alpha was installed and organized at Macalaster College of St. Paul, March 23, by Dr. J. C. Hazzard, formerly of South Dakota Alpha and debate coach at Dakota Wesleyan University, now of Macalaster. He was assisted by W. C. Timmons, Kansas Delta, Leland D. Case, formerly South Dakota Alpha, and Harlyn Nygaard.

After a formal banquet and the installation at Hotel Leamington, Minneapolis, the following were initiated into membership: President E. A. Bess, honorary; Prof. Glenn Clark, order of instruction; William Clark, Albert Beltman, Harly Hazard, Ward Grey, Edward Evans, order of debate; George Jensen, alumnus, order of debate; and Miss Grace Guilford, order of oratory. These with Dr. Hazard and Leland Case, who have transferred from South Dakota Alpha, make some twelve members. Leland Case was elected Cancellarius, Miss Guilford, Malleatorius, and Ward Grey, Triangularius.

While Macalaster has always taken a prominent part in Minnesota forensic work, and under the sponsorship of Prof. Glenn Clark has inaugurated extemporaneous contests in high schools and colleges, yet no old debaters, no orators, and only one extemporaneous speaker, Miss Guilford, returned this year. However Hazard and Case, new Macal man, had both debated intercollegiate for Grinnell and Dakota Wesleyan, respectively. Professor Clark, who had previously had entire charge of forenices turned his attention to oratorical and extemporaneous work, while Doctor Hazzard assumed charge of debate.

On March 11, a negative team composed of Clark (capt.) Beltman, and Hazard, won in an independent contest over a trio from Northland College, Ashland, Wis., the question being on further restriction of European immigration. Using the
same question, Macalaster, as a member of the St. Olaf-Ripon-Macalaster triangular, sent an affirmative team to St. Olaf, March 17. This team, Case, (capt.), Evans, Grey, lost. The negative team was to have met Ripon at St. Paul the same night, but owing to the non-appearance of two judges, the contest was not held.

In oratory, Leland Case, representing Macalaster, won third place in the Minnesota Old Line. An I. C. A. contest promises to materialize, and Macalaster will be represented there. Extemporaneous contests with the University of North Dakota and Hamline University have been scheduled for this month. The team to meet North Dakota is composed of the two debate teams, and the Hamline team will soon be selected.

Pi Kappa Delta at Mac fills a long felt want, and already has given forensics a boost. Next year, with all of this year’s debaters and coach back, and interest revived, Macalaster will probably take on a heavy schedule using both men and women teams.

WARD GREY, Triangularius.

KANSAS THETA

The installation ceremony was held on the evening of April 20, at the home of Dr. J. H. Bowers. After the initiation of Pres. W. A. Brandenburg, Dr. O. P. Delling, Dr. J. H. Bowers, Prof. O. F. Grubbs, Clayton Montgomery, Copeland Bowers, Alva Gilbert, Thelma Fowler, Mary Billy Cline, Maude Laney, Opal More, Logan Anderson, Zoe McGonagle, Agnes Crow and Helen Carleton, a four course banquet was spread. Prof. Frank Dobrovolny of the South Dakota Alpha chapter assisted in the ceremony. Our four debates this year were as follows: Hays Normal, won 3-0; Simpson College, won 2-1; two debates with Southwestern College resulted in winning one, 2-1 and losing one, 2-1. Application has been made to enter the Kansas Debating League next year.

Fraternally yours,
J. R. PELSMAN.

SOUTH CAROLINA ALPHA

The South Carolina Alpha chapter of Pi Kappa Delta was organized in June, 1920, by G. E. Parrott; but it has not been formally installed.

At the beginning of the school year for 1921 the following persons were members of the organization:

Prof. D. D. Wallace, Prof. W. L. Pugh, instructors in debate and public speaking; A. S. King, T. J. Gasque, G. L. Ford, and R. M. Nabers, graduate members; G. E. Parrott, C. I. Nesbitt and B. H. Womack, active members. There are thirteen more who will be taken in about commencement time.

During this year we have had the following forensic events: Feb. 11, dual debate between Wofford and Erskine college on the proposition: “Resolved, That the United States should adopt the League of Nations as embodied in the Treaty with the Senate Reservations.”; Feb. 22, Oratorical Contest; April 8, Annual Triangular Debate between Wofford-Newberry-Presbyterian Colleges, both sides of the question being won by Wofford. The question for debate was: “Resolved, That all immigration into the U. S. for the next five years should be prohibited by law.” This is the oldest forensic league in South Carolina. April 11, Annual Sophomore Oratorical Contest; April 13, Wofford-Carolina Freshman Debate; April 15, State Oratorical Contest; April 19, Wofford-Newberry-Presbyterian Triangular Freshman Debate; May 9, Freshman Declamation Contest.

At Wofford every student who represents the college in an intercollegiate debate is eligible to wear an Old English “W”, providing that he was a member of a winning team. Beginning next year the local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta will give a gold medal to the best all round debater.

Prospects in both oratory and debate for next year are very bright. With a number of experienced debaters to pick from, Wofford hopes to put out some strong teams.

The Wofford chapter will be installed on April 30th, by G. E. Parrott, who was appointed as the representative of E. A. Vaughan, National Committeeman, according to the authority granted him by the National President. The obligations of Membership of Pi Kappa Delta was administered to G. E. Parrott by E. A. Vaughan on April 16, at Birmingham, Ala.

Fraternally,
G. E. PARROTT, President.

ILLINOIS DELTA (Elect)

Pi Kappa Delta’s first year at Bradley Polytechnic Institute has indeed been a
most auspicious one. It is no exaggeration to state that there has been more interest in all forms of public speaking than has been the case, at least, within the last five years. While this has not all been due to the chapter, it is safe to say that a large measure of the interest has been the result of the coming of Pi Kappa Delta. This is especially true in regard to debating.

In a school of the nature of Bradley, forensic work is not always easy to keep up; but this is what we have been able to do this year. We shall have taken part in four intercollegiate debates. To date we have bowed to Carthage and Eureka by two to one decisions, and have defeated James Milliken university by a unanimous decision. We have yet to meet them with our affirmative team. Four of our six debaters will return to Bradley next year, all having engaged in two or more contests; so we have every reason to look forward to a most successful 1921-1922.

In oratory we have been fortunate. After a lapse of about four years our annual oratorical contest has been revived. The Peoria University of Chicago Club has decided to endow the contest to the extent of $50.00 in cash prizes each year. The finals are to be held in connection with our Commencement.

So, while we have much yet to accomplish, we feel that we have already done much. At this writing we are awaiting the delegation from Eureka which is to install our chapter.

W. R. MARVIN.

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MICHIGAN BETA (Elect)

As the Michigan Beta chapter of Pi Kappa Delta is not as yet officially installed, we had been wondering whether or not it would be proper for us to send in a chapter letter to the “Forensic”.

To date there have been three meetings, one for the purpose of electing officers, and the other two for the purpose of taking up other business that came up in connection with our petition. There are at the present six members. There are in the college two more that are eligible to membership. They are the winners of the local men’s and women’s oratorical contests respectively. They are also the people that represented the college in the Michigan Inter-collegiate Oratorical Contest. At the end of the present month the Triangular Debate will have taken place and there will be seven more eligible, six in debate and one in instruction.

The faculty are considering the advisability of disbanding the college Oratorical Association and giving entire charge of all local college debating and oratory to the local chapter after it is chartered as it will insure more interest and attention to detail by those most naturally interested.

From the foregoing it may be seen that in the brief time that we have been recognized as a local chapter we have done a little constructive work in the line that will do the greatest future good.

We are pleased to be among the elect and hope that Pi Kappa Delta will have cause to feel proud of its new chapter.

Sincerely yours,

ALBERT R. H. JANZEN, President.

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OKLAHOMA ALPHA

Pi Kappa Delta matters have been running on low with Oklahoma Alpha because of the fact that we have been “sheep without a shepherd.” Professor J. R. Pelsma resigned suddenly last September, and his successor, D. T. Martin, has only recently come to fill the vacancy. We are consequently hoping to shift gears soon and go on high.

In our recent debate with Simpson College of Indianola, Iowa, on the question, “Resolved that the Federal Government Should Adopt the Principles of the Kansas Law for the Settlement of Labor Disputes in Public Utilities,” Simpson got away with the long end of a split decision.

In the recent oratorical contest to choose representatives for the Interstate Oratorical Association, Mr. L. R. McDonald won first place with his oration on “Immigration.” The Interstate Patriotic Association Contest is to be held April 28.

Our new Professor D. T. Martin has not yet entered into the mysteries of Pi Kappa Delta but will be initiated in the latter part of the month. He is a native of Virginia, a graduate of Emsley and Henry College of that State, and the Byron W. King School of Oratory, Pittsburg, Pa.

HILTON IRA JONES, Vice-president.

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NEBRASKA BETA

The Cotner Chapter of the Pi Kappa Delta has been active this year in promoting the forensic activities of the school.
As to the Chapter, we are planning an impressive installation service at which time four new members will be initiated. We are planning a banquet for this occasion. We are also planning to meet with one of the other colleges of the state for a Pi Kappa Delta banquet.

It is in the mind of the Coach of Debating to have Pi Kappa Delta promote the organization of a debating society which will serve for its purpose the training of students in parliamentary law and debating.

As to our forenecs this year, we have had a successful season. We have engaged in eight debates, winning seven. Cotner defeated Wesleyan University in their annual Oratorical Contest. The Cotner team was composed of Marvin Schaffer, Barton Johnson and Ray Bradley.

In debating Cotner has engaged in three dual debates. In the York College contest, Cotner divided honors. In the debates with Doane College and Wesleyan University, Cotner won unanimous decisions. The affirmative team is composed of Richard McCann, Barton Johnson, and George Robb. The negative team is composed of Marvin Schaffer, Floyd Leavitt and Ray Bradley. On April 7th Cotner defeated Colorado College by unanimous decision.

The question for debate in the state league of Nebraska is: “Resolved that Japanese immigrants be admitted to the United States on the same basis as immigrants from Europe.”

S. R. BRADLEY.

SOUTH DAKOTA GAMMA

Yankton College boasts four victories out of six intercollegiate debates engaged in this year, as well as winning the state oratorical contest. The first intercollegiate debate of the season was the Women’s South Dakota Pentanglars, in which State College, Sioux Falls, Huron, Dakota Wesleyan and Yankton engaged.

The question was, Resolved: That the South Dakota Schools be consolidated under the present school consolidation law. The Yankton affirmative, Amy Brown, Daisy Bowyer and Minnie Scheld defeated Sioux Falls College at Sioux Falls. The Yankton negative, Fern Parsons, Elizabeth McMurtry and Ealsa White, won from the Dakota Wesleyan team on the home platform.

Yankton split even in the men’s pentangular debates, in which the same schools participated. The question was: Resolved: That the sections of the South Dakota constitution relating to the Initiative and Referendum as applying to state measures should be repealed. The affirmative, Arthur Wilson, Edwin Fitch and Dewey Hall, won from Huron at Huron. The negative, Maurice Lynott, Hobart Dawson, and Lewis Morrison, lost to State College on the home platform. All but Dawson were members of Pi Kappa Delta and Hall, by being on the winning team, achieved Special Distinction.

The last intercollegiate debates were the Freshman dual debates between Dakota Wesleyan and Yankton, tried for the first time this year. The question was, Resolved: That Congress should enact legislation restricting Immigration for two years to immediate family members of those already here. The affirmative Lavinia Schaeffer, Daisy Bowyer and Paul de la Porte, lost at Wesleyan. The negative, Kenneth McKeen, Herbert Waltner and Jennie Van Horn won on the home floor.

The State Oratorical Contest was held at Yankton this year and was won by Arthur M. Wilson, Jr., member of Pi Kappa Delta of the Yankton South Dakota Gamma chapter. Wilson failed to qualify in the first half of the contestants at the Western Divisional Inter-State Contest held at Grand Forks, N. D., April 8.

The one judge system has been used throughout the forensic events this year with a good success. As a result of these debates twelve new members are eligible to Pi Kappa Delta and all have signified intentions of applying for membership.

NEWS NOTES

The Paul Extemporaneous Speaking Contest was held at Macalester College, Saint Paul, on Thursday, April twenty-first. Of the nine who took part, six were members of Pi Kappa Delta. William Clark won first place, Leland Case, second place, and Miss Tillie Jones, third place. The prizes of $30, $15, and $5 respectively, were awarded by Reverend Mr. Paul of the Union City Mission, Minneapolis. This contest is an annual affair, and from those
participating are to be picked teams which will meet Hamline University and the University of North Dakota on the fifth of May, and the twenty-ninth of April, respectively. The extemporaneous forensic work at Macalester is coached by Prof. Glenn Clark.

Dr. J. C. Hazzard, formerly of South Dakota Alpha, now of Minnesota Alpha, has been judging several debates in Minnesota this season. A recent contest, in which he was a judge, was between the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota. Dr. Hazzard is professor of Latin at Macalester College, and has several college text books to his credit. A new edition of Browning’s poems by him for use of high schools, published by Allyn and Bacon, will soon be put on sale.

The last issue of the Intercollegiate News Service corrects a statement made previously that the recent debate between the University and University of British Columbia was the first international university debate participated in by United States Students. It seems that in 1908 and 1909, Bates College, Maine, met Queen’s College, Ontario. The 1908 debate was in all probability the first international debate. Since then N. Dakota colleges have met the colleges of Manitoba.

To Miss Grace Guilford of Macalester College, belongs the honor of being the first co-ed member of Pi Kappa Delta in the state of Minnesota. She has taken a prominent part in extemporaneous contests and as a senior, and is known as one of the most popular co-eds in that institution. She is president of the Philotian Society, on the Y. W. Cabinet, President of the Women’s Inter-society Council, and Malleatorius of Minnesota Alpha.

Dr. Frank E. Mossman, president of Morningside College, and a staunch member of Pi Kappa Delta in that institution, and formerly in Southwestern College, Kansas, has been honored by election to the presidency of the Iowa College Presidents’ Association. Not long before, Dr. Mossmon read an able paper on Freshman Problems before the national association of presidents of Methodist Episcopal colleges and universities.

Dr. E. A. Bess, President of Macalester College, and a member of Minnesota Alpha, is engaged in the writing of a book on vocational guidance, for use in schools. Doctor Bess is one of the outstanding vocational experts of the United States. Previous to his accepting of the position as President of Macalester, he was special vocational guidance expert at the University of Iowa, where he served several years.

Annual state contests for the Minnesota Extemporaneous and Discussion League of High Schools, are held at Macalester College, Saint Paul. These organizations were started by Prof. Glenn Clark six years ago. They have come to occupy a prominent place in Minnesota high school forensics, and competition is very keen. Appropriate trophies are awarded to the winning contestants and schools.

Milton Eisenhower was the representative of the Kansas State Agricultural College in the Missouri Valley Oratorical Contest which was held on April 8 at Columbus, Mo. Nine valley schools were represented. They were University of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Iowa State College, Grinnell, Drake, K. S. A. C., and Washington University. Mr. Eisenhower placed first.

The Extension Committee of the Y. M. C. A. at K. S. A. C. sent out recently a “Go to College” crew which visited fifteen high schools in the state in order to stimulate interest among students to attend college. Pi Kappa Delta men were prominent in the group composing the crew. At each point a program consisting of music, talks, and readings was given.
Two of the graduate members of Minnesota Alpha are coaching debate in other institutions. George Jensen occupies that position at Bethel Academy, Saint Paul, Minn., and G. Rowland Collins fills a similar position at New York University. Mr. Collins very successfully coached forensics at Shattuck Military Academy, Fairbault, Minn., last year.

Professor Dennis, debate coach of Simpson College, was recently elected first president of the State Dramatic Teachers' Association. This body met at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, at the time of the girls' oratorical contest. In this contest State Teachers' College ranked first, Morningside second and Parsons third.

Dr. J. G. Emerson, head of the department of Public Speaking at K. S. A. C., has been given a six months' leave of absence on account of ill health. His place will be filled by Dr. Howard T. Hill, a graduate of Iowa State College, student of the Harvard Law School, and J. D. of the University of Chicago.

Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion," staged by the California Alpha chapter, was declared the best play in the history of the University of Redlands. The chapter presented this play in order to raise funds to send its debate team to Arizona to meet the University of that State.

The All Fools' number of the Industrial Collegian of the South Dakota State College has a scandalous article entitled "Phi Kappa Delta President Ostracised from the Dormitory" and purporting to narrate the misdeeds of George B. Vold of South Dakota Delta.

Maurice Backer of Missouri Alpha and J. W. Barger of Kansas Gamma were elected presidents of their respective Y. M. C. A.'s for next year. Paul Swisher of Colorado Alpha was elected President of the Senior Class of the Colorado Aggies for next year.

Professor Chas. A. Marsh, our National Secretary, has been given a six months' leave of absence from Morningside College. We are glad to say that he is rapidly improving and that he was able to make the trip with his team to the Pacific Coast.

The Kansas State Agricultural College has a society known as the Forum to which all persons participating in debate tryouts are eligible. This society sustains interest in forensics among those students who do not succeed in making the squads.

Francis Case, the celebrated Dakota Wesleyan debater and orator, who graduated from that institution in 1918, was recently elected president of the Graduate Club of the Liberal Arts department of Northwestern University.

In a survey recently conducted by the president of Emporia College, a larger percentage of students were found in Macalester College because of the "school spirit" than in any other similar institution.

Paul Gleason was the winner of the twenty-five dollar prize awarded the winner of the Fowler extemporaneous contest at the University of Redlands. The general topic for discussion was Immigration.

Baylor University, in addition to six intercollegiate debates, has scheduled one intercollegiate contest for the co-eds only. The opposition will be furnished by the women of Baylor College.

The Oklahoma A. & M. has a new professor of public speaking in David Terry Martin, a graduate of Emory and Henry College and of the Byron King School of Oratory at Pittsburg.
Zeta Kappa Psi, the national honorary forensic sorority, recently installed a chapter at the Kansas State Normal. The Pi Kappa Delta chapter at that institution does not admit women.

Professor W. Ross Martin, debate coach of Bradley Tech., spoke recently before the Manual Club of Peoria upon “Forceful English as Applied to Advertising and Selling.”

Miss Elvira Jones, president of Oklahoma Beta, won first place for the University of Tulsa in the Oklahoma State Oratorical held about the middle of April.

William Clark, Minnesota Alpha, is a member of the Macalester College Men’s Glee Club, which recently made a two weeks’ tour of southern Minnesota.

Sioux Falls College offered a prize of $25 for the winner of the women’s tryouts for debate on condition that ten women should participate in them.

J. O. Brown, Kansas Gamma of '21 coached a high school debate team this year which was very successful in the state contest.

Edward H. Evans, Minnesota Alpha, is managing editor of the Mac Weekly, and is on the Macalester baseball squad.

“Judicious Advertising” for March has an article by W. Ross Marvin, coach at Bradley Tech.

The Michigan Alpha chapter holds a meeting at a luncheon the first Monday of the month.

Four vocational men at the Colorado Agricultural College are pledged to Pi Kappa Delta.

Oklahoma Beta won three out of four debates in the Pentangular League.

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**EXCHANGES**

(Huron Alphomega, March 4)

The State Oratorical Association held a meeting at Yankton in conjunction with the Oratorical Contest. The seven schools who are members sent representatives and Augustana College at Sioux Falls sent a delegate to make arrangements for entering the Association next year.

Several matters of importance were acted upon. The constitution of the association was rearranged so as to accommodate both debate and oratory more specifically and several important provisions were added. The one judge system for all debates was adopted. One skilled judge will be obtained for each debate and he shall be required to analyze the question and the argument and present reasons for his decision. He will, also, be required to make a written analysis of the debate and send it to the association secretary, who will send copies to each member institution. This provision was made retroactive and will apply to the men’s debates this year. Set rules for debate in matters of time were established. The time of constructive speeches in the academy debates will be ten minutes. First and second rebuttal speeches will be five minutes and last rebuttal speeches seven minutes, in both college and academy debates. The constitution will
be reprinted as amended and sent out at the beginning of the school year.

(Peoria Journal, April 20)

The debating team of Bradley College won a unanimous decision over the team representing James Millikin University last night when the debaters discussed the question, "Resolved, That in criminal cases a commission of experts be substituted for the present jury." Judge of the debate and others who heard it are unanimous in congratulating the losing debaters, as well as the winners, for the Decatur men acquitted themselves with great honor.

It is an encouraging sign that there is a revival of interest in college debating, and it speaks well for Bradley and for the cause of higher education generally that the winners of the debate last night were recognized as college heroes—more so than many football heroes and baseball victors.

It has been reported recently that the seniors of Princeton University have been more anxious to receive honors from the athletic fraternity than from Phi Beta Kappa, the honorary scholastic fraternity. If that be true the University of Princeton has not recognized the value of study and brains. Colleges are interested in athletics and it is well that they are. It is important that they pay attention to football, baseball, track and field events, boxing and basketball. But any college is warped which allows athletics to supersede study, debating, oratory or the other subjects which depend principally upon mental training.

Those who are trying to make themselves think that athletics should hold a higher place in college life than debating and similar interests advance the theory that the great men are they who have the strongest bodies. That theory is fine except that it is not true. Men and women need all the strength and endurance that they can get. But even a casual study of the big men of the world will disclose so many Scotts, Poes, Shakespeares, Stevensons, Miltons, Wilsons, Napoleons, and others who did not have perfect health and sound bodies that the theory fails to carry.

Bradley College has taken a deep interest in those things which colleges should endorse, and debating is one of them. And it is the opinion of The Journal that a victorious college debating team will bring more real advertising and more real encouragement and practical help to a college than even a winning football team.

(Yankton Student, Feb. 24)

Decision in Mitchell-Yankton Debate February 11, 1921—Judged by Professor Paul J. Hoffman of Sioux Falls College.

Ladies and Gentlemen: When I can I advance the cause of debating in South Dakota and it was on that ground that I consented to be the sole judge of the debate tonight.

As President of the South Dakota State Oratorical Association under whose care debate in South Dakota has developed, I will offer two suggestions: First, that the matter of the Pentangular debates be referred to a State organization of the Pi Kappa Delta chapters of the Colleges;

Second: That rules regulating the debates be drawn up at the next meeting of the State Oratorical Association and recommended to the Pi Kappa Delta organization.

There are several suggestions that I wish to make with reference to the debate which we have just heard. First: All references to any of the opponents should have been definite such as "the first speaker of the nega-
tive,” “the second speaker of the affirmative,” etc. The expression ‘they say’ should not have been used at all. Second: The affirmative team would have been strengthened by more training in delivery on the part of the first speaker. Third: The negative team would have strengthened their position had they pointed out that according to the present law the newly formed consolidated district takes over the assets but does not assume the liabilities. Fourth: References to authorities by both teams were not definite enough in many instances. Fifth: Personal letters were used extensively as evidence. This is not the best evidence, but was admitted in this case because we have no rules to the contrary. Sixth: The affirmative team should have taken up all the provisions of the South Dakota Consolidation School law with the possible exception of the section that deals with bonded indebtedness.

I judged this debate on five points of comparison: (a) The interpretation of the question as given in the constructive speeches. (b) Evidence presented. (c) Delivery. (d) Organization of material including team work. (e) Rebuttal. The affirmative did not give the better interpretation in as much as they postponed consolidation to any given future date at which the people in any given territory were prepared for it. The negative construction of the question was better in that it interpreted the question to mean consolidation within a reasonable length of time. In dealing with a question definitely connected with a law the employment of the term reasonable as usually used in legal proceedings is desirable and fair.

On organization of material the two teams are equally strong, both having their materials very well organized. On the point of evidence the teams are of equal standing, though neither of them has as high standing as on the former point. The inferiority of delivery of the first speaker on the affirmative yields that point to the negative. The negative team also being superior on rebuttal and in interpretation of the question, as I have already pointed out, I render my decision in favor of the negative team.

Signed “Paul J. Hoffman.”

(Morningside Collegian Reporter, Feb. 25)

On next Tuesday evening will be held the second of Morningside’s debate series of the year. Both of our teams will meet the ancient enemy from up the Milwaukee and the Missouri—South Dakota University. A unique innovation will be tried. The debate will be held without judges and without a decision. While this is a new departure, so far as Morningside College is concerned, it has been used in a few schools in other parts of the country.

The purpose of the open forum debate is not to win a decision, but to arrive at the truth and to assist the audience to form its own decision as to the merits and demerits of the question under discussion. The desire is to bring the debate as near as possible to the natural order of discussion. After the debate is over, Thursday, people in the audience will be privileged to ask any question of the debaters which they may see fit.

This form of debating has been the iridescent dream of public instructors and debate coaches for years, but schools have lacked the nerve to put the thing into effect.

(Morningside Collegian Reporter, March 4)

A pioneer attempt at an “open forum” debate was made last night, when the University of South Dakota met Morningside’s representatives in a dual debate on the forensic platform. The contest at home was characterized
by an abundance of clash of opinion, and in several instances there was decided questioning of authority. The question discussed was, "Resolved, That the Federal Government should enact legislation embodying the principles of the Kansas Law for the settlement of disputes in public service utilities."

Immediately upon the opening of the debate it became clear that there was difficulty in the correct understanding of the bill, the two sides quoted freely from the bill to prove their various points. The charge of misrepresentation was made by the visitors. The negative team followed the so-called "straight negative" method, denying that there was any great benefit to be derived by adopting the Kansas law. They strongly upheld the present industrial order.

The affirmative insisted on debating principles rather than details.

In the informal discussion and questioning, which followed the debate, much spirited argument took place. Several people in the audience asked questions of the debaters. Members of the Sioux City Trades and Labor Council, members of the local I. W. W. organization, and others, brought up points for further enlightenment. Each side was given two minutes in which to discuss the point raised. In several cases an interesting debate ensued.

The debate was successful, although a great deal of dissatisfaction was voiced because of the fact that there was no way of deciding which side had done the better debating. The contest was well worth the work of the debaters and the time of the audience.

(Morningside Collegian Reporter)

The University of North Dakota and Macalester College, at St. Paul, will have a unique debate in April. The topic for argument will be chosen six hours before the debate. The subject is to be broad and comprehensive. Each speaker is to be limited to ten minutes. Ohio Wesleyan University has scheduled a similar debate with Princeton at Princeton, except that the two teams will have 24 hours beforehand in which to prepare.

(Kansas State Collegian, Jan. 25)

Eight students in extempore speech, who were successful in the first three rounds in the public speaking contest, will meet in the college auditorium Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock to try for one of the prizes offered by that department. Every student in the college is being urged to attend the finals and all public speaking students will be required to be present.

The semi-final contest, held Saturday afternoon, was a mighty interesting one for it meant the elimination of seven of the speakers from the various classes.

More than 250 students started in the contest. The eight speakers who have been chosen to appear tomorrow evening will now compete for the two prizes—$10 in cash for first place and $5 in cash for second place.

In order to make it interesting for the speakers at the final round, Professor Emerson and Professor Hill are trying to get a large number of students and faculty members to attend the final. It is probable that the student who places first and the one who places second will try for first place in the Valley oratorical try-out on February 18.

The extempore speeches are limited to five minutes and they cannot be memorized. The judging is based entirely on general effectiveness. At the
finals Wednesday there will be a new set of judges in order that any one of the competitors may use the same speech which was used in the semi-final.

(Colby Echo)

Last week, little Bates defeated mighty Harvard in a major activity. Her debating team triumphed over the Harvard trio, by a unanimous decision of the judges. The same week, Dartmouth was able to win from Bowdoin only by a two to one decision. Clearly, our neighbors down state are alive to the opportunities that activity in forensic circles offers.

Are we at Colby as quick to realize the benefits to be derived from inter-collegiate debating? Are we classing it as one of the most important activities in Colby? Or are we satisfied to let the other fellow do it? The triangular debate with Tufts and Clark is but a short time away. If you have any ability whatever along this line, try out for the debating teams. You not only will be doing the college a good service but also will be giving yourself valuable training for the future. Get in line! Make debating a major activity at Colby. What are YOU going to do?

(Yankton Student, Jan. 13)

The trouble is that literary has been taken out of literary societies and nothing has been substituted in its place. Nor does the editor think it practicable to attempt to revive an institution on the style of the old-time literary society. Without organized inter-collegiate forensics, without organized dramatics, deprived of these the favorite sources of program material and society interest, the old-time literary society finds its sphere of action greatly restricted. And of late years, experience shows that it is well nigh impossible to find men willing to prepare themes of a literary nature, of educational value, and deliver them to the society, and that it is certainly impossible to maintain interest with such a program.

(K. S. A. C. Collegian, March 25)

“Never can hear what the girls say in class, they always talk in a whisper or a monotone,” a senior Ag. was heard to remark with a disgusted air. “Still women want to be in politics and they can’t even recite so that a man can understand what they are talking about.”

This senior Ag. may have been a trifle deaf, but nevertheless there is a certain amount of cold hard truth in his statement. It is time for Prudy Good and Constance Brown and all of the other timid modest little maids to wake up to the fact that daily recitations offer the greatest opportunity for the development of the power of expression. And only through the power of expression can woman ever reach a plane of equal suffrage in the real sense of the meaning.

It is the duty of every college girl, whether of age or not, to develop herself to the extent that she may be able, when the time comes, to take her part in the political life of the city, county, state and union. The “indoor sport” of class room recitations offers to every co-ed in college the opportunity of learning to speak before people. To express herself in a clear straight-forward manner should be the aim of a college woman.

The time when women were supposed to be seen and not heard is long
past. Today, although men joke about the woman's lively tongue, they are invariably disgusted with the girl who cannot audibly express herself in the class room.

(Bradley Tech., April 6)

Debating takes more preparation and more real work for the least honor of any of the college activities. There is none of the keen enjoyment that is found in athletics. The men work for months preparing for one evening. It is not like baseball where the loss of one game does not really matter. A debate is over whether we lose or win. It takes real sportsmanship to listen calmly while the chairman reads the decisions of the judges in favor of the opposing side. That is the possibility facing every team.

(Kansas State Collegian, Jan. 11)

Next Friday and Saturday the Aggie debating teams, for whom there lies in store neither honor nor glory—merely work—will meet the State Normal and Ames. Will the sole college representation at this affair be on the platform?

Most of us are athletic fans and we become deeply incensed at any one who does not support the various teams. Yet the persons who give their time to debate are representing K. S. A. C. equally with those who wear the K. They deserve our support just as much, and debating as a college activity is entitled to the same loyal support that is accorded any other forms of Aggie activity. Why not acknowledge their right of support by attending the debates? We can probably learn something.

(Huron Alphomega)

Heard in a debating class: "Fellow schoolmates, I believe my arguments are all sound." Coach: "Yes, mostly sound."

(Kalamazoo College Index)

Maurice Armstrong, Managing Editor, Index, Kalamazoo College.
Dear Armie:

Well, I was wondering what had become of the Index that I ordered a few days ago when I was in Kalamazoo, but today it emerged and I was glad to find it. It is always interesting to read where those are who were my classmates last year, and know what they are doing.

I am particularly pleased to find that the Oratorical association has scheduled so many debates for the year. It makes me feel as if I would like to be back with you again, for I never engaged in any work more fascinating than forensic. If Kalamazoo can produce enough debaters to fill all positions necessary for these various teams, she certainly deserves a lot of credit. And there is no reason why it cannot be done. A man does not have to be born a debater to acquit himself creditably on the platform. Ninety-five per cent of whatever success a man attains as a debater comes from infinite labor and practice. Any man who is afraid to try cannot expect to win; nay, any man who is afraid to suffer honorable defeat must not hope for ultimate victory. He who tries and tries again, when it seems that there is little foundation for hope, is he who finally wins. The race of life is a long one, and the man who presses onward toward the goal no mat-
ter what may intervene, is he who is most sure of beating the others to the tape.

I assuredly hope that Kalamazoo may acquit herself in the best possible way in these debates; and what she does depends on the men who take the responsibility and the glory of the labor upon themselves.

Yours very truly,

MARTIN LARSEN.

(Colby Echo)

The Honor System continues to be the subject of discussion in American colleges. It has recently been adopted in the Military Department of Colorado Agricultural College, by the students of Ohio State University, Gustavus-Adolphus College, Minnesota, and Valparaiso University, Indiana. Other student bodies having the same under consideration are Bethany College, West Virginia, Coe College, Iowa, University of Michigan and Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College.

(Huron Alphomega)

The fine spirit of the students who attended the Huron-Yankton debate Friday evening deserves mention not because Huron students do not always show fine spirit at contests, but because it was more marked than usual. There was a great deal of applause and the Yankton team received as much of it as did the Huron team. Interest was keen throughout the debate and perfect attention was given. It was an easy audience to address. More important still, the Huron crowd took their defeat graciously, giving Yankton due credit.

(Morningside Collegian Reporter)

Morningside students are at heart honest. If you hadn’t believed so beforehand, you would have agreed after watching one of Professor Marsh’s public speaking classes write a final examination last year.

Just as the examination started, the professor was called out of the room. “I must be gone the rest of the examination,” he said in leaving, “and I have enough confidence in you students to know that you will not take advantage of my absence by giving or receiving help.”

And Professor Marsh’s confidence was completely justified. As far as the writer, who was a member of that class, knows, not a single pupil cheated in the examination. Of course, there was a little talking and joking which perhaps wouldn’t have gone on if the professor had been present, but not one word was mentioned of the examination questions.

Wouldn’t it be splendid if every Morningside student could say, at the conclusion of the final examinations next week, what the pupils in Professor Marsh’s class could say: “My answers represented my own knowledge. I received no aid and I did not make myself an accomplice in another’s guilt by giving aid.”

(Colorado Teachers’ College Mirror, March 4)

We are proud of our debating teams and we are proud of the interest and school spirit which brought so many out to hear the debate Thursday night. Of course, the audience could have been larger, but the enthusiasm of those
who were there made up for the empty seats of those who weren't. And we have the satisfaction of knowing that the absent ones missed a rattling good debate.

There is special glory in both our teams having won. When one side wins, people are apt to say: "Oh, well, the question was one-sided. It was easy for them to win." But when both our affirmative and negative teams win, it means that our boys are SOME debaters; it means that they are the best in the land!

THE QUESTION BOX

Ripon College has held thirteen intercollegiate debates this year and wishes to know if any college has equalled or exceeded this record during the year or in any past year. They have one debater who took part in nine intercollegiate debates this year and they want to know if this is the highest personal record.

It is the opinion of the Editor of the Forensic that these records stand—at least for a college of the number of students Ripon has. Redlands has a record of eleven debates in one year and has frequently had nine. Morning-side has had at least nine this year. If anyone disputes Ripon's record let the Editor hear about it.

Ottawa University wishes to know when and where Pi Kappa Delta was founded feeling, that a misstatement of fact occurs in the booklet put out by the Ripon chapter. The matter has been referred to Professor Nichols for answer. He says:

The first local organization to bear the name Pi Kappa Delta was organized at Ripon College by himself in the spring of 1912. The name was chosen from three suggestions made by Miss Grace Goodrich, a graduate of Ripon College. Prof. Nichols had taught at Ottawa University during the years of 1909-1911 and had already suggested to John A. Shields of Ottawa that an honorary forensic organization be undertaken there. Shields put the matter before an oratorical convention of the Kansas I. P. A. and was commissioned to cooperate with E. A. Vaughan of K. S. A. C. to prepare a constitution and get an organization under way. Nichols, Shields and Vaughan prepared the constitution. It was Jan. 1913 when it was finally satisfactory to them. It was submitted to ten men—seven besides themselves—who signed it. Each of the ten were to organize chapters to operate under the constitution. Shields organized a chapter at Ottawa which was the first to come under the constitution. Franklin of Washburn brought in the second and Krenmyre of Iowa Wesleyan the third.

The Ripon chapter was not allowed to enter, being held up by the faculty on the anti-fraternity rulings until some months later. The first keys were issued to the members of the Ottawa chapter and the National Founders.
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