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composed of Harold Bengelsdorf and Robert Wallenstein, affirmative, and Ada May Marshall and Winnie Pollock, negative, won four out of eight decisions in that tournament, which has as its expressed purpose not the winning of debates but the early-year training of students on the national intercollegiate question. Enroute to this tournament the negative team met Middlebury College in a non-decision contest.

"On November 17 a Syracuse negative team (William Craig and Clayton Andrews) debated Cornell University before the School of Speech convocation at Syracuse. The following day Frances Eidelson and Sonia Stabsky participated in a class against a negative team from Middlebury College. A home-and-home arrangement of practice debates was held with Utica College on December 2 and 9. In this series eight different Syracuse novice and junior varsity teams participated. Two teams from Canisius College were entertained at Syracuse on December 5. All debates to this date have been on the national question of World Government.

"Members of the Delta Sigma Rho chapter have chosen as their main project for the first part of this year the work of assisting in the scheduling and training of novice debaters. President of the chapter is Ben Carroll. Other members include Sonia Stabsky, Frances Eidelson, and Laura Pilarsky. Four pledges elected last year will be initiated in the near future. Ordean Ness, instructor of speech and assistant director of debate, a Delta Sigma Rho member from the University of North Dakota, is the new chapter adviser, succeeding Dr. Agnes Allardyce."

WAYNE

"Many changes have been made in the staff of the Department of Speech at Wayne University. Mr. James McMonagle is now Director of Forensics, and is assisted by Mr. George Hinds, who comes from the University of Denver. Other staff additions include Dr. Paul Rickard from Fresno State College in California now in charge of Radio here. Dr. Rickard has his Ph. D. from Northwestern University, and is a charter member of Wayne's chapter, Delta Sigma Rho. Dr. George Bohman (who comes from Dartmouth College, and has his Ph. D. from the University of Wisconsin) has also joined the staff as Professor of Speech, and is Chairman of the Graduate Committee of the department. Dr. Rupert Cortright (Albion chapter) has been Chairman of the department since last April, when Dr. Preston Scott resigned that responsibility to become Director of Community Relations for the University."

WHITMAN

"Capturing three first and winning

several other final rankings, Whitman speakers gave good account of themselves in the 15th annual tournament of the Western Speech Association, held at Whitman College December 4, 5, and 6. The big meet involved 19 schools and some 240 participants, of whom about 40 were Whitmanites.

"Leading individual performer was Whitman's Gordon Jaynes, who won first place in men's extemporaneous speech, lower division; and in men's interpretative reading. Jaynes also tied for second in men's impromptu speech, lower division. Whitman's other first place in the final tabulation was contributed by Bonnie Marolf and Carmen Gleiser, in women's debate, lower division. In addition Craig Esary was awarded second place in men's interpretative reading, Louise Dekker third place in women's extemporaneous speech, Shirley Hayes tied for third place in women's interpretative reading, Carolyn Angell fourth place in women's extemporaneous, and Chuck Chalfant fourth place in men's impromptu, upper division. Dick Yancey and Bill Church comprised one of seven teams which tied for second place in lower division men's debate.

"All events attracted Whitman entries. Regular style debate attracted five men's teams and six women's; single debate drew six aspirants. In oratory there were five, in extemp eleven, in impromptu seven, in interpretative reading six, and in after-dinner speaking three.

"On December 12 and 13 Whitman varsity debaters met Washington State College and the University of Idaho in a triangular debate, two women's teams traveling to Pullman, and two men's teams staying here to meet representatives from the other two schools. The scheduling of the entire meet in one week-end is unusual, as triangular affairs are generally spread out over a longer period of time. In Pullman, where they met W.S.C. and Idaho debaters, Louise Dekker and Shirley McCartney, Carolyn Agill and Elizabeth Franklin, placed second. Debating here at Whitman were Dick Yancey, Bill Church, Dick Weber and Chuck Chalfant, all placing in a three-way tie for first.

"The National Speech tournament to be held in Salt Lake City December 29-31 will see four Whitman representatives"

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