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EDITORIAL.

ALREADY a number of students have planned to attend the State Oratorical Contest to be held at Doane College next Friday evening. Enthusiasm seems to be returning with old-time vigor. Let the under-current break out next Friday with such intensity that an immense delegation of students will avail themselves of this opportunity to taste the sweets of inter-collegiate association and to drink deep at the fountain of true college spirit and enthusiasm. Stand up for the Uni! Let all unite, regardless of factional affiliation, to promote the interests of the University in oratory, and to share in the triumph that awaits us. With only two contestants in the field, with Pinkerton as our standby, and with a host of enthusiastic

supporters to give the three cheers and a tiger, victory is the only logical result. Our man has acquitted himself nobly in two local contests. We have the assurance that he will do his part if we do ours. Bring your colors, tin horns, college yells, songs and best girls and let the flood-tide of enthusiasm break when the chairman of the state association announces that the judges have awarded the State University its fourth annual state championship in college oratory.

The expense will be comparatively small. No more profitable and pleasurable investment can be made. New students as well as old are waking up to the fact that college spirit forms no insignificant part of college life. Let a host of earnest, enthusiastic students profit by this opportunity to associate with the students of our sister college. Let us remember as we yell for "Pinkie" and the old Uni, we are disseminating not only college spirit, but we are advancing the cause of higher education in our state colleges.

Let barbarians and fraternity men, demopops and republicans, old and new, ugly and fair, active and indifferent—all hasten to purchase reduced-rate tickets, thereby setting aside Friday as a legal holiday, and Friday evening as a festal occasion long to be remembered in the annals of successive triumph.

Our orator has a strong manuscript, a splendid voice, a cool, perfectly natural delivery. Doane's orator is a worthy foe, being a student of recognized ability, and an orator of no mediocre power. The fact that only two colleges enter the contest this year removes the customary amount of wire-pulling from the hitherto exciting annual business meeting. But it does not seem to diminish the general interest in the colleges still concerned.