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President-elect of Pi Kappa Delta
Monmouth College
Illinois Zeta
From President-elect Toussaint

We look toward the completion of our first quarter century of existence. It is fitting that as we think in retrospect, we think, too, in evaluation of Pi Kappa Delta and its contribution to speech education in this country.

A few years ago the colleges which we represent were concerned with numbers. The question most frequently asked in October was “How large is your Freshman class?” We aren’t doing that so much these days. We are asking ourselves “How good is our Freshman class? Is our curriculum adapted to the students’ needs? Are we fulfilling our objectives as colleges of higher learning?” We are thinking today in terms of quality, not quantity.

Should not Pi Kappa Delta likewise take stock of itself? I covet your counsel on ways in which we can make our order serve better the interests of the thousands of young men and women who form the important part of our membership. We have taken some significant steps in the right direction. The charter committee is no longer interested only in adding chapters, but is interested in strengthening the group by recommending for charters the best and the most active local units. The committee headed by Mr. Bohman has made a significant study of conditions within our present membership and brings to us some worthwhile recommendations which cannot fail to result in lasting good. Mr. Hopkins has begun to gather information about our graduates—what they have done and are doing that will be an inspiration and a challenge to us. The society as a whole is looking toward projects which will make our convention program serve a greater good. In all of these programs we ask your sympathetic help.

If within the next two years I can give impetus to movements from which Pi Kappa Delta will emerge a finer organization and a greater educational force, I shall feel that this administration has not marked time. I ask your cooperation to that end. I am anxious that our Silver Anniversary convention shall be marked by its fibre of competition, by a good time of fun and friendship, and by a high standard of cooperative and intelligent conduct of our business affairs. Such a convention will truly honor our founders and bring credit to ourselves.
Awarded First Place In the Amateur Hour Program

Round by round description of the Final Debate in the Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament held at Houston, Texas, 1936.

By ARTHUR WHITE

Good evening, Ladies and Gentlemen, here we are bringing you a word by word ring-side description of the main bout of the evening, to decide the champion debate title of the nation. The boys are in their corners now and they look in perfect shape. These boys with their powerful mental physiques, their large, powerful sinewy jaws will certainly do a good job of murdering the King's English tonight—There seems to be some delay here — er — ah — uh — the boys are flexing their cases—preparing for action. It is a marvelous sight, Ladies and Gentlemen, to see these boys with their well developed larynges, tuning up their vocal cords—There seems to be some delay here still—ah, here comes the referee! —If you remember this chap he won the national years ago with that terrific one-two gutteral, and a swift cross from the left tonsil, although, if you remember, he almost lost two teeth when he let a couple of vowels slip too low on his dentsals. — Now he’s finished giving directions, to the yes-men and is crossing over to have a talk with the no-men. He’s calling them to the center of the ring now, folks!

The boys walk back to their corners, the time-keeper raises his hand and—there goes the gong! They’re at it! The Affirmative comes out slowly; both boys are cautious. The Affirmative jabs a couple of left participles, but both miss. He’s walking slowly back and
forth on the platform, taking no chances of leaving an opening. Wow! He swings a terrific wallop at the major premise of his "worthy opponent," but the Negative blocks it with a beautiful reductio ad absurdum. Say, those boys on the negative are clever. Now the Negative has the Affirmative backed into a dilemma and is pounding his ego with a terrific argumentum ad hominem. Looks like the Affirmative case is beginning to crack,—but no, not yet—oh! What a beautiful piece of work! The Affirmative comes right back and lands a terrific declarative sentence straight from his Adam's apple; it went right through the Negative defense and smashed its basic hypothesis. Indignation is spurtting from their eyes; their faces are smeared with consternation. Oh what a battle! They're groggy, the Negative, the Negative is groggy—it looks like the Negative is going down—no, there goes the gong. The Negative is saved!

Ladies and Gentlemen, these boys have set a terrific pace; they can't keep this up very long... There are quite a number of notables here this evening to witness this fight—over here on the left is the President of Pi Kappa Delta, maybe we can get him to say a few words, yes, here he comes right now—no, he is not coming, he declines, he declines to say anything, Ladies and Gentlemen, but he does say that he has never seen any of the boys handle their phonetics so artistically. Now to get back to the fight. This looks like it is going to be a great round, folks; the Negative is working on the favor of the judges with its well-known audience appeal. You should see those flowing four-in-hand ties, folks, and those pin-stripe suits. And, what I mean is, these boys certainly are flashing color.

Now the round is about to start, folks, the seconds have wiped away all the indignation, consternation, and verbal debris. Man, oh man, these boys can really throw it around! The crowd is tense, expectant. There goes the gong! They're at it again! The Negative comes out more quickly this time—Oh, oh, he is trying to work the Affirmative into another dilemma, but the Affirmative comes back with one, two, three, four deflating adjectives, and every one lands heavily on the Negative's tympanic membrane. He staggers back, the Negative is staggering—he's having trouble with his trachea—his resonance is terrible. He seems to be suffering from acute asthma and cerebral dissociation. He is sinking back onto his argumentum ad misericordiam (which incidentally to you, Ladies and Gentlemen, is an appeal to sympathy); his sense of relevancy and irrelevancy is gone. He seems to be losing track of reality. But he's game, he's coming back now—he is standing sluggishly on his two minor premises, he throws a long, looping broad statement, entirely unscientific, which fails to land.—But oh, what a blow! The Negative crosses with a
dangling participle which completely upsets the Affirmative’s sense of finesse and brings forth boos from the crowd as it notes this gross syntactical error. The referee warns the Negative that the blow was outside the context. Objection sustained. The Negative merely clears his throat and drives home one, two, three similes and brings up a hyperbole clear from his knees. What a blow! It lands flush on the point of the articulator and drives the Affirmative back on its major contention, but the Affirmative is game—oh, oh, it is almost all over, Ladies and Gentlemen, the Affirmative’s statements are becoming dogmatic, rheumatic, phlegmatic—he’s in an alliterative state. He tries to dodge the issue. They’re in a clinch—and there’s the gong! Boy, oh boy, what a close shave! And what a fight this is!

And now the seconds are working hectically over their men—the boys are tired. They have put up a magnificent battle here this evening; how much longer they can go on depends on their vocabularies. They’ve thrown everything here tonight but periods and commas; there have been a great many pauses and dashes. You should be here, folks, to witness one of the most thrilling spectacles in the sport of forensics! There’s something about the thrill of hearing these word-pushers blating blasphemous, black, blasting blarney—but back to the fight again—

There goes the gong! The boys are coming out fast for this round of rebuttal, throwing facts right from the gong. They’re slashing viciously at each other’s contentions. Now the Negative’s cutting loose for all it’s worth, pounding blow after blow. There’s a right fact, a left fact, a right, a left, Oh, what a sight! The Affirmative desperately sets itself and swings a wild analogy; it misses the point, the Affirmative is wide open! The Negative steps in, feints with a faded metaphor, and cuts loose with a phonetic display of dialectic logic. His appeal is sensational. The Affirmative is desperate,—groggy—it frantically tries to re-establish its case, but it is sinking, and Oh! what a blow! The crowd has become a screaming bedlam as the Negative smashes the Affirmative with a subjunctive clause that has the effect of a disjunctive phrase. He’s down, Ladies and Gentlemen, and there goes the referee— — — seven, eight, nine, ten—it’s all over, friends, the Negative wins! The referee is upholding the Negative’s gesture. A new champion is born today. It’s all over and we have a new champion . . . . Just a minute and we’ll see if we can get him to say a few words—here he is—

(The Negative, puffing, speaks in a tired nasal voice) “Unaccustomed as I am to public speaking, I’d like to say, ‘Hello, Mom’.”
Men's Debate

Resolved: That Congress should have the power to override, by a two-thirds majority vote, decisions of the Supreme Court declaring acts of Congress unconstitutional.

The college listed first had the affirmative.

ROUND ONE

SAINT THOMAS DEBATE TEAM

Messrs. Robert Sheran, Abraham Kaplan, and Owen P. McElmeel, coach, College of St. Thomas, Minnesota Epsilon, first in debate. This is Prof. McElmeel's second national triumph in debate. Gustavus Adolphus has also won two championships. These two schools have carried four out of the six debate championships back to Minnesota. Sheran debated in the semi-finals at Lexington. Kaplan was not initiated into the society until after his victory at Houston. He was a junior college national champion.

Aberdeen . . . . . W
Kentucky Wesleyan L
Franklin . . . . . W
Macomb . . . . . L
Park . . . . . L
Oklahoma Baptist . W
Drake . . . . . L
Marietta . . . . . W
Central (Mo.) . . . . L
Puerto Rico . . . . W
Parsons . . . . . W
Flagstaff . . . . . L
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Ozarks . . . . . L
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Louisiana College . W
Westminster . . . . L
South Dakota State W
Maryville (Mo.) . . . . W
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Nebraska Wesleyan L
Battle Creek . . . . W
North Central . . . . L
Concordia . . . . . W

N. Carolina State . W
Heidelberg . . . . L
Ripon . . . . . L
Centenary . . . . W
Monmouth . . . . W
Illinois Wesleyan . L
William Jewell . . . . L
Illinois State Nor. . W
Wheaton . . . . . L
Madison . . . . . W
Greeley State . . . . W
Georgetown . . . . L

PI KAPPA DELTA
| Intermountain . | Huron . | Texas Christian . | W |
| Kalamazoo . | Ottawa . | Col. of Pacific . | L |
| Millsaps . | Sioux Falls . | Denton . | W |
| Baker . | Tulsa . | Mississippi State . | L |
| Ada . | Hamline . | Hardin-Simmons . | L |
| Penn . | College of Emporia . | Pittsburg . | W |
| Eureka . | Colorado State . | Western Union . | L |
| Redlands . | Dakota Wesleyan . | Augustana (Ill.) . | W |
| Gunnison . | Wake Forest . | Baylor . | W |
| Emporia Teachers . | Fort Hays . | Coe . | L |
| Rollins . | Kansas Wesleyan . | Southwest Texas . | L |
| Alva . | Doane . | Yankton . | L |
| Augusta (S. D.) . | Washburn . | Transylvania . | W |
| Morningside . | Maryville (Tenn.) . | Durant . | W |
| Kearney . | Bethany . | Southwestern . | L |
| Sam Houston . | Trinity . | Edmond . | W |
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| Missouri Valley . | Howard Payne . | Stephen F. Austin . | L |
| College of Idaho . | | | |
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**ROUND TWO**

| Bethany . | Ottawa . | St. Thomas . | L |
| Illinois Wesleyan . | Trinity . | Southwestern (Tex.) . | L |
| Cape Girardeau . | Emporia Teachers . | Southwestern (Kas.) . | L |
| Greeley State . | Howard Payne . | Yankton . | W |
| Fort Hays . | Hastings . | Kent State . | L |
| Wheaton . | Texas Christian . | Durant . | W |
| Dakota Wesleyan . | Augustana (S. D.) . | Caltec . | L |
| College of Emporia . | Kearney . | Transylvania . | L |
| Monmouth . | Hardin-Simmons . | Stephen F. Austin . | W |
| Tulsa . | Gustavus Adolphus . | Bowling Green . | L |
| Ripon . | Western Union . | Maryville (Mo.) . | W |
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Augustana (Ill.)...L  Henderson....L  Illinois State Nor...L  Nebraska Wesleyan. W
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Pittsburg.........L  Battle Creek...L  Georgetown......L  Intermountain....W
Culver-Stockton....W  Colorado State..W  Kentucky Wesleyan L  Millsaps........W
Mississippi State...L  Concordia.....W  Macomb.........L  Ada...............W
Parsons..........W

J. W. Bruner, Baylor University, Texas Iota, second in debate. Senior from Chickasha, Oklahoma. Economics major. He and his colleague have won first in six major debate tournaments, and second in three others.

College of Pacific . L
Central (Mo.) ... W
De Kalb ....... W
Drake ......... L
SW. Louisiana Ins . L
Park .......... W
Michigan State . W
Huron ......... L

Paul Geren, Baylor University, Texas Iota, second in debate. Junior. Speech major. Home, Eldorado, Arkansas. In addition to their debate honors, he and his colleague have each won first in four oratorical contests.

Puerto Rico .... W
Rollins ....... L
Marietta .... W
Western State .. L
Oklahoma Baptist W
Eureka ........ L

Round Three

Franklin .... L  Illinois Wesleyan . W  Greeley State .... L
Penn ........ W  Baker .......... L  Kalamazoo .... W

Hiedelberg ..... L  Central (Iowa) .. W
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William Jewell ...... L  Parsons ...... L
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Eureka ...... L  SW. Louisiana Ins. ...... W
Yankton ...... W  Kent State ...... L
Durant ...... L  Caltec ...... W
Edmond ...... W  Transylvania ...... L

Ralph Fjelstad, G. S. Hauge, coach, and Burton Smith, Concordia College, Minnesota Zeta, tied for third in debate. Concordia was granted a chapter, 1934. This is its first tournament and the first year of coaching for its coach. Both the debaters are juniors majoring in social science.
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ROUND SIX

Macalester ... W Stephen F. Austin ... W
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Aberdeen ... W Cape Girardeau ... L
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SW. Louisiana Ins. W Rollins ... W
De Kalb ... W Commerce ... L
College of Pacific ... W Simpson ... L
Mississippi State ... L Nebraska Wesleyan W
Pittsburg ... W North Central ... L
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| Kentucky Wesleyan | L | Toledo | L | Redlands | W |
| Missouri Valley | W | Maryville (Tenn.) | W | No. Carolina State | L |
| Macomb | W | Michigan State | L | | |
| College of Idaho | L | Trinity | W | | |
| Oklahoma Baptist | W | St. Olaf | W | | |
| Huron | L | Howard Payne | L | | |

**ROUND SEVEN**

| St. Olaf | L | Alva | W | Edmond | L |
| Kearney | W | Cape Girardeau | L | St. Thomas | W |
| Monmouth | L | Maryville (Tenn.) | W | Redlands | W |
| Emporia Teachers | W | Aberdeen | L | Pittsburg | L |
| Gustavus Adolphus | W | Parsons | L | Marietta | W |
| Kalamazoo | L | Tulsa | W | Augustana (S. D.) | L |
| Baylor | W | Concordia | W | | |
| Oklahoma Baptist | L | Washburn | L | | |

**ROUND EIGHT**

| Kearney | L | Oklahoma Baptist | L | Monmouth | W |
| Baylor | W | Redlands | W | St. Olaf | L |
| Emporia Teachers | W | Tulsa | L | Concordia | | |
| Gustavus Adolphus | L | Maryville (Tenn.) | W | Bye | |
| Kalamazoo | L | St. Thomas | W | | |
| Marietta | W | Alva | L | | |
State Teachers of Emporia, Kansas Zeta, tied for third in debate. Wayne Britton, Coach George R. R. Pflaum, and Mont Hilleary. Debate champions of Kansas for three years, first as junior college representatives, and for two years as champions in the senior college field. Hilleary has also been extempore champion for three years. They also claim the distinction for speaking to one of the largest audiences to attend a college debate in recent years. Twelve hundred people attended their debate with the University of Minnesota. They were the team to go longest undefeated in the men's tournament, not dropping a contest until the ninth round.

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Resolved: That Congress should have the power to override, by a two-thirds majority vote, decisions of the Supreme Court declaring laws passed by Congress unconstitutional.

**ROUND ONE**

SW. Louisiana Ins. L  
Morningside . . . W

Maryville (Mo.) . . L  
Augustana (S. D.) . W

Oklahoma City . . L  
De Kalb . . . . W

Bethany . . . . W  
Western State . . L

Park . . . . W  
Sioux Falls . . . L

Concordia . . . W  
Intermountain Union L

Ottawa . . . . L  
Illinois State Nor. . W

Baylor . . . . W  
Carroll . . . . L

Central (Iowa) . . L  
Franklin . . . W

Warrensburg . . W  
Michigan State . . L

Emporia Teachers . W  
Nebraska Wesleyan . L

Durant . . . . L  
South Dakota State W

Ouachita . . . . L  
Wheaton . . . W

Mary Hardin-Baylor L  
Linfield . . . W

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**BAYLOR WOMEN'S DEBATE TEAM**

Misses Helen Harris and Helen Neeley, Baylor University, Texas Iota, first in women's debate. Miss Harris is a freshman from Waco, Texas. Miss Neeley is a junior from Oklahoma City. Miss Harris was Texas high school debate champion. Her colleague is a speech major. They have also won first in two other tournaments this year.

Edmond . . . . W  
Fort Hays . . . . L

Kent State . . . . L  
De Paul . . . . W

Gustavus Adolphus . L  
Ada . . . . W

Madison . . . . W  
Battle Creek . . . L

Southwestern . . L  
Central (Missouri) W

Greeley State . . W  
Yankton . . . . L

William Jewell . . L  
Macalester . . . L

Redlands . . . . W  
Doane . . . . W

Simpson . . . . L  
Pittsburg . . . W

Ozarks . . . . W  
Col. of Pacific . . L
Kansas Wesleyan . W
Maryville (Tenn.) . L
Parsons . . . . . . W
Colorado State . . L
Louisiana College . W
Dakota Wesleyan . L
Culver Stockton . . L
Heidelberg . . . . W

Sterling . . . . . . . L
Augustana (Ill.) . W
Hastings . . . . . . W
Denton . . . . . . . W
Aberdeen . . . . . . L
Kirksville . . . . . . L
Alva . . . . . . . . W
Tusculum . . . . . . L
Alabama College . W
Drake . . . . . . . . W
Macomb . . . . . . . L

ROUND TWO

Macomb . . . . . . L
Edmond . . . . . . W
Kent State . . . . W
Gustavus Adolphus L
Madison . . . . . . W
Southwestern . . L
Greeley State . . W
William Jewell . . L
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Fort Hays . . . . . W
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Battle Creek . . L
Central (Mo.) . W
Yankton . . . . . . W
Macalester . . . . L
Doane . . . . . . . L
Pittsburg . . . . W
Col. of Pacific . W
SW Louisiana Ins. . L
Morningside . . . W
Maryville (Mo.) . L

Augustana (S. D.) . W
Oklahoma City . . . . L
Wheaton . . . . . . L
Mary Hardin-Baylor W
De Kalb . . . . . . W
Bethany . . . . . . L
Linfield . . . . . . W
Kansas Wesleyan . L
Western State . . . W
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Sterling . . . . . . . L
Carroll . . . . . . . W
Central (Iowa) . . L
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Franklin . . . . . . L
Warrensburg . . . W
Augustana (Ill.) . L
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Michigan State . W
Emporia Teachers . L
Tusculum . . . . . . L
Col. of Emporia . W
Nebraska Wesleyan L
Durant . . . . . . . W
South Dakota State W
Hastings . . . . . . W
Ouachita . . . . . . L
Kirksville . . . . . . L
South Dakota State W
Drake . . . . . . . . W
Alabama College . L
ROUND THREE

Edmond .... L  Macalester .... L  Ottawa .... L
Alabama .... W  Battle Creek .... W  Sioux Falls .... W
Gustavus Adolphus W  Pittsburg .... L  Baylor .... W
Macomb .... L  Yankton .... W  Intermountain .... L
Southwestern .... L  SW. Louisiana Ins. W  Central (Iowa) .... W
Kent State .... W  Doane .... L  Illinois State Nor. .... L

Miss Kathryn Coons, Drake University, Iowa Mu, second in debate. She and her colleagues are eighteen year old freshmen, the first freshman team to go to a national finals. Their coach is already training them for 1938.

Miss Jane Gibson, Drake University, Iowa Mu, second in debate. She and her colleagues were undefeated until the final debate. They have debated twenty-five times this year.

"I am deeply indebted to all of the officers for managing the convention in such a fair and efficient manner that a women's team so far from home and unaccompanied by their coach could make such an excellent record. They are over-flowing with praise for the fine treatment they received."

C. C. CARROTHERS, Iow Mu.

William Jewell .... W  Maryville (Mo.) .... L
Madison .... L  Col. of Pacific .... W
Simpson .... L  Oklahoma City .... W
Greeley State .... W  Morningside .... L
Fort Hays .... L  Bethany .... L
Redlands .... W  Augustana (S. D.) .... W
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Ozarks .... L  De Kalb .... L
Central (Mo.) .... L  Concordia .... W
De Paul .... W  Western State .... L

Parsons .... W
Linfield .... L
Louisiana College .... W
Maryville (Tenn.) .... L
Culver-Stockton .... L
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Sterling .... L
Dakota Wesleyan .... W
Heidelberg .... L
Alva .... W
Augustana (Ill.) .... L
Col. of Emporia .... W
Aberdeen .... L
Kirkville .... L
Tusculum .... W
Drake .... W
Hastings .... L
ROUND FOUR

Redlands ...... L
Edmond ...... W

Ozarks ...... L
Gustavus Adolphus W

De Paul ...... L
Southwestern ...... W

Battle Creek ...... L
William Jewell ...... W

Yankton ...... Bye

Doane ...... W
Fort Hays ...... L

Col. of Pacific ...... L
Ada ...... W

Morningside ...... L
Central (Mo.) ...... W

Augustana (S. D.) W
Macalester ...... L

De Kalb ...... L
Pittsburg ...... W

Western State ...... L
SW. Louisiana Ins. ...... W

Sioux Falls ...... W
Maryville (Mo.) ...... L

Intermountain ...... L
Oklahoma City ...... W

Illinois State Nor. ...... L
Bethany ...... W

Carroll ...... L
Park ...... W

Franklin ...... L
Concordia ...... W

Michigan State ...... W
Ottawa ...... L

Nebraska Wesleyan ...... L
Baylor ...... W

South Dakota State L
Central (Iowa) ...... W

Wheaton ...... L
Warrensburg ...... W

Linfield ...... L
Emporia ...... W

Maryville (Tenn.) ...... L
Durant ...... W

Colorado State ...... L
Ouachita ...... W

Dakota Wesleyan ...... L
Mary Hardin-Baylor W

Heidelberg ...... W
Kansas Wesleyan ...... L

Augustana (Ill.) ...... L
Parsons ...... W

Aberdeen ...... W
Louisiana College ...... W

Tusculum ...... W
Culver-Stockton ...... L

Hastings ...... W
Sterling ...... L

Alabama ...... L
Denton ...... W

Alva ...... W
Kent State ...... L

Col. of Emporia ...... W
Madison ...... W

Kirksville ...... L

Greeley State ...... L
Drake ...... W

ROUND FIVE

Edmond ...... W
Greeley State ...... L

Gustavus Adolphus ...... L
Redlands ...... W

Southwestern ...... W
Ozarks ...... L

William Jewell ...... L
De Paul ...... W

Battle Creek ...... Bye

Fort Hays ...... L
Yankton ...... W

Ada ...... W
Doane ...... L

Central (Mo.) ...... L
Col. of Pacific ...... W

Macalester ...... W
Morningside ...... L

Pittsburg ...... L
Augustana (S. D.) ...... W

SW. Louisiana Ins. ...... L
De Kalb ...... W

Maryville (Mo.) ...... W
Western State ...... L

Oklahoma City ...... W
Sioux Falls ...... L

Bethany ...... W
Intermountain Un. ...... L

Park ...... L
Illinois State Nor. ...... W
Miss Bess Tisinger, North Texas State Teachers College, Texas Eta, tied for third in debate. Eighteen year old sophomore English major. Doesn't plan on public life.

Miss Helen Anglin, North Texas State Teachers College, Texas Eta, tied for third in debate. Junior Speech major. Won the provincial debate tournament last year. Plans to study law and be the first Congresswoman from Texas.

Baylor ........ W
Michigan State .. L
Central (Iowa) .. L
Nebraska Wesleyan W

Concordia ........ L
Carroll ......... W
Ottawa ........ L
Franklin ...... W
Warrensburg .... L
South Dakota State W
Emporia Teachers . W
Wheaton ....... L
Durant ........ L
Linfield ...... W

 Ouachita ........ W
Maryville (Tenn.) .. L
Mary Hardin-Baylor W
Colorado State .... L
Kansas Wesleyan . L
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Louisiana College . L
Augustana (Ill.) . W
Culver-Stockton .. L
Aberdeen ....... W
Sterling ......... L
Tusculum ...... W
Denton .......... W
Hastings ....... L
Alva ............ W
Alabama College . L
College of Emporia W
Macomb ........ L
Kirksville ...... W
Kent State ...... L
Drake .......... W
Madison ........ L

ROUND SIX

Madison ........ L
Edmond ........ W
Greeley State .. L
Gustavus Adolphus W
Redlands ........ L
Southwestern ... W
Ozarks .......... L
William Jewell . W
De Paul ......... Bye
Battle Creek .... L
Fort Hays ....... W
Yankton ....... W
Ada ............. L
Doane .......... W
Central (Mo.) ... L

Col. of Pacific .... W
Macalester ........ L
Morningside ...... L
Pittsburg .......... W
Augustana (S. D.) W
SW. Louisiana Ins. L
De Kalb .......... W
Maryville (Mo.) .. L
Miss Mary Bachman, Parsons College, Iowa Zeta, tied for third in debate. Senior, English and speech major. Plans to teach.

Miss Mary Moorhead, Parsons College, Iowa Zeta, tied for third in debate. Senior. Speech major. Plans to teach speech.

ROUND SEVEN

Baylor ........ L Edmond ........ L Drake ........ Bye
Augustana (S. D.) W Yankton ........ W
Denton ........ W Mary Hardin-Baylor L
Parsons ........ L Ada ........ W

ROUND EIGHT

Augustana (S. D.) L Yankton ........ L Ada ........ L
Drake ........ W Parsons ........ W Baylor ........ W
Denton ........ Bye
ROUND NINE

Baylor . . . . . . Bye
Parsons . . . . . . W
Augustana (S. D.) . L
Drake . . . . . . W
Denton . . . . . . L

ROUND TEN

Parsons . . . . . . L
Denton . . . . . . L
Baylor . . . . . . W
Drake . . . . . . W

FINALS

Baylor . . . . . . W
Drake . . . . . . L

ELEVENTH BIENNIAL PI KAPPA DELTA BANQUET

April 3, 1936, The Rice Hotel

Invocation .................................................................Mr. W. N. Blanton
Vocal Solo..............................................................Walter R. Jenkins
"A Few Remarks" .....................................................J. D. Coon
Address—"Leadership of Tomorrow" .........................Cameron Beck
Music.................................................................The Rice Institute Choral Club
Installation of Officers...........................................President McCarty
Presentation of Awards .............................................Provided by the Houston Chamber of Commerce
Benediction.
Women's Oratory

ROUND ONE

The numbers indicate the order in which the contestants placed, not that in which they spoke.

Group A. 1, Norma Wilson, Redlands; 2, Elizabeth Wilson, Tusculum; 3, Bernice Stier, Sioux Falls; 4, Polly Raoul, Rollins; 5, Juanita Foster, Warrensburg; 6, Helen Blakemore, East Texas; 7, Virginia Beeson, Fort Hays.

Group B. 1, Geraldine Fergen, Madison; 2, Pauline Butte, Mary Hardin-Baylor; 3, Mabel Lambert, Louisiana College; 4, Gertrude Levy, Virginia Teachers; 5, Grace Vanderpoel, Wheaton; 6, Evelyn Parrish, Yankton; 7, Irene Kuhns, Kirksville.

Group C. 1, Betty Barker, Nebraska Wesleyan; 2, Gladys Simmons, Macalester; 3, Mary Jane Kirk, Augustana, (Illinois); 4, Olive Whorley, Puget Sound; 5, Margaret Bakewell, Dakota Wesleyan; 6, Louise Crawford, Southwest Louisiana Institute.

Group D. 1, Marjorie Hinckley, Battle Creek; 2, Doreen Smith, Kent; 3, May Boren-Axton, Ada; 4, Janet Brown, Franklin; 5, Lillian Fisher, Hastings; 6, Marcella Staven, Augustana, (South Dakota).

Group E. 1, Phyllis Roberts, Aberdeen; 2, Mae Lewis, Edmond; 3, Irene Buhler, Southwestern; 4, Mary Mulkey, Linfield; 5, Maxine Martin, Simpson; 6, Dorothy Holm, Concordia; 7, Frances Couch, Hardin-Simmons.

Group F. 1, Caroline Chisholm, Baylor; 2, Mary Belle Burch, William Jewell; 3, Mary Bachman, Parsons; 4, Mary Gladys Brown,
Miss Phyllis Roberts, Northern Normal and Industrial School, South Dakota Zeta, tied for second in oratory. Nineteen year old sophomore. First in state oratory, 1936. Has a straight A average in her work to date.

Miss Geraldine Fergen, Eastern State Teachers, South Dakota Theta, third in oratory. She is vice-president of the student body. Has won first in state oratory, 1935; first in provincial oratory, 1935; first in provincial debate, 1935; and third in state extemp, 1936.

Miss Gladys Simmons, Macalester College, Minnesota Alpha, tied for second in women's oratory. Speech major, planning to teach. Participated in debate, oratory, and extemp at Houston. Winner of the women's state oratorical contest.
Maryville, (Tennessee); 5, Blanche Dabney, Howard Payne; 6, Lillian Jensen, South Dakota State.

ROUND TWO

Group A. 1, Polly Raoul, Rollins; 2, Geraldine Fergen, Madison; 3, Mary Bachman, Parsons; 4, Helen Anglin, Denton; 5, Virginia Beeson, Fort Hays; 6, Louise Crawford, Southwest Louisiana Institute; 7, Dorothy Holm, Concordia.

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FINALS

The order here is determined by the sum of the rankings in all five rounds.

1. Betty Barker, Nebraska Wesleyan University, “White Carnations.”
5. Caroline Chisholm, Baylor, “Youth Demands Peace.”
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7. Otis Aggert, Macomb; 8, Kelley Barnett; Hardin-Simmons.

FINALS

The rankings in the finals were determined by the sum of all the rankings of the judges in the five different rounds.

1. Francis N. Smith, Augustana, (South Dakota), "Around and Around They Go."
2. Paul Morreim, St. Olaf, "The Price of Integrity."
3. J. Woodrow Magnuson, Augustana, (Illinois), "Enough of This."
4. Willard Wilson, Nebraska Wesleyan, "Willard Wilson."
6. David Shirley, Ripon, "The Symphony of Life."
7. Cameron Hurst, Westminster, "Youth Bewildered."
8. Abraham Kaplan, St. Thomas, "The Phantom Caravan."
Men's Extemporaneous Speaking

Frank Rosson, Baylor University, Texas Iota, second in extempore. Sophomore from San Antonio. Speech major. Has won first in five interstate extemp contests and second in three others. Won the high school extemp state championship. Plans to study law.

Weston McIntosh, University of Redlands, California Alpha, first in extempore. Read his letter in another part of this issue. He read Aesop's fables just before coming to Houston and used them extensively in his speeches. J. D. Coon says he has been looking for a speaker like McIntosh for twenty years.

The general subject for this contest was "The Foreign Relations of the United States." The sub-topics used were: What Happened to the Kellogg-Briand Pact? Recognition of Russia—Problem in Diplomacy or Economics? America—World Leader or World Led? Isolation or Leadership; America at Versailles; America and League Sanctions; Can America Remain Neutral; Dollar Diplomacy; Immigration Laws and Foreign Relations; America at Naval Conferences; 5-5-5; Borah's Influence on the United States Foreign Policy; Honest Settlement of International Debts; Our Pacific Possessions—Asset or Liability; Invulnerable Borders—Fact or Fiction? An Anglo-American Pact—A Hope for World Peace; The Significance of a Defenseless Border; Tariff Revision for International Goodwill; The Japanese Exclusion Act—Father of Pacific Unrest; Hull's Redefinition of Pan-Americanism; An Air Force Second to None; The Abro-
gation of the Platt Amendment; British-American Oil Rivalry in Mexico; United States Foreign Service—a Field for College Men; Who Profited by the Recent Reciprocal Pact With Canada? Shall America Defend the Rights of Small Nations; Let’s Join the League of Nations; Intervention or Cooperation in Cuba; The Japanese-American War Myth; Beware of Entangling Foreign Alliances; America Watched Remilitarization of the Rhine; The Status and Effect of Our Philippine Policy; American Foreign Policy—from Wall Street or Pennsylvania Avenue; Woodrow Wilson—The Diplomatic Idealist; The United States Foreign Department as a Business Solicitor; The Smoot-Hawley Tariff and its Effect on Diplomatic Relations; Roosevelt Abandons Disarmament; Can the United States have a Fixed Foreign Policy; The United States Justifies Economic Nationalism; and six other topics given in the finals below.

The numbers indicate the order in which the contestants placed, not that in which they spoke.

ROUND ONE

Group A. 1, Franklin, James J. Pease; 2, Presbyterian, H. M. Wilson; 3, Wake Forest, George Copple; 4, Battle Creek, Lee Mallison; 5, Greeley State, Eugene Kalney; 6, Southwestern, Robert Youle; 7, Kalamazoo, Robert Beamier.

Group B. 1, Dakota Wesleyan, Franklin Stark; 2, Illinois Wesleyan, Eugene Balsley; 3, Central (Iowa), Robert Renaud; 4, Trinity, Lloyd Stowers; 5, Washburn, William Townsend; 6, Kearney Teachers, Walter Murrish; 7, Mississippi State, R. L. Dabbs; 8, Coe, John Nicholl.

Group C. 1, Louisiana College, Jack Matthews; 2, Yankton, Ivan Anderson; 3, Simpson, Glen Harlan; 4, St. Thomas, Martin Cogley; 5, Georgetown, Lewis Bratcher; 6, Eureka, Samuel Harrod; 7, Howard Payne, Elton Greenlee.

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**FINALS**

1. Redlands, Weston McIntosh, "The Good Neighbor Policy of Franklin D. Roosevelt."
3. Augustana, (South Dakota), Don Larson, "Japanese Imperialism a Threat to America."
4. Hardin-Simmons, Kelley Barnett, "Marines or Minister in Pan America."
5. Tulsa, Jackson Hays, "Let's Join the League."
7. Sioux Falls, T. Van Ausdall, "Economic Neutrality—Illusion or Reality."
Women's Extemporaneous Speaking

The general subject for this contest was, "The American Stage." Sub-topics used were as follows:

Censorship of Plays in America; The Radio as a Medium for Drama; The American Audience as a Factor in the American Theatre; The Relation of the Movies to the American Stage; The American Stage as a Field for a Career; Suggestions for Freeing American Playwriting from Commercial Dictation; Suburban America and the Legitimate Stage; Theatrical Families on the American Stage; English Actors on the American Stage; The Effect of the Little Theatre in America; The Showboat as a Factor in American Drama; Famous Producers or Managers of the 19th Century; Actors on the American Stage; The Place of Dramatics in American Education; The Social Influence of the Movies; The Relation of the Press to the American Stage; The History, Growth and Influence of the New York Theatre Guild; Drama for Children in America; European Theatre and the American; Has the American College Contributed to the American Theatre?; The Stock Company and the American Stage; Significant American Playwrights of the 20th Century; The Influence of the Star System on the American Theatre; Are the Movies Artisically Sound? Noteworthy Present Day Actors on the American Stage; Can We Reduce the Commercial Factor in American Theatres? Are the Movies a Friend or an Enemy of the Legitimate Stage? Should the Theatre Lead or Follow the Public Taste in Plays? The Road—Its Past, Present and Future; Is Present Day Drama in America Representative of American Life? David Belasco's Contribution to the American Theatre. Outstanding College
and University Theatres, and Has America Made any Contribution to the Art of the Theatre?

ROUND ONE

The numbers indicate the order in which the contestants placed, not that in which they spoke.

Group A. 1, Virginia Abbott, Illinois State Normal University; 2, Margaret Haugseth, Concordia; 3, Janet Brown, Franklin; 4, Maxine Gilmore, Southwestern; 5, Almene Perry, East Texas.

Group B. 1, Ruth Hillis, Simpson; 2, Marjorie Collins, Yankton, and Doris McGuire, Emporia Teachers, tied; 4, Della Mackenzie, Wheaton; 5, Elizabeth Moore, Mary Hardin-Baylor; 6, Betty Test, Rollins.

Group C. 7, Angela Dineen, Aberdeen; 2, Sarah Roland, Louisiana; 3, Lora Bryning, Puget Sound.

Group D. 1, Caroline Chisholm, Baylor; 2, Lillian Fisher, Hastings; 3, Brenda Batchelor, Redlands; 4, Dorothy Schlax, De Paul; 5, Grace Prewitt, William Jewell; 6, Elizabeth Wright, South Dakota State; 7, Ellen Chapin, Battle Creek.


Group F. 1, Jamie Carol White, Alva; 2, Gladys Simmons, Macalester; 3, Frances Railsback, Linfield; 4, Bernice Severson, Augustana, (South Dakota); 5, Avis Page, Colorado State; 6, Virginia Stewart, Ozarks.

Group G. 1, Hannah Johnston, Nebraska Wesleyan; 2, Cornelia MacGregor, Hamline; 3, Iola Weikland, Western State; 4, Lois Arrie, Oklahoma City; 5, Aileen Hart, Madison; 6, Roberta Howie, Maryville.

ROUND TWO

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FINALS

The order in the finals is obtained by taking the totals of all the rankings.

1. Marjorie Collins, Yankton, "The American Stage as a Field for a Career."

2. Elaine Pagel, Sioux Falls College, "David Belasco's Contribution to the American Theatre."
# WOMEN'S EXTEMPORISE SPEAKING

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5. Mary Jacoby, Warrensburg, “Can We Reduce the Commercial Factor in the American Theatre?”
7. Gladys Simmons, Macalester, “Has America made any Contribution to the Art of the Theatre?”
Convention Business Meetings


First Business Session. First Methodist Church of Houston at 8:15 A. M., Monday, March 30

The meeting was called to order by National President George McCarty. Mr. Walter Jenkins, Educational Director for the church, led the convention in singing "America the Beautiful" and then sang several songs that were much appreciated. The invocation was given by the Rev. Mr. Goodrich. Colonel Ashburne welcomed the convention on behalf of the Houston Chamber of Commerce; and Colonel Ball, Regent of the Sam Houston State Teachers College, spoke for the host college and told something of the history of his college and the state of Texas. Governor Frank E. McAnear, of the Province of the Lower Mississippi, welcomed the convention for his province. After some general announcements by a number of the national officers the session adjourned to take up the first rounds of the debate tournaments.

Second Buisness Session. Ball Room of the Rice Hotel. 9:15 A. M., Tuesday, March 31

The meeting was called to order by President McCarty. Roll call. After announcements by various committee chairmen, and Earl Huffor, local convention officer, the report of the National Secretary-Treasurer, G. W. Finley, was read, accepted, and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

To the Eleventh Biennial Convention of Pi Kappa Delta, Houston, Texas, March 29-April 3, 1936

The most important item in this report is, naturally, the financial statement. Therefore it shall come first, before the delegates here assembled have had time to settle down for the usual nap. I shall
give here merely a summary of receipts, expenditures, and amounts on hand. Detailed statements were published in The Forensic for October, 1934 and 1935. Such a statement for the current year will appear in the magazine for October, 1936. It is hoped, though not expected, that local chapter officers will check over these reports critically and report to the National Treasurer any discrepancies they may find between the published report and the records of chapter treasurer. A premium is hereby offered to any local chapter that will point out errors in the published treasurer’s report.

On hand July 1, 1933 .................. $5,230.87
Receipts during the year ............. 8,465.60

Total for 1933-34 .................. 13,696.47
Expenditures during the year ......... 6,788.89

Amount on hand July 1, 1934 ........ 6,907.58
Receipts during 1934-35 ............. 6,406.80

Total .......................... 13,314.38
Expenditures during the year ......... 6,647.87

Balance on hand July 1, 1935 ........ 6,666.51

The above figures do not mean that we have a reserve fund of over $6,500.00. This figure is the amount on hand July 1, at the time of year when there is the most money in the treasury. By the following March the amount is cut down to about $3,000, since most of our receipts come in during the months from March to July. We can safely say then that we are now carrying a reserve fund of about $3,000, a sum which should be built up to a much higher figure.

A glance over these figures and those for the years just preceding will show that for Pi Kappa Delta the bottom of the great depression, financially, came in 1932-33. During that year we ran behind nearly $1,000, in spite of the fact that expenditures were cut to the very bone. This slump brought our July balance down to the neighborhood of $5,000. During 1933-34 it jumped back up to about $6,900 and at the end of our last fiscal year it stood at $6,600, in round numbers.

You may be surprised to note that our balance is highest at the end of our national convention years. Of course during such years our expenditures are heavier than in off-convention years, but receipts are also greater and that accounts for this situation.
Two years ago we entered our national convention with 138 active chapters. Fourteen new charters were voted and two were cancelled, leaving the total at 150 active chapters. Every one of the fourteen new colleges added to our chapter roll in 1934 has turned out, so far, to be an excellent selection. All were properly installed either in the spring of 1934 or early the next fall and all have been active and wide-awake during the past two years. What these youngsters will do to the older members of our family in this convention still remains to be seen.

Two years ago in my report to the 1934 convention at Lexington, I stated that we had present representatives from 119 of our chapters. Today our records show 122 chapters represented. The total attendance at Lexington was right at 700. Our attendance here at Houston is not far from 675.

As seen from the national secretary's desk there are several things that Pi Kappa Delta needs to adopt as general policy.

1. We need to take a definite stand in favor of the extensive rather than the intensive program of forensics in all our colleges. The benefits of intercollegiate participation in forensics should be extended to as many students as possible, not concentrated upon a very few. We have in some of our chapters students who have engaged in as many as 50 different debates, while in that same college 90% of the students never get into a single one. Will anyone tell me what a student gets out of his fiftieth debate that he has not already obtained from his other 49? Such concentration is entirely unjustifiable and may well bring our whole program into disrepute.

If I am right in what I have just said, we should not "boost" our requirements for the higher degrees in our order. We already require six debates for Proficiency, twelve for Honor, and eighteen for Special Distinction. To boost these requirements even higher as we started to do in our last convention would be to encourage concentration rather than the spreading of the benefits of forensics.

2. We need to decrease the emphasis we have formerly placed upon "winning". We all agree that "participation" not "winning" is the important thing in debate. Yet we continue to laud the winner to the skies. My point is that the winner deserves his reward, but that at the same time we should be careful not to overdo the matter. In this connection I recommend definitely that we change the method of determining the rankings of our chapters in the National Convention Contest Achievement Lists. Instead of giving points to winners only, we should count two points for participation in any contest and an additional one point for a win or for placing in the upper half of that contest.
3. All our chapters should be encouraged to follow the plan adopted by our founders some twenty-three years ago and make Pi Kappa Delta a "working" rather than a "key-awarding" organization. To do this members should be taken into the group when they have met minimum requirements and then encouraged to work their way up to the higher degrees. All chapters should place more emphasis upon the attainment of these higher degrees. Keep a careful chapter roll each year in which each member has his degree recorded after his name. Elect your officers from those holding the higher degrees.

And now may I deliver my biennial sermonette from the national Secretary-Treasurer to the local chapter officers? I know you do not take it very seriously, but its delivery is a wonderful relief to me.

To all local chapter officers, including coaches and sponsors:

1. Answer promptly correspondence from national officers when such answers are called for.

2. Make every effort to get all eligible students into your organization, even if they do have financial difficulties. No chapter can hope to succeed if it has a lot of eligible students on the campus who do not belong to the order.

3. Get as many as possible of your members to purchase keys, or better still, make the key the award for successful forensic participation.

4. Make the annual initiation ceremony of Pi Kappa Delta one of the biggest events of the year on your campus. The plan of holding joint initiation ceremonies with nearby chapters is one of the best ways of making the event really significant.

5. Get your new memberships to the national headquarters as early as possible. Don't let them drag along until near or even after commencement time.

6. Get all orders for keys to the national office not later than May 1, if that is at all possible. Keys ordered later than that will probably not get back to you by commencement time, and delivering keys to students after college closes is both unsatisfactory and difficult.

Finally may I express my very real appreciation to the coaches and officers of the local chapters for their fine cooperation, in the main, during the past two years. It has been a real joy to work with you. May you receive the rewards of the faithful.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. FINLEY, National Secretary-Treasurer.
The president appointed the following nominating committee: R. E. Untereiner, California Institute of Technology; J. R. Start, Fort Hays State College; T. A. Houston, Southeastern State Teachers College, Oklahoma; Willard Wilson, Nebraska Wesleyan; J. D. Coon, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The following resolutions committee was appointed: O. P. McElmeel, College of St. Thomas; Dr. J. Thompson Baker, Southwestern College, Kansas; O. J. Drake, Michigan State; Upton Palmer, Sioux Falls College.

Adjournment.

Third Business Session. Ball Room of the Rice Hotel
9:30 A.M., April 1

Meeting called to order by President McCarty. To expedite the work of the nominating committee, the committee on constitutional revision recommended that the new constitution provide for five vice-presidents; that the office of historian be dropped, and that of Immediate-Past-President be added, this latter officer to be a regular voting member of the Council. The recommendation was adopted.

The report of the charter committee was next taken up. S. R. Toussaint, chairman, stated that the committee had received petitions from eighteen different colleges during the interim. It recommended that charters be granted to the following:

Winthrop College, Rock Hill, South Carolina.
Luther College, Decorah, Iowa.
Arizona State Teachers College, Tempe.
Wisconsin State Teachers College, River Falls.

And that a charter be granted to Louisiana State Normal College, Natchitoches, next fall if the college is restored to full standing in the Southern Association at the November meeting. If not, the petition is to be considered rejected by this convention.

The committee's report was accepted. Other members of the charter committee were: Charles Templer, Hamline; Verton M. Queener, Maryville, Tennessee; R. D. Mahaffey, Linfield.

R. E. Untereiner reported the following officers as nominated by the committee: President, S. R. Toussaint; First Vice-President, W. V. O'Connell; Second Vice-President, W. Prewitt Ewing; Third Vice-President, Forrest H. Rose; Fourth Vice-President, George V. Bohman; Fifth Vice-President, Earl Huffor; Secretary-Treasurer, G. W. Finley; Student Representatives, Janet Brown, Franklin; and Billy Greene, Durant Teachers. Moved that the secretary east
the unanimous ballot of the convention for these officers. Carried. Adjournment.

Fourth Business Session. Ball Room Rice Hotel
9:30 A. M., Thursday, April 2

Meeting called to order by President McCarty. Roll Call. The Forensic committee made the following report:

We, your Forensic committee, offer the following suggestions for the magazine:

First, that the policy of printing locals be continued;

Second, that more student pictures—not coaches—be printed and that pictures of students be sent to the editor;

Third, that each chapter report speech activities, and chapter activities for each issue;

Fourth, that the use of quotations on cover be continued;

Fifth, that each chapter place the Editor of the Forensic on the mailing list for the college paper; and,

Sixth, that the Forensic be kept an inspirational student magazine and free from the tinge of professionalism.

FRANK E. McANEAR, Chairman.

The report of the Inter-Chapter Relations Committee was submitted by George Bohman, and follows:

REPORT OF THE INTER-CHAPTER RELATIONS COMMITTEE
To the Eleventh Biennial National Convention of Pi Kappa Delta, April 2, 1936.

By action of the Council and direction of the National President, the Inter-Chapter Relations Committee is charged with the following duties:

1. Supervision of the Provinces
   a. Compilation of the reports of the Provincial Conventions. These reports were obtained upon blank forms prepared several years ago, by an earlier committee. In 1935, all but one province responded satisfactorily to the request for this full statement of the provincial convention program, and contests results. These results were arranged in suitable form for publication, and sent to the editor of the Forensic (May, 1935).
b. The Council directed that every possible aid should be offered to the "baby chapters." Letters were sent to each, outlining the desirable program that each chapter should set up for 1935-36. Further correspondence was carried on with several of these chapters.

c. Plans were laid for the annual provincial meetings at the national convention.

d. Special cooperation of the governors was asked and obtained for the purpose of stimulating chapter interest in early registration for the national convention. Several governors personally undertook the responsibility of assuring a full delegation from their province.

e. The biennial governors' meeting was held as a Tuesday noon luncheon, at which provincial and inter-chapter relations problems were discussed. The group made recommendations to the Committee and Council upon: the future policy of expansion of Pi Kappa Delta, a redistribution of chapters in Regional groupings, and upon chapter activity evaluations.

2. **Evaluation of Chapter Activities.**—In March, 1935, Secretary Finley distributed for the Committee a survey blank requesting information about the status and activities of Pi Kappa Delta chapters, and their institutions. After several follow-up notices, 132 chapters returned the questionnaires before March 15, 1936. A detailed report of the Committee's findings will be published in an early issue of the *Forensic*. These findings were the basis of the recommendations made upon chapter activities evaluation.

1. It is recommended, upon the approval of the province governors, that immediate study be given to the proposal that regional groupings of chapters be substituted for the present provinces as units of off-year activity in Pi Kappa Delta.

(The Convention referred the recommendation to the Inter-Chapter Relations Committee for study and report in 1938.)

2. It is recommended that a drastic reduction be made in the length of the debate season, and it is suggested that the debate question be unavailable until November 15th.

(The Convention voted down a motion to adopt this recommendation.)

3. It is recommended that the study of chapter conditions be continued for the purpose of completing a rating blank upon which chapters may be evaluated in terms of: (a) minimum standards, and (b) fair, good, or superior qualities. This implies that ideal chapter conditions should be as carefully studied as inferior conditions.
4. It is recommended that the convention approve the following statement of important factors in chapter evaluation as a basis for the consideration of the Inter-Chapter Relations Committee, 1936-8: (It should be noted that all factors are dependent upon the minimum requirements for new charters adopted by the Convention, 1932.)

EVALUATION OF CHAPTER CONDITIONS

I—Accreditation. It is recommended that the minimum expectancy be membership in full standing in a regional accrediting association.

II.—Forensic Program. 1. The program should be considered in respect to:
   (a) Debate
   (b) extempore speaking
   (c) oratory
   (d) public discussion activities.

   The committee recommends that the category "public discussion" be given study to determine a policy of evaluation as an intercollegiate forensic project.

2. Further, the program should be considered in respect to:
   (a) uniformity and stability of the program over a period of years.
   (b) participation in a reasonable number of intercollegiate forensic events. For example, the committee would recommend that a minimum of 20 debates constitute reasonable activity in that field.
   (c) participation of a reasonable number of students. For example, the committee would recommend, in coeducational colleges, 10-20 debaters, 5-10 contestants in local extempore contests, 5-10 contestants in local oratorical contests.

III—Speech Curriculum. The Constitution requires a minimum of 3 semester hours of public speaking courses. The Committee recommends that the minimum be raised to 5-10 semester hours, in credits transferable to graduate schools.

IV—Forensic Budget. The constitutional minimum of $300 for new chapters should be maintained by all chapters. Special plans should be made to encourage more adequate budgets in certain sections of the United States.

V—The Forensic Directorship. The Committee recommends that:
   1. The director should in all cases be a full-time faculty member.
2. The director should have both an undergraduate and graduate training, at least in part in speech.

3. It is recommended that a Master’s degree in Speech, or its equivalent, be considered the desirable training.

4. The tenure of the director should be reasonably stable. Instability of tenure, regardless of cause, tends to weaken chapter programs, and the college forensic program.

VI—Chapter Membership. The constitutional minimum of five active members as of May 15, should be maintained. Over a period of years a reasonable percentage of members should receive the degree of special distinction.

VII—Convention Attendance and Achievements. 1. National conventions. The committee recommends the continuation of the national convention achievements list subject to the revision of the point system to recognize participation in contests, as well as rankings. The constitutional requirement of attendance at every other national convention should be maintained. 2. Province conventions. Attendance should be expected at each province convention.

(The convention accepted this recommendation as a basis for further study of chapter evaluation for the consideration of the Inter-Chapter Relations Committee, 1936-8.)

5. It is recommended that serious consideration be given during the next biennium to a plan to formulate the chapter evaluation policy, approved by convention vote, as the basis for the suspension, and, after a period of suspension probation, the elimination of weak chapters.

(The recommendation was accepted by the convention.)

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. CARMICHAEL
ENID MILLER
GEORGE V. BOHMAN, Chairman

W. V. O’Connell, Battle Creek, reported on the matter of invitations for the next convention. Owen P. McElmeel, spoke for St. Paul, Cecil Sanders for Lexington, Kentucky. The vote was postponed until Topeka, Kansas, could be heard from.

Chairman Guy Oliver reported for the constitution committee. There was some confusion about the present state of the constitution because the committee at the last convention was unable to complete its work and the constitution had not been reprinted since 1932. The following report was presented:

Recognition: Article 3, section 2, beginning at line three. Changed to read, “All institutions maintaining chapters of Pi Kappa Delta
and all other institutions granting a four year degree. Other institutions may be recognized by the National Council.” Carried.

Throughout the whole constitution it was recommended to change the words “oratorical contest” to “speech contest.” Carried.

**Application:** Article 3, section 3, lines six and seven. Changed to read “shall recommend the applicant for membership.” Carried.

Article IV. It was proposed to drop the fifth degree adopted at the previous convention and follow the 1932 constitution which provides for four degrees. Carried.

**Fees,** Article V, section 6. The charter fee was set at ten dollars.

**Convention Attendance,** Article V, Division A, section 13, line 6. Change “shall” to “may.” Carried.

**Suspended Chapters,** Section 14, line four, after “privileges of membership” add “except the initiation of new members.” And beginning in line six, delete, “and may not initiate new members or grant advanced degrees to its members during the period of suspension. Individuals elected to membership may become members of the general chapter.” Carried.

**Provincial Officers,** Division B, section 2, line nine. Change “national” to “provincial.” Carried.

**Officers and Duties,** Division C, section 2. Add “fifth Vice-President” and change “Historian” to “Immediate Past-President, who shall be a voting member of the council.” Carried. Under (b), change “four” to “five” and after “Committee on Inter-Chapter Relations” insert “Committee on Convention Contests.” Also under (b), substitute for (1), (2), (3), and (4), the following: (1), “The vice-presidents shall assume the duties of the president in case of absence, resignation, or vacancy, in order of their rank.” (2), “In case of vacancies among the vice-presidents, those below shall be advanced and the new one appointed shall be the fifth vice-president.” Carried.

**Historian,** (d). Moved that this section be deleted. Carried.

**Student Representatives** (e). Change to read, “Student representatives shall be regular voting members of the Council. They shall perform such duties as shall be assigned them by the National President. They shall hold office only while undergraduates.” Carried.

**Vacancies in the National Council,** Division C, section 4, (e). Delete all but the first sentence and add “subject to the approval of the National Council.” Carried.

**Inter-Chapter Relations,** (d). Change the title of this committee to “Inter-Chapter Relations and Standards.” Carried.

**Convention Committee** (e). In line 3, delete “the two student representatives,” and substitute for the last sentence the following:
"It shall be their duty to make all local arrangements for carrying on the convention." Carried.

Add (f), as follows: "The vice-president so designated by the National President shall be chairman of the committee on contests. This committee shall have complete charge of all matters pertaining to the convention contests." Carried.

Key Description, Article VI. Change the jewel to designate Proficiency from pearl to amethyst. Change "past president's key" to "past president's ring." Carried.

Petition for Local Chapter. Article IX, 1. Change to read, "The petition shall be made on the official blank. It may be received by any member of the society, but shall be forwarded to the chairman of the charter committee. The petition shall be accompanied by a college information blank, and a copy of the catalog of the college or university represented by the petitioners. (In case of graduate chapters no information blank shall be required.)" Carried.

Adjournment.

Fifth Business Session. Rice Hotel

Friday, April 3

After calling the meeting to order President McCarty asked the Charter Committee to finish its report, a part of which had been given at a previous session. Chairman Toussaint said that three of our chapters, South Carolina Alpha, Wofford College; South Carolina Gamma, Newberry College; Maine Beta, Bowdoin College have been practically dead for the past four years. He moved that the charters of these three chapters be revoked. Carried.

Mr. Toussaint recommended that in its work the charter committee be guided by four different considerations: 1. The possibility of setting a quota for the maximum number of charters to be granted at any given convention; 2. Taking into consideration the needs of the province or region to which the new chapter would belong; 3. A consideration of the relative strength of the chapters in the region in question; 4. Some plan that would give a fair balance among the different types of colleges admitted, technical colleges, liberal arts colleges, teachers colleges, and so on. Moved, that the recommendations be adopted. Carried.

Moved by George Greenfield of Idaho Alpha and seconded by John Leik of Washington Alpha that San Francisco State College, one of the petitioning colleges whose charter was not recommended by the charter committee, be granted a chapter. After some discussion from
the floor it was moved that the further consideration of the application be referred to the charter committee. Carried.

W. V. O'Connell, chairman of the convention committee made the following report: 1. We shall not make a detailed report on this convention itself, as the meeting is its own best report. 2. In general it will be well for future conventions to meet in comparatively small cities if proper accommodations can be secured. 3. Some plan should be devised for working out a number of very desirable convention cities, “key cities,” in different parts of the country so that conventions might rotate among them. 4. Delegates to the convention should support the convention committee by planning to stay at headquarters hotel, even though that may entail some additional expense. Those who insist upon staying elsewhere should be charged a fee to help pay for such accommodations as committee rooms, registration quarters, and rooms for business sessions.

He then called on Clayton Walton, of Kansas Beta chapter, Washburn College, who invited the 1938 convention to meet at Topeka, Kansas. The delegates voted as follows: For St. Paul, 15; for Topeka, 60; for Lexington, Kentucky, 21. Final selection of the convention city was left to the National Council.

Moved by Bohman that the National Convention achievements list, beginning with this convention, be computed upon the following basis:

Debate: 2 points shall be awarded for participation in each of men’s and/or women’s debate, and 1 point shall be awarded for each debate won.

Extempore Speaking and Oratory: 1 point shall be awarded for participation in each contest. 1 point for ranking in the upper half of each round in the preliminaries. 1 point for competing in the semi-finals. 1 point for ranking in the upper half of the semi-final section. 1 point for competing in the finals. 1 point for ranking in the upper half of finals. Seconded. Carried.

It was moved by the constitution committee chairman that no vice-president shall be eligible for more than two consecutive terms as vice-president. Moved, that this question be indefinitely postponed. Motion lost. It was moved as a substitute motion that no person shall be eligible for national president who has not served four years on the council and that at each biennial convention at least two of the vice-presidents shall be elected from among those not already on the council. Lost. Moved, that the vote on the original motion be taken by roll call. Carried. Upon a roll call the vote stood, yes 37, no 35. Since a constitutional amendment requires a two-thirds vote, the motion was lost.
Moved, that the convention does not desire the resignation of any of the present council. Carried. Forrest Rose, newly elected third vice-president, presented his resignation to the convention. Moved that the resignation be not accepted. Carried.

Moved by Frank E. McAnear, that at the 1938 convention three members of the council shall be elected from the floor for a period of two years. The one receiving the highest vote shall be president, the one receiving the next highest vote to be first vice-president, and the one receiving the third highest vote to be second vice-president. At that time also there shall be elected from the floor for a period of two years three new members, each of whom shall rank according to the vote he received. These new members may be submitted by the nominating committee or may be nominated from the floor of the convention. At each succeeding national convention this plan shall be used for the election of our national executive council. Lost.

Moved, by Bohman that the President shall appoint a special committee (number not stated) to consider the suggestions of public discussion and legislative assembly projects, to place the matter before the provinces for consideration in 1937, to report to the Council at the off-year meeting, upon the possible use of such projects in the national convention program for 1938. Carried.

The Constitution Committee continued its report. It presented two sets of figures for the requirements for the various degrees, one almost the same as that printed in the 1932 constitution, and the other considerably higher. The higher requirements were adopted, making the constitution read,

Article IV, Division C, Section 2, line six, "intercollegiate contests in which three or more recognized institutions participate." Line seven, "in which six or more recognized institutions participate." Line nine, "in which nine or more institutions participate." Line eleven, insert "in oratory," after the word "Fraternity." Line thirteen, after "shall have" changed to read, "participated in debate for two years, and on two different subjects, and engaged in five decision debates, or in a total of ten debates."

Degree of Honor. Changed to require in debate, that the candidate shall have "participated in debate for two years, on two different subjects, and engaged in seven decision debates, or a total of fifteen debates."

Degree of Special Distinction. In debate this was changed to require the candidate to have "participated in debate for three years, on three different subjects, and to have engaged in ten decision debates, or a total of twenty-five debates."
Rules and Regulations. Add 7, to read, "At the beginning of each biennial National Convention the National President shall appoint a parliamentarian to assist him in the conduct of the business session." Carried.

The Resolutions Committee then submitted its report as follows:

To the Pi Kappa Delta Convention:

Your committee appointed to draw up and present Resolutions to the Convention of Pi Kappa Delta begs leave to report as follows:

The committee desires to congratulate the Society upon the successful completion of this great convention. The excellent representation of the chapters, the high grade character of the contests and the steady extension of the Society, as evidenced by the admission of five new chapters, must be matters of great satisfaction to all members of Pi Kappa Delta.

The committee presents the following resolutions:

Be it Resolved, First, that the National Society of Pi Kappa Delta assembled in this its Eleventh Annual Convention in the City of Houston, Texas, make public acknowledgment of its obligation to those individuals who, in a fine spirit of unselfish service and with ability, have planned and carried out the work of this convention.

We especially wish to commend the following to your favor and gratitude:

Prof. H. C. McEneear, Governor of the Lower Mississippi Province, and Prof. Earl Huffor of the Texas Kappa Chapter, for their invaluable assistance in making and carrying out the plans for the convention.

Mr. Blanton, Secretary of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Ashburn, Convention Manager of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, for their useful counsel and ready cooperation in arranging for the facilities for holding the convention.

Dr. Goodrich, Pastor of the First Methodist Church of Houston, and Mr. Walter Jenkins and the other officials of the Church, for the generous use of the facilities of the church property in connection with the holding of the large number of contests at the convention.

Colonel Ball, member of the Board of Regents of Sam Houston State Teachers College, whose able advice and assistance were frequently taken advantage of by the officers in completing the convention arrangements.

Bruce Carter, Manager of the Rice Hotel, whose concern for the
comfort of his guests is very deeply and personally appreciated by each and all of the delegates.

Be it Further Resolved, that recognition shall be made of the services of all the Chapters of the Lower Mississippi Province for their united action in promoting interest in the convention and stimulating attendance.

To the judges who served on the many contests for their useful contribution.

To President George McCarty and Vice-Presidents Toussaint, O'Connell, Ewing, Rose, Bohman and their associates on the National Council, for their efficient and able conduct of the affairs of the Society during the past two years; in this connection special mention should be made of Prof. George W. Finley, Secretary-Treasurer of Pi Kappa Delta for his uniform courtesy and kindliness and for his faithful attention to the many duties of his office.

To the several Chairmen of the divisions of the contests and their able corps of assistants, who so successfully carried out a very extensive program of contests with facility and dispatch. Special mention should be made of Prof. E. Anderson, Chairman of Men's Debate; Prof. Leroy Laase, Chairman of Women's Debate; Prof. John Barnes, and Prof. H. R. Pieres, Chairmen of Men's Oratory; Prof. Cunera Van Emmerik, Chairman of Women's Oratory; Prof. Harold Levander, Chairman of Men's Extemporaneous Speaking; Prof. J. P. Kelly, Chairman of Women's Extemporaneous Speaking. The successful conduct of the large number of contests indicates the efficiency of those in control.

Be it Further Resolved, that acknowledgment be made to the Press and to Radio Station RTRH, Houston, Texas, for the facilities they accorded the Convention in publicizing the events of the week.

Owen P. McElmeel, Chairman
J. E. Baker
O. J. Drake
Upton Palmer

Committee.

Final adjournment.
FATHERS AND SONS

The two oldest past presidents of Pi Kappa Delta who attended the National Convention and their sons. Egbert Ray Nichols, first national president, and his son, Egbert Ray Nichols, Jr., Student Representative on the National Council. Alfred Westfall, fourth national president, and his son, Alfred Westfall, Jr. Both sons competed in debate. Young Nichols was also an orator.
Speaking Authoritatively

E. B. L. HARDY

Northwestern State Teachers, Oklahoma Delta

"Our friends of the opposition have not quoted a single authority to prove their case!"

Thus averred an attractive member of a negative team in the finals of a recent tournament. Then the young person thus quoted began systematically to flourish books, magazines and pamphlets in the general direction of the judges and to mention the names of myriad prominent citizen who had uttered for publication sentiments favorable to the side which in that momentous debate she was obliged to uphold.

Typical? Yes? A frank portrait of many high school and of too many college debaters. What is wrong in this picture? First, consider the purpose of debating. In scholastic circles a debate is fundamentally an endeavor to bring evidence on the one hand to establish, on the other to disestablish, the truth or desirability of a previously designated proposition. Presumably the process will be entirely a logical one. Logic requires that the point be established through reasoning—the presentation of reasons; and this is the point at which so many debaters fail in the use of authority.

It is to be assumed that a person who has delved deeply into a subject, such as economics, government, medicine or international law, would be eminently better entitled to an opinion relating to that subject than one who has studied it superficially or not at all. The reason that the opinion of such a person is likely to be better is that he has an opportunity for better reasons on which to base his opinion. The reasons supporting an opinion are all-important. The mere statement that a prominent person favors a given proposition is of no value in establishing that proposition. For example, the fact that former Chief Justice Taft favored a League of Nations is not in itself proof that our country should have entered the League. However, it does suggest to us that Mr. Taft, an eminent student of world affairs, must have had reasons worth our hearing which would certainly aid in establishing the proposition. But our debaters are often of little help on this point. Usually the judges cast a ballot for the side which committed the fewest inconsistencies and depart wondering why Woodrow Wilson or Irving Fisher or Charles Evans Hughes might have been constrained to speak thus or so.
Then, too, every debatable proposition has its opponents as well as its proponents. And when authorities disagree whom shall we believe? Since debating is presumably a search for truth there is only one recourse, that of examining the reasons supporting the opinions and sifting them in the light of logic. In final analysis any lay person’s opinions are as good as those of the expert provided his reasons are as good. A case based on sound induction or deduction, even though developed by a humble freshman, is as thoroughly proved as if it were expounded by Daniel Webster himself.

If debates were to be decided on the mass production of authorities, they could well be judged in advance by the relatively simple means of checking the catalogs and indexes of all the available libraries. That could be done handily by a commission consisting of one person representing each team and one neutral person while the debaters might meet together for tea or a friendly rubber of bridge, thus eliminating the strenuousness of rebuttals and serving to further good fellowship among the schools.

To bring our story to a close, the attractive young person who averred in our initial paragraph erred as well. In her zeal to support her case by citing authority at all costs she committed the mistake of depending upon one whom an alert opponent discovered to be, if not Adam, a person of too early vintage to be considered seriously in the light of modern times, and the well-intended house of cards (literally cards in this case) came tumbling down.

But in all seriousness, debaters, give us judges a break. If some noted person has obligingly agreed with you in his stated opinions, kindly do us the favor of suggesting the reasons he cherishes for holding to such opinions.
A MEMBER OF PI KAPPA DELTA MAY GOVERN MISSOURI

JOHN WELKER

Culver-Stockton, Missouri Zeta

The next governor of Missouri will be a Pi Kappa Delta man if the supporters of Jesse W. Barrett have their way in the Republican primary and in the ensuing election. Mr. Barrett is a prominent St. Louis lawyer who has recently announced his candidacy.

He received his A.B. at Christian University, now Culver-Stockton College, in 1902. As an undergraduate he took part in intercollegiate debate, and his continued interest in forensics was recognized by his being made an honorary member of Missouri Zeta at Culver-Stockton. Culver-Stockton awarded him the LL.D. in 1923.

Mr. Barrett, along with Ben H. Cleaver and E. B. Richey, engaged in one of Christian University's first intercollegiate debates in about 1901. The debate was with Eureka College, now Illinois Beta. The venture was so successful and aroused such interest that it stimulated intercollegiate debating here. Mr. Barrett was also president of Hawkins Literary Institute, now Missouri Gamma of Theta Kappa Nu. In those days forensics was a prominent activity in the literary societies, and Mr. Barrett was active in the work of his society.

At George Washington University, where he took his law work, and where he received his LL.B. in 1905, he continued his debating and was one of the six prize-winning debaters there in his senior year. He founded and was first editor of the University Hatchet, which is still the weekly publication of the university. Mr. Barrett is now a member of the board of trustees of Culver-Stockton College.

The administration of public office will not be a new experience for him if he becomes Missouri's next governor. From 1921 to 1925 he served as attorney general for the state. One of the achievements in which he takes most pride is his bringing about the adoption of the new code of rules of the Supreme Court of the state for raising the standards of the legal profession. He accomplished this during his term as president of the Missouri Bar Association.

Mr. Barrett is a native of Canton. His grandfather was the first president of the Missouri Press Association and the founder of the paper which is now the Canton Press-News. Throughout the years Mr. Barrett's connection with Canton and with Culver-Stockton has been close, and the college has kept up its interest in him. Forensics, politics, and law have simultaneously or by turns occupied his attention, and he has been prominent in all three.
From left to right they are: Joe Amery, Jr.; Miss Grace Prewitt; Prof. P. Caspar Harvey, coach; Miss Mary Belle Burch; and August Hintz. The traveling William Jewell, Missouri Delta, teams. They traveled 14,000 miles in their forensic work this year. The men's team went to Houston by way of Seattle and Los Angeles. The girls returned by way of Atlanta, New York, and Washington, D. C. They passed through 33 states. Miss Mary Belle Burch won third in the women's division of the Interstate Oratorical Contest.

Sorry I cannot be with you tonight. I had the privilege of hearing Cameron Beck today and congratulate your convention on bringing such a speaker to Houston. We have been delighted in having your convention and hope you will come back to Houston again. Kind regards to you and your associates and especially to my close personal friend Earl Huffor.

R. BRUCE CARTER, General Manager, Rice Hotel.
An Illuminating Letter

The Editor of the Forensic wrote to the winners of the different contests, asking them for some personal facts, their forensic history, their plans for the future, and their comments on the convention.

He is taking the liberty of publishing in full the letter he received from Weston McIntosh. It is a most illuminating letter. It explains that students interested in speech select colleges with a good record of speech. It indicates very forcibly what a long apprenticeship a tournament winner has to serve. Read over Mr. McIntosh's record. He has already had more experience in public speaking than the average citizen gets in a lifetime. The letter also explains what often becomes of winning student speakers. This man plans to become a teacher of speech. I am sure that all who have met him and listened to him will predict a brilliant future for him.

Dear Mr. Westfall:

In replying to your letter of April 14th I enclose the following information:

I am twenty-one years old and have lived in Redlands all my life. While in high school I was president of Chapter 142 of the California Scholarship Federation and became a life member of that same organization. My decision to go to the University of Redlands was based on the reputation of the school's speech department and my desire to continue the friendship I had with Bert Nichols (E. R. Nichols, Jr.), past student representative.

I am now a senior at Redlands, having enjoyed four years of intercollegiate debating. During four years I have participated in 136 intercollegiate debates, thus having represented the University of Redlands on the platform more than anyone else in the history of the school. In the last two years, debating with several different colleges, out of 88 debates I have lost 15—there were 19 non-decision—and I have won 54.

Further success in the forensic field include: Western Speech Teachers' Convention Tournament at Salt Lake, 1934—Extempore, second place; Pacific Province Invitational at Stockton, 1935—Extempore first place; debate first place; (colleague, Bernard Hylink); Allied Arts Festival at Los Angeles, 1935—Extempore, second place; Southern California debate, 1935—first place.

Season 1935-36: Southern California Extempore—second
place; Western Speech Teachers’ Tournament at San Francisco—Exttempore, second place; Local Fowler Exttempore Contest—first place; Local Jones Oratorical Contest—first place; Southern California debate—first place (tie); Pacific Coast Province Invitational—Exttempore, 2nd place; Pi Kappa Delta National—Houston—Exttempore, first place.

This June I will graduate from the University of Redlands, having taken my degree in the field of Speech. I desire to enter speech work professionally, and while it may not be possible for me to enter graduate work immediately, I wish to secure a college teaching position as soon as possible.

As far as my impression of the Houston tournaments is concerned, let me say that of course the high point for me was stepping out of the elevator to find that the day dream I had had four years ago was a reality. The second biggest ‘kick’ came when we found we had survived the preliminaries in debate. I considered the Amateur hour a vast improvement in student attitude. Those of us who were at Lexington will remember the pointless filibuster which made the student forum either pathetic or laughable, depending on one’s point of view. I would suggest that the student program be retained as a permanent feature of the convention.

There has been much discussion of late concerning the place of the discussion method in the speech world. As one who believes in debate and has loved debate work more than anything else for four years, let me say that while the discussion method has its place, it has never been, is not now, nor ever will be a possible substitute for debate. There have been many attempts to evaluate debate in the academic world; but to attempt to evaluate debate for those who have lived debate is to attempt an impossible task because to them it is invaluable.

Fraternally,

WESTON McINTOSH.

Leaving Wheaton, Illinois Mu, March 13, four debaters went to the state tournament at Bloomington, from there to Redlands, California by car, to participate in the California tournament, and then back to Houston for the Pi Kappa Delta tournaments and convention. The trip covered four weeks.—The Wheaton Record.
Mend your speech a little, lest you may mar your fortunes.—*King Lear*.

When the newspaper extras appeared at Houston during the final meeting of the convention with the headline "Hauptman dies without talking," it is suggested that that was evidence that he did not belong to Pi Kappa Delta.

"To write and speak correctly gives a grace and gains a favourable attention to what one has to say, and since it is English that an English gentleman will have constant use of, that is the language he should chiefly cultivate."—*Locke, Thoughts on Education*.

There was the new girl on the debate squad who heard the coach mention rebuttals and thought he was talking about some new development in plastic surgery.

If there isn't any news in this issue about your chapter, its members and its activities, it is because the Editor hasn't received any. No one reports activities to him and he does not get your college paper.

Two men had some apples. Said the first, "If you give me one of yours, I shall have twice as many as you." "No," replied the other. "But give me one of yours and we shall both have the same number." How many did each have? (See page 201 for the answer).

"All languages, both learned and mother tongues, be gotten and gotten onely by Imitation..."—Ascham.

"Learning teacheth more in one yeare than experience in twentie..."—Ascham.

Cameron Beck certainly justified his selection as convention speaker. A number of students were so impressed that they crowded about him asking how they could enroll in the New York Stock Exchange Institute of which he is the head.

If we feared the entertainment of an unverifiable opinion with the warmth with which we fear using the wrong implement at the dinner table, if the thought of holding a prejudice disgusted us as does a foul disease, then the dangers of man's suggestibility would be turned into advantages.—Trotter, *Instincts of the Herd*.

It was a privilege to hear Dr. Adler's brief talk. It was a very practical one. Fear handicaps a speaker. The way to overcome fear is through preparation that is so thorough that it gives confidence of successful performance.

Already a call has come in for the rest of J. D. Coon's version of the Bible.

We were all glad to see the California oranges appear again. You have to hustle to keep ahead of those Californians.

While Baylor did its best to uphold the honors of our host state, you have to admit that South Dakota took home more than its share of cups. Six started north for the Province of the Sioux.