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JOHN WOLFE LINDLEY.

John Wolfe Lindley, one of the three surviving founders of Φ Δ Θ, was born in Knox county, Ohio, August 20, 1826. His parents, Mahlon and Anna Wolfe Lindley, were of English descent and at an early date, when the country was new, removed from Jefferson county, Ohio, to Knox county, settling upon the farm on which the subject of this sketch was born and still resides. The early years of his life were spent in farm work and in improving such opportunities for education as the district school afforded. Always with strong religious influences around him at home, at the age of fifteen he became a member of the First Presbyterian church of Fredericktown, Ohio, and has been a ruling elder, clerk of session, and prominent Sunday-school worker there for many years.

His eighteenth birthday was just past when he entered Fredericktown Academy, and two years later he began a course at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, being graduated there in 1850. During this period in Miami's history occurred the 'snow rebellion,' which resulted in the expulsion of one-half the students and created a breach in the ranks of the faculty that was never healed. The presidency of Dr. MacMaster was brought to an end by his resignation, and Dr. W. C. Anderson took his place.

Immediately after leaving Miami, Brother Lindley accepted a position as professor of mathematics and Latin in New Hagerstown (Ohio) Academy, remaining there until called to the principalship of the Poplar Grove (Tenn.) Academy in 1852. The two years following '53 saw him connected with the faculty of Richmond (Ohio) College, in charge of the same departments as at New Hagerstown. His enviable record thus far soon resulted in a call from his native state to Indiana, where, from '55 to '61, he was principal of the Charlestown Female Institute. A similar

JOHN WOLFE LINDLEY,
FROM AN OLD DAGUERREOTYPE.

position he held from '61 to '62 at Paducah (Ky.) Female Seminary, returning to Ohio soon after the outbreak of the Civil War to teach again in Richmond College. In '63 he removed to the old homestead near Fredericktown, Ohio, where he has since resided.

Though past the allotted three score years and ten, he is still able to undertake all kinds of farm work and carry on an extensive legal business. His is indeed a vigorous old age. There are no signs of a lessening concern for the affairs of active life, but everywhere around him are abundant evidences of a feeling of mutual interest and good-will between him and his fellow-man.

He was married October 9, 1854, to Catherine E. Shelley, and three sons and three daughters have been born to them. Of these, the oldest son is in business in Mansfield, Ohio. The second daughter, Elizabeth, married Dr. F. M. McMurry, dean of the Teachers' College, Buffalo, N. Y. William, the youngest son, is engaged in the mercantile business in DeLand, Florida. The other son and two daughters are with their parents at home.

It was during the period in the history of Miami University characterized by the 'snow rebellion' mentioned above, that the subject of this sketch identified himself with the movement that has made him a sharer with the five other founders of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in the gratitude of the whole Fraternity. Speaking of the motive that prompted the new venture, he said, at the Alumni Day banquet at Columbus in '93, that they were not six idle boys who tired of leisure, and so got together to organize Phi Delta Theta. It was the outcome of a desire to reap the fullest benefits from college associations, and the belief that they saw a way to add an element to their college culture which the college did not and could not of itself ever give. For several months preceding the actual date of founding, December 26, 1848, the six founders were engaged in elaborating and perfecting the Bond, which has remained our unaltered and unalterable basis of union. They were, naturally, very strongly attached to each other and to those initiated during their stay at Miami. For a time meetings were held at the rooms of the various members, and in the summer time in retreats along the neighboring creek, the greatest care being taken not to attract the attention of the curious, for it must be remembered that the organization was kept *sub rosa* till several years later. Aside from their social features, these meetings were marked by literary work, and more than one production of special merit read at the chapel exercises owed its excellence

to kindly criticism at the hands of the chapter then totally unknown.

The first initiation at Miami took place in Brother Lindley's room in the wing of the college building, and the victim was G. M. Williams, one of the brightest and most popular students in school. In celebration of this event a banquet was held in one of the rooms of McColough's restaurant, January 1, 1849. It was a sumptuous affair and the flow of soul all that could be desired, the only circumstance to mar the festivities being the presence at the end of the menu of Regalia cigars, which, in the case of some for whom this was the first experience—and the last also—produced the result most naturally to be expected. Soon afterward Allen A. Barnett, David Swing, John K. Boude, Isaac S. Lane, and others were brought into the fold and the general scope of the Fraternity was considerably enlarged. During the summer of 1849, John W Lindley, acting under authority of the chapter, secured as members his brother, Joseph Lindley, and C. S. Doolitell, both being at the time students of Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio.

It was not, however, till commencement week of 1853 that the Fraternity declared its existence by announcing a public meeting, an event somewhat like the open meetings of our college literary societies to-day. It was a proud day for the Phis, and an important one in the history of the university. Dr. E. P. Humphrey, an honorary member, was the orator of the day. Several members of the faculty were Phis and wore pins to make the occasion as conspicuous as possible.

After being graduated from Miami in 1850, Brother Lindley, through correspondence with individual members, maintained his interest in the chapter and gained a knowledge of its general condition and the additions to its roll from time to time. And with the growth in membership and in number of chapters, the welfare of the whole Fraternity became the object of his care. Advancing years have brought no diminution in his loyalty to the cause, and to-day his kindest benediction attends Phi Delta Theta as she pursues the even tenor of her way. With keen satisfaction and a sense of paternal pride he reads the successive issues of THE SCROLL, finding it difficult, at times, to realize that the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ of '48 has assumed its present proportions and proved an inspiration to so many of the best men of our colleges and universities. Truly it is no trifling thing to be a founder of such a fraternity.

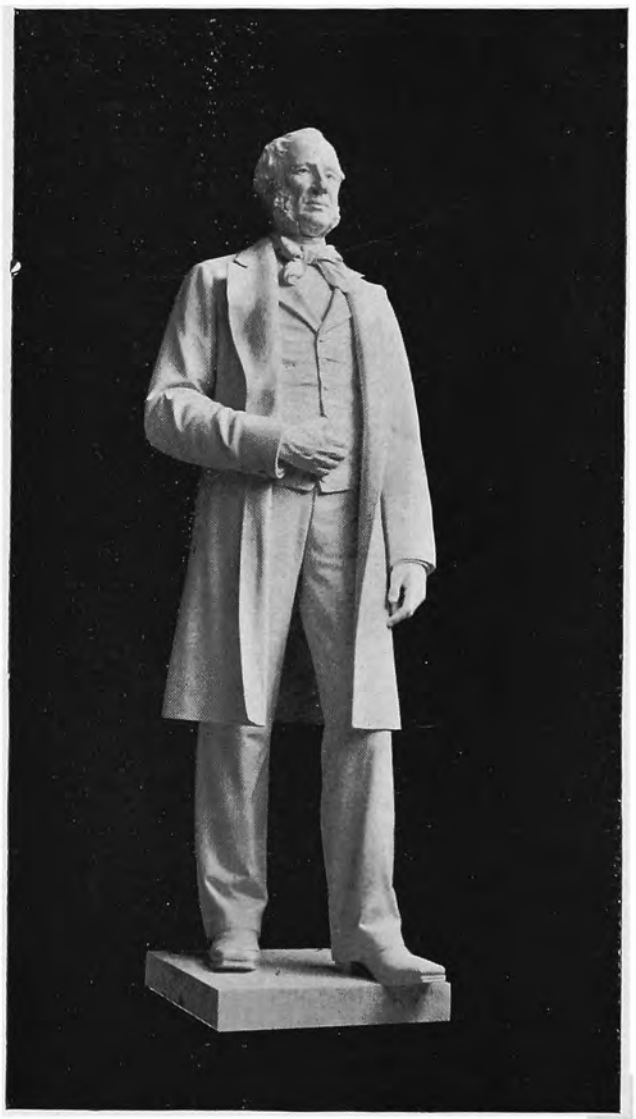
SAMUEL EMERSON FINDLEY,
Ohio Epsilon, '94.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY AND TENNESSEE ALPHA.

Before the fine arts building of the Tennessee centennial exposition stands the statue erected recently by appreciative alumni and citizens to the memory of Cornelius Vanderbilt. Later to adorn the university grounds, it now gives expression of honor and gratitude of a people celebrating the centenary of their statehood. It speaks for the whole south its homage to the wisdom and munificence of the man who, twenty-three years ago, at the close of his long life, smiled upon the completion of a lofty and enduring monument to his fame.

Vanderbilt University is situated near the heart of middle Tennessee, at the western limit of the 'Athens of the South,' as Nashville is familiarly known. Upon an eminence easily reached through a broad thoroughfare, its elegant stone-trimmed buildings and luxuriant campus of seventy-six acres are among the chief ornaments of the city, and form an attractive introduction to the charming country which lies beyond. In fact, few college campuses are more beautiful than this with its walks and drives, adorned with shrubs and flowers and shaded by more than one hundred and fifty different kinds of trees.

This campus was purchased in 1873, partly with the donation of $27,000 by the citizens of Nashville for Central University, which existed only in the dreams of the Southern Methodist church. The great civil war had left the whole system of education prostrate in the south. Time-honored institutions had suffered disintegration, and means were lacking to restore them to their former usefulness. Few of them deserved the name of university, while none of them satisfied the acknowledged want of a means of higher education. In 1871 this deplorable condition led several conferences of the M. E. Church, South, to appoint delegates to a convention to consider the subject of a university such as would meet the wants of the church and the country.' This convention met in Memphis in January, 1872. Among its leading members were Bishops Paine and McTyeire, and the venerable Chancellor L. C. Garland. A plan was adopted, a board of trust was nominated and authorized to obtain a charter of incorporation under the title of 'The Central University of the M. E. Church, South.' The convention declared by resolution 'that $1,000,000 was necessary to realize completely its aims, and refused to authorize any steps



THE VANDERBILT STATUE.

toward the opening of any department of the university until there should be a valid subscription of $500,000.

But at that time the impoverished condition of the country soon caused the projectors of this scheme to meet with discouragement and to despair of ever securing the needed half a million. Doubtless it would have been largely abandoned, had it not at this crisis received the noble benefactions of Cornelius Vanderbilt. He it was who made the university possible by the generous contribution of $500,000, which was subsequently increased until the entire donation amounted to $1,000,000. Immediately was discouragement dissipated by the enthusiasm which this princely gift awakened. The name of the university was changed in appreciation and in honor of the memory of its founder. From this time there was no delay in construction in spite of the financial panic then pervading the country. In less than two years from the time when a corn-field marked the site, the imposing main building stood as the nucleus of the institution. The corner-stone was laid April 28, 1874, and the university was first opened to students in October, 1875.

In a letter to Bishop McTyeire concerning the object of his generosity, Mr. Vanderbilt once expressed the following sentiment: 'If it shall, through its influence, contribute, even in the smallest degree, to strengthening the ties which should exist between all geographical sections of our common country, I shall feel that it has accomplished one of the objects which led me to take an interest in it.' A citizen of the north, his animosities were over when the war had ceased, dissolving into sympathy for a people who were struggling to rebuild their fallen fortunes and to secure for their posterity the highest blessings of Christian civilization. A distinguished statesman remarked: 'Commodore Vanderbilt has done more for reconstruction than the Forty-second Congress.' This sentiment has been beautifully expressed in one of the college songs:

> And when the time shall come again,
> When bitterness shall cease,
> When the blushing South to the North shall say,
> 'Thou mayst if thou wilt,'
> The ring for that bright wedding day
> Shall be our Vanderbilt.

The personnel of those in charge of the enterprise has always been such as to insure success. The board of trust has consisted of leaders in the church and in civil life, who possessed great business and executive ability. Bishop Mc-

University Hall. (Front.)

Mechanical Engineering Hall.

Tyeire, the first president of this board, continued at the head of the whole university until his death, in 1889. Being related by marriage to Mr. Vanderbilt, it was through his instrumentality that the funds for building and endowment were secured. Largely through his wisdom and sagacity the university was established and shaped in working order. The faculty has at all times included some of the south's most distinguished educators and scholars. Most fittingly Dr. L. C. Garland was called from the University of Mississippi and made chancellor and professor of physics and astronomy. Foremost among southern scholars and scientists, he had held the presidencies of Randolph-Macon, in Virginia, and the University of Alabama, besides holding professorships in two other colleges. His eminent services brought honor and credit to Vanderbilt, lasting until his death, in 1895. In June, 1893, his resignation of the chancellorship, offered two years before, was accepted, and Dr. J. H. Kirkland, professor of Latin, elected to succeed him. The present chancellor has not only fulfilled to the fullest extent the bright hopes for the future of Vanderbilt that were aroused by his election, but has also demonstrated that few men in America are so well equipped in scholarship, in executive ability, in the power to win, to influence, to arouse young men.

The munificence of the founder was continued by his family, so that the university expanded rapidly. University Hall, the first building, became the center of university life. Besides being devoted to general university purposes, it is also occupied by the academic department and by the department of pharmacy. It is a brick structure, with gray stone trimmings, four stories in height, surmounted by two majestic towers. Besides many lecture rooms, society halls, professors' studies and laboratories, it contains the university chapel, library and reading room. In 1880, Wesley Hall, the home of the theological department, was built. It is a five-story brick building, in which the theological students find rooms, in addition to the apartments reserved for professors, instructors and fellows. Then were erected the gymnasium, Science Hall, and a complete equipment of apparatus for instruction in engineering. All these were the result of a donation of $150,000 from Mr. W. H. Vanderbilt. In 1883, he added $100,000 to the university's endowment, and in his will, by a bequest of $200,000, increased it to $900,000. The productive endowment of the university is now $1,050,000. During this time other buildings were

University Hall. (Rear.)

Wesley Hall.

added—the observatory, professors' residences, and dormitories. Later a commodious building, five stories in height, with handsome stone front, was erected in the heart of the city for the law and dental departments. The handsome Mechanical Engineering Hall on the campus was built in 1888 in consequence of a donation by Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, grandson of the founder. It is thoroughly equipped for training in metal and wood work. In 1895, a new medical building was put up in the city after the latest and most approved plans; and no building in the country is more complete, or more thoroughly adapted to its purposes.

Concurrent with this material growth there was also an educational development. At first the university contained four departments—academic, biblical, law and medical. Afterwards, the addition of three others—pharmacy, dental and engineering—was attended with an increase in the various faculties. The founders intended as far as possible to realize the broadest conception of a university: 'An institution where any person can find instruction in any study.' The courses now presented comprise seven departments, leading to proficiency in any profession. The school of engineering includes manual training, mining, mechanical and electrical, as well as civil, engineering.

Each of these departments was signally successful from the beginning. Students came from every southern state, as well as a few from the north and west. Several departments have more than doubled their attendance. The first enrollment included 307 students, from sixteen states and countries; the attendance last year amounted to 674, from twenty-four states and countries. In 1876, the faculties contained twenty-eight members; the officers of instruction now number nearly one hundred.

For years Vanderbilt has been recognized as standing for what is highest and best in scholarship. This appears in the attendance of many graduates of other institutions for advanced work. The high character and extent of the graduate courses have fast become widely known. Upon this feature much stress has been laid, especially in the increase in the number of fellowships, which are very eagerly sought. A flourishing graduate club is maintained, which is a member of the Federation of Graduate Clubs of the United States. The undergraduate courses are similar to those of the best American colleges. The class system prevails, but the work of the junior and senior classes is almost entirely elective. Monthly examinations are held in all branches, and twice a

A Campus View.

West Side Row.

year come those which test the student's fitness for passing into a higher class. The requirements are not easy, and are rigidly insisted upon. The life of the successful Vanderbilt student is rich with faithful application, and great in effort and attainment is the meaning of his coveted degree. In the lower classes of every department, an assiduous student may dream of prizes, medals and rolls of honor, with which the university laurels his ambition. The class work of every day is recorded to go with the examination mark in determining his standing. Instruction is by the system of quizzing, interspersed with lectures, especially in the higher classes. The university possesses a useful library, which is growing every year with carefully selected modern works of every sort.

The spirit of student life is altogether manly and democratic. Restrictions upon students are few, being only such as are consistent with the treatment of them as gentlemen of honor and dignity. For those in the departments on the campus there is the daily duty of attending chapel services, while for all is the obligation to attend classes regularly. Otherwise they are mainly self-governing. There is a remarkable common fellowship and good nature among them. There are two great mess halls where students are constantly associated—Wesley Hall, the abode of students for the ministry, and West Side Row, the home of the great self-assertive and loyal democracy of the institution. The latter consists of six quaint, comfortable dormitories and a dining-room. In these halls every phase of student life is realized, every emotion of college spirit finds rampant expression, and college memories are perpetuated. There are no oppressive class distinctions, no marks of supercilious snobbery; the worth of a man, his real character, aside from money and station, secures for him the coveted recognition among his fellows. Perhaps if he does not adopt every college fad, or exhaust his resources unworthily, it is because the previous training of his simple southern home and the high moral and mental pressure of the university have filled his ears with the 'stirring of unseen wings' of his after life.

This will force the conjecture that the moral tone of student life at Vanderbilt is uncommonly high. Indeed, there are few college communities where less dissipation can be found. The religious societies are well maintained. Their members may be found on Sundays engaged in mission or Sunday-school work in all parts of the city, making their influence appreciable in its moral growth. The system of

A View of the Campus.

The Observatory.

placing students upon their honor has always been in vogue at Vanderbilt, and its operation is exceedingly successful. Cheating is rarely practiced, and when detected the offender enjoys no toleration from his fellow-students. His summary expulsion from the university is made an effective object-lesson to all others who might be disposed to yield to temptation. During examination no professor is found scrutinizing his students to prevent dishonesty, for the pledge which closes his paper is sufficient guarantee that the student has acted fairly.

Outside the curriculum, the mental, social and athletic activities of the university are such as to stimulate the healthiest student life. In the weekly meetings of the Dialectic and Philosophic societies, the ambitious orator may prepare himself to contend before the faculty in April for a place in the Founder's or Young medal contests, or strive on Washington's birthday for the honor of speaking in the Southern intercollegiate contest, or do battle for Vanderbilt in the debate with Sewanee in May. There are weekly, monthly and annual publications maintained by the students.

The graduate club brings together in monthly meetings the graduate students for social and intellectual entertainment, when they are addressed by some distinguished speaker. The tennis association, with its handsome building and nine beautifully terraced courts, has many enthusiastic members. The Southern History society holds interesting monthly meetings at which papers embodying original research are read by members of the society or by distinguished scholars. There are many organizations and clubs of minor importance. Of course, the cultured society of Nashville is a rare outlet for the social proclivities of the students. One of the great occasions of the year is on Thanksgiving day, when the beautiful athletic field is thronged with the gayest and best of the city to witness the closing game of the foot-ball season—the final struggle with the old rival, Sewanee. Similar to it is the annual field day in May, when athletes from various colleges contest for medals before many hundreds. Other occasions, too, are memorable, when the students and their fair friends assemble in the large Gothic chapel to enjoy the usual literary or commencement exercises; or when just before 'finals,' on May 27, the Founder's birthday, the boisterous student body elect the Bachelor of Ugliness, who is usually the most popular gentleman of the strongest geographical faction. The degree is actually conferred in June by the pub-

lic presentation of a beautiful penknife by the professor of Latin to the successful candidate. This custom is original and peculiar to the university.

For years Vanderbilt has been a leader in athletics, and has ever stimulated their growth in sister institutions. It was the first institution in the south to have a regularly organized athletic association, through which track athletics have been developed in a systematic manner. It was organized in 1886, in which year it held the first intercollegiate field day ever given in the south. Annually since then a field day meeting has been held, and in 1896 and 1897 it was merged into the field meets of the Southern intercollegiate athletic association, which were held on the Vanderbilt campus. In 1892 the construction of a large and beautiful athletic field gave a strong stimulus to enthusiasm of this sort. Foot-ball, base-ball and track teams are annually organized, and their records have attested the manliness and prowess of Vanderbilt athletes. The leading college athletic authorities in the east give the Vanderbilt athletic association the credit of having done more to develop pure amateur sport in the south than any other organization. In the university life the proper place of athletics is maintained, and while athletic spirit is very strong, the higher demands of scholarship are so firmly impressed upon the student body that only the good results of physical training are secured, to a large degree.

The student life of the university is enlivened and enriched by twelve fraternities, which are filled with the true fraternity spirit. Membership is prized because of the deep personal friendships engendered, the higher tone developed, and the mutual assistance and inspiration to be found. The rivalry between the fraternities produces increased activity in every phase of college life, and is attended with but little of intolerant spirit. Political scheming is little practiced, and in recent years the merit system of filling positions has come to be fixed. That fraternity ideals are high is attested by the widespread cordial spirit and the intimacy of fraternity interests with those of the university.

During the past session, membership in the fraternities was as follows: Φ Δ Θ, 29; K A, 19; X Φ, 8; B Θ Π, 6; K Σ, 18; Δ T Δ, 8; Σ A E, 20; A T Ω, 18; Δ K E, 28; Σ X, 17; Σ N 16; Π K A, 5. These are in the order of their establishment. There are also chapters of Θ N E and A Θ Φ, the latter being very similar, in character and purpose, to Φ B K. Only one chapter owns a house, and the others meet on Saturday

evenings in lodge rooms in the city. B Θ Π owns a lot for a future chapter home. The erection of chapter houses is tedious because of the necessity of purchasing lots outside of the campus, but every chapter cherishes a hope of a future permanent domicile.

The Tennessee Alpha chapter of Phi Delta Theta was established in 1876 by Lytton Taylor, who had been initiated by Kentucky Alpha at the national convention at Danville, Ky., in May, 1875. Taylor's plans, however, were frustrated by the vigilance of the college authorities in enforcing the anti-fraternity laws, and there was really no fraternity life until the fall of 1877. The chapter was revived by the matriculation of J. B. Reed, of Kentucky Alpha, and J. C. Smith, of Alabama Alpha, and by the commencement of 1878 there were eleven Phis in the university. 'Though under the disadvantage of having to run *sub rosa*, the chapter thrived. For several years without a rival, it had the pick of the university, and very seldom was a man spiked who did not accept membership. Meetings were held regularly, and reports were sent to THE SCROLL. The members did not openly wear badges, but it became known that there were fraternity men among the students. This aroused the faculty, and Dr. Garland, the chancellor, from the chapel rostrum, anathematized secret societies. At the opening of the year 1880–81, he announced that no student would be allowed to contest for oratorical honors unless he should affirm that he had not from that time been associated with fraternities. These threats were never executed, but the Phis were prepared for contingencies. They organized the "Dixie Reading Club," which had its own by-laws, and held regular meetings. Students, when admitted to it, were pledged to join the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity after the following commencement. On the afternoon of commencement day, all university exercises having closed, the members of the reading club were initiated into the Fraternity. At commencement in 1883, R. F Jackson, at the request of the reading club chapter, presented to the board of trustees an elaborate argument in favor of fraternities, and petitioned that they be recognized by the university. The following fall the faculty repealed the anti-fraternity law, announcement to that effect being made in the chapel October 31st.'*

The members of Tennessee Alpha have been prominent in every department of college life. Membership has been

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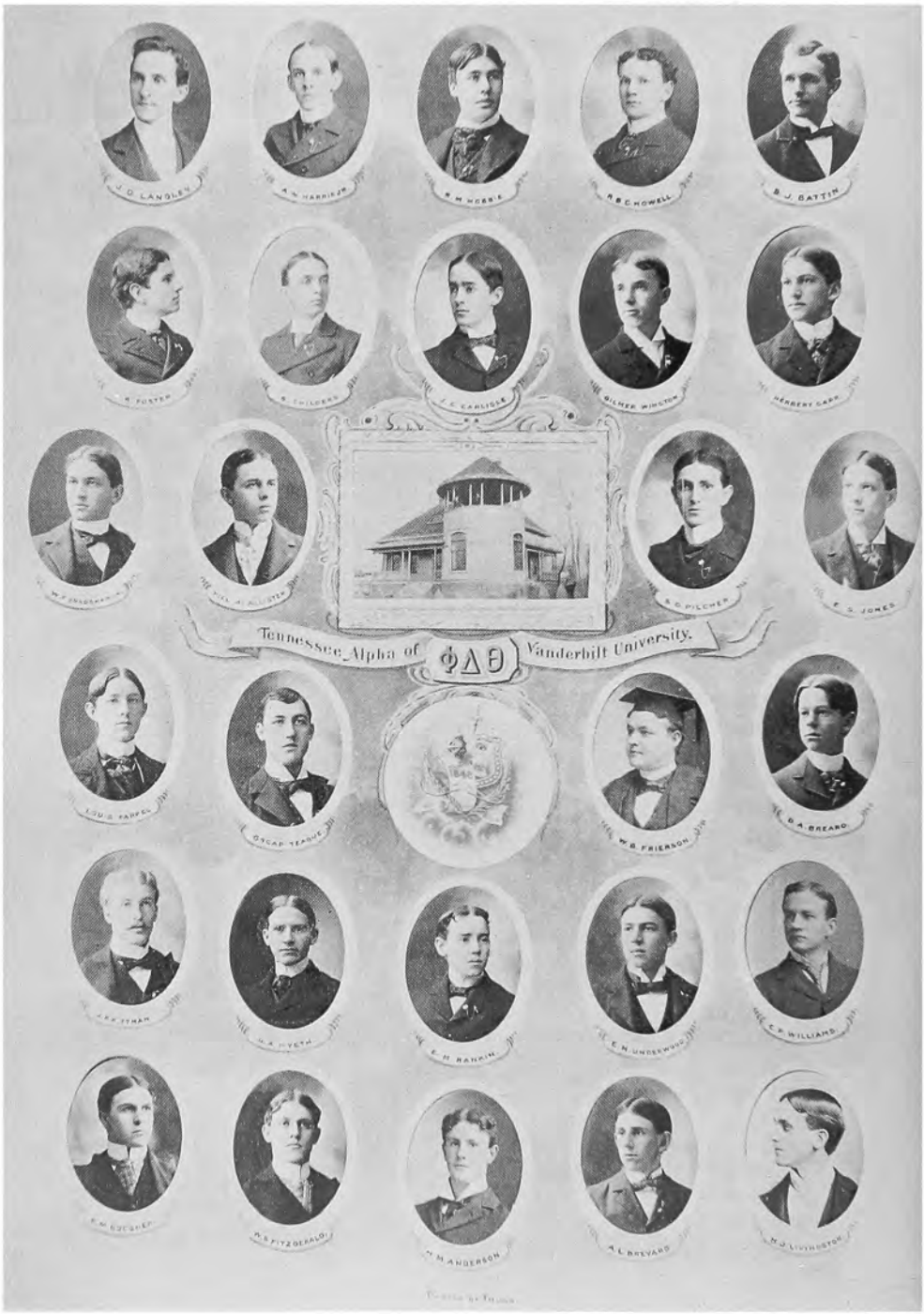
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GRAP TEAGUE
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F. M. BOUCHER
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chiefly of academic and law students, but other departments have furnished valuable men. No other chapter in the university can present such a record of achievements. The highest honor each year in each department is the Founder's medal for the highest scholarship. This prize has been won by Phis as follows: academic, 8; law, 6; medical, 2; pharmacy, 1. The Founder's Day medal for oratory has been won five times by Phis, and in two out of seven of the Southern intercollegiate oratorical contests, Vanderbilt has been represented by Phis, who won in preliminary contests for the honor. Out of more than a hundred alumni of Vanderbilt whom the faculty have chosen to be fellows or instructors in the university, twenty-three are Phis. Of the three alumni thus far honored by election to the university board of trust, one is a Phi. Six have been president of the alumni association, and nine have been alumni orator. These are the principal honors at Vanderbilt. The smaller medals and prizes that have also come to Phis are too numerous for mention here.

The Phis have been foremost in all student enterprises. They published the first college paper, *The Austral*, in 1879, with W B. Palmer as editor-in-chief. The *Observer*, the literary magazine, has had Phis on its editorial staff during nearly every year of its existence, since 1881. *The Vanderbilt Hustler*, the college weekly, was established in 1888, and out of five editors-in-chief, three have been Phis. *The Commencement Courier*, published daily during commencement, was originated in 1894 by a Phi, and two of its other editors-in-chief have been Phis. The Vanderbilt athletic association, organized in 1886, has always received the liveliest support from Tennessee Alpha. From the organization of the association, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has always been well represented upon its executive board, more offices having been held by Phis than by all the other fraternities combined, as the following summary will show: secretary, eleven years out of twelve; treasurer, five; captain of base-ball, five; captain of foot-ball, five out of seven; manager of field sports, three times; manager of base-ball, twice; manager of foot-ball, once; and vice-president of the association, once. A large number of medals in athletic contests have been won by Phis, while the record of Pope Taylor, '89, is one of the brightest athletic traditions of the university. Taylor won thirteen medals, and tied the American college record for the 100 yards dash, making it in ten seconds.

The members of Tennessee Alpha have constantly shown

THE GYMNASIUM.

THE MEDICAL BUILDING.

their interest in the affairs of the Fraternity at large. They assisted in establishing South Carolina Alpha, Wisconsin Alpha (reorganized), Tennessee Beta, Texas Beta, besides many alumni chapters. The chapter has been represented at every convention, beginning with that held at Indianapolis in 1880, when W B. Palmer, now the Fraternity's president, was delegate. In 1884 the national convention met at Nashville upon the urgent invitation of the chapter, and was memorable for the work that was done and the social pleasures enjoyed. Ninety-four Phis were present. A number of general fraternity offices have been filled by members of Tennessee Alpha. W B. Palmer was historian of the General Council from the creation of the office, in 1880 to 1882. At the Philadelphia convention, November, 1896, he was honored by a unanimous election as president of the Fraternity. Brother Palmer's great and immensely important services to the Fraternity are too well known to be recounted here. S. P Gilbert was treasurer of the General Council, in 1886–89. The office of province president has been held by J. M. Barrs, S. P. Gilbert, Glenn Andrews and Paul M. Jones.

Tennessee Alpha enjoys the distinction of occupying the first chapter house in the south, built upon ground belonging to the Fraternity. It was erected in 1892, as the culmination of a movement begun in 1885. The lot is situated opposite the front gate of the university, and was purchased in February, 1890. It has a front of one hundred and nine feet, facing the athletic field. The appearance of the house is attractive, and the interior arrangements are well adapted for chapter uses. From the entrance hall, sliding doors open to a library and a parlor, all of which can be thrown together for entertainments. A wide door at the rear of the hall opens into the chapter room, which is 20 x 34 feet. From a side porch a stairway ascends to the attic and an observatory over the parlor. This observatory has a conical roof, supported by columns, and surmounted by a flag-staff.

The house was purposely set far back on the lot to afford room in front for a tennis court. It is neatly furnished and adorned with many useful and tasteful presents from correspondent members and friends among the ladies. Being the only chapter house at Vanderbilt, it affords to Phis a peculiar enjoyment of fraternity life. On Saturday evenings they gather as a chapter for delightful association, in which the happiest spirit of comradeship is supreme. The member of former days who hears them sing Phi songs and college

songs around the piano, or watches an initiation in the large chapter room, will easily recall his old ardor and be a stronger Phi in the days to come. Such is the remarkable loyalty and vitality of Tennessee Alpha. The unbroken success of the chapter is to be attributed to its insistence upon the three great purposes of Phi Delta Theta—mental, moral and social culture. To-day its spirit is as earnest and its prospects as radiant as even in those bright days, when, as the old men declare, 'there were giants in the land.'

The chapter is proud of its long list of members, who have won many honors in business and professional life. Of two hundred and thirty-one living members, forty-two live in Nashville, about the same number elsewhere in Tennessee, while the rest are widely distributed throughout the Union. A few who might be mentioned are, W. H. Ellerbe, governor of South Carolina; J. M. Griggs, representative in Congress, second district of Georgia; J. C. Smith, treasurer of Alabama, 1892–94; W. H. Jackson, judge of the superior court, Cincinnati; H. B. Phillips, judge of the criminal court, Jacksonville, Fla.; Claude Waller, judge of the second circuit court, Nashville, 1895–97; R. H. Marr, judge of the city court, New Orleans, 1890–93; S. P. Gilbert, solicitor-general, Columbus, Ga.; Lytton Taylor, United States attorney for Alaska, 1893–94; M. R. Patterson, attorney-general, Memphis, Tenn.; J. H. Dortch, state senator, Tennessee, 1889–90; R. H. Burney, state senator, Texas, 1886–92; Chambers Kellar, state's attorney, Hot Springs, S. Dak. Among teachers are Waller Deering, professor of Germanic languages and literature, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio; Paul M. Jones, instructor in natural history and geology, Vanderbilt; G. C. Jones, president, Arkadelphia (Ark.) Methodist College; J. P. Hanner, professor of modern languages, Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss.; Marvin West, professor of English, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Winchester; R. E. Crockett, principal Vanderbilt Training School, Elkton, Ky.; and T. P. Murrey, president Morriston (Ark.) College. Among ministers are A. F Watkins, J. E. Harrison, J. H. Moss, and W H. Cotton, who are annually appointed to the best charges in their conferences. Among physicians are S. S. Crockett, professor of anatomy in the medical department of the University of Nashville; and W. H. Park, surgeon in charge of the Soocham hospital and superintendent of the Soocham Medical School, China.

On the fifteenth and sixteenth of the present month, Ten-

nessee Alpha will open the doors of her heart and home to the Phis of Beta and Gamma provinces, and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance from every section. The Tennessee centennial exposition will be at its best. The program will be interesting and the enjoyments without limit. Let every Phi be present at this reunion of Phis in the south.

JOHN H. DE WITT,
Vanderbilt, '94.

THE PARTHENON—TENNESSEE CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION.

EDITORIAL.

ONE difficulty experienced by many chapters is the slowness of the members in becoming acquainted with new men. This is especially true in large institutions, where students in different departments see little or nothing of each other, even outside of recitation hours. But this is also true in smaller colleges, where one or two careless members, usually upper class men, have become so well satisfied with their associates of the preceding years that they take no interest in the undeveloped new men coming in, and throw a damper on the discussion of the merits of a candidate, enthusiastically endorsed by some active sophomore who knows him well, by inquiring languidly, 'Who is this man, anyway? Does he wear faded green trousers and haunt the general delivery window at the post-office? I think I've seen him.' Every chapter goes through the experience of hearing all about some man from the members who have been thrown with him or who have made it a point to meet him, and of finding that several of those present are completely ignorant of this man's existence. This may well happen once, but it is when it happens again and again in regard to the same man that the rushers get discouraged or impatient. Some other fraternity, with more energy and system, finally pledges the man, perhaps, and the slow member consolingly says he is 'mighty glad we didn't take that fellow.' This procrastination would cease, we think, if men realized how utterly discourteous it is to the member who proposes the new man, and how injurious it is to the chapter and the Fraternity. It is not conservatism; it is self-satisfied laziness. Some one has proposed that a by-law be adopted allowing no member to plead non-acquaintance more than twice or three times in the case of a given candidate, but this would perhaps be too radical. Get acquainted with all the new men and stay acquainted with them, whether you want to make Phis of them or not.

NO MEMBER of the chapter has a better opportunity to watch the new men as they come in, and to meet them, than the man who lives in the college town. No alumnus is quite so valuable and helpful, at times, as the one at your elbow. So look after the local students. And don't fail to ask the local alumni for aid and advice when you need them. Strong chapters will almost invariably be found to have many resident active members and *fratres in urbe*. For example take Vanderbilt, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Missouri, Pennsylvania and many more we might mention.

ANOTHER class of new-comers deserving of especial attention is made up of the sons, nephews, brothers and cousins of Phis. Centre, Indiana and several other older chapters have been initiating sons, nephews and even grandsons for some time. Scarcely a year passes with even the youngest chapter but four or five brothers or cousins come in. And these men are nearly always desirable and easy to influence. Of course, no chapter should be asked to take men merely on the ground of relationship. By keeping in communication with the alumni through annual circular letters and summer notes of inquiry the coming of these men may be easily learned of.

IN this connection, chapters should bear in mind that they can not afford to slight the circular letter. Neglect your alumni, and they will neglect you. Care, promptness and accuracy in all a chapter's relations with the Fraternity organization and with its correspondent members, will be rewarded tenfold. We wish to emphasize Amherst's mild rebuke to those who ignored her notes of inquiry as to new men. We can not believe that any of the alumni involved were SCROLL subscribers. It is painfully true that many of our reporters are hard to waken to response in the summer, even when their addresses are known, but Massachusetts Beta should bear in mind that it is very difficult to reach any man by mail during the summer vacation. It is a good sign to note the increasing use made of the vacation note to

alumni. Cornell's is doing good work. Wisconsin sent out fifty copies of the *Palladium* instead. Southwestern tried the same plan.

IN influencing new men to make the right decision we predict that the rushing committee will make much use of the Manual. A review of this invaluable work would be out of place here, because every subscriber has received a copy, and it speaks eloquently for itself. The first edition was the rusher's *vade mecum* in the later eighties. This edition should be used well and saved to use again. A few hundred extra copies have been printed and will be kept on sale while they last, but that will not be very long. Become thoroughly familiar with the contents of the Manual yourself, then put it into the hands of your freshman. One point brought up in the Manual calls for comment—the total membership of the Fraternity. We have verified Brother Palmer's figures and believe them to be substantially correct. Our annual reports from the H. G. C. were based in the first place on the fifth (1883) edition of the catalogue, and each succeeding report is based on its predecessor. It is now seen that the total given by the catalogue of 1883 was too small a figure.

We have had occasion so often to express the gratitude and appreciation of the Fraternity for some new labor of love on the part of Walter Benjamin Palmer, that we repeat in spite of ourselves. The editor has had an opportunity to see some of the difficulties that have beset Brother Palmer in preparing his work, but there is no need of rehearsing them to make its value appreciated. We merely congratulate Phi Delta Theta that the President of the General Council manages somehow to give her twenty-four hours a day without for a moment neglecting his regular duties.

THE chapter house received so much attention in the September *Palladium* that we are tempted to let the subject pass for once, especially since so many chapters are now busy in practical consideration of the matter and seem so

nearly ready to announce the best of good news. The *Palladium* has been mailed to every SCROLL subscriber this time, and if any were missed, a postal card will insure the rectification of the omission. We are pleased to see that the *Palladium's* alumni subscription list is growing apace. Whether it is curiosity or something better that prompts the desire to subscribe, we have strong faith that the results will be good for all concerned. Two items of chapter house news should not be overlooked. Union and Nebraska have just entered houses. Add these to the list given in the Manual. We congratulate them both. Next!

AND speaking of 'growing apace,' there is no doubt that our extension policy is most conservative where active chapters are concerned, but see how the alumni chapter list increases! On April 19, 1897, the Detroit alumni were chartered, on August 2, the New Orleans alumni, on September 9, the Milwaukee alumni. Buffalo Phis are much interested in the subject, too, and have been 'holding meetings.' All readers of THE SCROLL are asked to send names and addresses of Phis resident in or near Buffalo to Bro. Frank P Bingham, 525 Niagara street, Buffalo, N. Y. Please do this at once. There is still another organization likely to be effected before THE SCROLL comes out again, but we must save that, so that it will be news in December.

THE review of college annuals which usually appears, in part at least, in the October issue, is postponed until December on account of the space required for the Manual. The same thing is true of Brother Weed's article on Chapter Houses at Southern Colleges. And the very small number of letters presented from the chapters may be attributed to the same fact. So you see what may be expected next time.

THE SCROLL can not let pass this opportunity to express its regret at parting with old friends. Columbus, Ohio, has been its home for eight years—a much longer time than it

had remained in any one city before and much longer than the average fraternity magazine finds it possible to abide in any place. Messrs. Spahr and Glenn have the especial gratitude of the present editor for having made his assumption of duty an easy task, but their kindnesses and intelligent interest reach in equal measure back many years. For good, honest work, for patience and painstaking and for innumerable minor courtesies THE SCROLL and its editors have a thousand reasons to remember them gratefully.

THE charter of Illinois Epsilon, at Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, Illinois, has been returned by the members of that chapter in college during the past year, and Illinois Epsilon has become inactive. This action was taken on the advice of the General Council. It can be explained in a very few words. With the University of Chicago and the University of Illinois drawing very heavily upon the former constituencies of all the smaller colleges in Illinois, and with Northwestern far outstripping other Methodist schools in the state (as well as for other reasons, doubtless), the attendance and income of the Illinois Wesleyan University have been steadily declining of late. The whole number of male collegiate students last year did not reach seventy. Phi Delta Theta decided that it was to her best interest to withdraw. Illinois Epsilon has furnished many loyal alumni, scattered over the country in positions of trust and influence, many of them having held high official positions in the Fraternity. Of these we are proud and of the history of the chapter they founded and sustained. That Illinois Epsilon has ceased her activity is no fault of theirs. The Fraternity will still claim and receive their loyalty, their interest and their active support.

THE Detroit alumni chapter will hold a formal installation banquet so soon as all the members get in from the lakes and the fishing streams.

New Orleans may have to wait for the excitement roused by the prevalence of malaria to subside. The reporter,

Brother Tebault, extends a very cordial invitation to the next convention to meet in the 'Paris of America.'

The Milwaukee chapter began its formal existence locally with a banquet on the evening of September 14. Its organization is due to the tireless efforts of Bro. Carl F Geilfuss, reporter of Wisconsin Alpha and a resident of Milwaukee. Its charter members are Jared Thompson, Jr., *Lawrence*, '59; G. W. Hayes, *Wabash*, '60; *Wisconsin*—A. J. Hilbert, '84, H. Fehr, '84, W. H. Wasweyler, '85, F C. Rogers, '85, F. A. Geiger, '88, W. E. Black, '88, R. C. Brown, '89, J. H. Turner, '92, R. E. Hilbert, '92, Frank Sweet, '93, C. E. Hilbert, '94; J. J. Wright, '94, G. T. Elliott, '94; H. Van Blarcom, *Missouri*, '97.

The charter members at New Orleans are F W. Parham, *Randolph-Macon*, '77; *Vanderbilt*—R. H. Marr, '80, E. T. Menick, '81, J. M. Leveque, '89; *Sewanee*—R. Jamison, '85, H. T. Cottam, '91; C. L. Horton, *Alabama*, '87; *Virginia*—G. W. Nott, Jr., '88, S. Poitevent, '97; H. H. Flaspoller, *Roanoke*, '89; *Southern*—H. M. Ansley, '91, W G. Tebault, Jr., '99; *Tulane*—C. M. Brady, '89, H. B. Gessner, '89, C. H. Tebault, Jr., '90, J. J. d'Aquin, '92, W. F. Hardie, '92, E. P Brady, '93, C. V Cosby, '93, H. P. Jones, '93, G. L. Tebault, '93, Marion Souchon, '94, Udolpho Wolfe, Jr., '94, E. J. Murphy, '95, S. S. Prentiss, Jr., '95, A. A. Woods, Jr., '95, P. L. Cusachs, '96, F. McN. Gordon, '96, E. C. Renaud, '96.

OUR fraternity library, which is prospering wonderfully under Doctor J. E. Brown's care, has received a most valuable addition in a recent gift from Brother Alexander Gwyn Foster, *Indiana*, '78, now of El Paso, Texas. Brother Foster was an editor of the fifth edition of the catalogue and an active worker for the Fraternity before he tried to annex himself to Mexico, and his interest does not slacken, even so far away. He has given his whole collection of fraternity literature, including a complete file of THE SCROLL. His example is one we commend to all those who have manuscripts, letters, clippings, photographs or publications con-

nected with or relating to the history of Phi Delta Theta or of college fraternities in general. Since the preceding sentences were written we have learned that Brother George Banta, P G. C. from 1880 to 1882, has signified his intention of turning over all fraternity literature in his possession to the library. Let the good work continue.

THE Tennessee centennial exposition, which opened May 1, and continues to October 31, has been a much greater success, artistically and financially, than was expected. In many respects it compares favorably with the Columbian exposition, and the electric illumination at night is said to surpass anything seen at Chicago. The art building is a reproduction of the glorious Parthenon. At one end is a massive statue of Phi Delta Theta's tutelary goddess, Pallas, and at the other is a bronze figure of Commodore Vanderbilt, founder of Vanderbilt University. The building is crowded with paintings and statuary, many of which are from foreign countries. Another purely Grecian style of building is the Erechtheon, or history building. Other principal buildings are the commerce, minerals, forestry, machinery, agriculture, transportation, U. S. government, education, woman's, children's, negro, auditorium and administration buildings. Many of the states and cities have special buildings. On 'Vanity Fair' there is nearly as great a variety of amusements as there was on the 'Midway Plaisance' at Chicago. Boat rides can be enjoyed in gondolas on the lakes, one of which, at a narrow part, is spanned with a reproduction of the Rialto at Venice.

On account of these attractions, as well as the pleasure of meeting, there should be a large attendance of Phis at the joint convention and reunion of Beta and Gamma provinces at Nashville, on Friday and Saturday, October 15 and 16. The railroad rates are very low. Ten-day round trip tickets to Nashville are sold all over southern territory, at an average of two and a quarter cents per mile in one direction, or considerably less for a return ticket than the usual price for a ticket one way. The fare may be even less by

the middle of October. The hotels at Nashville have made no increase in their charges.

The proposed meeting will be the first joint province convention ever held. Friday, October 15, will be Tennessee college day at the exposition. The Sigma Nu fraternity will hold a convention in Nashville, October 13–15. Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Chi have already met there since the exposition began. The yellow fever flurry, mind you, has nothing to do with this convention. Poitevent and the New Orleans men will be kept away, but everybody else can come.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

As president of Gamma Province, I wish to call the attention of all chapters in this province to the fact that the joint convention of Beta and Gamma Provinces will be held at the Tennessee centennial, Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 15–16.

This will be the first Φ Δ Θ convention of any kind held since the national convention at Philadelphia last November, and those managing it are extremely desirous that it be successful from every point of view. And in order that it be a success, the co-operation of every chapter in the two provinces is needed. Especially is this true with reference to Gamma.

The active chapters, nine in all, extending from Georgia to Texas, are so scattered and the members so seldom know each other personally, that the chapter communications, other than SCROLL and annual letters, are of the meagerest sort. Moreover, other reasons not herein stated demand that Georgia Alpha, Beta and Gamma, Alabama Alpha and Beta, Mississippi Alpha, Louisiana Alpha, and Texas Beta and Gamma, and the Georgia alumni chapters, Alpha, Beta and Gamma, the Alabama alumni chapters, Alpha, Beta, Gamma and Delta, and the Louisiana alumni chapter, Alpha, each have present one official delegate and as many

members as possible. The railroad fares will be cheap, a condition of affairs due to the centennial rates. Inasmuch as this is not a national convention, each chapter will pay its delegate's way to and from the convention; and, therefore, the treasurer of each chapter should levy a *per capita* tax for the delegate's railroad ticket.

At this writing, the complete program has not been officially announced, but the delegates should try to reach Nashville the afternoon or night of the 14th. Tennessee Alpha, who will act the part of host, will appoint committees to meet incoming trains. Delegates, with their credentials, will officially report at the headquarters as soon after their arrival as practicable.

On behalf of Gamma Province, I extend a special invitation to the General Council, to the presidents of the several provinces, to every chapter and to all alumni to be present and to take part in the ceremonies; and the invitation is extended only with the hope that it will be accepted.

Yours in the Bond,

Ocean Springs, Miss., SCHUYLER POITEVENT.
September 5, 1897.

BY an oversight the T. G. C. stated in the September *Palladium* that the dues this fall would be payable on October 1, when he should have said November 1. Reporters will be governed accordingly, but no one need keep back the money if he can remit it at the earlier date.

FRED S. BALL, T. G. C.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The academic year opened on Thursday, September 16. The freshman class, with an enrollment of 185, is the largest that ever entered Dartmouth.

The untiring energy and enthusiasm of President Tucker result in constant additions to the material equipment of the college. The James B. Richardson Hall, a magnificent brick and stone dormitory, is now in process of erection. Through the benevolence of the late Charles T. Wilder, of Wellesley Hills, Mass., the college comes into possession of funds to be used for a new physical laboratory.

Foot ball prospects are very bright. But few men were lost by graduation, and a large number of new men can be picked from the freshman class. Brother Turner, '98, is a prominent candidate for center. Brother Carr, '98, is manager of the team.

Though twelve loyal brothers were lost by graduation, the remainder have returned full of enthusiasm and are entering into the year's work with the greatest heartiness.

At the last commencement Brother Lease, 1900, received 'honorable mention' in drawing, and Brother Beal, '99, in Latin. Brother Rodgers, '98, received the first Lockwood prize, awarded for excellence in English composition. Two '97 brothers, Richards and Ward, have returned to the medical college, and Brother Bailey, '97, having received a graduate scholarship, is pursuing the graduate course in geology.

Brother Tuxbury, '93, is still with us in the medical college. Brother Graham, '99, received an election to the editorial board of *The Dartmouth Literary Monthly* at the close of the last academic year.

With best wishes to all Phis for a successful college year, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Hanover, September 16, 1897. BRADLEY C. RODGERS.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

It is our painful duty to announce to the Phi world the death of Bro. Leon Keeler Wiswell, '93, which occurred at his home in Hyde Park, Vt., July 29, 1897. Since his graduation Bro. Wiswell had been in the employ of the Berlin Iron Bridge Co., of East Berlin, Conn. He was spending a short vacation at home when he was stricken down suddenly, although he had not been well for some time. Bro. Wiswell will be remembered by all who knew him, as a most loyal brother and most earnest and sincere follower of the high ideals set by our Fraternity. Five of the chapter were present at the funeral.

We lost from active chapter life at our last commencement six good and true Phis; their vacant places will not be easily filled. They were Bros. Allen, Ph. B., Jackson, A. B., Doten, B. S., Howe, B. S., Kern, B. S., and Lincoln, Ph. B. Bro. Doten was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, ranking second in the class of '97. Bro. Lincoln received the honor of 'general high standing.' Bro. Jackson will return to continue his medical studies, which he began last year.

At the commencement exercises of '97 Bro. Lincoln was class poet;

Bro. Greene, '99, was our representative on the Forest prize speaking. The eighteenth annual commencement banquet of Vermont Alpha was an enthusiastic and happy gathering of alumni and undergraduates. The following toasts were responded to :

Toastmaster ..... Bro. Doten, '97.
Greeting ..... Bro. Ray, '98.
History of Vermont Alpha ..... Bro. Dalrymple, '95.
The Philadelphia Convention ..... Bro. Lincoln, '97.
Anticipations ..... Bro. Blair, '99.
The General Fraternity ..... Bro. Leach, '92.
Phis in the Law ..... Bro. Mower, '92.
The Chapter House ..... Bro. Andrews, '99.
New England Phis ..... Bro. Patrick, '98.

Impromptu speeches were then made by the alumni, fifteen of whom were present. Such annual reunions as these impress deeply upon the undergraduate a clear sense of the strength and sweetness of our Bond. It is, indeed, an inspiration to younger Phis when their older brothers return with fraternal love not only undiminished but grown stronger in the lapse of years.

Bro. G. H. Baker enters soon on the pastorate of the Congregational church at Westford, Vt. On Sept. 1, 1897, Bro. N. M. Pratt, '93, pastor of the Bethany (Congregational) church in New York City, was married to Miss Carolyn Augusta Paddock at the bride's home in Craftsbury, Vt.

Eighteen men will probably report for duty this autumn. They will make a supreme effort to secure their share of the good and worthy from the class of 1901. The incoming class promises to be very large and will doubtless furnish much good material with which $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ may swell her ranks. Bro. Emery, '99, on account of poor health will be obliged to spend the winter in California. Bro. Burnham, 1900, will not return to college.

Bro. Forbes, '98, has been elected manager of the base ball team for the coming season. Bro. Ray, '98, is president of the French literary club. Bro. Andrews, '99, is assistant business manager of the '99 *Ariel* and also of the musical clubs. Vermont will begin a new football career this fall. This game, which has been wrongfully neglected here during the past two years, will be taken up again with renewed energy and on a new basis.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of a very neat catalogue of 'New England Phis' published by the Boston alumni chapter.

With best wishes for prosperity to every chapter, I remain,

Yours in the Bond,

Burlington, September 10, 1897. C. F. BLAIR.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Although college has not opened at the time of this writing, a letter to THE SCROLL will be useful in summing up the odd items of last June's graduation and the present prospects.

In the loss of the '97 delegation Massachusetts Beta surrendered to her alumni a band of hard-working and public-spirited men. The '97 brothers were eminently successful in holding many important positions before the college, and Phi Delta Theta has received much honor at their hands. At commencement Bro. Ingersoll delivered the class poem; Bro. Griffin was chairman of the senior promenade, Bro. Coles was chairman of the program committee, and Bro. Crary was a member of the committee on committees.

According to its usual custom, the chapter held open house during commencement, giving an enjoyable reception on Tuesday evening.

At the close of the year Bro. Brooks, '99, was awarded both the Walker mathematics prize of $200 and the first Latin prize of $25.

The membership of the three remaining delegations will be slightly changed for the coming year. Bros. Herald, 1900, and Ogden, 1900, will not return; Bro. Whitney, formerly of '98, will re-enter college with '99, and Bro. Goodrich, formerly of '98, is expected to make one of the 1900 delegation.

We are looking forward confidently to a large and influential delegation from the entering class. In this connection it may not be out of place to express the wish that letters of inquiry sent to other chapters and to the general alumni concerning new men would receive more attention. After allowing for mistakes of address, etc., it seems certain that several such requests for information have been neglected this year. A slight mention of this matter may enforce the importance which we attach to it.

With best wishes, I remain Yours in the Bond,

Amherst, September 13, 1897. CHESTER M. GROVER.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

New York Beta returns to college this fall with twelve workers earnest in the cause. Two men are already pledged to take upon themselves the duties and privileges of Phis. Our members are now settled in the new home which the chapter leased last June. It is very gratifying to be in a house and have all its advantages.

Bros. Lynn M. Scofield, '97, Glenn M. Scofield, '97, and Monte J. Multer, '97, each received Sigma Xi keys last June.

The entering class this fall numbers about sixty men. President Raymond's reception to the class of 1901 was held on Friday evening of the opening week. All spent a very pleasant hour. New York Beta is very glad to welcome Bro. A. D. Ingram, of Ohio State University. Bro. Ingram has just received a position in the draughting department of the Edison works. We find him one of the regulation 'jolly Phis.'

The faculty will be greatly changed from that of last year. These changes will take effect at once, and are as follows:

Prof. T. S. Wright will have general direction of the departments of mathematics and physics. Mr. Frank S. Thompson, of Princeton, has been appointed his assistant for the current year. Prof. J. H. Stoller has been given leave of absence for one year for travel and study in Europe. Dr. A. A. Tyler, of Lafayette and Columbia, has been appointed instructor in biology during Prof. Stoller's absence. Mr. John W. H. Pollard, of Dartmouth and Harvard, has been appointed to the instructorship in physical culture, made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Linhart. During his college course Mr. Pollard was prominent in athletics, on the foot ball team and the track team. The new instructor in civil engineering to take the place of Mr. Cummings is Mr. Edward B. Kay, of Rensselaer. The important position of instructor in electrical engineering has been given to Dr. Bryon S. Brackett, of Syracuse and Johns Hopkins. Mr. N. K. Webster, of Hamilton, has been appointed to the instructorship in the department of rhetoric and logic held last year by Dr. Reeves.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am Yours in the Bond,

Schenectady, September 21, 1897. D. J. HOYT.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

New York Delta salutes her sister chapters and the Fraternity at large, wishing all a prosperous year. At this date of writing Columbia has not opened for work. Owing to the abandonment of the scheme of a quasi-official dormitory, New York Delta is as yet, alas! homeless, but the zealous efforts of an efficient committee give promise that by the time this letter appears we shall be comfortably housed in suitable quarters somewhere near the university and within its atmosphere. The limits of a chapter letter do not permit of any description, however meager, of Columbia's new site and environs, her magnificent buildings with their priceless collections of scientific apparatus and works of art, nor of her officers and instructors with their hopes and ambitions. That must be left for another time and an abler pen.

At the commencement held on the ninth of June, Bro. Haldy, B. S., received the degree of electrical engineer, Bros. Riederer and Waldenberger that of bachelor of science in chemistry, while Bros. Kilian and Rappold received the same (B. S.) in the course in architecture. In the law school Bro. Hewitt was dubbed a LL. B., and in the school of political science Bro. Ehrhorn was made *magister in artibus*. Phi Delta Theta was also represented in the school of medicine by Walter Timme, B. L., of N. Y. Gamma, who, after having sworn to serve as a true and faithful follower of Hippocrates, was granted the right to add M. D. to his name.

The academic year not beginning until the first full week in October, our men for the most part are still rusticating, and news of them is, at best, scant. Bro. Riederer sailed early in June for Europe, where he was shortly afterwards followed by Bro. Waldenberger. After traveling for a while, they met at Munich, where for the next year they will pursue graduate courses in chemistry. Bro. Kilian also, at last reports, was traveling on the Continent, and as Bro. Bryant likewise expects to visit the Old World upon his return from Massachusetts, where he spent the summer, New York Delta is contemplating the establishment of a European branch.

We shall start the year with representatives in the schools of arts, law, medicine and mines, and should the year not yield us a large crop of good Phis, it will be due to no lack of effort, but rather to want of worthy material; but since Columbia is now able to offer advantages equal to the best, there should be no dearth of good men and true, so that everything for the future presages well. Yet you know Lowell tells us in the Bigelow Papers, 'Don't never prophesy unless you know.' In the Bond,

OSCAR WEEKS EHRHORN.

New York, September 7, 1897.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Beta begins the year under peculiarly auspicious circumstances. With the largest freshman class in the history of Gettysburg College and with three of our last year's graduates with us again, we bid fair to enjoy a year of such prosperity as it has seldom been our lot to experience.

Bros. Ott and Friday are taking a course in the Theological Seminary and Bro. Kain is instructor in mathematics in the preparatory department. But the chapter at the same time loses three brothers; A. B. Coble, '97, who has accepted a position as teacher in the public

schools of Lykens, Pa., also J. E. Smith and C. S. Smith, both of '99, who will engage in the hardware business at their home in Newport, Pa.

At the last commencement, Bros. Coble and Kain were two of the ten commencement orators, and Bros. Friday, Ott, and Kain had places on the class day program, the first two as class and ivy poet, respectively, and the latter as historian. Bro. Coble was selected to eulogize 'our absent ones' upon the same occasion, but owing to press of work, he was obliged to resign.

On the night of June 2 the annual banquet of the chapter, which for several years had been neglected, was held, about twenty being present. Where numbers were lacking, enthusiasm was not, and all parted, promising to come back next year and bring along all the other alumni possible. The old, reliable subject, the chapter house, was discussed, and a new plan adopted, of which, if feasible, you will all hear later. Bro. H. H. Weber, '82, acted as toastmaster in his usual jolly manner.

In the inter-fraternity tennis tournament, which is held commencement week, Bros. Friday and Kain succeeded in defeating Φ Γ Δ, who has held the silver cup for four successive years, but fell before the Α Τ Ω team, who will hold the cup for the next year.

Bro. J. H. Beerits, '99, has been elected assistant editor of the *Mercury* and assistant business manager of the *Spectrum*. Bro. H. H. Kellar fills the position of base ball manager for the class of 1901.

Bro. J. Arthur Singmaster, '98, attended the Lehigh commencement and speaks in high terms of the Pan-Hellenic reception tendered by Pennsylvania Eta.

Workmen are busily engaged in erecting a new dormitory, which has been rendered necessary by the increasing number of students. It is to be completed by January 1, and when finished it will accommodate about fifty students. Numerous other improvements have also been made in the buildings and campus.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Bro. St. John McClean, '01, of Gettysburg, and Bro. H. H. Kellar, '01, of Bedminster, Pa., both of whom we have initiated since our last letter to THE SCROLL. Melville Huber, '01, of Gettysburg, is wearing the pledge button and will be initiated soon. With these three as a nucleus and several others whom we are watching, we will have a freshman delegation of which we may well be proud. With best wishes to the Fraternity, I remain, Yours in the Bond,

J. CLYDE MARKEL.

Gettysburg, September 8, 1897.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE

The 96th annual commencement of Washington and Jefferson College was one of the most pleasant events of the kind in the history of the institution. The graduating class numbered forty-two, and an unusually large number took honors. Brothers J. M. Miller and John J. Kerr took honors and spoke at commencement. In addition they represented their class on class day, Brother Kerr being prophet and Brother Miller being souvenir distributer. Both brothers have registered for the study of law. Brother Hughes, who was an irregular member of '97, is also reading law.

A pleasing feature of commencement day was the presentation of portraits. Those presented this year were of Rev. G. P. Hays, D. D., former president of the college, and Gen. John Frazier, professor of mathematics in Jefferson college. Dr. Hays is the father of Brothers C. W., Walter and A. A. Hays, of Pennsylvania Gamma. Gen. Frazier, at the beginning of the war, commanded a company of students who enlisted while at college and was rapidly promoted, being mustered out with the rank of brevet brigadier-general. He died a few years since.

At the alumni dinner and reunion just after the commencement exercises, Judge James A. Beaver, ex-governor of Pennsylvania, presided. A plan for increasing the endowment of the college by $250,000 before the centennial anniversary in 1902 was started and several thousand dollars subscribed. The class of '97 made the first subscription of $1,000.

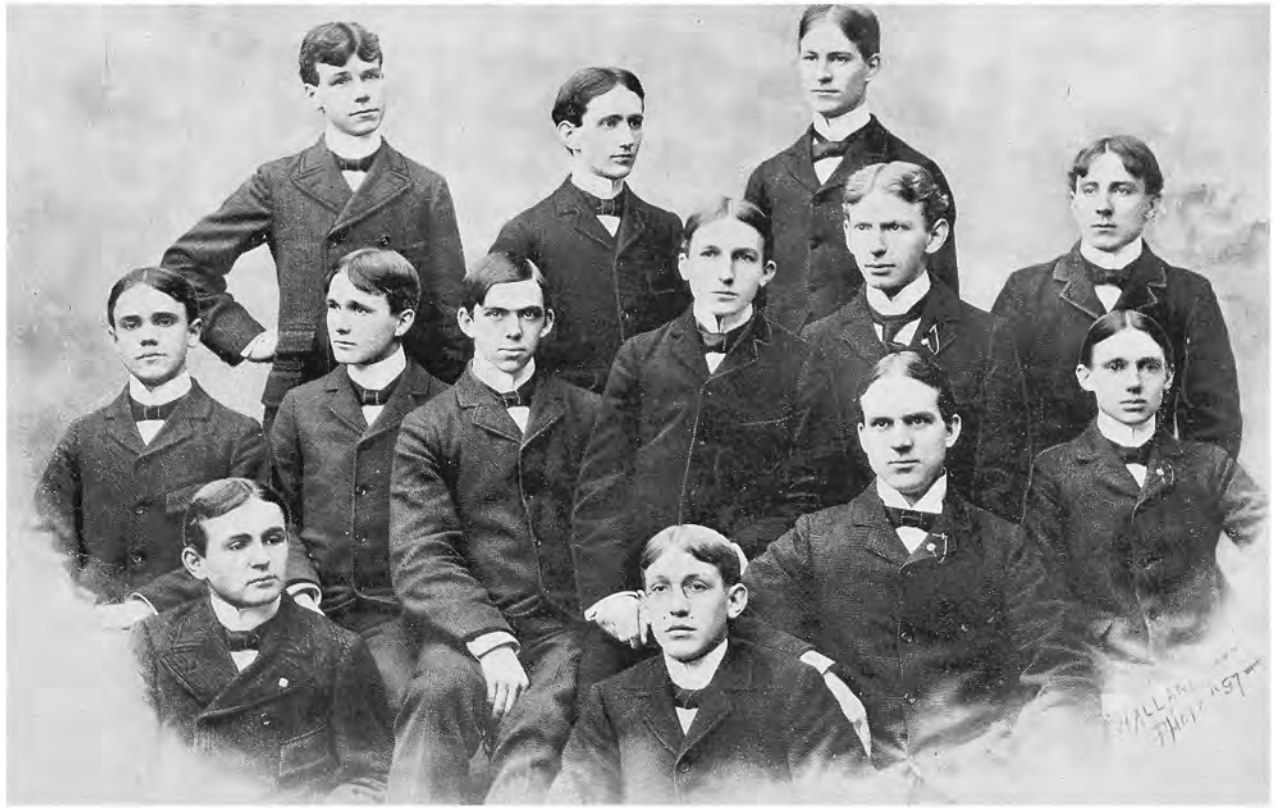
The new library building project is rapidly assuming definite form, and ere long the campus will be beautified by a handsome new structure. The committee of trustees in charge favor a building similar in plan to the congressional library and one that will cost about $100,000.

The preparations for the centennial anniversary of the granting of a charter to Washington and Jefferson College, to be held in 1902, are progressing finely. A committee of the board of trustees has the celebration in charge, and it promises to be the greatest event in the educational history of western Pennsylvania.

On October 14 will occur the joint centennial celebration of the founding of Philo and Franklin literary societies of the college. Committees of the two societies and of the college faculty have been engaged for several months perfecting arrangements for the anniversary. Col. A. Louden Snowden, ex-U. S. minister to Greece, a Philo, and Rev. H. C. McCook, D. D., of Philadelphia, a Franklin man, will make the principal addresses. Brother W. C. McClelland, '82, will read a history of the societies. Other prominent alumni have promised to be present and speak. The celebration will be an all-day affair and close with a torch-light parade. These two societies are undoubtedly the oldest organizations of their kind west of the Allegheny mountains, and have been in constant operation for a century.

The base ball season closed with W. and J. having only two defeats chalked up against her, one by a college team and the other by the Greensburg athletic club team, the champions of western Pennsylvania. The team defeated Scio, Otterbein, O. W. U., O. S. U., Grove City and D C. and A. C., after the last SCROLL letter. Brothers Hughes and Eicher were members of the team.

Foot ball practice began to-day with twenty candidates for positions on the team. Captain Flowers is looking after the work this week, but coach Woods and ex-captain W. D. Inglis will take charge of the men on September 6. The prospects for a team as strong as the champion eleven of '96 are very good. We have harder clubs to go up against this year and may not be able to keep from being scored against, but we will make a creditable showing. Games have been secured with Princeton and U. of P. The schedule for the season follows: Sep. 29, U. of P. at Philadelphia; Oct. 2, Geneva College at Washington; Oct. 9, D. C. and A. C. at Washington; Oct. 13, Princeton at Princeton; Oct. 16, Ohio Wesleyan at Washington; Oct. 23, Dickinson at Carlisle; Oct. 30, P. A. C. at Pittsburgh; Nov. 6, University of West Virginia at Washington; Nov. 13, Adelbert at Washington; Nov. 17, Oberlin at Washington; Nov. 25, D. C. and A. C. at Pittsburg. W. and J. won the inter-collegiate championship of western Pennsylvania in the field



THE CHAPTER AT WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

sports at Schenley Park, Pittsburg, on May 31. The total scores were W. and J., 91; Geneva, 14; Westminster, 13; Grove City, 0; W. U. P., 0. The records in the pole vault, hammer throw and shot put were all broken by W. and J. men.

The season which ended with the field games was a most successful one for W. and J. The foot ball team was not scored against, the base ball team lost only two games, and the field and track team won the championship. Financially the athletic association was never in better shape.

The fall term of college begins on September 15. The prospects are for a largely increased attendance this year. We hope to report some new Phis in our next letter. Our chapter will number eleven at the opening of college.

Brother S. S. Baker, '92, has been elected superintendent of the schools of Chartiers township, Allegheny county, at a handsome salary. The position came to Brother Baker unsolicited. He had taught for several years very successfully in Washington county. Brother A. A. Hays, '95, has been elected for the third time principal of the Washington high school. Brother Walter Hays, '90, who has been preaching in Montana for several years, is now in Washington. His father, Rev. George P. Hays, D D., is a helpless invalid. Brother W. B. Sterrett, '95, who last year attended the Western Theological Seminary, Allegheny, will enter Princeton this fall.

We are sorry to report the death of Brother John Hasson Carline, '95, who died at his home at Braddock on May 31. Brother Carline was a loyal Phi whose loss will be keenly felt. He was a brother of A. M. Carline, 1900.

Brother C. B. Griffen, '98, was compelled to leave college six weeks before commencement on account of sickness. He had an operation performed for tuberculosis of the throat and may be able to return this fall. At present he is enjoying good health, having recovered entirely from the effects of the operation. He may winter in Colorado.

The mother of Brother C. Ward Eicher, '96, and Alex. Eicher, '99, died very suddenly last May. She was a most estimable Christian woman and had been a hospitable and considerate hostess many times to members of Pennsylvania Gamma.

Hoping that all our sister chapters will receive handsome additions of good men to their membership, I remain,

Yours in the Bond,

Washington, September 1, 1897. DAVID GLENN MOORE.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

The session of '96-7 marked the closing of an important epoch in the history of this institution brought about by the resignation of its president, Gen. G. W. C. Lee, who succeeded in that capacity his revered father, Gen. Robt. E. Lee.

At the opening of the present session ex-Postmaster-General Wm. L. Wilson, who has been appointed to succeed him, will take charge of his official duties. This inauguration will be a memorable event, hundreds of our alumni will be present, and many of the most eminent men of the nation will participate.

Congressman H. St. George Tucker has been chosen professor of law to fill the vacancy caused by the death of his father, the eminent

lawyer, statesman and 'Interpreter of the Constitution,' John Randolph Tucker.

Many changes have been made in the policy of the institution, which seems on the threshold of an era of marked prosperity. This spirit of advancement seems to have been likewise infused into Virginia Zeta, and the chapter of '97-8 will be doubtless one of the best which Φ Δ Θ has ever maintained here.

Reverting to the events of the session that has just closed, the finals were particularly interesting and enjoyable, the chief features being the winning of the annual boat race by the Harry Lee crew, a most successful final ball and a brilliant Theta Nu Epsilon german. The entire committee of the Albert Sydney boat club was composed of Phis. Bro. Marshall represented us on the final ball committee, and in the ranks of Theta Nu Epsilon are Brothers Speers, Campbell and McLester.

The Calyx of '96-7, dedicated to 'The illustrious son of an illustrious father,' Gen. G. W. C. Lee, is the most complete and interesting annual ever issued by the students of this college. Conspicuous among the editorial board of twelve elected by popular ballot were four members of our chapter. The staff was afterward increased to sixteen at the request of the fraternities who were excluded in the first choice. The annual is also of peculiar interest to Phi Delta Theta as an attestation of the prominent position taken by the members of Virginia Zeta in the social and political functions of the university.

Several of last year's graduates will not return this session. Speers has established a law office in Macon, Ga., but will be here during the first few weeks of this term. Leonard and McClintic have been admitted to the bar in Missouri. Bryan will be a student of Central University. Horne is in Fayetteville, N. C. McLester will enter Vanderbilt.

With the returning members and those whom we hope soon to add to our list, we trust to assemble at the opening of the collegiate year an enthusiastic and representative chapter. One of our most valued acquisitions will be W. M. Hutchins, of Chattanooga.

With best wishes to all the members of our loved Fraternity, I am,

Yours in the Bond,

Lexington, September 13, 1897. BATTLE MCLESTER.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Emory College, venerable and prosperous, has rounded the threescore years of her existence. The commencement of '97 was one of the most delightful in the history of the institution.

As has been the custom for the last fifteen years, Phi Delta Theta stood foremost of the fraternities in representation on the commencement stage. Bro. W. P. Bloodworth was one of the senior orators and also one of the champion debaters. Bro. John S. Tilley bore our colors among the junior speakers, and with the sophomores the badges of Bros. Robert Campbell, Albert J. Little and Frank S. Palmer were in evidence. Of the ten freshman speakers five were Phis, Bros. Balling S. Branham, Daniel Lott, William W. Tindall, Leonard R. Jenkins and Wilkinson C. Wardlaw.

Bro. Bloodworth captured the Johnston prize and the Boynton medal together with third honor. Bro. Lott won the freshman declamation

medal. Bro. John S. Tilley was recently elected first vice-president of the Georgia state oratorical association.

Georgia Beta has lost three good men by graduation. They are Bro. Hubert C. Wood, who will pursue the study of medicine, Bro. Thomas G. Scott, who will teach, and Bro. Walter P. Bloodworth, who is at present attending the Georgia State Normal School, preparatory to teaching. It is with the profoundest regret that Georgia Beta parts with these worthy sons, but bids them Godspeed with all the love and pride of a Spartan mother sending forth her sons to battle.

Our prospects for the coming year are as promising as those of any fraternity at Emory, and all signs betoken another year of prosperity for the chapter. Probably fifteen or more members will return in the fall. By my next letter I hope to have a number of initiates to introduce to THE SCROLL.

Fraternally yours,

FRANK S. PALMER.

Oxford, August 27, 1897.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The session that has just closed marks one of the most successful in the history of the University of Mississippi. The board of trustees at their last meeting created a chair of history and *belles-lettres*, which will be filled by F. L. Riley, Ph. D., of Johns Hopkins University. Owing to the increasing number of students in the law department, it was decided to create an associate professorship of law. It has not yet been determined who shall fill this position.

Our first annual, *Ole Miss*, has just been received and has been favorably commented upon by all. Brother E. B. Williams represented Phi Delta Theta on the board of editors

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, Phi Delta Theta has won many distinctions. On April 9 the Hermean literary society celebrated its anniversary by a junior oratorical contest, in which Φ Κ Ψ, Δ Κ Ε and Φ Δ Θ were represented. Brother Lucas proved himself superior and was awarded the medal. On May 14 the Phi Sigma literary society celbrated its anniversary by a similar junior contest, in which Σ Χ, Δ Κ Ε and Φ Δ Θ participated. Brother Ray was announced as the winner of this contest. We think that Φ Δ Θ has done something to be proud of, when, with only two juniors in the chapter, she wins both junior medals over her strongest rivals. By appointment, Bros. Richmond and Wilburne appeared as sophomore speakers at commencement.

In athletics we were well represented. Brother E. B. Williams was manager of the base ball team, a position which he had held with credit during the season of '96. Under his management we secured the best team we have had for a number of years, winning three out of four games, and scoring 33 runs in all to our opponents' 11. Bro. Hardy played first base on the team.

We were recently honored by a visit from our worthy President, Bro. W. B. Palmer. His visit was of great benefit to the chapter in general, and a source of much pleasure to the individual members.

It is with inexpressible sadness that I announce the death of Mrs. B. T. Kimbrough, an honorary member of our beloved Fraternity. Her sudden death, which occurred at her home in Oxford, Miss., on June 2, brought sorrow and grief to the many who knew and loved her. In recognition of her valuable assistance in the establishment of our chapter in 1877, she was elected an honorary member of our Fraternity and was presented with a beautiful badge, which she very

highly prized. The chapter sent floral offerings and went in a body to pay the last honors to the memory of their friend.

We lost by graduation this year three of our most loyal brothers. Bros. Smythe and Williams received diplomas with the degrees of LL. B., and Bro. Lockard the degree of A. M. It is with reluctance that we give up these brothers, yet we wish them unbounded success in life. We will return next year eleven men, who will come back with the determination to secure the best men and keep Φ Δ Θ in her accustomed exalted position.

Mississippi Alpha sends her final greetings for the year to all her sister chapters.

Yours in the Bond,

G. L. RAY.

University, June 10, 1897.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Louisiana Alpha sends greetings to her sister chapters and hopes for a prosperous year for them. The yellow fever here will probably frighten many from Tulane's doors who would otherwise enter them. For the same reason we may not be able to send our representative to the province convention at Nashville, as Nashville has quarantined against New Orleans. Nevertheless, we hope that by October the scare will be over. Bros. Gordon, '96, and Coleman, '98, were in Nashville during the latter part of August and brought us glowing accounts of the way they were treated by Tennessee Alpha. Louisiana Alpha hopes to be able to return the compliment.

I repeat the request of Bro. G. L. Tebault, '93, that when a Phi visits New Orleans, he notify one of us at the college by either calling or sending a note. It will reach us if addressed in care of the university. In a big city like New Orleans, we can not be expected to find visiting brothers unless we know they are here. Especially at Mardi Gras is it impossible to find out who is in town, at a time when we wish to treat royally every brother in the Bond.

I can not say until college opens what will be the status of Louisiana Alpha in membership. Seven men to return and two initiates will likely be our number. We lost one by graduation: Bro. Geo. C. H. Kernion, law, '97, who was class secretary.

Hoping to meet many Phis at Nashville on October 15 and 16, I remain,

Yours in Φι-κεία,

H. N. WOODS.

New Orleans, September 16, 1897.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The college year in the Ohio Wesleyan University closing June 15, 1897, was to the school a most prosperous one, except in the fact that the university lost two professors and the librarian, all three of which officials have been connected with the institution for many years, one, Dr. L. L. McCabe, from its beginning. Phi Delta Theta never knew a more prosperous year in the memory of those now connected with the chapter. During the year we had men in all the representative places in the school; on the foot ball team, in the glee club, on the base ball team, and in the high offices in the gift of the student body and of the faculty.

We closed the year with fifteen initiates and four pledged men, two

of whom were initiated at commencement time. Our part in the commencement program was good. Bro. Thomas was awarded the prize for scholarship in German, Bros. Armstrong and Billinghurst were of the fifteen commencement speakers, and Bro. Vail was class poet.

We lost by graduation last year, Bro. Armstrong, now teaching in the high schools of East Liverpool, Ohio; Bro. Billinghurst, principal of the high school at Danville, Illinois; Bro. Kline, principal of the high school at Marseilles, Illinois; Bro. Thomas, teaching in Hardwick academy, Hardwick, Vt.; and Bro. Vail, who will take graduate work in chemistry.

The present year opens rather prosperously as compared with previous years. The prospects are for a larger attendance, and for more interest in the various sports of the college. Changes have been made in the faculty and official force of the university, which point to better things both in the curriculum and in the management of the institution. Dr. Bashford, who spent last year abroad in search of health, has returned and taken his place at the head of the institution.

In the field of athletics we are looking to honors for our foot ball team. The school is fortunate in having secured the services of Yost, of last year's Lafayette team, as coach, the best coach we have ever had. We claim for last year the championship of the state, and we look this year to no less honors, and are going to fight hard for them. Two Phis are now trying for positions on the team.

The outlook for the chapter is very good. Though we lost by graduation five of our best men, and three of the lower class men have not returned, we still have nine loyal, hustling Phis, who will keep up the reputation of Ohio Beta for the Fraternity. Many good men have entered the university, and we have not been here for three or four days with closed eyes. The class of '97 was an exceptionally strong one, and the class of '98 is comparatively weak. We expect to hold our own in the rushing season, and place in Phi Delta Theta the kind of men that have always characterized her as a leading fraternity in past years.

With best wishes to every chapter and to every member, and hoping that when any Phi may happen to come our way he will make his home with us, I am

Yours in the Bond,

C. P. MORGAN.

Delaware, September 16, 1897.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The number of new students has far surpassed all expectations, and indications promise an eventful year. The new administration building is nearing completion, and many repairs have been made in the laboratories and other buildings.

The work of dredging the Hocking river for boating will begin soon, and boat racing is expected to hold high rank in the athletics of the institution.

The foot ball team, which has been in practice since September 1, is in excellent condition, having several men trying for almost every position.

There have been two changes in the faculty since our last letter to THE SCROLL; Prof. Henderson succeeds Dr. Fay in the chair of chemistry, and Prof. Phillips assumes charge of the department of instrumental music, Miss Myrtle Stinson having resigned.

Phi Delta Theta begins the year under very fortunate circumstances, having retained her entire enrollment of last year.

Bro. Foster, '95, who is attending the law department of the Ohio State University, has affiliated with Ohio Zeta.

Bro. Frank Super, '95, assistant instructor in the department of physics, spent the summer touring in Europe with Bro. R. C. Super, who is taking a two years' course in modern languages at Heidelberg.

Bro. Greer, of Georgia Beta, made us a short visit at the close of the spring term. Bro. Greer is a true Phi, and if he is a type of their membership, Georgia Beta certainly has a fine chapter.

Skirmishing with the ranks of the barbarians has scarcely begun at this institution, and it is very difficult at this time to foretell the results of the campaign, as new students are arriving daily.

Yours in the Bond,

Athens, September 15, 1897. W. K. SCOTT.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Our university opened September 14. Quite an increase has been made over the enrollment of last year. Fraternity material does not seem to be scarce. We expect to report several additions in our next letter. At present we are more than occupied with our 'rushing.'

Townsend Hall, to be occupied by the department of agriculture, the armory, and the new biological hall, are quite far from completion, though work is at present being rapidly pushed.

The *Makio* which came out last spring was perhaps the star edition of our annual. Brother Schlesinger served on the board as treasurer.

Prof. McPherson, an alumnus of Ohio Zeta, received a promotion from associate professor to professor of chemistry at the last meeting of the board of trustees.

While our prospects for foot ball may have been better, we hope to have a strong team this fall. Candidates were slow in showing up, but the material seems to be of a good quality. A schedule of unusual merit is before us. Mr. Edwards, who served Princeton so well as half, is giving satisfaction as coach.

Ohio Zeta graduated three brothers last June. Bro. Sater has opened a law office in Columbus, and we are pleased to know of his proximity. Bro. Shank has swung his shingle at Hamilton, Ohio, and reports some litigation. Bro. Reed is holding forth in Hoboken, Pa.

We regret that Bro. Ballou will not be with us this year. He has accepted a position at Bowling Green, Ohio.

We opened with 13 active men and 1 pledged. An initiation may be expected soon.

Bros. Smith and Gerke have moved into the chapter house.

Brother Davis proved the university's strongest pitcher last spring. He reported excellent chapters at Michigan, Northwestern, Indiana and De Pauw, all of which he visited on his trip.

Phis from the chapters at Washington and Jefferson, De Pauw, Indiana and Ohio Wesleyan called on us when their teams played here. Bros. Dodge of Colby, Super of Ohio, and Odor of Wooster, together with several of our brothers from Ohio Wesleyan, have favored us by calling.

Brother Bradshaw has entered college and plays first mandolin on the octette. Bro. Foster has been elected manager of the glee club.

Several brothers enjoyed the commencement banquet of Ohio Gamma, at Athens, last June.

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A committee from our chapter is assisting in organizing an alumni chapter at Columbus. There are about 35 Phis in the city.

The undersigned has been initiated into Phi Delta Phi.

The reporter is pleased to renew his relations with the Phi reporters of a new generation. He may be recalled as representing Ohio Gamma in by-gone days.

Fraternally,

Columbus, September 20, 1897. I. M. FOSTER.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

College opened this week with eleven active men back, Bros. Kaderly, Rice and Springsteen having been graduated, and Bros. Bates, '99, and Rayner, '00, not returning. We shall miss them all.

Commencement last June was a memorable occasion at Case, accompanied by more than the usual social events. The speaker was the well-known Dr. Ira Remsen, of Johns Hopkins University.

Although Bro. Springsteen has been graduated we shall not lose him; he is now assistant to Dr. Miller in the physics department and has the freshman mathematics; Bro. Springsteen is decidedly 'with us' in getting our new men.

Everything points toward a very prosperous year for Ohio Eta. We are at last located in our chapter house, on Fairchild street. It is a rented house, just off the new boulevard and overlooking the campus —in all quite a desirable house and location. We are especially proud of the Phi Delta Theta monogram over the door—not of the monogram itself, but of the right to put it there.

Case stock is above par in foot-ball this fall, due to the fact that Western Reserve University was downed last Thanksgiving day. Three Phis will probably make the 'Varsity again this fall.

Bro. Gifford was awarded the faculty medal for the tennis tournament, having defeated all his opponents.

For the third time in succession the management of the annual has been entrusted to our chapter, only this time the editor is also a Phi. Bro. Diebold is business manager and Bro. Stephan is editor-in-chief of 99's *Differential*. Our representative on *The Integral* is Bro. McDonald, '99.

Out of the five officers of the athletic association two are Phis, no other fraternity being represented.

The standing of the fraternities at the opening of school is about as follows: Phi Delta Theta, 11; Zeta Psi, 7; Omega Psi, 6; Lambda Kappa, 10.

We have been favored by a short call from Bro. H. V. Patterson, Indiana Theta, whom we found a very enthusiastic Phi and a good fellow.

In closing we wish to urge all Phis who may come to Cleveland, whether on business or pleasure, to stop with us.

In the Bond,

Cleveland, September 17, 1897. FRANK HULETT.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

During the fall and winter terms last year the chapter averaged twenty-seven members. The spring session found us with twenty-eight, as Brother Scholl, of Milton, Ind., who expects to be in the university all of this year, came in for the term's work. Indiana Alpha had quality as well as quantity.

As to our standing last year I wish to say that it is my honest opinion that Φ Δ Θ headed the list of fraternities in Indiana University.

The membership was made up of sons of first families who were strong from social and student standpoints. The chapter was well represented on the foot ball and base ball teams and on the glee club. We had the presidency of the senior class and offices in many of the organizations in the university. Just at the close of the spring term Brother Burbank was elected a member of the board of directors of the lecture association for the ensuing year. The chapter had elegant apartments, free from debt, in which to enjoy its prosperity.

Old I. U. had a winning base ball team last spring. The team defeated every college nine of note in Indiana. The boys were also victors over many teams from outside of the state. All of the Ohio clubs, with the exception of the State University nine, went down before Indiana's invincibles. Oberlin's crack team was in the list. We defeated that nine a day or two after it had met and conquered the University of Illinois team, 'the cocks of the walk' in Illinois. Brother Newman played right field for Indiana.

The glee club, the pride of the university, filled a summer engagement at Mountain Lake Park, Maryland, from August 17 to 21. This engagement speaks volumes for the club, as the boys were engaged purely on account of the excellence of their concerts. The club is justly proud of its success. Its annual tour covered six states—Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida and Maryland. Six of the seventeen members of the club were Phis. There were eleven fraternity men in all.

Foot ball practice commenced about the middle of September. Brother Dodge, who was on our last year's state championship team, is sure of a position, as he is a clever and experienced player. I understand that the outlook for a winning team is very bright. Many of the old players returned for practice. Coach Gonterman, of Harvard, has charge of the eleven for the second season.

The Fraternity in general can expect to hear good reports from Indiana Alpha this year. It is thought that about twenty-three of last year's men will return. One or two affiliates and several who were out last year are to join the chapter. Indiana Alpha will commence the year in excellent shape. The boys already have their eyes on some men of much real worth, who will undoubtedly be heard from later, as Φ Δ Θ is a sure 'spiker.'

Four men were lost by graduation last spring. They are Brothers Hudson, Ruby, Woods and your correspondent. Brother Woolery was graduated, but he remains to take graduate work. Brother Hudson has entered the ministry of the Christian church. Your correspondent is to enter the Chicago Law School, October 6.

Brother Ernest P. Wiles, of Martinsville, Ind., is the reporter-elect. The selection is a good one, as Brother Wiles has much ability.

This, my last letter to THE SCROLL, has been written with a feeling of sadness, as it marks the close of my active membership in Φ Δ Θ I have been a member of our grand organization but two years. The first years of my college life were spent in an institution where fraternities do not exist. During my short connection with Φ Δ Θ I have found that its membership is made up of honest, talented and studious young men; that its principles are grand and ennobling; and that its purposes are for the betterment of its members socially, morally and intellectually. I leave the chapter a 'dyed in the wool' Phi. Long live Φ Δ Θ!

With best wishes, Yours for Φ Δ Θ,

THADDEUS W. RODECKER.

Bloomington, September 18, 1897.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

School opens at Butler with unusually bright prospects. The curriculum has been both broadened and deepened. The departments of philosophy and pedagogy and of social science and economics have been made autonomous and placed under the control of Profs. E. S. Ames, Ph. D., and J. D. Forrest, A. M., both of Chicago University. Two of our Phi members on the faculty leave us. T. M. Iden, of the department of chemistry, goes to the State Normal School, Emporia, Kansas, and B. M. Davis will have charge of the department of biology in California State Normal School, Los Angeles, Cal. Their places will be taken by Dr. Karslake, of Johns Hopkins, and Dr. Bruner, who has lately returned from Germany.

Many indications seem to warrant the sanguine hopes current among the university officials that this will be the most successful year ever experienced by old Butler. This wave of prosperity strikes Indiana Gamma just at the right time, for she had begun to feel that the loss which she suffered at the hands of the board of directors when they graduated her seven seniors last June might be hard to endure. But with the assistance of the boom the boys who are left feel that they can probably more than fill the vacated places.

Of last year's chapter, Bros. Clarke, Olive and Brown will be in the law school, Bro. Shipp will be with the Indianapolis *News*, Bro. Bull with the Union Cement and Lime Co., Sellersburg, Ind.; Bro. Lister goes to Chicago University, and Bro. Blount will do graduate work at Butler. Bro. Mace expects to attend Purdue. Bro. Rioch took what might be considered the most desperate step of all. He was so reckless as to visit his parents in Canada in company with a young lady who just about filled their idea of a daughter-in-law. One evening Bro. Rioch came home to find the house handsomely decorated in flowers and purple ribbon (the university colors), and to be informed that it would be his own fault if Miss Minnie Henley instead of Mrs. David Rioch went back to Indianapolis. It suffices to say the latter lady arrived late in the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Rioch will leave for India next year, where they will take up their life work as missionaries.

The Sigma Chis have announced their intention of building a house for social and meeting purposes on the campus, and we are seriously considering the advisability of doing the same thing.

Among our alumni, Horace Ellis, '87, took his A. M. last June, and Prof. D. C. Brown, '79, has taken unto himself a wife. Prof. and Mrs. Brown are in Europe, but will return by the beginning of the second term.

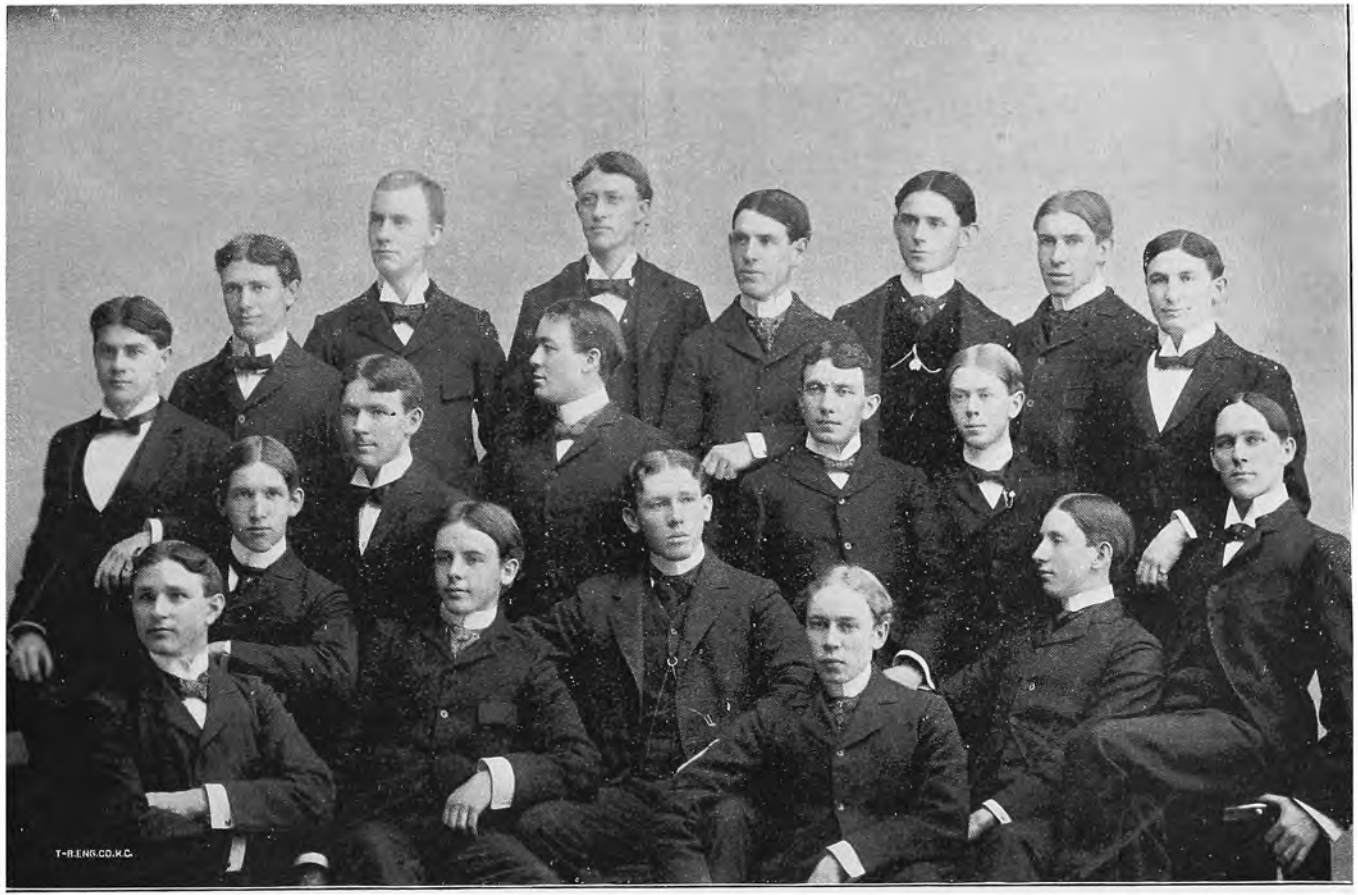
Hoping that the year now begun may be filled with deeds redounding to the honor and fame of Phi Delta Theta, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Irvington, September 20, 1897. WILLIS M. BLOUNT.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

The outlook for the present college year is exceedingly gratifying to those interested in Indiana Epsilon and in Phi Delta Theta. Two of our number have not returned—Bro. Evans, who has gone to Clarksville, Tennessee, and Bro. J. L. Rogers who enters Indiana University this fall, but our accessions balance our losses in the return of Bro. Bridges, formerly of '99, who re-enters '00, and the entrance of Bros. W. G. and J. L. Rogers into the fold of Phi Delta Theta. We take



THE CHAPTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

great pleasure in introducing these new brothers to our sister chapters along with our newly pledged man, Mr. Robt. Dugan. We feel that they will prove an honor to the Fraternity and to our chapter. The college has matriculated the largest number of students received for several years, among them being quite a large amount of fraternity timber. In our next letter we hope to be able to report success in all the cases under present consideration. Phi Delta Theta will be represented in all the branches of college life, having four men on the foot ball team and two in the mandolin club. Bro. Whallon will assume the presidency of the state oratorical association, vacated by the absence of Bro. Evans. An effort is being made to return the college to the position she once occupied in state athletics, and the outlook is favorable. A new running track has been laid, just outside the foot ball field, and many other improvements are to be reported. The social life of the year opens with a reception given to the new students on the evening of the seventeenth.

Wishing success to every chapter at this trying period of the year, I remain Yours in the Bond,

T. C. WHALLON.

Hanover, September 17, 1897.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The college session of '96–'97 was another year of success and prosperity at De Pauw. Our base ball record shows the good foundation of our claim to the state championship. We lost to Ohio Wesleyan, Ohio State, Otterbein, and Indiana State, and won two games each from Indiana State, Purdue and Wittenberg, and one each from Ohio Wesleyan, Ohio State, and Rose Polytechnic Institute.

The intercollegiate debate at Richmond, Ind., between Earlham and De Pauw, was won by the latter.

Indiana Zeta has received her share of college honors. Bro. Stults was elected business manager of the '99 *Mirage*. Bro. Prosser was elected to Φ B K. Bro. Ruick played third base on the 'Varsity nine.

At the state field day, Bro Roller won first place in the shot put, and second place in the same event at the interstate meet at Chicago. A feature of the local field day was a ball game between the faculty and the senior class. Φ Δ Θ was represented on the faculty nine by Bros. Priest, Stevenson and Henderson.

A few weeks before commencement, ten men appeared on the campus, wearing the colors of Theta Nu Epsilon. Δ Υ and Δ K E had one each, and B Θ Π, Δ T Δ, Σ X and Φ Δ Θ had two apiece. One of the Sigs was 'Babe' Williamson, who was a Θ N E at The University of Chicago. Bros. Ruick and Stults represented Φ Δ Θ.

By graduation the chapter loses two good men who have done much for the fraternity—Bro. S. K. Ruick and Bro. Chas. A. Prosser, who has been professor of physics in the New Albany high school during the past year.

Bro. R. S. Henderson, '96, who has been instructor in mathematics here since his graduation, will enter the junior class of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the fall.

Bros. A. L. Gary, '95, C. D. Newlin, '96, and E. G. Scotten, once of '97, visited the chapter during commencement week.

The fall opening will find most of our number conveniently located in a nice home about half a block from Center Campus. All our fifteen men will return in the fall except, perhaps, Bro. Collings, who

may not return till later in the year. Prospects are favorable for a strong freshman class, and we are looking forward to another prosperous year. Yours in Φι-κεία.

CHAS. B. CAMPBELL.

Greencastle, September 7, 1897.

MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

College opens under more favorable conditions than for many years. Many new students and many old ones are here ready for the fall work.

During the summer Worthing Divinity Hall has been refitted, and this fall quite a number of the seminary students are quartered there. The seminary is thus enabled better to hold its place with other seminaries.

Miss Sloan resigned as lady principal last spring. Her place is filled by Mrs. E. A. Copp, who for one year acted as alumni professor, and who at various times has done a great amount of teaching in the college. During the two years' illness of her husband she taught all of his work. She is a valuable addition to the teaching force.

The foot ball is already seen on the campus. Several dates are arranged, and prospects are better than last year. The new students bring several players from other schools.

Our chapter is small this fall. Forest Baker, Verne Myers and Shiloh Smith constitute the entire number of active members. The reporter, of the class of '95, will be here during the year, teaching a little and doing work among the young people's societies of the denomination.

Bro. Charles Marks, '90, and B. F. Green, '94, were present at our first meeting and are assisting in rushing. We have one man ready to initiate, and our chances of a second are more than favorable.

Yours in the Bond,

Hillsdale, September 20, 1897. HARRY S. MYERS.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Illinois Delta begins the new school year with a most favorable outlook, for, though the chapter has lost seven men by graduation, and three under class men have not returned, the men who remain are showing more interest than ever before in the welfare of the chapter. Owing to the good financial condition in which the year opens we have been able to paper and refurnish our entire suite of rooms.

The college itself, under the able leadership of Dr. John H. Finley, is more prosperous than ever before. Mr. Wilfred Arnold, an alumnus of the college, has been secured for foot ball coach and is rapidly rounding the men into form. Among the most promising candidates are Bros. Adcock, Martin and C. Mead; the two former were on last year's 'Varsity, while Bro. Mead played behind the line on his academy team. The first number of the Knox *Student*, of which Bro. Blodgett is manager, appeared last week.

Already we have pledged Herman Potter of the freshman class, who is a fine man and will be a credit to Phi Delta Theta. In our next letter we shall present to the Phi world other valuable men whom we have spiked but have not yet pledged. Phi Gamma Delta is the stronger of our rivals. Delta Delta Delta has secured a very cosy suite of rooms this fall and is busy getting them in shape.

One of the new professors, Dr. Griffith, who occupies the chair of

chemistry, is a Phi. He is a man of great ability, and materially strengthens the faculty. The ranks of resident alumni Phis has been augmented by the return of Bro. Amos Townsend, '96, who will read law in this city. Yours in the Bond,

WILL MATHER LEWIS.

Galesburg, September 20, 1897.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Zeta begins the present year's work and pleasures with eight of last year's chapter absent. Of these, we expect Bros. Trego, Weeks and Brown to return. The others are taken from active membership by graduation, and they are now, with the exception of Bro. Tapper, who expects to continue his studies at Harvard, engaged in their chosen lines of work. Bros. Rogers and Ashworth have taken ministerial charges at Decatur, Mich., and Mt. Gilead, Ohio, respectively; Bro. Warner ('Doc') is practicing dentistry at Avon, Ill., while Bro. Anderson is teaching school at Yates City, Ill.

Our chapter now comprises nine loyal Phis. But among the new men is good material of which Phis are made, and we have selected several whom we believe will be of credit to Phidom. With our next letter we trust they may be introduced.

During the autumn one of Galesburg's famous brick pavements will be laid past Harsh Hall—our chapter house—and the university grounds. This completes a line of pavement connecting us with the business part of the city, a mile and a half away. It will be a boon to bicyclists, and lessen the cost of carriages between the university and 'town'; hitherto we have been more or less dependent on the trolley cars. This is all very nice, except the city pavement assessment.

Old Lombard is on the right road, and, we believe, traveling very swiftly. On the 25th of the present month will occur the formal opening of our beautiful new gymnasium, which has been erected on the campus a short distance from the university building. The day will be an important one in the history of Lombard. Senator Mason, of Illinois, Prof. A. A. Stagg, director of athletics and physical culture in the Chicago University, and several other eminent men will take part in the program. A reception will be given in the evening.

Some changes have been made in the faculty. Dr. F. H. Fowler, Ph. D. (Johns Hopkins), Lombard, '89, now occupies the chair of literature. The musical department was found to need an additional instructor, and Mrs. D. G. Sykes, of Clearwater, Wis., has been selected to fill the place.

Our brothers will take a prominent part in athletics. Organized work will soon begin, and a foot ball team will be put in the field.

Yours in the Bond,

Galesburg, September 13, 1897. WALTER A. JOHNSON.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Illinois Eta commenced the fall term with but ten men. At the last commencement seven seniors received degrees. Bros. Fulton, Zilly and Jackson have not returned, and Bro. Bert Harker has entered the United States Naval Academy.

We were glad to welcome home Bro. Piatt, '92, who has just returned from Europe after a year's leave of absence. Bro. Piatt holds the chair of Romance languages.

Although our numbers are depleted the other fraternities are in the same condition. We have initiated two men: Carl Bernhardi, '01, of Rock Island, and Henry H. Goodrich, '98, of Chicago. Four men are wearing the colors of the Fraternity, and we hope to introduce them in our next letter.

Foot-ball is the absorbing topic in university affairs. About sixty candidates are in training under the efficient coaching of Smith, quarter of Princeton's '96 team, and our own 'G' Huff. Illinois intends to produce a winning team by the time she meets the Carlisle Indians at Chicago, November 20. Bro. Walker is manager and Bro. Goodrich assistant manager of the team.

The university received an appropriation of $424,000 from the state at the last session of the legislature, and in consequence many changes and improvements are being made. A new central heating and lighting plant is in course of erection. A department of law has been established, and many students are registered in that college. A new library school has been founded. The advantages of this school are augmented by the equipments in the magnificent new library building which was dedicated last June. This building is considered one of the finest college buildings in the central states. Altogether the prospects for a prosperous year are exceedingly bright, and the financial panic through which the university passed is heard of no more.

Yours in the Bond,

Champaign, September 21, 1897. A. N. HAZLITT.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Although ten more days intervene before the opening of the university, still I think I may predict one of Wisconsin's usual prosperous years. We shall feel keenly the loss of our '97 graduates and those who have decided not to return this fall. Of last year's graduates, Bro. A. W. Fairchild is studying law in the office of his father at Green Bay. He contemplates entering one of the eastern law colleges next year. Bro. Bacon is located at his home in La Crosse. Bro. Manson is engaged in the practice of law at Warsaw, and was recently elected justice of the peace. Bro. Mann, who was elected foot ball manager for this year, has accepted a position with the Chicago and Northwestern road at Marmette and will not return as he expected. Bro. MacDonald is practicing law at Dartford under the firm name of MacDonald and Mather. Bro. Tallman will return to the university for law. Bro. Moore, ex-'98, has taken his old position with Moore and Gallaway of Fond du Lac. Bro. Potter, ex-'99, is secretary of the Necedah Flour Mill Co. Bro. Anson, ex-'99, is associated with his father in the Gilkey and Anson Lumber Co., of Merrill. Bro. Thompson, 1900, has entered Minnesota.

We expect to start the rush with twelve actives and hope to have several of the last few years' grads back to help us. Three of our pledged men, H. J. Blakley, of Milwaukee, Elbridge Bacon, of La Crosse, and Mark Newman, of Madison, will enter this fall. Reports from all over the state indicate a very large incoming freshman class.

Our foot ball prospects, at the present writing, do not appear very bright, but I hope that Bro. Phil King, who is again coaching the team this year, will be able to turn out an eleven sufficiently strong to defeat Minnesota on October 30.

With best wishes to the other chapters, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Madison, September 17, 1897. CARL F. GEILFUSS.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

In writing my last letter to THE SCROLL I have some little twinges of conscience at not having done my duty as faithfully as I might perhaps; but this has meant no less regard for my Fraternity.

Commencement at our university last spring brought with it the usual rush of entertainments. Literary, society and class graduating exercises followed in close succession, in all of which Phis were prominent. The conservatory of music gave three very high grade concerts, one of which was Mendelssohn's oratorio, the *Elijah*. The performance was the finest of its class that has ever been given to Mt. Pleasant people and was a great treat to all lovers of music who were permitted to be present. A number of Phis were present commencement week, visiting old friends and renewing college associations. Bros. Wm. Shearer, Ed. Hearn, Chas. Frantz and Wm. Jeffrey were in attendance. We lost seven good men by graduation, Bros. Rommel, Robinson, Rogers, Kamphoefner, Lambert, Lute and Smith.

The prospects for the coming year are splendid for Iowa Wesleyan. New students are coming in even now, and many old ones are returning. Iowa Alpha is determined to work hard this year and to keep Φ Δ Θ on top—where she belongs. Our tennis court is in excellent condition. Our hall has been improved. And better than these outward signs is the inward purpose and enthusiasm that is showing itself among all Phis. Yours in Φι-κεία,

CHAS. N. PACE.

Mt. Pleasant, September 14, 1897.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The twenty-seventh commencement reception of Missouri Alpha was given at the Music Hall, Monday evening, May twenty-eighth. It was a most enjoyable affair and a thorough success.

This year the faculty loses Dr. G. W. Cutler, professor of physical culture and director of the gymnasium; Dr. B. M. Bolton, professor of bacteriology and pathology; Prof. G. C. Broadhead, professor of geology and mineralogy; and A. H. Place, Δ K E, instructor in drawing. Dr. F. C. Hicks, professor of history and political economy, and assistant professor J. M. Burnam, of the Latin department, have returned from trips to Europe. Prof. C. M. Marx, professor of mechanical engineering, is now in Europe. His department is in charge of Bro. H. T. Cory, professor of civil engineering. Bro. C. E. White succeeds Dr. Cutler as gymnasium director.

A new club building to cost $30,000 is being put up on the site of the old Ficklin residence.

Bros. Roberts and Woods were graduated in law last year. Bro. English took the degree of A. B., but he is back to study law and to work for his master's degree. Bro. R. H. Switzler was awarded the Rollins scholarship in the A. B. course.

Of the brothers in last year's chapter who have not returned, Bro. Seibert, '00, has gone to Westminster College. He is a good addition to Missouri Beta. Bro. See, '99, is in the cattle business in the southern part of the state. Bro. Shouse, '99, is doing journalistic work in Mexico, Mo. Bro. Conley, '98, is in Los Angeles, California. Bro. Roberts, '97, is in Texas. Bro. Woods, '97, has a position in a bank at Versailles, Mo. Bro. G. C. Broadhead, Jr., '94, has a position with the Missouri River Commission.

THE CHAPTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

We have with us in the senior law class Bro. M. R. Conley, '92, and Bro. E. R. Johnson, '94.

On the visitor's book are the names of A. L. Johnson, '81, W. W. Clendenin, '86; Paul H. White, California Beta, '95; L. W. Groves, '96, and E. E. See, '99.

Σ N has nine men back. They have taken in four men—three before college opened. Β Θ Π returns 5; Κ Α, 9; Σ Ν, 12; Φ Δ Θ, 14. Σ Α Ε occupies a rented house this year, with a chapter of 14 men.

We have initiated Edward Livingstone Drum, Marble Hill, Mo., and Harry William Smith, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Missouri Alpha is wide-awake on the chapter house question and hopes to be able soon to report further progress in the direction of getting a house.

With warmest greetings for all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Columbia, September 18, 1897. CHARLES SHUMWAY RUFFNER.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Nebraska Alpha began the school year with a membership of thirteen. This has not proven an unlucky number, however, for with this number we have accomplished the object toward which we have been striving for the last few years. We are now located in a comfortable chapter house. We feel that the chapter has taken a big step,—one that has not only aided us in securing men, but one that will serve to bring to us victories along other lines. On Saturday evening, the 18th, we held the first initiation of the year, and it pleases me greatly to introduce to the Fraternity Brother Karl Randall, '97, and Brothers Sherman, Tukey and Welshans, of 1901. We are proud of our initiates and think we have started the year well.

Five active members of the chapter were graduated in June. Brother Parmelee, whom we expected back to take his fellowship in chemistry, accepted a position in the Beatrice high school. Brothers Creigh and Lindquist do not return. Bro. Hayward will be here a part of the year, at least, and Brother Oury enters the law school.

Nebraska's outlook for a successful season for foot ball is certainly a very promising one. To begin with, we are expecting Robinson, our last year's coach, to renew his former excellent work for the team; then we have more material than we had last year. There will be very few places to be filled with new men. Brother Hayward will play tackle, his old position two years ago. Brother Oury manages the team; so we Phis think we are well represented. We are looking forward to some very interesting games, among them the games to be held here with Missouri and Kansas. We are always glad when these teams play here, for we often have very pleasant visits from Kansas and Missouri Phis as a result. If I am not mistaken, the four managers of the western league are Phis.

There have been few changes in the Fraternity world here since the last letter to THE SCROLL. Beta Theta Pi occupies our former rooms and has given up a house. Alpha Tau Omega established a chapter here the last of May. They started out with nine members.

It would be very unpatriotic to the university not to mention the brilliant tennis champion, Miss Louise Pound, who won both the international and western championship cups in singles. She is an alumna of the university, and her playing certainly speaks well for our tennis association here.

The university authorities expected to have our new mechanics build-

ing well under way by this time, but owing to difficulties with the contractor, it is not yet commenced.

Yours in the Bond,

Lincoln, September 19, 1897. CHAS. H. TRUE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Although the chapter's hopes regarding a house of its own are not, as yet, fulfilled, California Alpha is in extremely comfortable quarters, having leased for one year the house of Bro. T. Allen Smith, '97. The location is in the pleasantest part of Berkeley, the house being on the corner of Bancroft avenue and College Way, only one block from one of the principal entrances to the university grounds. The house consists of two stories, is distinctly modern, and is well furnished. An excellent tennis court is not the least enjoyable feature of the place.

As regards membership, the chapter continues to maintain a strong position in the student body of the university. We began the year with an active membership of ten, including Bro. Garrison, formerly '98, who has returned, after a leave of absence of one year, to be graduated with '99. To this number we have added the names of Brothers Clarence Creed and Maxwell Taft, 1901. Thus our active membership is now twelve, with excellent prospects of a further increase in the near future. The rushing season this year is a hard one, and the Phis have done and are doing their share to make it so. The incoming class is about as large as that of last year and taxes the expanding resources of the university to the utmost.

One thing of note it has already been the means of accomplishing. On account of the general roughness that prevailed during the annual rush between the sophomores and freshmen, and more particularly because of the severe injuries received on that occasion by one of the freshmen, Mr. Kurtz, rushing has been abolished in the University of California. Both the associated students and the faculty have taken measures to prevent all class scrimmages in the future. The sensational press, of course, did its worst in exaggerating the unpleasant circumstances of the affair, and we hope that full credence will not be given to some of the reports that have appeared in eastern newspapers. The Chicago *Times-Herald* contained a grossly exaggerated version of the occurrence.

Signs of the improved financial condition of our university surround the campus. The agricultural building, which was destroyed by fire last term, has been replaced by a larger and better planned structure, and three other buildings, entirely adequate to the purposes for which they are designed, are being erected. These are a class building, a botany building and a psychological laboratory. These are all substantial frame structures, but they will probably give way within the next twenty years to the more permanent structures that are to be built with the four million dollars that have been given for that purpose.

Yours in the Bond,

Berkeley, September 14, 1897. ALBERT J. BROWN.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

Stanford University opened for the fall semester on September 3. A large freshman class registered. This fact is worthy of note, as the classes at our rival, Berkeley, and at some eastern colleges, are below the average in numbers. More students came from the east to Stan-

ford this year than heretofore. Many came on account of the attractions of California's climate and on account of the elective system of study.

The foot ball team is now in active training, and the prospects are that Stanford will have the strongest team this year that has ever been put on the gridiron on the Pacific coast. The management has been fortunate in securing Brooks, of the University of Pennsylvania, as coach. Mr. Brooks was Caspar Whitney's choice for full-back on the All America team of '96.

The Stanford chapter of Φ Δ Θ occupies the same house as last year. At the beginning of this year the house was, in great part, refurnished, and we feel that we have a most suitable place in which to rush freshmen. Up to the present we have initiated three men: Howard Hill, Warren Elmer and Clarence Day.

Hoping that all chapters are meeting with success, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Stanford University, September 13, 1897. BENJ. E. PAGE.

WISCONSIN BETA ALUMNI, MILWAUKEE.

On Tuesday evening, September fourteenth, the Milwaukee members of the Fraternity met and organized the Wisconsin Beta Alumni Chapter. The meeting was held in the parlors of the Deutscher Club and was preceded by a supper. Brother Herman Fehr, *Wisconsin*, '84, upon being elected president, made a very pleasant speech, in which he was ably assisted at times by Bros. Wasweyler and A. J. Hilbert. It gave the younger men a great deal of pleasure to have Bro. Geo. W. Hayes, *Wabash*, '60, at the supper and meeting, though they had at the same time to regret the absence of Bro. Jared Thompson, *Lawrence*, '59, who at the last moment was unable to attend. The chapter will naturally draw most of its members from the University of Wisconsin, and as the chapter there was discontinued during the war and only revived in 1880, there is of necessity quite a gap in its ranks of alumni.

After the supper and meeting a couple of very pleasant hours were spent sitting under the trees of the club's beautiful grounds partaking of that which made Milwaukee famous, while members of different classes spun beautiful fairy tales of the doings of their college days. At last, however, a particularly sanguinary tale by Bro. Elliott broke up the meeting. The chapter will hold another one during the Christmas holidays, with the idea of getting as many of the undergraduates as possible to attend, as well as members of the Fraternity living in neighboring cities.

It is really too bad that Bro. Armin Harms, *Illinois*, '95, who has been in the city the past year and a half, could not be with us, as he had been such a particular friend of the Milwaukee members while here. He left a few weeks ago to accept a position in a mine at San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

The name of the charter members are given in another place. To these should be added A. E. Halderman, *Indiana*, '88, and R. H. Hackney, *Wisconsin*, '93.

Three of the active chapters of Wisconsin Alpha, Carl Geilfuss, H. Reinhart, and Dwight Sanborn, were present. The bureau of information for visiting members will be found in the office of G. T. Elliott, 1206 Pabst Building, or in the office of C. E. Hilbert, 1012 same building. The members send best wishes to the chapters and hopes for success in the fall rush now about to begin, knowing that if they were only there they would know exactly how to do it.

Yours in the Bond,

Milwaukee, September 21, 1897. FRANKLIN SWEET.

PERSONALS.

Iowa Wesleyan—Rev. W. R. Jeffrey, '90, is pastor of the M. E. church at Moulton, Iowa.

Randolph-Macon—Warner Peatross, '90, is teaching in the Knoxville (Tenn.) Classical School.

Southwestern—W. S. Fleming, '95, is professor of English and history in the Searcy College at Searcy, Ark.

Amherst—Sidney R. Fleet, '91, was married to Miss Agnes Fulton Barker, of Lowell, Mass., August 18, 1897.

Colby—Rev. H. Everett Farnham, '89, is professor of Greek, German and French at Tabor College, Tabor, Iowa.

Indianapolis—Oliver C. Norris, '84, of Rushville, Ind., lost his daughter Lenore, aged nine, by drowning on June 23.

Illinois—Floyd Whittemore, '97, has been appointed to a clerkship in the state treasury department at Springfield, Ill.

Kansas—Neil C. Brooks, '90, is an instructor in the department of Germanic languages at Harvard for the coming year.

Washington and Lee—L. C. Speers, '97, is engaged in the practice of law in Macon, Ga. His address is 318 Second street.

Washington and Jefferson—David Glenn Moore, '98, was local editor of the Washington *Observer* during the summer vacation.

Amherst—Raymond V. Ingersoll, '97, has accepted a position as teacher of English in the Central High School, Duluth, Minn.

Miami—The board of trustees of Miami University, on June 17, 1897 conferred the degree of D. D. upon Rev. Robert Morrison, '49.

Dartmouth, '97—Franklin E. Heald and B. F. Adams are editors of a handsomely printed pamphlet entitled *About Dartmouth*, issued during the last college year and containing a number of views and portraits.

California—William O. Morgan, '87, is again in business, He is with the Hartford Insurance Co., at 313 California street, San Francisco.

Illinois Wesleyan—T. H. Simmons, '83, some time province president, has left Chicago and settled in Bloomington, Ind., for the practice of law.

Indianapolis—Rev. David Utter, '67, of Salt Lake City, in a recent number of *The New World*, sets forth the character of 'Mormonism To-day.'

Iowa Wesleyan—W. A. Longnecker, '93, was graduated at Boston Theological Institute last spring and takes work this fall in the Iowa conference.

Kansas—William Allen White, '90, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress in the fourth district of Kansas, to succeed Charles Curtis.

Michigan State—Prof. L. H. Bailey, '82, of Cornell, delivered the commencement address this year at his *alma mater*. He spent the summer in Europe.

Randolph-Macon—Andrew S. Martin, '88, has renounced the life of a commercial tourist and is now connected with the Drummond Tobacco Co., Danville, Va.

Colby—George A. Gorham, '91, one of the young lawyers of Aroostook, delivered the Memorial Day address this year before the Grand Army post at Blaine, Me.

Wooster—Preston Willis Search, '76, has been re-elected superintendent of schools for a term of two years at Holyoke, Mass., at a salary of $3,500 per annum.

Lombard—Margaret Dillon Wild, daughter of D. P. Wild, '92, was born at Sycamore, Ill., June 11, 1897. Brother Wild is with the banking firm of Daniel Pierce & Co.

Centre—Ed. S. De Long, Jr., '97, died in New York, June 11, 1897. President Guerrant, of Beta Province, will speak of his life and character in the Chapter Grand, next June.

Gettysburg—Rev. Millard F. Troxell, D. D., '80, is pastor of Grace Lutheran church of Springfield, Ill. He is a tireless and energetic worker, and through his efforts the Lutherans have one of the finest church edifices in the west. Dr. Troxell was at one time editor of THE SCROLL.

Richmond—J. Luther Brown, '89, who was until recently the representative of the Drummond Tobacco Co., at Norfolk, Va., is now with the Standard Oil Co., in New York.

Miami—A. G. Work, '94, was ordained and installed on September 28 as pastor of the Presbyterian churches of Brookston and Chalmers, Ind. His address will be Brookston.

Vanderbilt—John H. De Witt, '94, who was graduated from the law department of Columbian University, at Washington, D. C., will begin the practice of law in Nashville this winter.

Iowa Wesleyan—Rev. Dr. J. T. McFarland, '72, who was president of Iowa Wesleyan University, 1884–91, has been since January pastor of the New York avenue M. E. church, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lombard—E. J. Edwards, '74, founder of the Society of American Wars, is turning the energies of his organization at home to the raising of funds to erect a monument to Abraham Lincoln.

Wisconsin—Matthew A. Hall, '88, is president of the Victoria Diamond Jubilee Association of Nebraska and Iowa, formed to commemorate Her Majesty's jubilee by raising a fund for local charities.

North Carolina—E. Stephenson Askew, '98, who represented his chapter at the Philadelphia convention, is out of college this session, having accepted the principalship of the academy at his home, Windsor, N. C.

Vanderbilt—The governor of Tennessee has appointed Richard A. Barr, M. D., '92, physician at the state penitentiary at Nashville. He has the reputation of being one of the most brilliant young surgeons in the state.

Lombard—Walter A. Johnson founded an ornithological journal, *The Osprey*, a little over a year ago. He has secured Dr. Elliott Coues as patron and sponsor and is making the magazine quite a success in every respect.

Iowa Wesleyan—Rev. Freeman A. Havighorst, '89, who has been pastor of the First Methodist church of Springfield, Ill., has resigned his charge to accept the chair of history and economics in Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis.

Franklin — Otis A. Caldwell, '94, was married to Miss Cora Burke, of Portland, Ind., August 25, 1897, at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. Caldwell is instructor in botany at the University of Chicago for the coming year.

Miami—J. E. Morey, '67, and W E. Evans, '69, were already members of the board of trustees of Miami, and now Governor Bushnell has appointed Harry Weidner, '88, late consul at Grenoble, France, as a member of the same body.

Allegheny, '87—'Mrs. Mary A. Jones has the honor to announce the marriage of her niece, Mary Frances Watkins, to Mr. William Bignell, on Wednesday, July fourteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, Randolph, New York.'

Missouri, '83—

Mr. J. S. Snoddy, professor of English language and literature at Woodson Institute, Richmond, Mo., has made a collection of verses by Missouri poets and has published them, together with brief biographies of the writers, in a volume entitled 'A Little Book of Missouri Verse.'—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

Missouri, '89—

The October number of *The Atlantic Monthly* will celebrate the fortieth anniversary of that excellent periodical. Among the more important articles to appear on this memorable occasion there is announced 'The Latest Discoveries in the History of the Universe,' by Dr. T. J. J. See. * * *—*The Critic*, Aug. 7.

Colby—George E. Googins, '86, has moved his law office from Milbridge to Bar Harbor. Mr. Googins created some stir in the political world of eastern Maine last year by leaving the Republican party to preach the doctrine of free silver.

South Carolina—W. W Ball, '87, is now editor of the daily and semi-weekly *News* at Greenville, S. C. For this he says he receives 'a small weekly stipend and the anathemas of Tillmanites and free-silverites, goldbugs being *rara aves*' in those regions.

Missouri—Dr. T. J. J. See, '89, has been working at Flagstaff, Arizona, since April, but the party of which he is a member will soon leave for Peru, to be absent several years. While in Mexico Dr. See measured and determined the orbits of over 300 double and triple stars, more than half of which were new. His report on this work will be the most important addition made to southern stellar astronomy since the work of Sir John Herschel, sixty years ago.

Iowa Wesleyan—W H. Perdew, '94, who has been attending the Boston Theological Institute for the past year, came back to Iowa this summer and was married to a former classmate and graduate of Iowa Wesleyan. They returned to Boston to resume studies.

Wisconsin, '83—'Flexure of Telescopes' by Milton Updegraff, professor of astronomy in the University of Missouri, is a late publication of The Academy of Science of St. Louis, it being in part the substance of a paper read before that body at a recent meeting.

Nebraska—Arcule E. Guilmette, '93, was drowned in the Hudson river while sailing, on Sunday afternoon, June 13. He had started out with his sister and cousin, when a squall struck the boat and capsized it. The young woman was saved, but only with great difficulty.

Stanford—Charles E. Chadsey, '92, one of the chapter's charter members, took his Ph. D. at Columbia this year with a thesis on 'The Struggle Between President Johnson and Congress over Reconstruction.' He took his A. M. at Columbia in 1894 and at Stanford in 1893.

Ohio State—Fred S. Ball, '88, on an appeal to the Alabama supreme court, obtained a decision on July 28 in favor of his client, reversing a decision of the Montgomery chancery court in an important case involving the right of the city council to divert public park lands from their proper use.

Miami—Benjamin Harrison, '52, was re-elected president of the Indiana state bar association at its annual meeting in Indianapolis on June 23. At the banquet in the evening, where he acted as toastmaster, John S. Duncan, *Indianapolis*, '65, responded on 'How to explain the loss of a case to a client.'

Washington and Jefferson—John Hasson Carline, '95, a son of Major A. M. Carline, a wealthy merchant of Braddock, Pa., died May 31, of tuberculosis of the bowels. He was a law student, studying with Major R. E. Stewart, Esq., of Braddock, whose office is in Pittsburgh, and would have taken his last examination in about one month. Mr. Carline was born in Sutersville in 1870, and was a member of the first class of the Braddock borough high school in 1887. He was graduated at Washington and Jefferson, where he was a popular student and an athlete of considerable ability.

Colby—Rev. Woodman Bradbury, '87, for six years pastor of the First Baptist church at Laconia, N. H., has received a call from the Pleasant Street Baptist church at Worcester, Mass. Rev. Mr. Bradbury is a graduate of Newton Theological Institution and has become one of the most popular divines in the Baptist church.

Illinois—Armin Harms, '95, late of Milwaukee, is now at San Luis Potosi, Mexico, with the Compañía Metalúrgica Mexicana. He may be addressed there, Apartado del Correo, 132. We shall expect a movement for an alumni charter from him and Brother (Rev.) Jackson B. Cox, *Southwestern*, '95, who is also in that city.

Illinois Wesleyan—I. N. Van Pelt, '88, was married on June 9, 1897, to Miss Fannie Burr, at Bloomington, Illinois. After a trip through Kentucky and Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. Van Pelt went to Chicago, where they will live. Bro. Van Pelt is in business at 82 South Water street, with W. F. McLaughlin & Co., coffee importers.

Mississippi—United States Senator James Z. George, an honorary member of the chapter, died at Mississippi City on August 14, 1897. He fought in the war with Mexico and later on the side of the southern confederacy. He was chief justice of the state supreme court when chosen senator in 1881. His third term would have expired in 1899.

Randolph-Macon—James Jamieson Hickey, '92, was married on April 21, at New Orleans, to Miss Marie Stoddard Cooke, of that city, the Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana officiating. The honeymoon was spent at Pass Christian, Miss., and at Old Point Comfort, Va. Bro. Hickey had been studying law at Yale. He and his bride will make their home at Danville, Va.

Indianapolis—Demarchus C. Brown, '79, professor of Greek in Butler College, was married on September first to Miss Jessie Lanier Christian. The marriage took place in the Central Christian church, Indianapolis, Rev. John E. Pounds officiating. Laz Noble, '90, and Hugh Th. Miller, '88, were two of the ushers. Miss Christian was a graduate from Butler with the class of '97 and a charter member of the new chapter of Π Β Φ. Professor Brown is a brother of Hilton U. Brown, '80, once president of the General Council. Prof. and Mrs. Brown left at once, *via* Hamburg and Munich, for Athens, where they will remain until Christmas.

Hanover, '85—The Louisville *Courier-Journal* of June 24 says:

Much of the credit for the winning race run by Mr. Morton V. Joyes for county attorney is due to Mr. Frank D. Swope, who organized the city and county in Mr. Joyes' behalf. He began the organization as soon as Mr. Joyes received the nomination at the Music Hall convention last April and spread it out into every precinct. Both Mr. Joyes and Mr. Swope, with their assistants, deserve much praise for their clean, manly campaign.

Kansas, '90—*Scribner's Magazine* announces among the features of its fall numbers an article entitled 'The Great Farm' by William Allen White. Brother White has made a special trip to the big farms of Dakota in preparing this article. In *McClure's Magazine* for June a story entitled 'A Recent Confederate Victory' appeared over his name. In the *Atlantic* for August he described 'A Typical Kansas Community.' In *McClure's* for September he has another story.

Illinois—Frank Foster Gilchrist, '97, died on May 1, 1897, after a very brief illness of pneumonia, at Kenosha, Wis., where he was connected with the Sterling Bicycle Works. The funeral took place at his home, 5100 Washington Ave., Chicago. He was twenty-one years old at the time of his death. A charter member of Illinois Eta, he was one of that chapter's most beloved and honored members. He was later affiliated with the Michigan chapter. His loss will be keenly felt.

Hanover, '89—

That clever young artist, Mr. H. Vance Swope, will have an exhibition of his pictures at Klauber's from August 31 to September 4 that will be well worth a visit. His artistic education began in the art schools of Cincinnati and New York, and then he spent three years in Paris. His vacations were spent at Auvern-sur-Oise, Chartres, Venice and in Switzerland. Many of the water-colors which he will exhibit were done in Venice. He is strong on color, and these Venetian sketches especially are delicate and charming. He has about thirty or forty delightful pictures. Mr. Swope will also show a dozen or more miniatures. He worked a great deal in that line last winter in New York, and was very successful with these beautiful small portraits, the style of work on which so much of St. Memin's, the celebrated painter of Washington's time, reputation rests. Mr. Swope's work is very similar to that of this noted French artist. Mr. Swope is a very agreeable man, and met many interesting people while abroad. While at Chartres, Joseph Pennell, who has just begun in the *Century* a series of articles upon the cathedrals of Europe, was there doing the famous Gothic cathedral, and he and Mr. Swope became the best of friends and spent many evenings together. Mr. Pennell's skill lies greatly in indicating the architecture of the cathedrals by a few lines

and dashes here and there, and one evening, in Mr. Swope's room, he took a toothpick, applied it in ink, and in Mr. Swope's sketch-book rapidly drew a few lines and splotches of black and white, which fully illustrate his talent. When Mr. Swope left Venice the artists of different nationalities made up a gondola party to escort him to the station. As they passed along the Grand Canal, Mr. Swope, who has a superb voice, sang some American songs then popular in this country. As he finished there was a great burst of applause from the shore, doubtless from some party of Americans, who could doubly appreciate songs in their own tongue in that far-off land. Mr. Swope's studio is in New York, and he returns there early in September.—*Louisville Courier-Journal*, August 29.

Randolph-Macon—Prof. James Carson Martin, Jr., '88, was married on the morning of June 29, at Culpeper, Virginia, to Miss Mary Lee Fitz Hugh. The best man was Mr. Andrew S. Martin, '88, of Richmond, brother of the groom and likewise a Phi. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Martin took the noon train for a honeymoon trip north, extending to Amesbury, Mass. They are now living in Norfolk. J. C. Martin, Jr., and A. S. Martin are brothers of Herbert M. Martin, Worthy Grand Scribe of Kappa Sigma, of Danville, Va.

Centre—Dwight N. Marble, '82, some time historian of the General Council and until recently connected with the New York office of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., changed his abode the latter part of July to Pittsburgh, Pa. He is district inspector, with headquarters at Pittsburgh, in charge of the installation and maintenance of all exchanges, switch boards, test stations, cables and apparatus of the long distance telephone lines in western New York and Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and most of West Virginia. He may be addressed at the Telephone Building, 26 and 28 Seventh avenue, in care of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Missouri, '89—

Under the title, 'Researches on the Evolution of the Stellar Systems' (Nichols Press, Lynn, Mass.), Professor T. J. J. See, of the Lowell Astronomical Observatory, presents a compilation of researches valuable to the student of physical astronomy, but not to be recommended to the layman for seaside reading. Prefacing with a general account of double-star investigations 'from Herschel to Burnham,' and an acute mathematical discussion of the methods by which delicate observations are translated into delineations of orbits, Professor See has collated the observations, wherever made, upon forty binary stars, and presents the diagrams of their orbits. In each case, a star in the remote heavens, found to be separable into components only by telescopes of the finest definition when used by eyes of the acutest perception, has been by various persons separately observed, and the

relative distances of the companion from its central sun have been determined, as well as its corresponding angular positions. These data, duly discussed and accurately platted, show that the companion moves in a planetary orbit about a masterful central body, and that the laws of gravitation, as discovered by Newton and formulated by Kepler, are dominant at those remote distances in the celestial universe as certainly as where the moon cycles its monthly circuit about the earth, and the planets weave their annual tracery upon the zodiac. Conclusions of this sort produce the profoundest impression upon the unprofessional reader.—*The Dial*, Aug. 1.

Indiana—Charles Banta, '81, son of the late Judge D. D. Banta, '55, died Sunday, August 15, 1897, at Marion, Ind., of typhoid fever. For a number of years he had been inspector for the Continental Insurance Company of New York, and it was while engaged in the duties of his office at Marion that he was stricken with the fever that resulted in his death. It came unexpected, as he was thought to be improving. His brother George Banta, '76, left him on Saturday to return to his home in Wisconsin. Sunday Mr. Banta was taken with hemorrhages, and death relieved his sufferings. The funeral took place at Franklin, Ind., on Wednesday, August 18. Rev. D. B. Banta, of Spencer, conducted the services. The funeral was indeed a sad one, especially from the fact that his wife and two little children could not be present. Mrs. Banta is a sufferer from consumption and has been in Colorado for the last two years for the benefit of her health, and was unable to leave. Bro. Banta was born in Franklin, October 16, 1859. He was reared there and was a graduate of Indiana University. He was an exemplary young man of exceptional business ability. His sudden and untimely death is matter for large regret.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

COLLEGES.

Ohio University reports more new students than ever before—nearly 100.

The total enrollment at Dartmouth is about 700, with almost 200 freshmen.

With the freshman class at Harvard an Apache Indian has entered; at Cornell a blind man is a member of 1901.

Ohio Wesleyan will found a new professorship with $57,000 received at the close of the college year from Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hayward, of Fairfield, Ill.

The University of Chicago will lose her athletic field by expiration of the lease on January 1, unless some benefactor comes forward with $150,000 to buy the ground.

It is reported that ex-President Cleveland will in November be formally tendered the office of president of the University of Virginia. Heretofore the chairman of the faculty has been at the head of the university.

The general library building of the University of Iowa was struck by lightning on June 19 and burned. The loss was $100,000, with no insurance. The physical laboratory was in this building and was destroyed.

Miss Sarah Barnwell Elliott, author of 'Jerry' and a number of short stories, has a novelette beginning in the September *Scribner's*, in which the Tennessee mountaineers are contrasted with the university types at Sewanee.

This year has witnessed an epidemic of dismissal or 'investigation' of college professors on the charge of heretical political or economic teachings, beginning at Kansas Agricultural College and extending to Texas, Brown, Missouri and Stanford.

At Sewanee in June an effort was made to abolish, by action on the part of the students, the form of hazing known as 'toe-pulling.' Resolutions to that effect, however, were 'tabled indefinitely' by a large majority, and freshman toes will still be pulled.

Dickinson enrolls seventy new collegiate students (sixty freshmen), with an increase of sixty in the preparatory department. Bro. Harry M. Stephens, '92, heretofore physical director and assistant in chemistry, will direct the department of biology.

Lafayette has 106 freshmen—a record-breaking number. Class rushes have been forbidden. The college coach, Bro. Parke Davis, of Princeton, suggested as a substitute cane sprees, which will be entered into by light, middle and heavy-weight representatives of each class.

Amherst opened on September 16 with an enrollment of 408. The whole number for 1896–97 was 407. The residuary estate of Mr. Fayerweather has made payment under the decree of the court of $75,000. The whole amount of gifts to the college since 1890 is now $650,000.

The University of California had enrolled 418 freshmen on August 30, the session having begun on August 12. Last year there were 481 in the entering class; in '95, 432; in '94, 419; in '93, 303. The young women students comprise 41.62 per cent. of the entire student body.

James K. Powers has been chosen president of the University of Alabama, of which he is a distinguished alumnus. He is a practical business man as well as an accomplished and experienced educator, and was the almost unanimous choice of the alumni of the institution for the presidency.

The board of trustees established at their last meeting a scholarship in ceramics, at the suggestion of the National Brick Manufacturers' Association. Ohio State University is the only institution in the United States possessing a department of ceramics.—O. S. U. correspondence *Beta Theta Pi.*

On the day before the recent class rush at California, so vividly reported all over the country, President Kellogg had intimated that he might tolerate 'open, pre-arranged' rushing, but subsequent events led him to change his mind decidedly. There is little room for half-way ground in class rushing.

At Columbia this year the lectures begin on the half hour and conclude at twenty minutes after, giving the students ten minutes to go from one recitation-room to another, instead of five, as was the case. The increased distances of the various rooms and buildings at the new site make the change imperative.

Johns Hopkins and Lehigh are both seriously crippled in the same manner. The former's endowment consists in Baltimore and Ohio railroad stock, and the latter's in Lehigh Valley, both of which roads have been wrecked and no longer pay dividends. The Pennsylvania legislature has appropriated $150,000 to help Lehigh through her present difficulties.

The University of California's proposed new buildings, her magnificent campus and her brilliant prospects occupy one page of text and two of illustrations in *Harper's Weekly* for September 11. Regent J. B. Reinstein, California Alpha, '73, is given full credit for realizing this architectural dream, whose complete fulfillment will involve an expenditure of fifteen millions.

The Episcopal association of church schools, colleges and seminaries gave three prizes of $300 each in June to juniors in church colleges passing the best examinations in the classics, English and mathematics. Students of Trinity, Hobart, Kenyon, and St. Stephen's were among the competitors, but all three prizes went to students of the University of the South.

The natural history building at the University of Illinois was struck by lightning on June 17 and damaged by fire and water to the extent of $10,000. The loss to apparatus was over $50,000. The building was completed in 1893 at a cost of $85,000, and was one of the most complete of its kind in America. In August, 1896, the chemical laboratory at Champaign was struck by lightning, and the loss amounted to $40,000.

The Century Magazine will offer twelve prizes of $250 each, three a year, for four successive years, to college graduates receiving the degree of bachelor of arts, for the best poem, the best essay, and the best short story. Graduates must submit their work before June 1 of the year succeeding graduation, and the young men and women who came out of college in June, 1897 are to have first chance at the prizes.

The freshman class at Williams is expected to fall below one hundred and to be smaller, consequently, than the last three or four classes. This will be due to the new policy of raising the requirements for the scientific course, and of offering less aid to students. The requirements for the classical course, already high, will be made more rigid hereafter. *Harper's Weekly* expresses the hope that Williams may become our great classical school.

A writer in *Scribner's Magazine* for June claimed for Princeton the honor of originating 'siss-boom-ah!' as a college slogan. To this the Mobile *Register* objects, and sets up the claim of Mr. Gerard Smith, formerly mayor of New Orleans, who introduced the sky-rocket yell as a sort of addendum to 'three cheers' as far back as 1858, while Princeton did not make use of it until the first year of the civil war. The magazine writer, however, has replied with some warmth to the claim.

The presidents of western universities appointed a committee in January to consider and report on college athletics. This report was made public at commencement time, and calls for better organized boards of control, strict rules in regard to eligibility of players, and a change in foot ball rules making the ball dead where it strikes the ground when a man is down, with a penalty of fifteen yards for creeping with it. This last recommendation is to prevent the defensive team from piling on a man who has the ball.

The legislature of Ohio recently doubled the state tax for the benefit of the State University, and the total income of the institution, including amounts from congressional land grants, etc., falls little short of $250,000 a year. There were during 1896–97 an even 1,000 students. No tuition fees are charged. The campus lying within the city of Columbus consists of more than 300 acres, of which 110 acres are parked and used for the campus proper. There are ten buildings devoted to instruction, and three are now being erected: a $70,000 building for the college of agriculture, an $80,000 armory and gymnasium, and a $35,000 biological building.

The legislature of Illinois more than made good the losses of the State University resulting from the Globe Bank failure at Chicago. The state charged itself with the endowment fund of $413,500, and appropriates $25,000 annually as interest thereon. An appropriation of $456,712 was made to meet the expenses of the next two years, and $92,949 was placed to the credit of the institution to cover the amount of cash lost through the treasurer of the university. The institution receives annually from the United States government $15,000 for the experimental station and $23,000 under the Morrill land grant. A handsome new stone library building, costing $150,000, was dedicated last commencement. The graduating class numbered ninety-seven, the largest in the history of the university.

FRATERNITIES.

K Σ has issued a directory and Δ T Δ a catalogue.

Σ N and K Σ returned one man each at Randolph-Macon.

Π K A has revived her chapters at Vanderbilt and William and Mary.

Θ Δ X had one man left in her chapter at Kenyon at commencement.

Σ N owns a house, and Δ Y and Γ Φ B rent houses at Northwestern.

A Δ Φ and Δ Δ Δ have petitions before them from the University of Wisconsin.

Σ Ξ, the honorary scientific scholarship society, has entered the University of Nebraska.

The constitution of Φ K Ψ requires that all members of alumni associations subscribe for *The Shield*.

Δ T Δ closed the year at Lehigh with five men. Many other chapters there are equally reduced in numbers.

Θ Ξ's chapter at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology has withdrawn from the other three chapters composing that fraternity.

A T Ω and Σ N have chapters at Rose Polytechnic. There is also a local society, Φ Σ Φ. Φ K Ψ is the only fraternity at Brooklyn Polytechnic.

Φ K Ψ built a house at Minnesota four years ago, when the chapter had but twenty-two alumni. She now has fifteen chapters occupying houses.

Σ N owns or leases houses at Stanford and California and rents at Indiana, Mt. Union, Purdue, Missouri, Chicago, Lehigh, Washington and Lee and De Pauw.

The *New England Magazine* for September contains an article on 'Greek-letter Societies in American Colleges' by Eugene H. L. Randolph, New York Gamma, '85.

The Purdue chapter of Σ N has voluntarily severed all connection with inter-fraternity or class societies, 'thus anticipating the kick from headquarters concerning similar organizations.'

K Φ Y is the name recently chosen by an organization at the University of Minnesota, which is said to have been working for several years for a charter from a fraternity better known down east.

Φ Γ Δ's deserting chapter at Stanford, Σ P H, has been entertaining three members of Δ Δ Φ, said to have been sent west by the last named fraternity to investigate the desirability of locating a chapter on the Pacific coast.

B Θ Π held her convention at Niagara Falls this year, July 16–20. No business of general interest was transacted, the revised constitution and social features filling up the time. The next convention will be held at Cincinnati.

B Θ Π at Stanford has been building a house this summer, having secured a loan of $5,000 from one of the 'Beta mothers,' in addition to some alumni subscriptions. The house will be on the campus and is to cost about $8,000.

A writer from Roanoke in the last *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* asserts that the charter of Virginia Alpha of Phi Delta Theta was 'revoked on account of a lack of proper spirit among her members,' which was not the case.

Φ K Ψ at Dartmouth is contemplating the purchase of a chapter house, as a very desirable house is now on the market there. She expects to have a new house ready to enter at Stanford on November 1, and one at Cornell about the same time.

The Wittenberg correspondent of *The Beta Theta Pi* says that 'the Φ K Ψ's have given up their large chapter house, leaving, as is currently reported, several hundred dollars unpaid rent, and are now occupying a smaller house on a less prominent street.'

Σ N at Texas proposes to secure a chapter house, to be ready for occupancy at the opening of the session. A house is arranged for at Stanford and 'negotiations made' at Columbia; the Minnesota chapter is 'considering the subject' while Michigan is 'pushing the matter.'

K Λ (southern) has just revived her chapter at the University of California. It was established in 1895 and died in 1896. But one of the original charter members is found in the reorganized chapter, which contains two seniors, three juniors, one sophomore and one freshman.

The Beloit chapter of Φ K Ψ has adopted the ten-year-note plan for raising a chapter house fund, allowing twenty years to those who prefer that form. The use of this plan has been spreading rapidly among the chapters of Φ Δ Θ since her Vanderbilt chapter inaugurated it, six years ago.

B Θ Π, 'for the first time in many years,' had no application for charters at her convention at Niagara Falls this summer. Of late years many of the alumni, including the editor of *The Beta Theta Pi*, have favored a cautious extension policy, but the undergraduates refuse to extend.

Σ A E and A T Ω continue to receive frequent mention in the fraternity editorial world for their honorary initiation of President McKinley and Bishop Vincent, and more especially for their disposition to head their lists of honored sons with the names of these gentlemen, initiated at the age of fifty or sixty.

The board of visitors of Virginia has rescinded its action of two years ago, prohibiting the existence of the Eli Banana ribbon society, since known as Peter Magill. The downfall of Eli Banana is said to have been brought about by the chapter's appearing at church when unanimously and hilariously drunk.

The *Key* of K K Γ for July breaks the record by giving 26 chapter groups. In the 26 chapters 432 young women were enrolled last year. The October number gives an account of the installation of the new chapter at the University of California. The revival of this chapter was announced in the June SCROLL.

The Record of Σ A E publishes chapter letters in the order in which they are received. The object is to give public honor to the chapters that send in their letters promptly. Δ Υ prints the letters according to the alphabetical arrangement of the names of the chapters, A T Ω in the alphabetical order of the names of states.

Δ T Δ's president, Mr. K. C. Babcock, discusses the initiation of professional students in the June *Rainbow*. He believes it to be inadvisable save in special cases, thinks that such initiations should never at any one time amount to more than one-fourth of the chapter's membership, and would give the Arch Chapter authority to forbid such initiations save by special dispensation.

The editor of *The Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* remonstrates with the Grand Chapter (of New York city) and with eastern Fijis generally because of their uniformly unfavorable attitude toward proposals for extension in the west. Their suspicions, he thinks, are 'based on incomplete knowledge coupled with some prejudice.'

K Λ Θ enrolled last year 377 active members in 22 chapters, the average membership being 17 and the average number of initiates between 6 and 7. The chapter at Hanover is smallest, with 4 members, the one at Indiana University largest, with 35. The twelfth biennial convention of the fraternity will be held at Madison, October 5–8.

K Σ, Φ K Σ and Π K A are reported as dead at Washington and Lee, with one or two more nearly so. The attendance shows a marked decrease, due to abolition of the preparatory department, to the loss of G. W C. Lee's name and to President Wilson's opposition to free silver. Φ Δ Θ returned one old man and one pledged man, but both will be in for at least two years, and there will be others with them.

Miss Ina Firkins, for almost ten years editor of the *Anchora* of Δ Γ, retired from active service at the last convention. She is to be succeeded by Miss Zoe Anna Brown, of Baltimore. The convention at Ithaca legislated to encourage the formation of alumnæ chapters, of which Δ Γ has none, and refused all applications for charters. The chapter established at Stanford last year was the first chartered in six years.

The editor of *The Beta Theta Pi*, in the issue for June, criticises the tendency to waste over much time at Beta conventions in discussing the Harvard chapter. 'This is peculiarly distressing,' he adds, 'from the fact that the few who understand the situation at Cambridge know that it is a hopeless task to explain it within a limited time, and so they do nothing, and the Harvard chapter is ever misunderstood.'

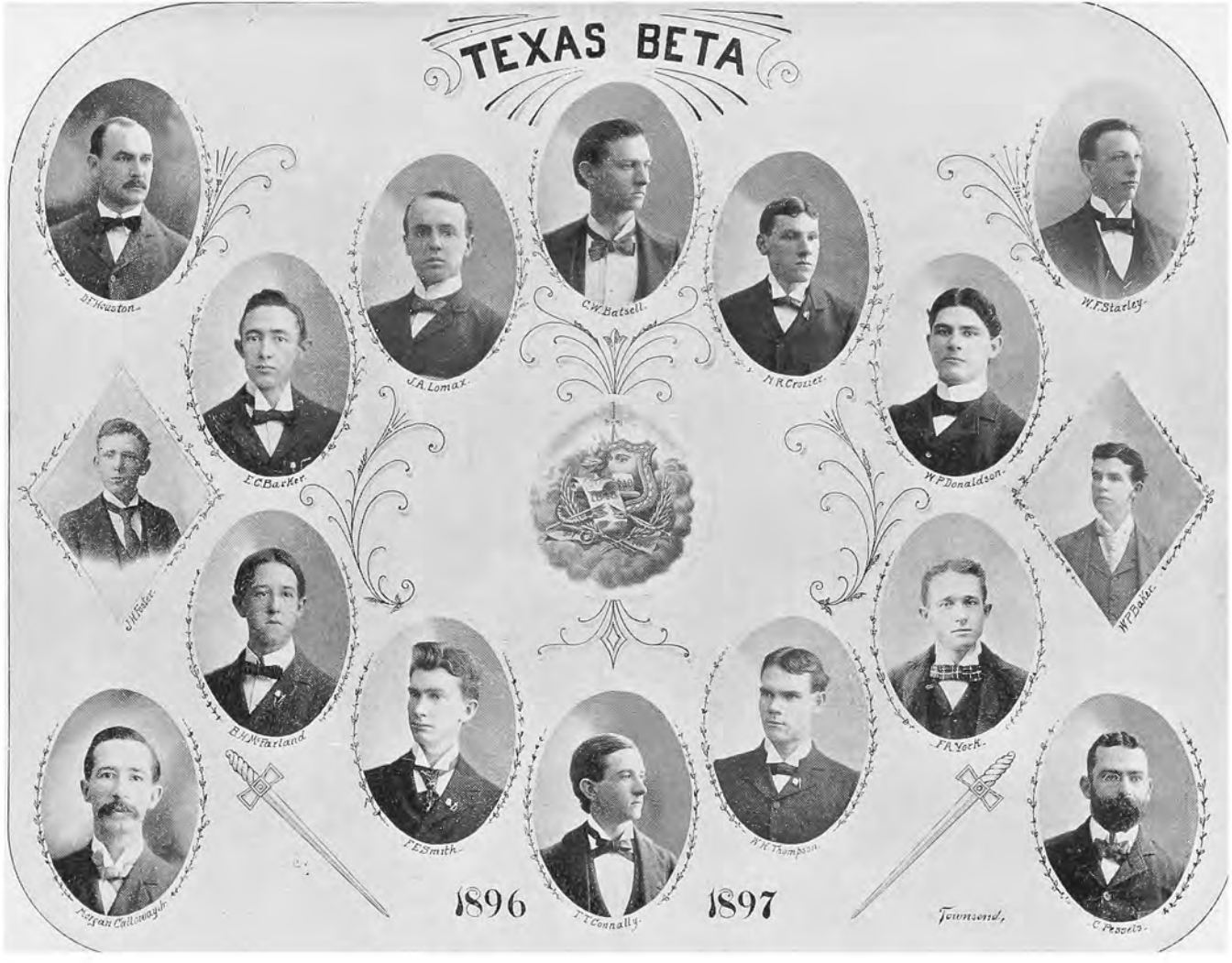
Φ X is a new medical fraternity, founded during the session of '94–5, at Louisville, Ky. It now has four chapters, all in Louisville medical colleges, but wider extension is contemplated. The badge is a skull and cross-bones and the colors olive green and white. There is a local medical society of the same name at the University of Vermont; a pharmaceutical society founded at Michigan in 1883, is also called Φ X.

Δ Τ Ω entered the University of Nebraska on June 1 with nine initiates. The application had been pending for three years. When Κ Σ entered, in February, the correspondent of *The Beta Theta Pi* reported that she was received by the other fraternities 'with as good a grace as possible.' He added: In the light of a few more similar events, one will be tempted to ask if it is not possible to get too much of a good thing.'

Three Vanderbilt men now occupy prominent positions in the 'Miami Triad.' Dr. W L. Dudley, formerly of Cincinnati, but for several years professor of chemistry at Vanderbilt, has been elected Grand Consul of Sigma Chi; Dr. C. L. Thornburg, one of the founders of the Vanderbilt chapter of Beta Theta Pi, and now professor of mathematics at Lehigh, is National Treasurer of his fraternity; and W B. Palmer, Vanderbilt, '80, is President of the General Council of Phi Delta Theta.

During the past year the Δ Τ Ω *Palm* has published letters from three alumni associations out of thirteen. A fine of five dollars is imposed on any chapter failing to send a letter for each number of the magazine. Thirteen chapters had letters in each issue for 1896–7, eleven missed once in four times, eleven failed twice, four appeared but once, three sent no letters at all. The editor says that if the fines were all collected they would amount to $285, but we judge from his 'if' and 'would' that they are not always paid.

Π Β Φ had last June 378 active members in 27 chapters. The smallest chapter (Stanford) numbered six, and the two largest (Syracuse and Michigan) 23 members. The last convention voted to charter the local sorority, Δ Φ Ψ, at the University of Indianapolis. This convention was to meet in Denver, but was transferred to Madison, where it assembled, July 7. Only one chapter was unrepresented—Tulane. The next convention goes to Denver. *The Arrow*, through the generosity of an alumna, offers prizes for the best article and the best chapter letter sent in during '97–'98. The 'article' will hardly be a story, if the judges agree with a contributor in the last issue, who tells us that 'the magazine of one of our leading fraternities, unusually good in its general make up, has several times cheapened itself and lowered its tone by publishing tenth-rate amateur stories—fraternity stories, to be sure, but stories which could not in any sense of the word be called literature.' We expect one of the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prizes to go to the young woman, who, in one of the recent annual examinations on fraternity matters, responded to a request for suggestions to improve the fraternity with the assurance, 'Pi Phi is all right, she is the only peach-tree in the orchard.'

Φ K Ψ levies a special tax to create a fund to be used in preparing and printing a history of the fraternity. When this fund amounts to $1,500 the historian, C. L. Van Cleve, promises to be ready with his book, 'a handsome cloth bound duodecimo of 200 pages.' He has abundant material on hand, covering the following points: early history, reminiscences of early members, chapter histories, distinguished members, publications and enterprises, chapter houses and the perpetuity of the fraternity system. This work was committed to Mr. Van Cleve by the convention of 1896. *The Shield* is to be made a monthly once more as soon as possible. It now issues seven numbers a year.

Σ A E held a joint province convention at Nashville, July 1, 2 and 3. The *American* reported that every chapter in the fraternity save two—Boston and Denver—was represented. About 100 were present. Sessions were held in the senate chamber of the state capitol. A reception was given the first evening at the University Club, the banquet came on the following night at the Duncan Hotel, and on the afternoon of the last day a reception was tendered in the Woman's Building. The last day was Σ A E day at the exposition; the flag was unfurled from the dome of the auditorium, front seats were reserved for members, and the fraternity badge was included in the pyrotechnic display.

Δ T Δ held her biennial convention at the Victoria Hotel, Chicago, August 25–27. This was the thirty-fifth karnea, or convention. Thirty-three chapters out of thirty-seven were represented. At the banquet 125 'members and guests' were present. An outing on the lake and a tally-ho ride were other social features. Mr. K. C. Babcock, of the University of California, was re-elected president; F C. Hodgdon, of New York, late treasurer, was elected vice-president; C. R. Churchill, of New Orleans, late vice-president, was elected historian; Henry T. Brooks, of Maryland, is the new secretary and Alvin E. Duerr, of Philadelphia, the new treasurer. The next convention will be held in August, 1899, in Chicago. Rev. E. H. Hughes, of Malden, Mass., was re-elected editor of the *Rainbow*.

The Delta Upsilon Quarterly deplores a tendency to speak of 'D. U.'s' rather than of 'Delta U.'s,' when referring to members of Delta Upsilon. The chronicler of the inter-fraternity war at Michigan, against the *Palladium* societies and against the 'inner ring' in the *Palladium* circle, says that Phi Delta Theta changed sides in the final struggle, and he refers to this change as a 'contemptible flop.' He says that Delta Upsilon was the original occasion of the war and the leader in winning the fight against exclusiveness.

In an article on the ritualistic and constitutional sources of Sigma Chi, a recent writer in the *Quarterly* comments on the fact that that fraternity had a decided literary cast in the beginning. He says: 'There seems to be a tendency at present to make the object of the order entirely social and fraternal. This lack of the literary element in chapters is one, from the writer's standpoint, which is to be regretted, and, if not remedied, we believe it will be a source of danger to our system in the future.' He says the fraternities have ruined the old literary societies and yet fail to supply the need these organizations met.

Μ Π Λ, so reports the Washington and Lee correspondent of *The Sigma Chi Quarterly*, 'has chapters at most of the leading institutions—north, south, east and west.' The only other institution where we had heard of Μ Π Λ was the University of Virginia. The West Virginia correspondent of the *Quarterly*, after mentioning the fact that six fraternities now have chapters at that school, Alpha Lex Omega (law) being the latest comer, wishes all these success, and 'considers the higher the general standing of the fraternities of the college the more perfectly satellitious will be their orbits to that of the centripetal Sigma Chi.' (!)

Π Κ Λ held her 'eighth annual' convention in Nashville, June 17–18. This fraternity restricts its activity to the south. Only six chapters were represented in the first day's session, but others came in later. The chief matter of business was revision of the constitution, which was carried out somewhat radically, thereby simplifying the system of government. The plan adopted is essentially the one used by Phi Delta Theta since 1880. The national convention has supreme governing power, and between conventions affairs are entrusted to an executive council. Π Κ Λ's council consists of four members, one being an advisory officer, merely.

Φ Γ Δ held her forty-ninth annual convention at Nashville, June 30, July 1 and 2. Meetings were held in the senate chamber and supreme court room at the state capitol. At the opening session fifty delegates were reported present from twenty-eight chapters out of forty-three. The address of welcome was delivered by Maj. J. W Thomas, *Union* (Tenn.), '57, who has the management of the centennial. A reception was given the first evening at the Maxwell. On the second day the delegates went by special train to visit Belle Meade and banqueted in the evening at the Duncan. The official acts of the convention were not made public.

The biennial convention of Kappa Alpha was in session at Price's College Hotel, Nashville, Tenn., June 14–16, 1897. Twenty-seven chapters out of thirty-seven were represented, two by proxies, and three alumni chapters out of eleven. The committee on legislation, to which was referred a resolution relating to ribbon societies or pseudo-fraternities, made a report which caused a great deal of discussion. The report was signed by delegates from Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Southern and Tulane.

The report cited the fact that section 166 of the constitution debars all members of the Kappa Alpha fraternity from joining the following organizations: Boar's Head, at Tulane; Golden Helmet, Golden Dragon and Junior Secret Society, at Sewanee; Gim Gould, Pi Sigma, N. Society and Gorgon's Head, at the University of North Carolina; 18-K, Zeta Tau Kappa and Yukpali, at the University of Georgia; Tilka, Zeta and Peter Magill, at the University of Virginia; Skeleton Hand, at the University of Texas, and all similar organizations, and recommended that all Kappa Alphas now connected with such organizations shall be compelled to withdraw at once.

By a vote of 27 to 2 the convention adopted the report. This is a step which had been contemplated for some time, and it is one of the most decisive acts ever passed by a college fraternity. The following grand officers were re-elected for the ensuing two years: Knight Commander, S. Z. Ammen, editor Baltimore *Sun*; Grand Purser, Augustus Benners, Birmingham; Editor of the Kappa Alpha *Journal*, V M. Jones, Nashville. Mr. Ammen was one of the founders of the order in 1865, and is still a most zealous and energetic worker for the fraternity. During the past two years Mr. Jones has fully sustained the high standard of the *Journal* established by his predecessor, Mr. Keeble, and in recogni-

tion of his valuable services he was elected by this convention a member of the Council of Honor. This is an honorary office for life, and only one member is elected to it by each convention. The following were elected as members of the electoral commission of alumni: W. C. McLeod, of Tulane; Judge Warner Grice, of Mercer; R. E. L. Ray, of Southwestern; J. E. Willoughby, of Alabama; C. N. Burch, of Vanderbilt. Preston S. Davis, of Bentonville, Okl., was elected to compile a Kappa Alpha song book. Robert A. Law, of Wofford, was awarded the medal for the prize essay. Invitations for the next convention were received from Washington, Lexington, Ky., and New Orleans, but no selection was made.

Λ Φ has nine college chapters and five of alumnæ. The latter have the management of the *Quarterly*, the governing board, the initiative in extension and a vote as well. Each alumnæ chapter has a letter in the May *Quarterly*. The editor, however, believes it impossible to carry on these chapters on the same basis as the college chapters, as they are sure to fail to meet some of the many demands made of them. The editor makes a statement we are tempted to copy: 'It is unfair, unbusiness-like, unkind and impolite to fail to answer promptly a business communication, or, being unable to give the required information immediately, to fail to send an explanation in its stead.'

The Dartmouth correspondent of the Σ Χ *Quarterly* is grieved over the number of recent additions to the chapter roll: West Virginia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Missouri and Chicago. He says, 'While we believe in beneficial extension to the fraternity, yet it must be remembered that a too bulky organization never runs smoothly [a statement singularly like those made by western Sigs in noting the size of the chapters at Dartmouth]. When we remember that there are about five hundred colleges in the United States, the fraternity should be very careful how it plants chapters in colleges which have no past and a rather questionable future. Sigma Chi has already too many chapters in small colleges, which are practically on a par with eastern fitting schools. College fraternities to succeed must be conservative. Sigma Chi may well congratulate itself on entering such a prosperous institution as the University of Chicago, but let us guard our membership jealously.

The Sigma Chi convention met at Nashville, August 25–28. The sessions were held in the state capitol, and a rousing address of welcome was delivered by Governor Taylor. Here was a splendid opportunity to make him an honorary member, but happily the convention firmly resisted the tempation to follow the precedent set in electing ex-President Cleveland a few years ago. Delegates were present from all of the fifty active college chapters of Sigma Chi, except those at the Universities of Kansas and Nebraska, and they had two of the general officers as proxies. A few other college chapters were represented by graduates. In addition, five alumni chapters had delegates, and nearly all of the alumni who have been prominently identified with the administration of Sigma Chi during recent years were present. The debate over adopting a new constitution was somewhat freely reported in the following paragraphs from the Nashville *American:*

The committee on revision of the constitution reported that a meeting had been held at Put-in-Bay, and the committee, after careful consideration, had formally revised the constitution, and their findings had been printed in the *Bulletin* for last December. The committee asked that their recommendations be adopted without change, but objection was raised by Delegate F. A. Monroe, who stated that he had been instructed by the Tulane chapter to vote against any measure that made it easy for a new charter to be obtained. He moved to amend the constitution by providing that at least one of the three nearest chapters to the one seeking admission have the right to make a protest against the granting of a charter. After spirited debate the amendment was defeated. The Grand Consul, Gen. Ben. P. Runkle, U. S. A., advocated the granting of chapters to the smaller colleges, setting forth the great good that had been done by these colleges, and he said that some of the best men in the fraternity had come from the chapters at the smaller colleges. It was chiefly due to the impression made by Gen. Runkle that the amendment was tabled. The Grand Tribune, Charles Alling, Jr., of Chicago, moved that a three-fourths vote of the Grand Council, required by the old constitution in order to admit a new chapter, be retained, instead of a two-thirds vote, as recommended by the committee. The motion was carried.

The report was also amended by a provision in the case of transfers from one chapter to another, to allow such transfers to be admitted into the new chapter on a favorable vote by the majority of its members. Delegate C. F. Delbridge, of Michigan, said that the transfer ought to receive a unanimous vote before admission into the new chapter, and he moved in lieu of the above amendment to leave the admission of transfers to a vote, as provided in the present laws. The motion was carried. After these amendments the report of the committee was unanimously adopted.

The main points in which the new constitution differs from the old are these: The Grand Tribune and the Grand Editor are made members of the Grand Council. The fraternity is also ordered to be incorporated under the charter of Illinois, which means that the headquarters will remain at Chicago. The Triumvirs are given power to look

after this, both [*sic*] of whom were present, and their influence probably brought about the decision.

The Grand Quæstor, J. C. Nate, of Chicago, announced that the certificates of delegates were all in, and there would be ample funds to pay all railroad fares. The credit of having such a fund in existence is due to Mr. Nate, the father of the measure and the man who has made this fund a particular feature of the Sigma Chi fraternity.

The Grand Chaplain, Rev. R. W. Springer, of Fort Thomas, Ky., reported the new ritual of the fraternity, which was adopted and a vote of thanks given its author.

The white rose, the emblem of purity and love and faith, was adopted as the fraternity's flower. [This flower was adopted by Sigma Nu some time ago, and Alpha Tau Omega claims the 'white tea rose.' Beta Theta Pi, by the way, claims all the roses.]

The election of the Grand Consul had been looked forward to with a great deal of interest by every delegate to the convention, and fraternities, like politicians, are not altogether free from wire-pulling. The field of candidates had been carefully picked over, and when the time for balloting came, there were three men available who were considered most fitted for the position. These were Dr. S. L. Zeigler, of Philadelphia, George D. Harper, of Cincinnati, and Dr. W. L. Dudley, of Nashville. After several spirited and closely contested ballots, Dr. Dudley was declared elected.

Other officers were elected as follows: Charles Alling, Jr., Grand Tribune; J. C. Nate, Grand Quæstor; Herbert C. Arms, Grand Annotator; Newman Miller, Editor-in-chief of the *Quarterly;* Frank Crozier, Grand Historian. Mr. Crozier is the retiring editor of the *Quarterly*. Mr. Miller, the new editor, is an Albion man of the class of '93, now in the University of Chicago. He was Grand Prætor from 1893 to 1895, and Grand Annotator from 1895 to 1897.

A day or two before the convention met several Chicago dailies had articles about a combination of eastern Sigs to remove the fraternity headquarters from Chicago to New York or Washington, and it was said that twenty Chicago Sigs had gone to Nashville to defeat the plan. From the foregoing report it appears that they were entirely successful. The headquarters remain in Chicago, and all the officers elected or re-elected reside in that city, except Dr. W. L. Dudley, who was chosen as Grand Consul. Doubtless the grand consulship could have been captured, too, had not the proverbial modesty of the Chicago representatives caused them to refrain from claiming that office also. Dr. Dudley, who came from Cincinnati to Nashville, fills the chair of chemistry at Vanderbilt, and has the reputation of being the most popular professor among the students in the university. For years he has been president of the Vanderbilt athletic association, and of the glee club. He is also one of the principal officers in the Tennessee centennial exposition, and he is a man of fine address and marked executive ability.

Socially the delegates must have enjoyed themselves thoroughly. An evening reception for their benefit was given

in the woman's building, and the following evening the banquet was held at the Casino roof garden on the exposition grounds. The fireworks for that evening included a set piece representing the Sigma Chi badge — a compliment doubtless from Dr. Dudley. The convention photograph was taken with the members grouped before the Parthenon or art building. The delegates also visited the famous Belle Meade stock farm near Nashville.

It is interesting to note how far Phi Delta Theta has been in advance of Sigma Chi in important legislation. Phi Delta Theta provided for paying the railroad fares of delegates by *per capita* dues as early as 1873 (being the first college fraternity to adopt the system), was incorporated in 1881, adopted a flower in 1891, and made the editor of the magazine a member of the Council in 1896. Phi Delta Theta has also legislated in regard to the affiliation of transfers, but that is considered a private matter among ourselves. It may be added, however, that if what is reported concerning Sigma Chi's constitution be true, the requirements for granting a charter are much less rigid than with Phi Delta Theta.

Σ N has had chapters killed in the past year at South Carolina and Central (Fayette, Mo.) by anti-fraternity laws or rules. Her chapter at Pennsylvania is dead, and the chapter at Southwest Kansas College has emigrated in a body, because of faculty opposition, to a Lutheran college in the same town (Winfield).

Princeton has enrolled 350 new students; Cornell reports 1,500 the first week, indicating a total of 1,850 or 1,900 for the year; Rutgers has fewer freshmen than usual; Williams has a larger freshman class than was expected—110 with 60 sophomores, 90 juniors, 60 seniors, 30 graduates and irregulars; Kenyon has the largest freshman class with one exception in 30 years; Vassar has 200 freshmen; Syracuse falls slightly below last year with 365 freshmen in three of the four colleges; North Carolina breaks her record with 500 students enrolled to date. These items came in too late to appear with the college news.

THE PYX.

The full name of Horace M. Whaling, Virginia Delta, '76, is Horace Morland Whaling. This information is furnished by Bro. Robert J. McBryde, Jr., Virginia Zeta, '95.

The full name of Robert O. Strong, Ohio Alpha, '67, is Robert Oliver Strong. He was given the degree of LL. B. by the Cincinnati Law School. He died January 7, 1876. Bro. A. C. Shaw, Ohio Alpha, '97, secured these items.

This reduces to seventeen the number of names not given in full in the sixth edition of the catalogue.

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The daguerreotype of Bro. Lindley, given in this issue, was taken in Nashville, Tenn., in 1853, we have just learned.

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Chapters that have not already done so will please send in at once the name and address of this year's reporter, together with the number of attendant members.

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The Alpha Province convention to be held with the Brown chapter at Providence, October 28 and 29, was announced in the September *Palladium*. We advise Alpha Province Phis to read again President Moore's letter in the issue referred to.

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Hotel rates at Nashville will be as follows: Maxwell House—rooms one dollar, meals seventy-five cents; Tulane —rooms one dollar, meals fifty cents; Price's College Hotel —rooms seventy-five or fifty cents, meals and room one dollar and fifty cents (room and two meals one dollar and twenty-five cents).

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Her many friends will be glad to know that Mrs. John Edwin Brown has now fully recovered from the effects of her severe illness of pneumonia.

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It is very late now, but THE SCROLL wishes to acknowledge the receipt of very dainty invitations to Missouri Alpha's commencement reception, on May 31, to Indiana Delta's annual reception, on June 8, and to Ohio Gamma's annual banquet, on June 16. These courtesies are appreciated by the editor, even though he may seem to be almost discourteous in his tardy acknowledgments.

The editor had a very brief call at commencement from Bro. G. H. Ashworth, of Lombard, who was on his way to his home in Ohio, having just been graduated at Galesburg. Lombard has forty new students this session, by the way.

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Among the telegrams of congratulation to Σ A E's convention at Nashville was one from the 'Σ A E sorority.' Several fraternities seem to have a fondness for organizing ladies' auxiliaries; we even hear of something of the kind now and then from Phi chapters. Organized or not, the young women who wish any chapter well prove most effective helpers. But the editor wishes to mention some good work on the part of Phi sisters that appeals to him very strongly. A number of interesting personal items in this number were sent him by three young women from as many points of the compass. We warn the boys to be careful to do their best, for it is evident that the girls are watching them.

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And in the same connection we wish to acknowledge many courtesies of like nature from Mr. Herbert M. Martin, of the *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

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A few hundred extra copies of the Manual have been printed and will be furnished at twenty-five cents each, prepaid, so long as the supply lasts.

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Roehm and Son, of Detroit, have brought out a new pledge button, this time in full agreement with the official regulations.

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Franklin spent her second season in camp on Driftwood, near Taylorsville, Ind., this summer. Case went into camp on the lake; so did Ohio. A number of Iowa Wesleyan men went north together. Every chapter will soon have its summer camp.

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The commencement issue of *The University Forum* makes a great showing for Syracuse in every way. Her attendance has grown in three years from 777 to 1,174, and her faculty from 66 to 121, something unparalleled among New York colleges. Brother Albert Leonard, *Ohio*, '88, is the

new vice-chancellor and dean. The state championship in base ball was won by a team managed by a Phi, captained by a Phi, with four Phis playing in every game. New York Epsilon seems to have some reason to feel elated in this respect, especially as Bro. Voorhees, '98, was chosen captain for '97–'98.

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The Ohio University *Mirror* has Bro. C. G. O'Bleness as editor-in-chief. Bros. B. G. Carpenter and M. W. Allen are editor-in-chief and business manager, respectively, of the Lombard *Review*. Bro. Linn Bowman is editor-in-chief of *The Dickinsonian*, being one of six Phis on an editorial board of twelve.

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We notice from letter-heads, chapter correspondence and other sources that the crop of Phi editors-in-chief and business managers is to be as large as ever this year. We shall have more to say on that point later. Meanwhile, put THE SCROLL on the mailing list of your college paper at once, or take your own copy, after you have read it, mark all items of interest and mail it to the editor. He is still very grateful for favors of this kind shown him last year and begs that they be continued. He is very grateful, too, for the large number of annuals sent him, but the next issue will give him an opportunity to express his gratitude.

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Brother Caleb B. K. Weed, of Sewanee, has been appointed one of the two university proctors, and has been obliged to resign as business manager of the Sewanee *Purple*.

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Bro. Royall H. Switzler, Missouri, '98, has been given charge of the new department of 'Fraternities' in the *Western College Magazine*, of Kansas City, Mo.

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The report that K Σ and Π K A are dead at Washington and Lee was premature. Each returned two men, who have made no initiations so far.

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Georgia Alpha is now at home in the handsomest chapter house in Athens. Brother Weed will have to revise his article on southern chapter houses.

The season promises to bring out as many Phi foot ball stars as ever. Captain Roller, of De Pauw, has about determined to do his own coaching and retire, after four years of hard work, from active service. Manager Walker, of Illinois, has stolen a march on the rest of the west by securing the Carlisle Indians for a game on November 20 at Chicago. Bro. Carr is manager at Dartmouth, Bro. Oury at Nebraska, Bro. Mann at Wisconsin, Bro. Boogher is captain at Vanderbilt.

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Emory has initiated six good men after a hard fight for them, giving us a chapter of twenty-two; Wooster returned but three men, having lost one to Princeton and one to Miami; Iowa returns twelve; Miami now has the colors on six new men; Wabash returned eight, initiated one and pledged three; Mercer returned eleven, initiated six, pledged two, expecting to add three or four more; Franklin calls for ten copies of THE SCROLL; Vanderbilt has six initiates so far; De Pauw returned twelve initiates and three pledged men and has six new men to initiate; Allegheny will have twenty men; Virginia reports nine old men back, with two or three more coming.

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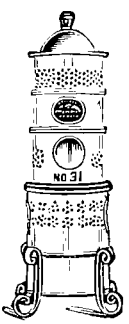

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> The information concerning the origin, progress and present standing of Phi Delta Theta which this work presents is such as members of the Fraternity by all means should possess, but which heretofore has been very difficult for them to obtain. The book certainly has the merit of novelty, being the first of its kind ever issued, and I am of the belief that it will supply a long-felt want, and that the Fraternity will profit by its publication.

The author remembers with particular satisfaction that there was a small profit on the publication, the edition being speedily exhausted. On this the second edition there can be no profit, as it is given away with THE SCROLL, but it is believed that by placing it in the hands of all attendant members, and all alumni subscribers to the magazine, more good for the Fraternity will be accomplished than was the result of the first edition. The author desires to return thanks to Wm. R. Baird, Esq., editor of *The Beta Theta Pi;* Prof. Hugh Th. Miller, editor of THE SCROLL; and Dr. J. E. Brown, ex-editor of THE SCROLL, for valuable assistance; and to reporters of chapters for their kindness in furnishing information concerning their respective institutions. The following books have been consulted in compiling fraternity and college statistics:

AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITIES, Fourth Edition, 1890, by Wm. Raimond Baird, 271 Broadway, New York.

THE COLLEGE YEAR BOOK, for the Academic Year 1896–97, edited by Edwin Emerson, Jr. New York: Stone & Kimball.

THE WORLD ALMANAC AND ENCYCLOPEDIA, for 1897. New York: Press Publishing Company.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, for 1894–95. Washington: United States Bureau of Education.

The sketch of the Fraternity in the first edition contained some mistakes in chronology which have been corrected. The writer requests readers who may detect any errors in this edition to be kind enough to call his attention to them.

WALTER B. PALMER.

Nashville, September, 1897.

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A MANUAL

OF

PHI DELTA THETA.

SKETCH OF THE FRATERNITY.

The first society of American origin bearing a Greek-letter name was Phi Beta Kappa, founded in 1776, at the College of William and Mary in Virginia. It was secret in its character, and its objects were social enjoyment and literary training. A branch was established at Yale in 1780, another at Harvard in 1781, and a third at Dartmouth in 1787. Subsequently the society entered a number of other important educational institutions. In 1831 it gave up its secrets, revealing the motto, which is the Greek for 'Philosophy is the Guide of Life.' Thereafter the activity of the society ceased, and it became a purely honorary organization, membership being conferred as a reward for high scholarship.

The origin of the Greek-letter society system may be attributed entirely to Phi Beta Kappa. A chapter having been established at Union College in 1817, a new society called Kappa Alpha appeared there in 1825. Kappa Alpha was the prototype of the fraternities now prominent in American colleges. It adopted some of the most essential characteristics of Phi Beta Kappa, among them the following: It was a secret social organization, its members being restricted to upper classmen, who wore a key form of badge; while it named its chapters by states and the Greek letters in order (the same method which Phi Delta Theta and several other fraternities also have adopted).

Kappa Alpha has been followed by the organization of Sigma Phi and Delta Phi at Union in 1827, Alpha Delta Phi at Hamilton in 1832, Psi Upsilon at Union in 1833, Delta

Upsilon at Williams in 1834,* Beta Theta Pi at Miami in 1839, Chi Psi at Union in 1841, Delta Kappa Epsilon at Yale in 1844, Zeta Psi at New York in 1846, Delta Psi at Columbia in 1847, Theta Delta Chi at Union in 1847, Phi Gamma Delta at Jefferson (now Washington and Jefferson) in 1848, Phi Delta Theta at Miami in 1848, Phi Kappa Sigma at Pennsylvania in 1850, Phi Kappa Psi at Jefferson in 1852, Chi Phi at Princeton in 1854,† Sigma Chi at Miami in 1855, Sigma Alpha Epsilon at Alabama in 1856, Delta Tau Delta at Bethany in 1860, Alpha Tau Omega at Virginia Military Institute in 1865, Kappa Alpha (Southern Order) at Washington (now Washington and Lee) in 1865, Kappa Sigma at Virginia in 1867, Pi Kappa Alpha at Virginia in 1868, Sigma Nu at V. M. I. in 1869, Phi Phi Phi at Austin in 1892, and Mu Pi Lambda at Washington and Lee in 1895.‡

THE MIAMI TRIAD.

College secret societies formed on the model of Kappa Alpha were still in their infancy in 1835, ten years after that society was founded. In that year Alpha Delta Phi took a long stride westward, and planted a chapter at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.‖ It was the second chapter of Alpha Delta Phi, and was fostered by the founder of the fraternity, who was then living at Cincinnati. The opposition it developed culminated in the organization of Beta Theta Pi in 1839. Two other fraternities were founded at the same place, Phi Delta Theta in 1848 and Sigma Chi in 1855.§ Two other fraternities of eastern origin placed chapters at Miami—Delta Kappa Epsilon in 1852, and Delta Upsilon in 1868.

In 1787, the year of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, Congress made two valuable grants of

*An anti-secret society, called sometimes the 'Social Fraternity' and sometimes the 'Equitable Fraternity,' was organized at Williams in 1834. Negotiations looking to a union with similar societies in other colleges were begun in 1840, and the 'Anti-Secret Confederation' was formed in 1847. A monogram of the letters Delta and Upsilon was chosen as the badge in 1858, but the name Delta Upsilon was not incorporated in the constitution until 1864.

†In 1854 a constitution for a society was found at Princeton. It bore the numerals '1824,' and Chi Phi claims 1824 as the year of its establishment, but the names of no members initiated previous to 1854 are known.

‡A number of other general college fraternities have died or have been absorbed by those here mentioned. The names of existing sororities and of honorary, professional and other special societies will be found under 'Statistics of Fraternities.'

‖Ohio was the third state to shelter the Greeks, and at the time there was a total of but eight chapters in existence. Thus we see that the fraternity system is more venerable in the Buckeye than in most eastern states.—Dr. J. E. Brown, in SCROLL, November, 1885.

§Thus early Miami—the earliest western station of Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Kappa Epsilon, the birthplace of the three great western fraternities, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, and Sigma Chi—took the place in Greek history of the west that Union had held in the east.—Editorial *D. K. E. Quarterly*, April, 1885.

land for the establishment of educational institutions within the limits of that portion of the Northwest Territory which, in 1802, was admitted into the Union as the state of Ohio. With these grants the state founded the American University, since known as Ohio University, at Athens, and Miami University at Oxford. The name and location of the latter were not settled until 1809. In 1811 an English school was opened in a log building at Oxford, and in 1824, on the completion of a substantial brick structure, college exercises were begun. At once the institution became very popular; in 1825–26 there was a graduating class of twelve, and a total of one hundred and thirty-two students from fourteen states. The average yearly attendance from 1830 to 1840 was about two hundred and fifty, always representing a large number of states. The faculty was composed of men of rare scholarship, and Miami easily took the position of the leading institution of learning in the west.*

The university suffered during the four years of civil war and the depression of succeeding years. The legislature having failed to make any appropriations for its benefit, the trustees decided to close the institution in 1873. In 1885 an appropriation from the state, and the accumulation of rents from the original land grant, enabled the doors of 'Old Miami' to be reopened. The institution is now fully recognized by the state. By action of the legislature in 1896, a state tax levy is made annually for the benefit of Miami University, Ohio University and Ohio State University.

Miami, which has no professional departments, has graduated over eleven hundred students, besides giving a partial education to many more. Included among the alumni are a president of the United States, United States senators, many congressmen, a number of ministers to foreign countries and governors of states, besides many who occupy other prominent positions. The list is indeed a remarkable one.

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* By its thorough instruction, its faithful drill, its wise discipline and high curriculum, Miami took rank with the best schools of our country. It was early and not inappropriately called 'the Yale of the West.'—Rev. Robert Morrison, in SCROLL, October, 1881.

The course of instruction (at Miami) was modeled after that of Yale, though nothing was attempted outside of a college curriculum, the university being a university in law rather than in fact.—C. M. Hepburn, in *Beta Theta Pi*, September, 1885.

Miami University was at that time (1835) the most celebrated institution of learning in the west.—Alpha Delta Phi Catalogue, 1882.

Miami was then (1851) in her palmy days. Her halls were full of choice men. Then her praises fell fluently from every tongue, and they have been justified by the history of her sons.—Dr. A. C. Kemper, in *D. K. E. Quarterly*, April, 1885

THE SIX FOUNDERS.

The founders of Phi Delta Theta were six students at Miami, two in each of the three upper classes, viz.: Robert Morrison, '49; John McMillan Wilson, '49; Robert Thompson Drake, '50; John Wolfe Lindley, '50; Ardivan Walker Rodgers, '51; Andrew Watts Rogers, '51.

At the time of organization Morrison and Drake were in their twenty-seventh years, Rodgers in his twenty-fifth, Wilson and Rogers in their twenty-fourth, and Lindley in his twenty-third. All of them were of sufficiently mature age to recognize what should be the objects of an ideal brotherhood, and to formulate well-considered plans of government. Morrison was matriculated at Miami on June 18, 1846, the other five on October 7, 1846. All of them completed their courses and received the degree of A. B. on graduation and A. M. three years later. Morrison, Lindley and Rogers are still living.

Robert Morrison was born near Carmichaeltown, Greene county, Pa., March 15, 1822. He attended Ohio University, 1839–41; entered Miami in 1846 and was graduated there in 1849, being the valedictorian of his class. He attended Oxford Associated Reformed Theological School in 1849; New Albany Theological Seminary, 1852–53, and Princeton Theological Seminary in 1853. He was licensed to preach in April, 1854, and ordained two years later. He has since filled important charges in the Presbyterian church in Kentucky, Ohio and Missouri. He was a teacher in Tennessee, 1850–52; managing editor of the *True Presbyterian*, Louisville, 1862–64; a teacher in Ohio, 1869–76; and financial agent of Westminster College, 1879–81. His *alma mater*, Miami, conferred the degree of D. D. on him in 1897. His family consists of a wife and five children, and their residence is at Fulton, Mo.

John McMillan Wilson was born in Union county, Indiana, September 10, 1825. He was prepared for college at McMillan Academy, Xenia, Ohio. He entered Miami in 1846, and was graduated there in 1849. Until 1860 he was a teacher in Tennessee and Ohio schools. He attended Oxford Associated Reformed Theological School in 1852, and was ordained a minister in the Reformed Presbyterian church. A throat affection compelled him to abandon public speaking. In 1860–61 he was managing editor of the *Banner of the Covenant*. The later years of his life were devoted to business pursuits. He died at Benton, Ill., July 19, 1874. He was never married.

Robert Thompson Drake was born at Yellow Springs, Ohio, March 6, 1822, and was the oldest of the six founders of Phi Delta Theta. He entered Miami in 1846, and was graduated in 1850, standing third in his class; entered New Albany (now McCormick) Theological Seminary in 1851, and was graduated there in 1853; and, during 1853–'54, he took a post-graduate course at Princeton Theological Seminary. From 1855 to 1873 he served as pastor of Presbyterian churches in Des Moines, Iowa; Troy, Ohio; Newport, Ky.; Manchester and Miami City, Ohio, and last at New Castle, Ind. He died of heart disease, at New Castle, March 19, 1873. He left a widow with four children to mourn his loss. Five other children had died in infancy.

John Wolfe Lindley was born in Knox county, Ohio, August 20, 1826. He attended the Fredericktown Academy for two years; entered Miami in the fall of 1846 and was graduated there in 1850. He taught in the New Hagerstown (Ohio) Academy in 1850–52; succeeded Robert Morrison as principal of the Poplar Grove (Tenn.) Academy in 1852; was a member of the faculty of Richmond (Ohio) College, 1853–55 and 1862–63; was principal of the Charlestown (Ind.) Female Institute, 1855–61, and of the Paducah (Ky.) Female Seminary, 1861–62. Since 1863 he has resided at his birthplace, near Fredericktown, Ohio, where he is a farmer and justice of the peace. He was married in 1854 and has had six children, three sons and three daughters, all of whom are now living. He is a third cousin of Robert Morrison.

Ardivan Walker Rodgers was born at Piqua, Ohio, October 20, 1824. He entered Miami in 1846, having previously taught a school at Piqua. After graduation in 1851, he began the study of theology privately, intending to enter the United Presbyterian ministry. In order to secure means for completing a theological course, he resumed the work of teaching. He taught a select school at Piqua, 1851–54; and he was superintendent of the Union School at St. Mary's, Ohio, 1854-56. He then moved to Iowa, but, before deciding upon another place of residence, he died of typhoid fever, at his father's home, at Brighton, in that state, December 11, 1856. His widow still lives at Fairfield, Iowa. They had three children, all of whom died in infancy or childhood.

Andrew Watts Rogers was born at Greenfield, Highland county, Ohio, March 12, 1825. He entered Miami in 1846 and was graduated in 1851. For two years he was a teacher in Tennessee. Admitted to the bar in 1853, he practiced law in Illinois, first at Bloomington, then at Carbondale, until 1862, when he enlisted in the 81st Illinois Infantry, U. S. A. He was mustered out of service in 1865, having risen from the rank of major to that of colonel. He then resumed the practice of law, changing his residence to Warrensburg, Mo., where he still lives. He was county prosecuting attorney, 1873–74; member of the Missouri House of Representatives, 1883–84; member of the board of regents of the Missouri State Normal School, 1880–90, and president of the same, 1889–90; and editor of the Warrensburg *Journal-Democrat*, 1890-91. His family consists of a wife and four children.

THE PARENT CHAPTER.

Robert Morrison proposed to his classmate, John McMillan Wilson, the organization of the Fraternity, and the latter entered heartily into the project. The Fraternity was founded at a meeting of the six founders held on December 26, 1848. This meeting was in the evening in Wilson's room in the Northeast Building,* and several subsequent meetings were held in the same place.

Morrison and Wilson were joint authors of 'The Bond of the Phi Delta Theta,' which is the fundamental law of the Fraternity. Morrison signed it first, Wilson next. Between them they decided on the name of the Fraternity, and Mor-

*This building, now called the North Dormitory, still stands at Miami. The first window south of the north door on the west side opened into Morrison's room, and directly above, on the second floor, was Wilson's.

rison selected and arranged the secret Greek motto. Morrison designed the shield form of badge, with the eye as an emblem, while the scroll feature was suggested by Wilson.

Though the new Fraternity had the support of members of the Miami faculty,* the early members thought they could best accomplish their objects by remaining *sub rosa*. Meetings were usually held in the rooms of members, but when the members numbered twelve, all could not assemble in any room that was available without attracting attention. Some of them, therefore, petitioned for a charter for a second chapter in Miami, and the petition was granted in April, 1852. At commencement in 1852 the members decided to make the Fraternity's existence publicly known in the university, and began wearing badges openly. The charter of the second chapter was resigned in November, 1852, the reason for a separation no longer existing.

At the time when Phi Delta Theta was organized, the Miami chapters of Alpha Delta Phi and Beta Theta Pi were suspended, mainly because a number of their members had been dismissed from college for participation in 'the great snow rebellion,' in January, 1848, when a body of students locked out the professors from the college buildings. These chapters remained inactive until 1852, so that for over two years Phi Delta Theta had the pick of the university.† A remarkably large number of the members initiated during the earlier years of its existence were men whose careers have reflected great honor on their Fraternity and their *alma mater*.

In '52 the following named were included: Benjamin Harrison, subsequently president of the United States; L. W. Ross, afterwards chancellor of the law department of the University of Iowa; David Swing, the noted pulpit orator of Chicago; and J. K. Boude, an eminent physician in the government service. Certainly no fraternity can boast of a larger amount of talent in one college class. In '53 were J. A. Anderson, subsequently a member of con-

*The Phis elected Professors O. N. Stoddard and Charles Elliott to membership, and Rev. Robert Morrison says (SCROLL, December, 1885) that 'both of these professors accepted and signed the Bond, and often attended and took part in the meetings.' Before a public meeting of the Fraternity at Oxford in 1853, Professor Elliott read a poem, which was published in pamphlet form.

†There was but one Greek fraternity, so far as we then knew, at that time (1851) in the institution (Miami). Its existence was unknown except to its members and a portion of the faculty. It was the parent chapter, and therefore of conspicuous importance. It was understood to be controlled by members of the faculty, who did not belong to the fraternity, through the instrumentality of certain of its members.—Dr. A. C. Kemper, in *D. K. E. Quarterly*, April, 1885.

To control a force which they could not destroy, the faculty encouraged the organization of Phi Delta Theta, to which reference is above made.—Memorandum by editor, *Ibid.*

gress, and James Holmes, who became pastor of the Second Presbyterian church at Allegheny, Pa. In '54 was E. P. Shields, on whom Miami conferred the degree of D. D. in 1887. In '55 were B. K. Elliott, subsequently chief-justice of Indiana; and Ransford Smith, sometime mayor of Hamilton, Ohio. In '57 was C. M. Hughes, who became judge on the common pleas bench. There were others who have attained high positions in the learned professions.

Robert Morrison, '49, was valedictorian; R. T. Drake, another founder, stood third in the class of '50; David Swing, '52, was salutatorian; James Holmes, '53, was valedictorian; J. M. Miller, '56, was valedictorian; Ransford Smith, '55, was alumni orator in 1871.

The influence of men of the character of those mentioned, at a time when the development of the Fraternity was beginning, can not be overestimated. All of them were zealous members while in college, and some have rendered active assistance since graduation. Rev. Robert Morrison, particularly, (who in 1897 completed his seventy-fifth year, an event suitably observed by the Fraternity,) has performed valuable work for Phi Delta Theta ever since it was first conceived by him.

The graduation of members in '57, and the failure of others to return weakened the Miami chapter, and it suspended in the fall. It was revived in the fall of 1865, and flourished until the spring of 1873, when the university closed. The chapter was reorganized on the reopening of the institution in 1885.

THE ROLL OF CHAPTERS.

The founders of Phi Delta Theta intended that it should be extended to other institutions of high standing and well established reputation. Before its first anniversary it had been established at Indiana University, and before the expiration of the second year at Centre College. At the beginning of the war the Fraternity had laid the foundation for substantial development, but a check was then placed on its expansion.

At the close of the war the only chapters in active existence were those at Indiana, Centre, Wabash, Indianapolis and Michigan. The latter, chartered in 1864, and the chapter at Chicago, chartered in 1865, were the only chapters established from 1860 to 1868. From these the chapter roll of to-day has developed. The decades from 1870 to 1890 were marked by unusual progress. Since 1883 Phi Delta Theta

has had a larger number of active college chapters than any other fraternity. In the present decade fewer additions to the roster have been accepted, and the policy of the Fraternity has been in the direction of rendering old chapters more secure in their surroundings and increasing their property interests.

In the chapter roll which follows, the figures at the left indicate the years the chapters were established, and the figures in parentheses show the years when chapters became inactive. The figures at the right give the number of members initiated by each chapter.

1848.	Ohio Alpha, Miami University, Oxford	188
1849.	Indiana Alpha, Indiana University, Bloomington	283
1850.	Kentucky Alpha, Centre College, Danville	286
1850.	Indiana Beta, Wabash College, Crawfordsville	230
1852.	Ohio Beta, Miami University, Oxford (1852) (membership included with Ohio Alpha)	—
1852.	Ohio Gamma, Wittenberg College, Springfield (1854)	8
1853.	Texas Alpha, Austin College, Sherman (1857)	8
1854.	Kentucky Beta, Kentucky Military Institute, Farmdale (1856)	42
1855.	Kentucky Gamma, Centre College, Danville (1855) (membership included with Kentucky Alpha)	—
1857.	Kentucky Gamma, Georgetown College, Georgetown (1876)	16
1857.	Wisconsin Alpha, University of Wisconsin, Madison	176
1859.	Wisconsin Beta, Lawrence University, Appleton (1860)	10
1859.	Illinois Alpha, Northwestern University, Evanston	73
1859.	Indiana Gamma, University of Indianapolis, Irvington	195
1860.	Ohio Beta, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware	161
1860.	Indiana Delta, Franklin College, Franklin	199
1860.	Indiana Epsilon, Hanover College, Hanover	138
1864.	Michigan Alpha, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	102
1865.	Illinois Beta, University of Chicago, Chicago	32
1868.	Indiana Zeta, De Pauw University, Greencastle	180
1868.	Ohio Gamma, Ohio University, Athens	140
1869.	Virginia Alpha, Roanoke College, Salem (1896)	138
1869.	Indiana Eta, Indiana State Normal School, Terre Haute (1872)	13
1870.	Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri, Columbia	218
1871.	Illinois Gamma, Monmouth College, Monmouth (1884)	59
1871.	Illinois Delta, Knox College, Galesburg	143
1871.	Georgia Alpha, Oglethorpe University, Atlanta (1872)	13
1871.	Georgia Alpha, University of Georgia, Athens	234
1871.	Georgia Beta, Emory College, Oxford	234
1871.	Iowa Alpha, Iowa Wesleyan University, Mt. Pleasant	152
1872	Georgia Gamma, Mercer University, Macon	179
1872	Ohio Delta, University of Wooster, Wooster	153
1872.	New York Alpha, Cornell University, Ithaca	138
1873.	Pennsylvania Alpha, Lafayette College, Easton	149
1873.	California Alpha, University of California, Berkeley	107
1873.	Michigan Beta, Michigan State College, Lansing	161
1873	Virginia Beta, University of Virginia, Charlottesville	156
1874	Virginia Gamma, Randolph-Macon College, Ashland	69

1875. Ohio Epsilon, Buchtel College, Akron (1896) 94
1875. Nebraska Alpha, University of Nebraska, Lincoln 71
1875. Virginia Delta, Richmond College, Richmond (1895) 76
1875. Pennsylvania Beta, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg. ... 99
1875. Pennsylvania Gamma, Washington and Jefferson College, Washington.... 118
1876. Tennessee Alpha, Vanderbilt University, Nashville..... 242
1876. Missouri Beta, Central College, Fayette (1878)..... 10
1876. Pennsylvania Eta, Lehigh University, South Bethlehem... 58
1877. Mississippi Alpha, University of Mississippi, Oxford..... 152
1877. Alabama Alpha, University of Alabama, Tuskaloosa..... 189
1878. Virginia Epsilon, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington (1888)..... 35
1878 Texas Alpha, Trinity University, Tehuacana (1883)..... 41
1878. Illinois Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington (1897)..... 103
1878. North Carolina Alpha, Trinity College, Durham (1879). .. 24
1878. Illinois Zeta, Lombard University, Galesburg 204
1879. Alabama Beta, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn .. 199
1879. South Carolina Alpha, Wofford College, Spartanburg (1884) 25
1879. Pennsylvania Delta, Allegheny College, Meadville... ... 116
1879. Vermont Alpha, University of Vermont, Burlington..... 140
1880. Pennsylvania Epsilon, Dickinson College, Carlisle..... 105
1880. Missouri Beta, Westminster College, Fulton..... 94
1881. Minnesota Alpha, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis... 58
1882. Iowa Beta, University of Iowa, Iowa City..... 118
1882. South Carolina Beta, South Carolina College, Columbia (1893) 38
1882. Kansas Alpha, University of Kansas, Lawrence 96
1882. Michigan Gamma, Hillsdale College, Hillsdale..... 89
1883. Tennessee Beta, University of the South, Sewanee..... 91
1883. Ohio Zeta, Ohio State University, Columbus..... 83
1883. Texas Beta, University of Texas, Austin..... 85
1883. Pennsylvania Zeta, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 120
1883. New York Beta, Union University, Schenectady..... 70
1884. New York Gamma, College of the City of New York, New York (1891) 54
1884. Maine Alpha, Colby University, Waterville 103
1884. New York Delta, Columbia University, New York..... 51
1884. New Hampshire Alpha, Dartmouth College, Hanover..... 138
1885. North Carolina Beta, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill..... 50
1885. Kentucky Delta, Central University, Richmond..... 81
1886. Massachusetts Alpha, Williams College, Williamstown ... 76
1886. Texas Gamma, Southwestern University, Georgetown..... 64
1887. New York Epsilon, Syracuse University, Syracuse..... 104
1887. Virginia Zeta, Washington and Lee University, Lexington. 33
1887. Alabama Gamma, Southern University, Greensboro (1896). 122
1888. Massachusetts Beta, Amherst College, Amherst 106
1889. Rhode Island Alpha, Brown University, Providence..... 86
1889. Louisiana Alpha, Tulane University of Louisiana, New Orleans..... 46
1891. Missouri Gamma, Washington University, St. Louis..... 54
1891. California Beta, Leland Stanford Junior University, Palo Alto..... 31
1893. Illinois Eta, University of Illinois, Champaign..... 51
1894. Indiana Theta, Purdue University, Lafayette..... 36
1896. Ohio Eta, Case School of Applied Science, Cleveland..... 22

Active chapters, 66; inactive, 22; membership, 9,134.* Statistics of the present membership of other fraternities are not easily accessible, but there is no doubt that Phi Delta Theta ranks next after Delta Kappa Epsilon and Beta Theta Pi in number of initiates, and perhaps has the second largest number of living members.† Unquestionably the membership of Phi Delta Theta is increasing more rapidly than that of any other fraternity.‡ The average number of members per chapter is 103. Deducting the inactive chapters and their members, the average membership of the active chapters is 123.

A NATIONAL FRATERNITY.

Phi Delta Theta's policy has been to become a national organization. It has aimed to extend its influence that it might unite in one association college-bred men of all sections of our country.

The Fraternity has always had a stronghold in the west. In 1849 Indiana was entered, in 1857 Wisconsin, in 1859 Northwestern, in 1864 Michigan, and in 1870 Missouri. A chapter was placed in Iowa Wesleyan in 1871, and in 1873 the banner of the Fraternity was carried across the continent and planted on the Pacific coast.

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*This was the total membership to February 1, 1897. Beginning in 1883, each chapter has made a statistical report every year to the Historian of the General Council. Reports from 1883 to 1896, inclusive, were made on April 1, the report of 1897 on February 1, which will be the date hereafter. The tabulation of the H. G. C. shows that the membership on February 1, 1897, was 8,967. The total of 9,134 was arrived at by adding to the number of members of each chapter, given in the sixth (1894) edition of the catalogue, the number initiated by the chapter each year since its list was compiled for the catalogue, as shown by the annual summaries of the H. G. C. Persons who had severed their connection with the Fraternity were deducted, but no account was taken of members transferred from one chapter to another since the catalogue was printed. The calculation was made very carefully by the writer, who believes that the total of 9,134 is correct, or the error, if any, is very small. At any rate the total number (October, 1897) is upwards of 9,000, as fifty or more members have been initiated since February 1, 1897.

†If the total number of members admitted be taken as the criterion, Phi Delta Theta ranks fourth among fraternities, being considerably surpassed in this respect by Delta Kappa Epsilon, and somewhat by Beta Theta Pi, the latter being a western fraternity which, like Phi Delta Theta, has of late years greatly increased in numbers. By reason of its long life and uninterrupted delegations, Psi Upsilon, with 7,980 members comes third in number of initiates, notwithstanding the brevity of its roll of chapters. But as the proportion of deceased members in Phi Delta Theta is very small (less than seven per cent.), this society undoubtedly stands second in respect to number of living representatives.—A. P. Jacobs, Psi Upsilon, in *American University Magazine*, August, 1894.

The total membership, 7,286, given in the sixth (1894) edition of the catalogue of Phi Delta Theta was not the real total in that year, as some of the chapter lists in the catalogue were two to three years old when printed. The total membership of the Fraternity in 1894, as shown by the tabulation of the H. G. C., was 7,683. Mr. Jacobs says Psi Upsilon had in that year a total of 7,980, but the more rapid increase of Phi Delta Theta since 1894 certainly places it ahead of Psi Upsilon in this respect.

‡The average number of initiations by all chapters during the last five years was 435 a year. The largest average number of initiations per chapter during any year from 1883 to 1897 was 7.37 in 1884, the smallest 5.38 in 1890. The largest average number of attendant members per chapter was 15.87 in 1890, and the smallest 14.01 in 1887.

The chapter at Centre was the only one established in the south before the war that was permanent. In 1869 a charter was issued for a chapter at Roanoke College, in Virginia. From that state Phi Delta Theta was introduced into Georgia, and thence it spread throughout the south.

Until 1883, the Fraternity was established in but few eastern institutions. A chapter had been organized at Cornell in 1872, and one at Lafayette in 1873, from which latter originated several of the Pennsylvania chapters. A petition for a charter to establish a chapter at the University of Vermont was granted in 1879. The entry of Phi Delta Theta at Union—the eastern birthplace of fraternities—in 1883 was followed by the establishment of other chapters in Pennsylvania, New York and the New England states, and at present the Fraternity has seventeen active college chapters in those states.*

Phi Delta Theta now has sixty-six active college chapters in twenty-seven states from Maine to California and from Minnesota to Texas.† Any one who is informed as to educational development can see that Phi Delta Theta has a well balanced distribution of chapters. The Fraternity is established in twenty state universities, viz.: Vermont, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas, Ohio (two), Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and California. No other fraternity is represented in so many state universities. In addition, Cornell, Miami, Purdue, Michigan State College and Alabama Polytechnic Institute receive either state or federal support or both.

CAREERS OF CHAPTERS.

Phi Delta Theta was the pioneer fraternity at Wisconsin, Northwestern, Indianapolis, Franklin, Nebraska, Vanderbilt, Texas and Stanford. In point of continuous existence, Phi Delta Theta has the senior chapter at Miami, Indiana, Missouri, Knox, Mercer, Lombard, Washington, Alabama and Alabama Polytechnic Institute. The average age of the sixty-six active chapters is (in 1897) twenty-three years.

The chapter established at Indiana University in 1849

*In the same territory Delta Upsilon has twenty-one chapters, four more than Phi Delta Theta, Delta Kappa Epsilon twenty, three more than Phi Delta Theta, Theta Delta Chi seventeen, the same as Phi Delta Theta. Every other fraternity of eastern origin has fewer—Psi Upsilon having sixteen, Alpha Delta Phi fifteen, Zeta Psi thirteen, Delta Phi ten, Chi Psi eight, and Sigma Phi, Delta Psi and Kappa Alpha still fewer.

†While most of her eastern rivals have limited their chapter rolls, Phi Delta Theta has increased hers, until it has made the Fraternity national in extent.—Dr. J. E. Brown, in SCROLL, October, 1893.

was for some years without rivals, the chapter of Beta Theta Pi which preceded it there having become inactive. Though not antagonized by the faculty, it, like the parent chapter, chose to remain *sub rosa*, and it did not publicly announce its existence until 1854.

The chapter at Centre College, established in 1850, followed the example of the Miami chapter and divided when its membership had reached nineteen. A charter for a second chapter at Centre was granted in February, 1855, but the experiment not being found for the best, the charter was surrendered five months later. The members of the second chapters at Miami and Centre affiliated again with their original chapters. In no other fraternity has there been an instance of bicameral chapters in the same institution.

The Wisconsin chapter was inactive from 1861 to 1880, the Northwestern chapter from 1860 to 1887, the Franklin chapter from 1861 to 1869, the Michigan chapter from 1869 to 1887, the Wooster chapter from 1880 to 1881, the Cornell chapter from 1876 to 1886, the California chapter from 1877 to 1886, and the Columbia chapter from 1890 to 1893.

The isolated chapter established in Texas in 1853 suspended in a year or two. It was reorganized in 1857, but remained active only a few months. The Ohio Wesleyan chapter, organized in 1860, suspended the next year, was revived in 1871, suspended again in 1877, and was revived again two years later. The Hanover chapter existed probably only a few months after its organization in 1860; it was newly chartered in 1868. The Lehigh chapter, chartered late in 1876, suspended early in 1877; it was newly chartered in 1887. The Chicago chapter suspended in 1870, and was re-established in the new University of Chicago in 1897. The DePauw chapter returned its charter in 1872, was revived for a few months only in 1875, and was reorganized again in 1880. The Oglethorpe chapter died on account of the closing of the institution. The Wofford chapter died in 1884, and the South Carolina College chapter in 1893.

The charters of the chapters at Richmond, Buchtel and Illinois Wesleyan were surrendered because of the decrease in the attendance of students. The charters of the chapters at Indiana State Normal School, Roanoke, College of the City of New York and Southern University were withdrawn because the Fraternity did not desire to continue at those institutions.

ANTI-SECRET SOCIETY LAWS.

During its history Phi Delta Theta has met with laws prohibiting fraternities at various institutions. The Wabash chapter was compelled to find means of circumventing a watchful faculty until 1862 or 1863. The Wittenberg chapter never succeeded, on account of adverse surroundings. The chapter established at Kentucky Military Institute in 1854, died in 1856 because of faculty opposition. A number of members were initiated there between 1882 and 1884, but a renewal of the charter was refused in the latter year. The charter of the chapter at Georgetown College, granted in 1857, was withdrawn the same year because of the faculty's hostile attitude. The chapter was re-chartered in 1875, but suspended the next year for the same reason. The Lawrence chapter and the chapter at Central College, Missouri, each encountered adverse legislation from the first and succumbed. In 1874 anti-fraternity laws were enacted at Ohio Wesleyan, and their enforcement was attempted for a year or two. The Nebraska chapter, chartered in 1875, found neither faculty nor students favorable to fraternities, and suspended in 1876; it was revived in 1883. The Vanderbilt chapter, chartered in 1876, was not fairly organized until 1877, on account of anti-fraternity laws, which rendered *sub rosa* existence necessary until 1883. In 1877, shortly after the organization of the chapter at the University of Alabama, it was forced by hostile legislation to suspend; it was revived in 1883, and the anti-fraternity laws were repealed two years later.

Because of faculty opposition, the chapter at the University of Georgia was *sub rosa* from 1875 to 1878, the chapter at the University of Missouri from 1881 to 1884, and the chapter at Alabama Polytechnic Institute from 1881 to 1883. The Knox chapter suspended in 1878, on account of anti-fraternity laws; these having been repealed, the chapter was revived in 1880; it suspended again in 1881, and was revived again in 1884. The chapter at Trinity College, North Carolina, was overpowered by the inhibition placed on fraternities. The chapter at Trinity University, Texas, labored under the disadvantages of faculty opposition two years, and the Monmouth chapter seven years, before surrendering. The charter of the V. M. I. chapter was withdrawn in 1889, the enactment of anti-fraternity laws having made its existence impossible.

The chapters that have not been specially mentioned have held their charters continuously. Of the eighty-eight chapters for which Phi Delta Theta has issued charters, twenty-

The Iowa chapter established a summer camp at the Lower Palisades on Cedar river in 1895, and the Franklin chapter established a summer camp on Driftwood river above Columbus, Indiana, in 1896. Other chapters have had summer camps and camping parties.

In 1881 the 'Phi Delta Theta Fraternity' was incorporated under the laws of Ohio. A number of property holding chapters have been incorporated in their respective states.

SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT.

The general conventions (since 1873 called national conventions) of the Fraternity have been held as follows: 1851, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1856, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1857, Danville, Ky.; 1858, Bloomington, Ind.; 1860, Danville, Ky.; 1864, Bloomington, Ind.; 1868, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1869, Chicago, Ill.; 1870, Oxford, Ohio; 1871, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1872, Danville, Ky.; 1873, Athens, Ohio; 1874, Crawfordsville, Ind.; 1875, Danville, Ky.; 1876, Philadelphia, Pa.; 1878, Wooster, Ohio; 1880, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1882, Richmond, Va.; 1884, Nashville, Tenn.; 1886, New York, N.Y.; 1889, Bloomington, Ill.; 1891, Atlanta, Ga.; 1894, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1896, Philadelphia, Pa. The next convention will be held in Ohio, in 1898, when the semi-centennial will be celebrated.

The primitive plan of government provided that the Grand Alpha, or parent chapter, should have the right to issue charters to other chapters in Ohio, and to the first chapter in each other state, which in turn became the state Grand Chapter, and could charter other chapters in the state. The Grand Alpha (subsequently called the National Grand Chapter) was the Miami chapter until 1858, the Indiana University chapter from 1858 to 1860, the Centre Chapter from 1860 to 1868, the Chicago chapter from 1868 to 1869, the Miami chapter again from 1869 to 1873, the Wooster chapter from 1873 to 1878, and the Lafayette chapter from 1878 to 1880.

In 1876 the powers of the state Grand Chapters were revoked, and authority to grant charters vested in the National Grand Chapter and an executive committee consisting of a grand banker, a secretary, and one member chosen by the National Grand. In 1878 the executive committee was enlarged to four members by the addition of a president.

In 1880 the National Grand was abolished and the executive committee was changed to a General Council, composed of a president, secretary, treasurer, and historian. At

the same time the Fraternity was divided into provinces, each to have a president chosen by the General Council. In 1896 a fifth member, called a reporter, was added to the General Council, and he was made *ex officio* editor of the fraternity periodicals. In nearly all instances alumni are chosen as members of the General Council and as province presidents. There are now five provinces.

The office of fraternity librarian was established in 1896.

ALUMNI CHAPTERS.

The history of the interest of Phi Delta Theta alumni in their Fraternity goes back to the graduation of the first Phis from their colleges. The first convention in 1851 authorized the organization of a higher order to be known as 'The Society of the Phi Delta Theta,' in distinction from 'The Phi Delta Theta Society. The former, composed of alumni chosen from the latter, should meet annually with public literary exercises, and should have the power of granting charters and of general supervision. Two annual meetings were held in Oxford, Ohio, where public addresses were made by distinguished members, but after 1853 the plan was abandoned, on account of the then scarcity of alumni. This preceded any attempt by any other fraternity to vest the management of fraternity affairs in the hands of graduate members.

In 1865 an Indiana state Phi Delta Theta convention was held at Indianapolis. It was the first state convention with chapter representation held by any fraternity. In 1878 the Indiana Phi Delta Theta association was formed; it is the oldest state association of any fraternity. Since then the Phis in other states have formed associations, and since 1880 province associations have been organized. These associations meet, some annually and some biennially.

In 1876 an alumni chapter was organized at Franklin, Ind., and other alumni chapters have been organized as follows: 1878, Richmond, Va.; 1879, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1880, Louisville, Ky.; 1880, Baltimore, Md.; 1880, Montgomery, Ala.; 1881, Chicago, Ill.; 1881, Nashville, Tenn.; 1881, Galesburg, Ill.; 1881, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1884, Washington, D. C.; 1884, Columbus, Ga.; 1884, Akron, Ohio; 1884, New York, N. Y.; 1885, Kansas City, Mo.; 1885, Minneapolis, Minn.; 1886, San Francisco, Cal.; 1886, Atlanta, Ga.; 1887, Pittsburgh, Pa.; 1887, St. Louis, Mo.; 1887 Selma, Ala.; 1888, St. Paul, Minn.; 1888, Philadelphia, Pa.; 1888, Los Angeles, Cal.; 1891, Salt Lake City, Utah; 1892, Cleveland, Ohio; 1893, Boston, Mass.; 1893, Denver,

Col.; 1893, Spokane, Wash.; 1895, Birmingham, Ala.; 1895, Macon, Ga.; 1895, Mobile, Ala.; 1896, La Crosse, Wis.; 1897, Detroit, Mich.; 1897, New Orleans, La.; 1897, Milwaukee, Wis. Of alumni chapters, as well as college chapters, Phi Delta Theta has a larger number than any other fraternity. Alumni chapters have the privilege of being represented in conventions, but not of making initiations.

The convention of 1889 established Alumni Day, which is celebrated on the fifteenth day of March, the birthday of Robert Morrison, one of the founders. On that day every year, it is customary for each alumni chapter to have a social and business meeting, a dinner and a discussion of some topic of fraternity interest chosen by the General Council. The members of college chapters wear the colors and celebrate the occasion by ritualistic exercises, to which all resident alumni are invited. Phi Delta Theta was the first Fraternity to establish such a custom.

FRATERNITY PUBLICATIONS.

Six editions of the Fraternity catalogue have been issued as follows: 1860, Louisville, Ky., 8vo, pp. 15, 292 names; 1870, Cincinnati, Ohio, 8vo, pp. 22, 556 names; 1872, Cincinnati, Ohio, 8vo, pp. 99, 925 names; 1878, Indianapolis, Ind., 8vo, pp. 172, 1,929 names; 1883, Nashville, Tenn., royal 8vo, pp. 230, 3,460 names; 1891, New York, N. Y., royal 8vo, pp. 475, 7,286 names. The first three editions bear the words '*sub rosa*.' The last two editions contain full biographical data and other features of the best of such publications.

A catalogue of Phis in New York city and vicinity was published in 1895, and a catalogue of Phis in New England was published in 1897.

Four editions of the Fraternity song book have been issued as follows: 1876, Marion, Ohio, 8vo, pp. 56, 53 songs; 1882, Indianapolis, Ind., 8vo, pp. 50, 63 songs; 1886, New York, N. Y., royal 8vo, pp. 64, 108 songs, of which 14 are set to original music; 1895, Louisville, Ky., 8vo, pp. 56, 87 songs.

Eight pieces of sheet music inscribed to the Fraternity have been published as follows: 'The Phi Delta Theta March,' pp. 7, 1874, San Francisco, Cal.; 'Phi Delta Theta March,' pp. 4, 1874, Cincinnati, Ohio; 'Phi Delta Theta March,' pp. 3, 1875, St. Paul, Minn.; 'The Onondaga Waltz,' pp. 4, 1875, Marion, Ohio; Grand March of a Hundred Years,' pp. 4, 1876, Marion, Ohio; 'Phi Delta

Theta Waltz, pp. 5, 1895, Ann Arbor, Mich.; 'The Phi Delta Theta Two-Step, pp. 5, 1896, Bloomington, Ill.; 'Phi Delta Theta Two-Step,' pp. 5, 1896, Nashville, Tenn.

Among other publications of the Fraternity is 'A Manual of Phi Delta Theta,' 16mo, pp. 56, 1886, Nashville, Tenn., this being the second edition. A history of the Fraternity is now in MSS.

The Fraternity journal, called THE SCROLL OF PHI DELTA THETA, was first issued in January, 1875. During 1875 and 1876 it was a quarterly magazine published at Indianapolis, Ind. During 1876–8 it was suspended. In 1878 it was revived as a monthly paper at Franklin, Ind., and in the same year it was removed to Gettysburg, Pa. In 1880 it was changed to magazine form again. In 1882 it was removed to Maysville, Ky.; in 1883 to Nashville, Tenn.; in 1884 to New York, N. Y.; in 1889, when it was changed to a bi-monthly, to Columbus, Ohio; and in 1897 to Indianapolis, Ind. Until 1884 THE SCROLL was a *sub rosa* periodical. Since 1890 it has been liberally illustrated. The numbers now average over 125 pages each. A valuable series of old fraternity records, some dated as far back as 1848, appeared in the magazine, 1887–92.

THE PALLADIUM, a bi-monthly bulletin, devoted to the private affairs of the Fraternity, was established in 1894. In 1886 a review and index of the first ten volumes of THE SCROLL were issued, the first publication of the kind by any fraternity, and in 1896 a review and index of the second ten volumes of THE SCROLL and the first two volumes of THE PALLADIUM were published.

In 1886 the Fraternity adopted the plan of each chapter printing annually a circular letter containing fraternity, chapter and college news, and sending a copy to each of its alumni members, to each other chapter and to each general officer.

PHI DELTA THETA INSIGNIA.

The badge, consisting of a shield with a scroll bearing the letters 'ΦΔΘ' in the lower part of the field, and a radiated eye in the upper part, was adopted in 1849.* In 1865 an addition to it was made, consisting of a sword attached to the shield by a chain. The combination of the two weap-

* The badge of Delta Kappa Epsilon (founded in 1844) has the scroll feature, and Theta Delta Chi (1847) has the shield pattern; but the badge of Phi Delta Theta was designed without a knowlege of either, as there was no chapter of either of those fraternities in the west earlier than 1852. No college fraternity used the eye as an emblem previous to Phi Delta Theta. Phi Kappa Psi (1852) adopted both the shield shape and the eye, Delta Tau Delta (1860) the eye, and Kappa Alpha (1865) the shield.

ons makes the badge even at a distance entirely dissimilar to all others.*

The Fraternity's coat of arms, adopted at the same time the sword was added to the badge, consists of the badge, a scroll, a plumed helmet with closed visor, two heads of wheat, two serpents, two javelins, and a parchment partially concealed bearing 'Φι' on one end and 'κεία' on the other, all emblazoned as seen in engravings.

The Fraternity button, adopted in 1891, is square with slightly rounded corners; bearing on a band of white enamel, extending between two diagonally opposite corners, the letters 'Φικεία,' the space on either side being covered with blue enamel.

Argent and azure† were selected as fraternity colors in 1871.

Fraternity and chapter banners were adopted in 1880. The Fraternity banner is triangular and bears across the body the word 'Miami,' over the figures '1848,' above at the left 'Φ,' below 'Δ,' and above at the right 'Θ'; the body being of blue material and the lettering in gold. The banner for each chapter is similar, except that for 'Miami' and '1848' are substituted the name or initials of the institution at which the chapter is established and the year the chapter was chartered.

A fraternity flag was adopted in 1891; it consists of three vertical bars of equal width; the outer bars blue and the middle bars white; each of the outer bars charged with three white five-pointed stars; the middle bar charged with 'Φ Δ Θ,' the letters in blue reading downward; the width of the whole being two-thirds of the length.

The Fraternity flower, adopted in 1891, is the white carnation.

In 1891 Pallas was chosen as tutelary deity of the Fraternity.

The Fraternity has two open mottoes. One, adopted in 1880, is in Greek: 'Εἷς ἀνὴρ οὐδεὶς ἀνήρ,' which is liberally interpreted: 'We enjoy life by the help and society of others.' The other, adopted in 1896, is in English: 'All for one and one for all.'

The obituary epitaph, adopted in 1890, is: *In Coelo Quies Est.*

The cheer, adopted in 1891, is: 'Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi-Kei-A! Phi Delta Theta! Rah! Rah! Rah!' The Fraternity whistle was adopted in 1894.

*The sword is totally different from the pin attachments of other fraternities, which almost invariably consist of chapter letters only.

†The colors of Delta Phi are white and blue, the colors of Sigma Phi white and light blue.

TRIBUTES TO PHI DELTA THETA.

Phi Delta Theta was organized with three principal objects: First, the cultivation of friendship between its members; second, the acquirement individually of a high degree of mental culture; third, the attainment personally of a high standard of morality. These objects are declared in 'The Bond of the Phi Delta Theta,' which every member admitted to the Fraternity pledges himself to uphold. The same pledge has been taken by every member since the organization of the Fraternity in 1848; and, so long as Phi Delta Theta shall exist, the Bond will remain inviolate and unalterable, without the unanimous consent of all who have accepted it.

Primarily the Fraternity is a social organization. It is the duty of members to render mutual assistance to one another in all honorable undertakings. The intimate intercourse between members results in much social enjoyment during college life, and many enduring friendships in after years. Secrecy concerning the organization is perpetually and wisely enjoined in the Bond, not because secrecy is a vital factor, but because it is important where the relations between members are so close and confidential. The Fraternity seeks to throw around its members the influences of a home. A proper degree of privacy concerning itself is essential to the welfare of the Order. The privacy of the family home circle renders possible the development of character which could not be attained without it, and for the same end Phi Delta Theta carries the element of privacy into the associations of the young men who have come from their homes and united with this college brotherhood.

Many members of the Fraternity, long years after their active connection with it, have testified to the benefits which they derived from their fraternity associations, and to their admiration of the sterling principles upon which the Order was founded. At a dinner tendered to former President Benjamin Harrison by the Phis of San Francisco in 1891, he said in concluding a speech:

> My brothers in this old society, I enjoy this moment very much in associating with you. I am a member of the first chapter of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, founded at Miami University. I have not lost the impression of solemnity and reverence which I experienced at the meetings in the chapter rooms in those early times. I joined the Order when it was young; and now I find its members scattered in all states, where they hold positions of trust and influence. I find

that in all its history it has produced nothing discreditable to itself, but that it has sustained a reputation of which every one of its members may well be proud. I propose that we drink to the Order to which we have given our allegiance and our love.

Former Vice-president Adlai E. Stevenson, speaking in November, 1892, to the Phis at Galesburg, Ill., who had presented him with a Phi Delta Theta badge, said :

No event in the campaign and its long controversies will be remembered by me with greater pleasure than this. I appreciate it. What the Fraternity taught me I have tried not to forget in the struggle of this hurly-burly life. I trust you will never forget the lessons thus inculcated. I shall ever recall this hour with masterly emotions. I can only say that I shall wear this pin continually unless it is stolen, and I shall take good care to see that it is not.

At a dinner tendered to him by the Phis at Bloomington, Ill., in December, 1892, he said :

How vividly this scene revives the memories of long ago. The years roll back like a scroll, and again I am in the presence of brother Phi Delta Thetas of old Centre College ; and some of those Phis whose youthful faces come up before me, out of the shadows of the past, are Judges Dulaney and Simrall and Senator Blackburn of Kentucky ; Rev. Dr. McNair, of Missouri, and James S. Ewing, of Illinois. Others I recall, who, like these I have named, have achieved distinction in the pulpit, at the bar and in the great halls of debate. More than a third of a century has passed since my active membership in this our college Fraternity ceased. The rolling years, however, have not weakened the ties that bind me to my brothers of our beloved Fraternity. I count myself fortunate in the fact that my name is upon the rolls of this society. We are not far from the true path so long as our lives are squared by the noble precepts of our Bond.

Hon. Byron K. Elliott, of the Supreme Court of Indiana, and who has held the office of chief-justice, was the orator at the convention of the Fraternity at Richmond in 1882. To the convention of 1884 at Nashville, he wrote :

I esteem it a high honor to be so kindly remembered by the noble young men who gather at our shrine, with pure hearts and lofty aspirations, and who do great honor to our noble Brotherhood. I am proud of their friendship, and in all life's memories there are none more pleasant than those of the hours spent at the gatherings of the true sons of Phi Delta Theta. I have watched with pleasure and pride the wisdom which has governed their counsels, and the true nobility of character which has ruled their actions in all the paths of life. It is my fervent prayer that our Fraternity may yet grow in strength and usefulness, and that the dawn of its life, yet young but of bright and glorious promise, may widen to a clear and boundless day.

Judge John F Philips, of the Missouri Court of Appeals, and more recently of the United States District Court, was

the orator of the 1884 convention at Nashville, where he concluded his address thus :

Brother Phis: No words of mine can express the emotions awakened by this reunion. Twenty-nine years have swept on and by since, as a college boy, I sat in your councils and shared in your social and literary feasts. They have been years pregnant with vicissitude, change and transformation. Joy and sorrow, the prose and poetry of life, have commingled. They have brought the streakings of silver to the locks and slower motion to the steps. And yet, although time has been busy with his fate-edged scythe, there are glowing memories that age can not dull, nor time dim, still clinging to the soul. Back over the long traveled track, friendship and love shed a mellow light, hallowed and inextinguishable. After we have again, with our hearts locked in our hands, ascended the river of time, recounted the incidents of long ago, and sung the old songs, we will return to our duties and labors, all the younger and stronger for this reunion with brother Phis.

The foregoing paragraphs are selected from some of the expressions concerning the Fraternity which get into print. Many such expressions are made in various assemblages of Phis every year. They demonstrate that Phi Delta Theta lives in the memories and affections of her sons, no matter how far college days may be removed. Perhaps no more loyal or beautifully expressed tribute to the Fraternity was ever written than the following written by one who became a leading member of the bar in Indiana before his death a few years ago. It is entered under the minutes of Indiana Alpha for January 11, 1866 :

This day four years ago, I joined the Phi Delta Theta Society, and here I have been since, with the select few who are permitted to seek protection behind the golden shield, and no one of whom I have ever feared to trust. As I grow in years, I grow in interest and my love for the noble Fraternity. May she ever be as pure and spotless in the future as she has been in the past. With high hopes for her prosperity, and many regrets at our separation, I shall, in a few weeks, bid her farewell, and close my active membership, though I shall never cease to pray for her harmony and perpetuity. I am her obliged though unworthy member, Sid. B. Hatfield.

SONGS OF PHI DELTA THETA.

The songs of Phi Delta Theta breathe a deep spirit of love and devotion, and inspire the members with a higher appreciation of the ideals of the Fraternity. Four of those which follow were written by Professor Preston W Search, who was editor of the first edition of the song book. Sixteen of his songs are preserved among the eighty-seven included in the latest (fourth) edition of the book. No more noble contribution was ever made to the hymnology of any fraternity than his to Phi Delta Theta.

PHI DELTA THETA ALL REVERE.

AIR—'*Maryland, My Maryland*'—'*Lauriger Horatius.*'

Come, brothers, let us all unite,
Of Phi Delta singing;
We'll shout the chorus out to-night,
Happy voices ringing;
We'll sing the songs we love so dear,
Of common weal and brother's cheer,
And laud the name we all revere,
Of Phi Delta Theta.

Let music fill the evening air,
Songs of praise be welling;
There's joy for us, and naught of care,
In our chapter dwelling.
Then let the chorus gladly ring,
And hearts their joyous offerings bring;
We'll sing the songs we love to sing
Of Phi Delta Theta.

PRESTON WILLIS SEARCH, *Wooster*, '76.

THAT GLORIOUS NAME.

AIR—'*Ring the Bell, Watchman.*

There is a name that is sweet to the ear,
Name, to the Phis, that is sacred and dear,
Name to the heart fraught with comfort and cheer,
Phi Delta Theta is that glorious name.

CHORUS.

Phi Delta Theta! Hark to the strain,
Borne on the wind in gentle refrain,
Echoing far over mountain and plain;
Phi Delta Theta is that glorious name.

Long may that name fill with music the air,
Music whose solace shall banish all care,
Chanted in songs by the brave and the fair,
Songs that its greatness and glory proclaim.

Guard well that name, it is stainless and pure,
Guard it from evil and envy secure,
Guard it, yes, guard it while time shall endure;
Spotless it is, ever keep it the same.

PRESTON WILLIS SEARCH, *Wooster, '76.*

OUR CAUSE SPEEDS ON!

AIR—*'Auld Lang Syne.*

Across the plains, from distant hills,
There comes a shout of praise;
A shout that in triumphant peals
Phi Delta Thetas raise;
A shout that comes in loud hurrahs,
And ever seems to say:
'Cheer up, ye comrades, for our cause
Speeds nobly on its way!'

When gloomy clouds o'ercast the sky,
And tempests round us roar;
When years of sorrow gather nigh,
And foes oppress us sore;
E'en then that stirring cry we hear:
'Oh, brothers, don't dismay!
Cheer up, ye comrades, never fear,
Our cause speeds on its way!'

March on, march on, ye mighty host,
Nor think the journey done,
Nor stop of future deeds to boast,
Till we've the vict'ry won;
Then when we hear from time to time:
'Phi Delts, what of the day?'
We'll thunder back along the line:
'Our cause speeds on its way!'

PRESTON WILLIS SEARCH, *Wooster, '76.*

A THOUSAND YEARS!

AIR—*'A Thousand Years, My Own Columbia.'*

From every vale of this broad nation,
Come forth, ye brothers, without fears;
From every field and every station,
Come sing this song a thousand years!

CHORUS.

A thousand years! Phi Delta Theta!
High over all that star appears;
Oh, may the tidings ever greet us—
Our cause shall live a thousand years!

Yes, brothers, come with songs adorning,
  Greet this glad day with ringing cheers;
For well we know the orient morning
  Will brighter grow a thousand years!

Ye rivals, gaze on that bright banner,
  Unfurled above your reach and sneers,
Know it will wave—wave in like manner—
  When ye are dead a thousand years!

Waft, waft, ye breezes, waft the story,
  Bear on your wings to other spheres,
Make known to man Phi Delta's glory
  Will last, yes, last a thousand years!

PRESTON WILLIS SEARCH, *Wooster, '76.*

DEAR CHAPTER, HAIL!

AIR—'*Those Evening Bells.*'

Dear Chapter, hail! Dear Chapter, hail!
Let gladness float o'er hill and vale;
  And as the echoes backward bring
  The songs that we so blithely sing,
Dear Chapter, hail! Dear Chapter, hail!
Let gladness float o'er hill and vale!

Our college days are fleeting fast,
And soon will be forever past;
  But when in mem'ry we return,
  May hearts with old-time ardor burn.
Dear Chapter, hail! Dear Chapter, hail!
Let gladness float o'er hill and vale!

As Phidom's hosts, with soul aflame,
Press onward to undying fame,
  May our fair Chapter fight in front,
  And bravely bear the battle's brunt.
Dear Chapter, hail! Dear Chapter, hail!
Let gladness float o'er hill and vale!

CONWAY MCMILLAN, *Nebraska, '85.*

PHI DELTA THETA DEAR.

AIR—'*America.*

Phi Delta Theta dear,
Before thee we appear,
  And homage bring;
Within our chapter hall,
Thy virtues we extol,
Thy glorious past recall,
  Thy praises sing.

Phi Delta Theta dear,
When we assemble here,
Our spirits blend;
Deep is our love for thee,
Strong is our loyalty,
And all will faithful be,
Till time shall end.

Phi Delta Theta dear,
Our pledge of fealty hear,
Thee we adore;
We see thy growing fame;
Thy high and noble aim
Shall all thy sons proclaim
Forevermore.

WALTER BENJAMIN PALMER, *Vanderbilt, '80.*

WORKING FOR OLD PHI DELTA THETA.

AIR—*'Battle Cry of Freedom'—'Rally Round the Flag.'*

There is a Band that stretches far, from eastern land to west,
Working for old Phi Delta Theta,
From silver tops of waving corn to cotton's snowy crest,
Working for old Phi Delta Theta.

CHORUS.

Phi boys, forever, in sunshine or storm!
In one solid phalanx together we form;
So we give a friendly hand, boys, and greet you brothers all,
Working for old Phi Delta Theta.

From college halls to business marts its clinging tendrils run,
And bind with bonds as true as steel a thousand hearts as one.

And when from Alma Mater's walls reluctantly we've gone,
We'll not forget the Sword and Shield, but joyfully keep on.

WILLIAM OSCAR BATES, *Cornell, '75.*

PROMINENT MEMBERS.

This list of prominent members of Phi Delta Theta is imperfect, as in the nature of the case such a list must be, unless the compiler should have an universal acquaintance throughout the Fraternity, and even in such case a proper discrimination would cause embarrassment. It is a difficult and unpleasant task to make selections from the large number of professors, clergymen, lawyers, physicians and journalists, and notable omissions undoubtedly occur. However, the list is long enough to show that many of the members of Phi Delta Theta now occupy places of great responsibility and trust. All who are named received regular initiation and not honorary or post-graduate election.

Benjamin Harrison, ex-President of the United States, and United States Senator; A. E. Stevenson, of the International Bimetallic Commission, ex-Vice-president of the United States, First Assistant Postmaster-General, and Congressman; J. W. Foster, of the Bering Sea Commission, ex-Secretary of State, Minister to Mexico, Russia and Spain, and Chinese Peace Commissioner; W. F. Vilas, ex-Secretary of the Interior, Postmaster General, and United States Senator; G. M. Lambertson, ex-Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; J. C. Black, United States District Attorney at Chicago, ex-Commissioner of Pensions and Congressman; ex-United States Senators J. C. S. Blackburn of Kentucky and J. B. Allen of Washington; Congressmen W. M. Howard, W. G. Brantley and J. M. Griggs, of Georgia; J. V. Graff and G. W. Prince, of Illinois; F. M. Griffith, of Indiana; L. J. Fenton, of Ohio, and S. J. Pugh, of Kentucky; ex-Congressmen T. B. Ward and W. H. Hamilton, of Indiana; J. W. Lewis, of Kentucky; C. L. Moses, of Georgia; J. C. Sherwin, of Illinois; T. M. Paschal, of Texas, and J. A. Anderson (deceased), of Kansas; E. H. Conger, Minister to Brazil, ex-Congressman, and Treasurer of Iowa; J. S. Ewing, ex-Minister to Belgium; W. H. Ellerbe, Governor of South Carolina; A. C. Melette, ex-Governor of South Dakota; W. M. McFarland, ex-Secretary of State of Iowa; J. C. Smith, ex-Treasurer of Alabama; R. N. Ramsay (deceased), ex-Treasurer of Illinois; W. H. Venable, ex-President Georgia Senate; J. C. Compton, ex-President Alabama Senate; J. W. Feighan, ex-Speaker Washington House of Representatives; G. B. Swift, ex-Mayor of Chicago.

JUDGES.

W. A. Woods, of Indiana, United States Circuit Court; J. F. Philips (ex-Congressman), of Missouri, United States District Court; B. K. Elliott, ex-Chief-Justice Indiana Supreme Court; Norman Buck, Idaho Supreme Court; W. B. Fleming, New Mexico Supreme Court; A. C. Ayers, J. V. Hadley, H. D. Wilson, W. P. Edson, J. C. Robinson, G. W. Grubbs and D. D. Banta (deceased), Indiana Circuit Court; Claude Waller, Tennessee Circuit Court; W. M. Beck, Georgia Circuit Court; J. D. Hunt, Kentucky Circuit Court; A. P. Humphrey and J. G. Simrall, Kentucky Chancery Court; Elam Fisher, W. E. Evans, H. W. Coultrap and J. M. Tripp (deceased), Ohio Common Pleas Court; W. H. Jackson, Superior Court, Cincinnati; N. C. Sears and Gwynn

Garnett, Superior Court, Chicago; S. P. McConnell, Circuit Court, Chicago; C. C. Kohlsaat, Probate Court, Chicago; D. F. Simpson, District Court, Minneapolis; F. C. Harvey, Probate Court, Minneapolis; William Thomson, Iowa District Court; R. B. Spillman, Kansas District Court; L. B. Hightower, Texas District Court.

LAWYERS.

W. A. Keener, Dean Columbia Law School; T. L. Jeffords, Columbian Law School; A. C. Harris, Indiana Law School; L. W. Ross (ex-Chancellor Law Department, University of Iowa), Council Bluffs, Iowa; W. P. Black, A. D. Baldwin, W. S. Harbert and C. H. Remy, of Chicago; D D. Woodmansee (ex-President National League of Republican Clubs), Scott Bonham and W. E. Bundy, of Cincinnati; St. John Boyle, T. W. Bullitt and Thomas Speed, of Louisville; E. M. Wilson, J. N. E. Wilson and J. B Reinstein, of San Francisco; D. U. Fletcher (ex-Mayor) and J. M. Barrs (ex-City Attorney) of Jacksonville, Fla.; R. H. Marr (District Attorney) and E. T. Merrick, of New Orleans; M. R. Patterson (Attorney General) and J. H. Watkins, of Memphis; J. B. Elam and J. S. Duncan, of Indianapolis; Emmett Tompkins and Cyrus Huling, of Columbus, Ohio; A. A. Stearns and H. A. Kelley, of Cleveland; T. B. Felder and Morris Brandon, of Atlanta; A. G. Foster and F. E. Hunter, of El Paso; C. R. Sands and George Bryan, of Richmond; D. R. Horton, of New York; Lyman Chalkley, of Lexington, Va.; W. L. Dulaney, of Bowling Green, Ky.; J. C. Moore, of Owensboro, Ky.; A J. Barr, of Bloomington, Ill.; P. R. Flitcraft, of St. Louis; A. W. Rogers, of Warrensburg, Mo.; H. F. Fehr, of Milwaukee; L. W. Billingsley, of Lincoln, Neb.; C. K. Halliday, of Topeka; J. M. McCoy, of Dallas, Texas; A. T. McKinney, of Huntsville, Texas; Ransford Smith, of Ogden; G. E. De Golia, of Oakland, and G. W. de Steiguer, of Seattle.

CLERGYMEN.

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JOURNALISTS.

B. S. Orcutt, M. S. Sams and W. O. Bates, New York *Tribune;* C. V. Van Anda and J. R. Spears, New York *Sun;* W. R. Worrall, New York *Mail and Express;* J. L. Goodwin, Washington *Post;* W. W. Ball, Charleston (S. C.) *Post;* C. N. Bennett, Atlanta *Journal;* J. W. Tomlinson, Birmingham *Age-Herald;* William Finley, Louisville *Post;* E. P. Couse, Pittsburg *Leader;* H. W. Quinby, Detroit *Free Press;* H. U Brown, Indianapolis *News;* James Gray, Minneapolis *Times;* R. G. Mitchell, Duluth *Tribune;* M. N. Richardson, Davenport *Democrat;* G. H. Apperson, St. Louis *Globe-Democrat;* W. A. White, Emporia *Gazette;* C. W. Baker and M. N. Baker, New York *Engineering News.* All of these are either owners, managers or editors of their respective journals Among others may be mentioned J. S. Phillips, editor of *McClure's Magazine;* S. J. Flickinger, Cincinnati manager of the Associated Press; Eugene Field (deceased), of Chicago, the poet and journalist; and the well-known Washington correspondents, S. D. Fry and H. V. N. Boynton, the latter being chairman of the Chickamauga National Park Commission.

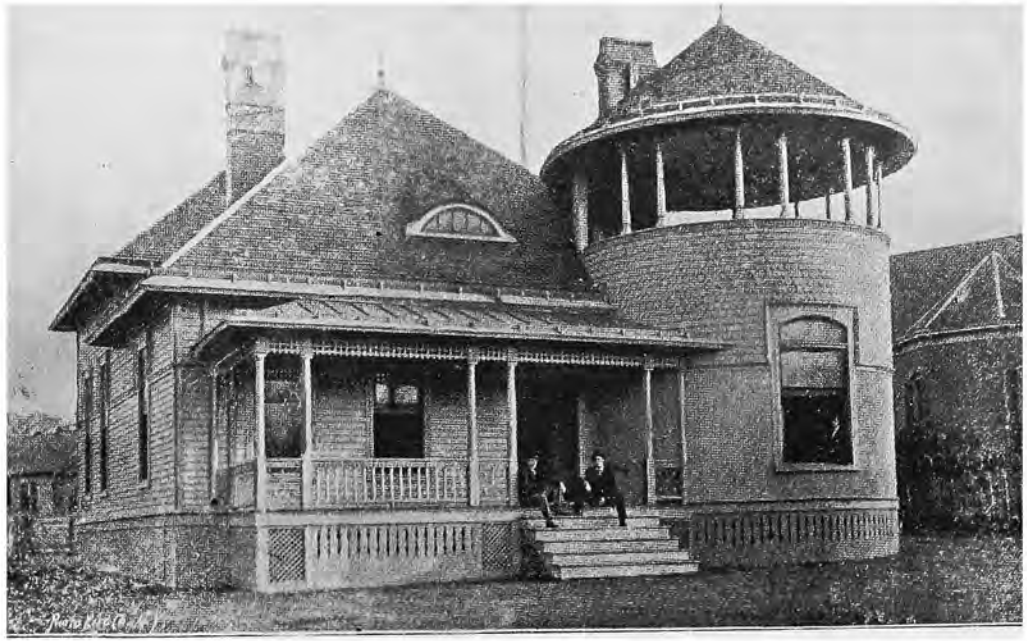
STATISTICS OF FRATERNITIES.

In the list below are mentioned all the chaptered fraternities known to exist in the colleges and universities of the United States.* Local societies, fraternities reduced to a single chapter each, and defunct fraternities are not included. The facts for each fraternity are mentioned in the following order: where and when founded, number of active college chapters and states in which they are established, colors, flower, tree, stone, deity, publications and cheer. For more information than is here furnished reference is made to Baird's 'American College Fraternities.' The number of chapters has been obtained from the chapter lists published in recent college annuals, and in the latest issues of the journals of various fraternities. No attempt is made to give the membership of the fraternities, because of the great difficulty of obtaining authentic statistics later than those given by Baird in 1890.

GENERAL FRATERNITIES.

Kappa Alpha, founded at Union, 1825; 6 chapters in 4 states; scarlet.
Sigma Phi, founded at Union, 1827; 8 chapters in 5 states; white and light blue.
Delta Phi, founded at Union, 1827; 12 chapters in 7 states; white and blue.
Alpha Delta Phi, founded at Hamilton, 1832; 23 chapters in 12 states; green; *Star and Crescent* (suspended).
Psi Upsilon, founded at Union, 1833; 20 chapters in 11 states; garnet and gold; *Diamond* (suspended).
Delta Upsilon, founded at Williams, 1834†; 31 chapters in 14 states; sapphire and old gold; *Quarterly*.
Beta Theta Pi, founded at Miami, 1839; 62 chapters in 28 states; pink and light blue; rose; *Mystic Messenger* (secret), *Beta Theta Pi*. Phi-Kai-Phi! Beta Theta Pi! W-O-O-G-L-I-N! Wooglin! Wooglin!
Chi Psi, founded at Union, 1841; 18 chapters in 12 states; purple and gold; *Purple and Gold* (suspended?).
Delta Kappa Epsilon, founded at Yale, 1844; 35 chapters in 21 states; blue, gold and crimson; *Quarterly*.
Zeta Psi, founded at New York University, 1846; 22 chapters in 13 states; white; *Quarterly* (suspended).
Delta Psi, founded at Columbia, 1847; 8 chapters in 6 states; light blue
Theta Delta Chi, founded at Union, 1847; 22 chapters in 12 states; black, white and blue; *Shield*.
Phi Gamma Delta, founded at Jefferson (now Washington and Jefferson), 1848; 43 chapters in 17 states; royal purple; *Quarterly*.

* Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta Phi, Zeta Psi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Phi (law), and Delta Chi (law) each has chapters in the University of Toronto or McGill University or both. In this list Canada is counted as one state.
† See foot note on page 4.



THE VANDERBILT CHAPTER HOUSE.

Phi Delta Theta, founded at Miami, 1848; 66 chapters in 27 states; white and light blue; white carnation; Pallas; *Palladium* (secret), SCROLL. Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi-Kei-A! Phi Delta Theta! Rah! Rah! Rah!

Phi Kappa Sigma, founded at University of Pennsylvania, 1850; 14 chapters in 7 states; black and gold; *Quarterly*.

Phi Kappa Psi, founded at Jefferson (now Washington and Jefferson), 1852; 39 chapters in 19 states; lavender and pink; laurel and ivy; *Shield*. High! High! High! Phi Kappa Psi! Live ever, die never! Phi Kappa Psi!

Chi Phi, founded at Princeton, 1854*; 21 chapters in 13 states; scarlet and blue; *Chackett* (secret annual).

Sigma Chi, founded at Miami, 1855; 50 chapters in 23 states; blue and gold; white rose; *Bulletin* (secret), *Quarterly*. Who, who? Who am I? I am a royal Sigma Chi! Whoop-la-hi! Whoop-la-hi! Sigma Chi!

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, founded at University of Alabama, 1856; 54 chapters in 24 states; purple and old gold; violet; *Phi Alpha* (secret), *Record*. Phi Alpha, Alicazee! Phi Alpha, Alicazon! Sigma Alpha! Sigma Alpha! Sigma Alpha Epsilon!

Delta Tau Delta, founded at Bethany, 1860; 37 chapters in 20 states; white, royal purple and old gold; pansy; *Rainbow*. Rah, rah, Delta! Delta Tau Delta! Rah, rah, Delta Tau! Delta Tau Delta!

Alpha Tau Omega, founded at Virginia Military Institute, 1865; 42 chapters in 19 states; sky blue and old gold; white tea rose; *Palm*. Hip, hurrah! Hip, hurrah! Three cheers for Alpha Tau! Rah! Rah! Rah!

Kappa Alpha, founded at Washington (now Washington and Lee), 1865; 37 chapters in 16 states; crimson and gold; magnolia and red rose; *Special Messenger* (secret), *Journal*.

Kappa Sigma, founded at University of Virginia, 1867; 44 chapters in 21 states; maroon, old gold and peacock blue; lily of the valley; *Star and Crescent* (secret), *Caduceus*. Rah! Rah! Rah! Crescent and Star! Vive-la! Vive-la! Kappa Sigma!

Pi Kappa Alpha, founded at University of Virginia, 1868; 13 chapters in 5 states; garnet and old gold; lily of the valley; *Shield and Diamond*.

Sigma Nu, founded at Virginia Military Institute, 1869; 41 chapters in 20 states; black, white and gold; white rose; *Delta*. Hi-rickety! Whoopty-doo! What's the matter with Sigma Nu? Hullabaloo! Terragahoo! Ausgezeichnet! Sigma Nu!

Phi Phi Phi, founded at Austin College, 1892; 5 chapters.

Mu Pi Lambda, founded at Washington and Lee, 1895; 2 chapters in 1 state.

SORORITIES.

Pi Beta Phi, founded at Monmouth, 1867; 28 chapters in 17 states; wine and silver-blue; carnation; *Arrow*. Ring-ching-ching! Hohippi-hi! Rah-Rho, Arrow! Pi Beta Phi!

Kappa Alpha Theta, founded at Indiana Asbury (now De Pauw), 1870; 22 chapters in 14 states; black and gold; black pansy with yellow heart; *Kappa Alpha Theta*.

Kappa Kappa Gamma, founded at Monmouth, 1870; 27 chapters in 14 states; dark and light blue; fleur de lis; sapphire; Athena; *Key*. Αἱ Κόραι Ἀθήνης!

* See foot note on page 4.

Alpha Phi, founded at Syracuse, 1872; 9 chapters in 8 states; red and silver-gray; lily of the valley and forget-me-not; *Quarterly*.
Delta Gamma, founded at University of Mississippi, 1872; 13 chapters in 11 states; pink, blue and bronze; pearl rose; *Anchora*.
Gamma Phi Beta, founded at Syracuse, 1874; 7 chapters in 7 states; fawn and seal brown; carnation.
Delta Delta Delta, founded at Boston University, 1889; 15 chapters in 11 states; gold, silver and blue; pansy; pine; Poseidon; *Trident*. Αλαλά 'Αλαλά 'Αλαλά Τὰ 'Ιερὰ Ποσειδόνια !

HONORARY, PROFESSIONAL AND CLASS SOCIETIES.

Phi Beta Kappa, honorary, founded at William and Mary, 1776; 40 chapters in 18 states.
Theta Xi, engineering-scientific, founded at Rensselaer, 1864; 4 chapters in 4 states.
Phi Delta Phi, law, founded at University of Michigan, 1869; 26 chapters in 17 states; *Brief* (suspended).
Q. T. V., agricultural-scientific, founded at Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1869; 3 chapters in 3 states; white and lavender; white carnation; *Quarterly* (suspended).
Theta Nu Epsilon, sophomore, founded at Wesleyan, 1870; 38 chapters in 17 states; green and black.
Phi Sigma Kappa, scientific-medical, founded at Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1873; 7 chapters in 4 states; silver and magenta.
Nu Sigma Nu, medical-regular, founded at University of Michigan, 1882; 14 chapters in 8 states; garnet and white.
Delta Sigma Delta, dental, founded at University of Michigan, 1882; 11 chapters in 8 states.
Phi Chi, pharmacy, founded at University of Michigan, 1883; 2 chapters in 2 states.
Alpha Chi Omega, musical-ladies, founded at DePauw, 1885; 4 chapters in 4 states; scarlet and olive.
Tau Beta Pi, honorary, founded at Lehigh, 1886; 3 chapters in 3 states.
Sigma Xi, honorary-scientific, founded at Cornell, 1886; 6 chapters in 4 states.
Phi Alpha Sigma, medical-regular, founded at Bellevue, 1887; 2 chapters in 2 states.
Beta Delta Beta, freshman, founded at Syracuse, 1887; 6 chapters in 3 states.
Alpha Kappa Kappa, medical-regular, founded at Dartmouth, 1888; 5 chapters in 5 states.
Xi Psi Phi, dental, founded at University of Michigan, 1889; 11 chapters in 9 states.
Delta Chi, law, founded at Cornell, 1890; 9 chapters in 7 states.
Omega Psi, sophomore-ladies, founded at Northwestern, 1894; 2 chapters in 2 states.
Alpha Theta Phi, honorary, founded at University of North Carolina, 1894; 2 chapters in 2 states.
Pi Kappa Tau, homeopathic, founded at University of Iowa, 1896; 2 chapters in 2 states.
Alpha Upsilon Mu, medical-regular, 3 chapters in 3 states.

STATISTICS OF COLLEGES.

Statistics relating to colleges and universities in which Phi Delta Theta has active chapters have been compiled from replies to circulars of inquiry, catalogues of the institutions, and the books mentioned in the preface. The figures following the name of each institution indicate the year when the institution was opened. The figures following the name of the city or town give the population of the city or town, according to the latest official census, as shown in Rand-McNally & Company's 'Enlarged Business Atlas,' for 1897. The other facts concerning each institution are presented in the following order: denominational control if any; number of acres in the campus, and number of college buildings; annual income; number of volumes in the libraries of the institution, not including pamphlets; number of instructors and of students (if co-educational the fact is mentioned); college annual and other student publications; fraternities; college colors and yell. The fraternities are mentioned in the order their chapters were established, as nearly as could be ascertained. Sororities are designated with asterisks. Suspended chapters are omitted. No note is made of any local or 'ribbon' society, Phi Beta Kappa or other honorary society, Theta Nu Epsilon or other class society.

ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE, 1872, Auburn, Ala.; 1,440; acres 246; buildings 12; volumes 10,000; income $70,000; instructors 28; students, graduate 16, academic, engineering, pharmacy, agriculture and veterinary 306, preparatory 43, total 361; co-educational. *Glomerata* (annual), *Orange and Blue.* Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Nu, Pi Kappa Alpha. Orange and blue. Je-hah! Je-hah! Je-hah-hah-hah! Auburn! Auburn! Rah! Rah! Rah!

ALLEGHENY COLLEGE, 1815, Meadville, Pa.; 9,520; Methodist; acres 17; buildings 6; volumes 14,000; income $22,000; instructors 17; students, collegiate 182, preparatory 147, total 329; co-educational. *Kaldron* (annual), *Campus.* Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Alpha Chi Omega* (musical). Navy blue and old gold. Alleghe! Alleghe! Rah! Boom! Allegheny.

AMHERST COLLEGE, 1821, Amherst, Mass.; 2,962; Congregational; acres 28; buildings 16; volumes 66,000; income $108,000; instructors 38; students 407, men only. *Olio* (annual), *Literary Monthly, Student.* Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Chi Psi, Chi Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Theta Delta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi. Purple and white. Rah-rah-rah! Rah-rah-rah! Amherst!

BROWN UNIVERSITY, 1764, Providence, R. I.; 145,472; Baptist; acres 50; buildings 18; volumes 90,000; income $193,152; instructors 78; students, men 751, women's college 157, total 908. *Liber Brunensis* (annual), *Magazine, Brunonian, Daily Herald.* Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Zeta Psi, Theta Delta Chi, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Tau Delta. Brown and white. Rah-rah! Rah-rah! Rah-rah! Brown! Brown! Brown!

BUTLER COLLEGE, see University of Indianapolis.

CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE, 1881, Cleveland, Ohio; 261,353; non-sectarian; acres 23; buildings 4; volumes 35,000; income $60,000; instructors 20; students 233, summer school 15, total 248, men only. *Differential* (annual), *Integral.* Zeta Psi, Phi Delta Theta. Seal brown and white. Hoo-rah! Ki-rah! S-C-I-E-N-C-E! Hi-hi! Rah-rah! Case!

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, 1874, Richmond, Ky.; 4,753; Presbyterian; acres 40; buildings 9; volumes, 8,500; income $28,000; instructors 16; students 176, men only. (None of these statistics relate to the medical and dental departments at Louisville or to the preparatory schools at Jackson, Elizabethtown and Middlesboro.) *Cream and Crimson* (annual), *Atlantis, News.* Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta. Cream and crimson. Razzle-dazzle! Razzle-dazzle! Siss-boom-ah! Central University! Rah-rah-rah!

CENTRE COLLEGE, 1819, Danville, Ky.; 3,766; Presbyterian; acres 80; buildings 9; volumes 15,000; income $23,000; instructors 16; students, collegiate 184, preparatory 50, law 33, net total 241, men only. (None of these statistics relate to Danville Theological Seminary, correlated with the college.) *Eccentric* (annual), *Cento.* Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha. Yellow and white. Rackaty—coax! Coax—coax! (twice) Hoo-ray! Hoo-ray! Centre! Centre! Rah-rah-rah!

COLBY UNIVERSITY, 1818, Waterville, Me.; 7,107; Baptist; acres 25; buildings 10; volumes 32,000; income $37,689; instructors 15; students, men's college 131, women's college 80, total 211; *Oracle* (annual), *Echo.* Delta Kappa Epsilon, Zeta Psi, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega. Pearl gray. C-O-L-B-Y! Rah! Rah! Rah! (three times).

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, 1754, New York, N. Y.; 1,515,301; Episcopal; acres 18; buildings 10; volumes 235,000; income $770,833; instructors 289; students, the college 314, philosophy 242, political science 362, pure science 101, applied science 393, law 361, medicine 613, total 2,386, men only. (None of these statistics relate to Barnard College for women, or Teachers College, correlated with Columbia.) *Columbian* (annual), *Spectator, Literary Monthly, Morningside, School of Mines Quarterly, Medical News.* Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Phi, Delta Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Zeta Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Phi (law), Theta Delta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. White and light blue. H'ray! H'ray! H'ray! C-o-l-u-m-b-i-a!

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, 1868, Ithaca, N. Y.; 11,079; non-sectarian; acres 270; buildings 28; volumes 186,680; income $515,412; instructors 178; students, graduate 284, academic 1,397, law 304, veterinary 11, net total 1,806; co-educational. *Cornellian* (annual), *Magazine, Era, Widow, Daily Sun, Sibley Journal.* Kappa Alpha, Zeta Psi, Chi Phi, Chi Psi, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsi-

lon, Alpha Delta Phi, Theta Delta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Psi Upsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Delta Gamma*, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta Phi (law), Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Sigma Kappa (scientific), Alpha Phi*, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Chi, Sigma Phi, Delta Phi, Kappa Sigma, Delta Chi (law). Carnation and white. Cornell! I yell, yell, yell, Cornell!

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE, 1769, Hanover, N. H.; 1,817; Congregational; acres 30; buildings 15; volumes 75,000; income $75,000; instructors 48; students, collegiate 168, civil engineering 11, medical 145, total 620, men only. *Ægis* (annual), *Literary Monthly*, *Dartmouth*. Psi Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Theta Delta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Kappa Kappa (medical), Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Alpha Upsilon Mu (medical), Phi Kappa Psi. Dark green. Wah-who-wah! Wah-who-wah! Da-da-da, Dartmouth! Wah-who-wah! T-i-g-e-r!

DEPAUW UNIVERSITY, 1837, Greencastle, Ind.; 4,390; Methodist; acres 148; buildings 7; volumes 23,500; income $55,000; instructors 45; students, Asbury College, 421, preparatory 264, theology 41, music 134, art 20, summer school 65, net total 710; co-educational. *Mirage* (annual), *Weekly*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Alpha Chi Omega* (musical), Delta Upsilon, Alpha Phi*, Sigma Nu. Yellow. Zip-rah-hoo! D-P-U! Rip-saw! Boom baw! Bully for old DePauw.

DICKINSON COLLEGE, 1783, Carlisle, Pa.; 7,220; Methodist; acres 15; buildings 10; volumes 34,000; income $42,000. College, instructors 14, students 209; preparatory school, instructors 5, students 100; law school, instructors 7, students 88; total instructors 26, net total students 380; co-educational. *Microcosm* (annual), *Weekly*, *Monthly*, *Forum* (law). Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Red and white. Hip-rah-bus-bis! Dickinsoniensis! Tiger!

EMORY COLLEGE, 1837, Oxford, Ga.; 791; Methodist; acres 35; buildings 11; volumes 20,000; income $25,000; instructors 16; students collegiate 240, preparatory 39, total 279, men only. *Zodiac* (annual), *Phœnix*. Chi Phi, Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Nu. Purple and old gold. Bim-a-la-mah! Bim-a-la-mah! Bim-bam-bah! Emory! Emory! Rah! Rah! Rah!

FRANKLIN COLLEGE, 1834, Franklin, Ind.; 3,781; Baptist; acres 12; Buildings 3; volumes 10,584; income $17,000; instructors 12; students, collegiate 132, preparatory 96, music 76, painting 9, net total 236; co-educational. *Kodak* (semi-monthly, the June issue being the students' annual). Phi Delta Theta, Pi Beta Phi*, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Old gold and peacock blue. Fr-an-kl-in! Hurrah! Hurrah! We are her men! Boom-rah-boom! Wah-hoo-wah! Franklin! Franklin! Rah! Rah! Rah!

GETTYSBURG COLLEGE, 1832, Gettysburg, Pa.; 3,221; Lutheran; acres 50; buildings 6; volumes 23,856; income $23,000; instructors 16; students, collegiate 175, preparatory 97, net total 270; co-educational. None of these statistics relate to Gettysburg Theological Seminary, correlated with the college.) *Spectrum* (annual), *Mercury*, *Gettysburgian*. Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega. Orange and dark blue. Rah! Rah! Rah! Rah! Rah! Rah! Rah! Gettysburg!

HANOVER COLLEGE, 1832, Hanover, Ind.; 459; Presbyterian; acres 200; buildings 9; volumes 16,000; income $14,000; instructors 12; students, collegiate 70, preparatory 32, music 25, net total 120; co-educational. *Crozier* (annual), *Journal*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha Theta* Blue and scarlet. Rah-rah-rah! Whizz-whazz-whirr! Sizz-ah, Han-Han-Han-o-ver!

HILLSDALE COLLEGE, 1855, Hillsdale, Mich.; 4,121; Free-will Baptist; acres 25; buildings 6; volumes 9,330; income $15,372; instructors 28; students, collegiate 93, preparatory 103, pedagogy 27, total 223; co-educational. *Wolverine* (annual), *Herald*. Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Phi Delta Theta, Pi Beta Phi*, Alpha Tau Omega. Ultramarine blue. Hull-a-bah-loo! Wah-hoo! (twice) Hoo-wah, wah-hoo! Hillsdale!

INDIANA UNIVERSITY, 1820, Bloomington, Ind.; 4,018; acres 30; buildings 8; volumes 26,000; income $110,000; instructors 55; students, graduate 65, undergraduate 834, law 45, total men 636, women 308 = 944. *Arbutus* (annual), *Student*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Sigma Nu, Pi Beta Phi*. Crimson and cream. Gloriana! Frangipana! Indiana! Kazoo-kazah! Kazoo-kazah! I. U., Hurrah! I. U., Hurrah! Hoop-la! State University! Rah! Rah! Rah!

IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, 1844, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; 3,920; Methodist; acres 20; buildings 6; volumes 4,500; income $20,000; instructors 22; students, collegiate 117, mechanical 26, preparatory 79, normal 36, commercial 42, music 77, art 26, net total 321; co-educational. *Wesleyan*. Beta Theta Pi, Pi Beta Phi*, Phi Delta Theta. White and green. Rah-rah-rah! Zip-boom-bah! Razoo, razoo! Johnnie, blow your bazoo! Rip-zi-dy-i-ki! Ve vi! Wesleyan!

KNOX COLLEGE, 1837, Galesburg, Ill.; 15,264; non-sectarian; acres 13; buildings 6; volumes 10,000; income $30,756; instructors 31; students, collegiate 317, preparatory 152, music 228, art 6, net total 650; co-educational. *Gale* (annual), *Student*, *Coup d'Etat*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Pi Beta Phi,* Delta Delta Delta.* Old gold and royal purple. Zip-rah! Boom-rah! Knox-i-ae! Knox-i-a! Knox! KNOX! KNOX!

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE, 1826, Easton, Pa.; 14,481; Presbyterian; acres 40; buildings 27; volumes 32,000; income $42,000; instructors 28; students, graduate 32, undergraduates 273, total 305, men only. *Melange* (annual), *News*, *Touchstone*, *Lafayette*. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Zeta Psi, Theta Delta Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Chi Phi, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Upsilon. Maroon and white. Rah! Rah! Rah! (three times) La-fay-ette!

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY, 1866, South Bethlehem, Pa.; 10,302; Episcopal; acres 115; buildings 12; volumes 100,000; instructors 39; students, literary 21, engineering 302, chemistry 34, architecture 8, total 365, men only. *Epitome* (annual), *Burr*, *Brown and White*. Chi Phi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Theta Delta Chi, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Nu, Sigma Phi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Chi, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Alpha, Chi Psi. Brown and white. Hoo-ray-ray! Hoo-ray-ray! Ray-ray-Lehigh!

LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY, 1891, Palo Alto (Stanford University P. O.), Cal.; non-sectarian; acres 7,500; buildings 24; volumes 35,000; income $250,000; instructors 85; students, graduate 97, undergraduate 808, special 186, total men 691, women 400=1,091.

Quad (annual), *Daily Palo Alto*, *Sequoia*, *Josh* (jointly with California). Phi Delta Theta, Zeta Psi, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Psi, Kappa Alpha, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Pi Beta Phi*, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Gamma,* Phi Delta Phi (law). Cardinal. Rah-rah-rah! Rah-rah-rah! Rah-rah-Stanford!

LOMBARD UNIVERSITY, 1853, Galesburg, Ill.; 15,264; Universalist; acres 13; buildings 3; volumes 7,500; income $16,000; instructors 18; students, collegiate 62, preparatory 29, divinity 20, music 40, art 22, net total 142; co-educational. *The Lombard* (annual), *Review*. Pi Beta Phi*, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Nu. Olive and gold. Rare-ri-ro! Ring-ching-rang! Lombard! Lombard! Zip-boom-bang!

MERCER UNIVERSITY, 1833, Macon, Ga.; 22,746; Baptist; acres 9; buildings 10; volumes 25,000; income $20,000; instructors 16; students, collegiate 181, preparatory 46, law 16, net total 233, men only. *Kinetoscope* (annual), *Mercerian*. Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Nu. Orange and black. Razzle-dazzle! Hobble-gobble! Siss-boom-bah! Mercer! Mercer! Rah-rah-rah!

MIAMI UNIVERSITY, 1824, Oxford, Ohio; 1,922; non-sectarian; acres 60; buildings 5; volumes 15,500; income $35,000; instructors 12; students, collegiate (men only) 36, irregular and preparatory (co-educational) 86, total 122. *Recensio* (annual), *Student*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Sigma Chi. Scarlet and white. Rah-rah-rah! M-I-A-M-I! Mi-am-I! Miami!

MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE, 1857, Lansing, Mich.; 15,847; acres 676; buildings 40; volumes 21,000; income $85,000; instructors 34; students, agricultural 206, mechanical 120, women's course 43, short courses 45, total 425. *Record*. Phi Delta Theta. Green. Hip-hip-hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah! Uzz! Uzz! Uzz! M-A-C!

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, 1855, Evanston, Ill.; 12,762; Methodist; acres 45; buildings 10; volumes 41,000; income $120,000; instructors 60; students, graduate 23, collegiate 498, theological 159, music 101, total 781; co-educational. (None of these statistics relate to the law, medical, pharmacy and dental departments or the women's medical school in Chicago.) *Syllabus* (annual), *Northwestern*. Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Delta Upsilon, Alpha Phi*, Delta Gamma*, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Gamma Phi Beta*, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Delta Delta Delta*, Delta Chi (law). Royal purple. Rah-rah-rah-rah! U. Northwestern! Rah-rah-rah-rah-rah!

OHIO UNIVERSITY, 1809, Athens, Ohio; 2,620; acres 10; buildings 6; volumes 21,000; income $42,000; instructors 25; students, collegiate 125, preparatory 232, net total 349; co-educational. *Athena* (annual), *Mirror*. Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Pi Beta Phi.* Olive green and white. Wah-hoo! Wah-hoo! Rip-rah! O. U.! O-hi-O U.! Whoop!

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, 1873, Columbus, Ohio; 88,150; acres 330; buildings 23; volumes 19,307; income $176,519; instructors 85; students, graduate 29, arts, philosophy and science 349, engineering 286, law 100, pharmacy 46, agriculture 38, veterinary 14, special 83, summer school 65, net total 969; co-educational. *Makio* (annual), *Lantern*, *Student*. Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Chi Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Sigma Nu, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Phi (law), Pi Beta Phi*, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa

Sigma, Delta Delta Delta*. Scarlet and gray. Wahoo-wahoo! Rip-zip-bazoo! I yell, I yell for O. S. U.!

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, 1844, Delaware, Ohio; 8,224; Methodist; acres 40; buildings 11; volumes 22,686; income $90,000; instructors 53; students, graduate 57, collegiate 573, preparatory 352, normal 21, commercial 107, music 128, art 20, elocution 3, total men 711, women 551=1,262. *Bijou* (annual), *Transcript*. Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Garnet and jet. O-we-wi-wow! Al-le-ka-ze-zi-zow! Ra-ze-zi-zu! Vi-va! Vi-va! O. W. U.!

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE, see Gettysburg College.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, 1869, La Fayette, Ind.; 16,243; state control; acres 180; buildings 20; volumes 7,000; income $105,000; instructors 62; students, graduate 50, undergraduate 454, special 72, pharmacy 88, total 664; co-educational. *Debris* (annual), *Exponent* Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Nu, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Black and old gold. Purdue! Purdue! Rah-rah! Rah-rah! (twice) Hoo-rah! Hoo-rah! Bully for Old Purdue!

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE, 1832, Ashland, Va.; 948; Methodist; acres 12; buildings 14; volumes 12,500; income $17,000; instructors 14; students 166, men only. (None of these statistics relate to the woman's college at Lynchburg, or the boys' academies at Bedford City and Front Royal, or the girls' institute at Danville.) *Lemon and Black* (annual), *Monthly*. Kappa Alpha, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma. Lemon and black. Rip-rap-rah! Rip-rap-rah! Randolph-Macon, Virginia! Calero! Calero! Yah-yah-yah!

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, 1873, Georgetown, Texas; 2,447; Methodist; acres 41; buildings 5; volumes 5,000; income $24,000; instructors 20; students, collegiate 172, preparatory 107, special 7, total men 286, collegiate 78, preparatory 30, special 31, total women 139, grand total 425. *Monthly*, *Index*. Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Sigma. Gold and black. Rah-rah-rah! Vive-la-lu! S. W. U.!

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, 1870, Syracuse, N. Y.; 88,143; Methodist; acres 50; buildings 7; volumes 57,462; income $117,566; instructors 92; students, liberal arts 474, fine arts 516, law 55, medicine 96, net total 1,135; co-educational. *Onondagan* (annual), *Herald*, *Forum*. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Phi*, Delta Upsilon, Gamma Phi Beta*; Psi Upsilon, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Pi Beta Phi*, Delta Delta Delta*, Nu Sigma Nu (medical). Orange. S. U.! S. U.! Rah-rah! Rah-rah! (repeat) Hoo-rah! Hoo-rah! Syracuse! Syracuse! Rah! Rah! Rah!

TULANE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA, 1878, New Orleans, La.; 242,039; acres 620; buildings 12; volumes 15,000; income $105,000; instructors 69; students, arts, philosophy, pedagogy, science and technology 241, law 75, medical 340, pharmacy 35, college for women 249, total 940. *Jambalaya* (annual), *Daily College Spirit*, *Collegian*. Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Tau Delta, Pi Beta Phi*, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Olive and blue. Rah! Rah! Siss-boom-ah! Rah! Rah! Tulane!

UNION COLLEGE, 1795, Schenectady, N. Y.; 19,902; non-sectarian; acres 50; buildings 10; volumes 31,000; income $75,229; instructors 31; students, academic and engineering 221, men only. (None of

these statistics relate to the law, medical and pharmacy departments at Albany.) *Garnet* (annual), *Concordiensis*, *Parthenon*. Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi, Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Upsilon, Chi Psi, Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Delta Phi (law), Phi Sigma Kappa (medical). Garnet. Rah! Rah! Rah! U-N-I-O-N! Hilkah! Hilkah! Hilkah!

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA, 1831, Tuskaloosa (University P. O.), Ala.; 4,215; acres 300; buildings 7; volumes 12,500; income $37,000; instructors 16; students, academic 131, law 36, pharmacy 8, net total 175; co-educational. (None of these statistics relate to the medical department at Mobile.) *Corolla* (annual), *Crimson and White*. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha. Crimson and white. Sissboom-ah! Ala-bam-a! Rah-rah-rah!

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, 1869, Berkeley, Cal.; 5,101; acres 240; buildings 7; volumes 68,000; income $400,000; instructors 111; students, graduate 118, letters, sciences, engineering, mining and agriculture 1,218, total men 811, women 525 = 1,336. (None of these statistics relate to the art, law, medical, dental, pharmacy and veterinary departments in San Francisco.) *Blue and Gold* (annual), *Daily Berkeleyan*, *Occident*, *Magazine*, *Josh* (jointly with Stanford). Zeta Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Chi Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Phi (law), Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Delta Sigma Delta (dental), Sigma Nu, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Gamma Phi Beta*, Xi Psi Phi (dental), Chi Psi, Kappa Alpha, Delta Upsilon. Blue and gold. Rah-rah-rah! Cal-i-forn-i-a! U. C.! Berkeley! Zip-boom-ah!

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, 1857–86, 1892, Chicago, Ill.; 1,438,010; Baptist; acres 25; buildings 25; volumes 325,000; income $666,000; instructors 187; students, senior colleges 138, junior colleges 427, unclassified 347, graduate school of literature 422, graduate school of science 206, graduate school of divinity 205, undergraduate divinity, 116, total 1,861; co-educational. *Cap and Gown* (annual), *Weekly*. Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Alpha Delta Phi, Sigma Chi. Maroon. Chicago! Chicago! Chicago-go! Go it Chica-go it Chicago it Chicago!

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, 1785, Athens, Ga.; 8,639; acres 102; buildings 11; volumes 27,000; income $56,347; instructors 22; students, literary 135, science and agriculture 56, elective 67, law 55, net total 311, men only. (None of these statistics relate to the medical department at Augusta or to branches of the university throughout the state.) *Pandora* (annual), *Georgian*, *Red and Black*. Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Chi Phi, Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Nu, Chi Psi. Red and black. Hoo-rah-rah! Hoo-rah-rah! Rah! Rah! Georgia!

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, 1868, Champaign, Ill.; 5,839; acres 1,000; buildings 17; volumes 37,000; income $140,000; instructors 105. Students: graduate, men 50, women 7; classical, literary, science, engineering, architecture, agriculture and music, men 507, women 136; preparatory, men 136, women 43; winter school of agriculture, men 15, woman 1; net total men 707, women 187 = 894. (None of these statistics relate to the departments of medicine and pharmacy at Chicago. A law department will begin at Champaign in 1897-98). *Illio* (annual), *Technograph* (engineers' annual), *Illini*. Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Pi Beta Phi* Orange and navy

blue. Rah-hoo-rah! Zip-boom-ah! Hip-zoo! Rah-zoo! Jimmy, blow your bazoo! Ip-zi-dy-i-ki! U. of I.! Illinois!

UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA, see Indiana University.

UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, Department of Liberal Arts, Butler College, 1855, Irvington, Ind.; 650; Christian; acres 13; buildings 5; volumes 6,123, income $23,000; instructors 21; students, graduate 11, undergraduate 132, preparatory 96, total 239; co-educational. (None of these statistics relate to the law, medical and dental departments at Indianapolis). *Drift* (annual), *Collegian*. Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Pi Beta Phi*. Royal purple. Whoop-ee-ki! Rippi-ki-rap! The sacred tribes of Indianap! Medico, Dentico, Butler and Law! U. of I.! U. of I.! Rah! Rah! Rah!

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, 1860, Iowa City, Iowa; 7,526; acres 25; buildings 13; volumes 40,000; income $131,384; instructors 101; students, graduate 101; collegiate 546, law 215, medical 213, homœpathic 67, dental 184, pharmacy 62, net total 1,331; co-educational. *Hawk-eye* (annual), *Quill*, *Vidette-Reporter*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Nu, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Pi Beta Phi*, Delta Gamma*, Phi Delta Phi (law), Pi Kappa Tau (homeopathic). Old gold. Haw-haw-haw! Hi-hi-hi! Hawkeye! Hawkeye! S. U. I.!

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS, 1866, Lawrence, Kan.; 10,084; acres 80; buildings 8; volumes, 27,500; income $100,000; instructors 54; students, graduate 43, collegiate (men 291, women 224) 515, engineering 87, law 150, pharmacy 58, fine arts 172; net total men 629, women 375 = 1,004. *Kikabe* (annual), *Weekly*, *Quarterly*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Pi Beta Phi*, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu. Crimson and blue. Rock-chalk! Jay-hawk! K. U.!

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, 1837, Ann Arbor, Mich.; 11,069; acres 40; buildings 20; volumes 105,047; income $445,805; instructors 183; students, graduate 118, academic 1,183, engineering 279, law 573, medicine 471, homœopathic 44, pharmacy 65, dental 189, summer schools 224, net total 2,975; co-educational. *Michiganensian* (annual), *Res Gestæ*, *Daily*, *Inlander*, *Oracle*, *Wrinkle*. Beta Theta Pi, Chi Psi, Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Sigma Phi, Zeta Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Psi Upsilon, Phi Delta Phi (law), Sigma Chi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Gamma Phi Beta*, Nu Sigma Nu (medical), Delta Sigma Delta (dental), Phi Chi (pharmacy), Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Gamma*, Theta Delta Chi, Pi Beta Phi*, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Xi Psi Phi (dental), Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Alpha Phi*, Kappa Sigma, Delta Chi (law), Delta Delta Delta*. Yellow and blue. U. of M.! Rah-rah! Rah-rah! (twice). Hoo-rah! Hoo-rah! Michigan! Rah! Rah! Rah!

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, 1869, Minneapolis, Minn.; 192,833; acres 416; buildings 25; volumes 55,000; income $250,000; instructors 144. Students: graduate, men 129, women 37; arts, literature and science, men 477, women 432; engineering, metallurgy and mechanic arts, men 174, women 7; law, men 359, women 2; medicine, men 202, women 19; homœopathic, men 28, women 4; pharmacy, men 94, women 2; dentistry, men 94, women 3; agriculture, men 369, women 71; summer schools, men 106, women 151; net total men 1,919, women 728 = 2,647. *Gopher* (annual), *Ariel*, *Magazine*. Chi Psi, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Gamma*, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Beta Theta Pi,

Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Upsilon, Alpha Phi*, Phi Delta Phi (law), Nu Sigma Nu (medical), Psi Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Theta Delta Chi, Delta Delta Delta*, Delta Sigma Delta (dental), Pi Kappa Tau (homeopathic). Maroon and old gold. Rah-rah-rah! Ski-u-mah! Hoo-rah! Hoo-rah! Varsity-Varsity! Minne-so-tah!

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI, 1848, Oxford (University P. O.), Miss.; 1,546; acres 40; buildings 12; volumes 15,500; income $36,243; instructors 20; students, academic 254, law 42, total 296; co-educational. *Ole Miss* (annual), *Magazine*. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Psi, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta. Crimson and blue. Razzle, dazzle! Gobble-gobble! Siss-boom-bah! Mississippi! Mississippi! Rah! Rah! Rah!

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, 1841, Columbia, Mo.; 4,000; acres 800. buildings 16; volumes 32,000; income $150,000; instructors 52; students, academic 286, engineering 61, normal 53, law 133, medical 52, agriculture 63, horticulture 11, net total men 577, women 124 = 701. (None of these statistics, except for income, relate to the School of Mines at Rolla). *Savitar* (annual), *Independent*, *Tiger*. Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Phi, (law), Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi. Black and old gold. Tiger! Tiger! M. S. U.! Tiger! Tiger! M. S. U.!

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA, 1871, Lincoln, Neb.; 55,154; acres 332; buildings 10; volumes 35,000; income $173,250; instructors 115. Students: graduate, men 70, women 43; literary, men 247, women 346; engineering and agriculture, men 274, women 47; preparatory, men 133, women 78; law, men 74, women 2; preparatory to law and journalism, men 17; preparatory medical, men 20; art, men 10, women 62; music, men 23, women 132; summer school, men 46, women 124; net total, men 892, women 761 = 1,653. *Sombrero* (annual), *Hesperian*, *Literary Magazine*, *Nebraskan*. Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Delta Gamma*, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Delta Delta*, Pi Beta Phi*, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta Phi (law). Scarlet and cream. U! U! U!-n-i! Ver-ver-ver-si-ti! N! E! Brass-ki! Oh-h h—my!

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, 1795, Chapel Hill, N. C.; 1,017; acres 48; buildings 12; volumes 26,000; income $41,000; instructors 35; students, collegiate 307, law 72, medical 34, summer school 158, net total 549, men only. (A school of pharmacy will begin in 1897–98.) *Hellenian* (annual), *Tarheel*. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Zeta Psi, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Nu, Sigma Chi, Pi Kappa Alpha. White and blue. Boom-rah-ray! Boom-rah-ray! Carolina Varsity! Siss-boom—Tar-heel!

UNIVERSITY OF OHIO, see Ohio University and Ohio State University.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, 1740, Philadelphia, Pa.; 1,046,964; acres 48; buildings 22; volumes 128,751; income $300,000; instructors 236; students, the college 917, philosophy 161, law 358, medicine 968, hygiene 29, dentistry 373, veterinary 50, net total 2,811; co-educational. *Record* (annual), *Daily Pennsylvanian*, *Courier*, *Ben Franklin*, *Red and Blue*. Delta Phi, Zeta Psi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Delta Psi, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi

Gamma Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Delta Phi (law), Delta Upsilon, Nu Sigma Nu (medical), Phi Alpha Sigma (medical), Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Psi Upsilon, Kappa Sigma, Delta Sigma Delta (dental), Delta Tau Delta. Red and blue. Rah-rah-rah! Penn-syl-va-ni-a! (rapidly three times).

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, 1883, Austin, Texas; 14,575; acres 40; buildings 5; volumes 50,000; income $70,000; instructors 35; students, arts, literature, science and engineering 322, law 143, total 465; co-educational. (None of these statistics relate to the department of medicine and school of pharmacy and school of nursing at Galveston.) *Cactus* (annual), *Alcalde, Texas University.* Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Sigma, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Nu, Chi Phi, Phi Phi Phi. White and old gold. Hullabaloo! Hoo-ray! Hoo-ray! (twice) Hoo-ray! Hoo-ray! Varsity! Varsity! U. T. A.!

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, 1868, Sewanee, Tenn.; 428; Episcopal; acres 10,000; buildings 14; volumes 37,000; income $25,000; instructors 29; students, collegiate 135, preparatory 75, theological 29, law 13, medical 34, total 286, men only. *Cap and Gown* (annual), *Purple, Literary Magazine.* Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Alpha. Purple. Rah-rah-ree! Var-si-tee! Hey, hip! Hey, hip! Se-wa-nee! Sewanee, Rah! Sewanee, Rah! Sewanee, Tiger! Siss-s-s, Boom, ah-h-h!

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, 1791, Burlington, Vt.; 14,590; buildings 10; volumes 50,932; income $62,500; instructors 51; students, graduate 3, classical 86, literary scientific 58, engineering 58, chemical 20, special 20, medical 221, agricultural 26, dairy 45, total 537; co-educational. *Ariel* (annual), *Cynic.* Sigma Phi, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Sigma, Delta Delta Delta*, Alpha Kappa Kappa (medical), Alpha Upsilon Mu (medical). Old gold and dark green. Rah-rah-rah! Rah-rah-rah! Vermont, Vermont! Rah-rah! (twice rapidly).

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, 1819, Charlottesville, Va.; 5,591; acres 4,000; buildings 13; volumes 53,000; income $136,000; instructors 60; students, academic 248, engineering 9, law 119, medical 151, net total 504, men only, not counting summer schools. *Corks and Curls* (annual), *Topics, Magazine.* Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Chi Phi, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Psi, Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Pi Kappa Alpha, Zeta Psi, Sigma Nu, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Phi (law), Mu Pi Lambda. Orange and navy blue. Wah-hoo wah! Wah-hoo-wah! U-ni-v! Vir-gin-i-a! Hoo-rah-ray! Hoo-rah-ray! Rah-rah! U. V. A.!

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, 1851, Madison, Wis.; 13,426; acres 600; buildings 16; volumes 210,000; income $400,000; instructors 111; students, graduate 110, letters and science 785, mechanics and engineering 205, law 216, pharmacy 60, agriculture 209, music 145, summer schools 152, net total 1,802; co-educational. *Badger* (annual), *Daily Cardinal, Ægis.* Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Chi Psi, Delta Gamma*, Sigma Chi, Delta Upsilon, Gamma Phi Beta*, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Phi (law), Kappa Alpha Theta*, Phi Gamma Delta, Pi Beta Phi*, Theta Delta Chi, Psi Upsilon, Alpha Phi*. Cardinal. U-rah-rah! Wis-con-sin! (repeated three times with a tiger).

UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER, 1870, Wooster, Ohio, 5,901; Presbyterian; acres 21; buildings 4; volumes 19,496; income $34,000; instructors 25; students, collegiate 445, preparatory 126, summer term 140, music 216, art 32, oratory 69, net total 767; co-educational. *Index* (annual), *Voice*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha Theta*, Kappa Kappa Gamma*, Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Tau Omega. Black and old gold. Boom-a-lac-a! Boom-a-lac-a! Boom-boom-baw! Wooster! Wooster! Rah-rah-rah!

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, 1875, Nashville, Tenn., 76,168; Methodist; acres 76; buildings 21; volumes 23,000; income $110,000; instructors 91; students, academic 233, engineering 25, biblical 64, law 36, medical 165, pharmacy 14, dental 168, net total 674; co-educational; *Comet* (annual), *Observer*, *Hustler*. Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Alpha, Chi Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Nu, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Pi Kappa Alpha. Black and old gold. Vanderbilt, rah, rah! Vanderbilt, rah, rah! Hoo-rah! Hoo-rah! Varsity! Varsity! Rah! Rah! Rah!

WABASH COLLEGE, 1833, Crawfordsville, Ind., 6,089; Presbyterian; acres 40; buildings 5; volumes 34,000; instructors 18; students, collegiate 120, preparatory 72, total 192, men only. *Quiatenon* (annual), *Wabash*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Sigma. Scarlet. Wah-hoo-wah! Wah-hoo-wah! Wah-hoo! Wah-hoo! Wa-bash!

WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE, 1802, Washington, Pa.; 7,063; Presbyterian; acres 14; buildings 4; volumes 14,000; income $28,000; instructors 16; students, collegiate 229, preparatory 72, total 301, men only. *Pandora* (annual), *Washington-Jeffersonian*. Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta. Red and black. Wich-i-ko-ax! Wich-i-ko-ax! W. and J.! W. and J.! Boom!

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY, 1749, Lexington, Va.; 3,059; Presbyterian; acres 75; buildings 18; volumes 35,000; income $50,000; instructors 19; students, collegiate 119, law 53, total 172, men only. *Calyx* (annual), *Southern Collegian*. Phi Kappa Psi, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Nu, Phi Delta Theta, Pi Kappa Alpha, Phi Kappa Sigma, Delta Tau Delta, Mu Pi Lambda. White and blue. Chica-go-runk! go-runk! go-ree! Heigh-ho! hi-ho! Washington and Lee! Washington and Lee! Washington and Lee! Tiger!

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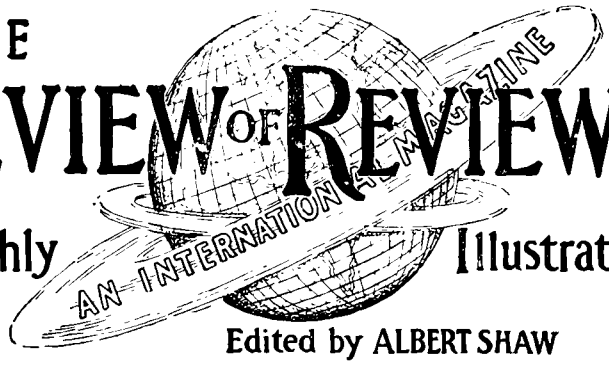

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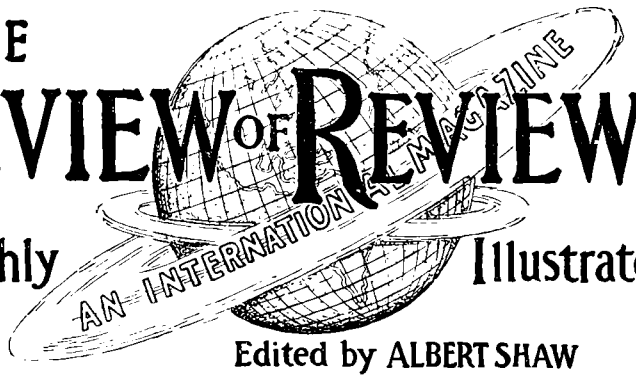

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CHAPTER HOUSES IN SOUTHERN COLLEGES.

The growth and development of the chapter house idea is an interesting subject to all fraternities, and I trust a short sketch of such houses as are found in southern colleges will prove of interest to the readers of THE SCROLL.

All that has been done in the way of erecting chapter houses in the south has been achieved since 1884, when the present house of Tennessee Beta, at the University of the South, was built. The house is a modest Queen Anne cottage of two good-sized rooms, which is now too small for the chapter's purposes. The chapter expects to remedy this fault in the near future by the addition of a large room. Tennessee Beta is proud of the fact that her house was not only the first chapter house of Φ Δ Θ in the south, but was also the first chapter house of any fraternity ever built in the south. For some reason or other Sewanee life seemed to be especially adapted to the chapter house idea. The first house was hardly completed, when in rapid succession five other similar houses were constructed—two of these being built of the pink sandstone from the university's quarries, while the others are pretty cottages of two or four rooms. These belong to A T Ω, Σ A E, K Σ and Δ T Δ. The K A house was burned to the ground last spring, but a movement is on foot to erect a stone building upon the site of their first house. The value of these houses is anywhere from $1,500 to $3,000 each. They are used for general chapter purposes, and not as lodges. They are all handsomely furnished, and two of them are supplied with billiard tables, which furnish much pleasure to the members and their guests. Most of the houses have their own tennis courts, and all take pride in keeping their grounds in good order; thus they add a great deal to the general appearance of the university.

Before leaving Tennessee, I will speak of the only other chapter house in the state. It is the house of Tennessee Alpha of Φ Δ Θ, at Vanderbilt University. This house was

ALPHA TAU OMEGA HOUSE, SEWANEE.

built in 1892 and is valued at $4,000. It is a very pretty house of four or five rooms, just off of the university campus, facing the main entrance of the university grounds. It is not used as a lodge, although the chapter expects to make it into one before many days. All the other chapters at Vanderbilt rent halls or rooms in the city, but there are some movements among them towards the erection of permanent homes.

For convenience I will take the states in the order of our provinces as nearly as possible. While Johns Hopkins University can hardly be termed a southern institution, yet it is enough so to come within the limits of this sketch. The K A and A Δ Φ chapters there have houses. The K A's rent their house and use it for a lodge. I am not informed as to whether the A Δ Φ's own or rent their house. These are the only chapter houses there, so far as I have been able to ascertain.

At the University of Virginia the outlook is promising; though there are no chapters which own their houses, there are some that expect to do so very soon. Most of the chapters rent halls for chapter purposes, while only two have houses. These are the K A's, who rent a lodge, and the Z Ψ's, who manage to get all the rooms in one of the dormitory houses, and thus practically have their own lodge. The Δ K E chapter has already bought a valuable piece of property and has almost enough money to begin building. The X Φ's are also accumulating a building fund, and the B Θ Π's have secured the privilege of building a $10,000 house on the university grounds so soon as the funds are raised. The A T Ω's have a building fund and hope soon to get a house started. All the other chapters have halls outside the university grounds, except in the cases of Δ K E and Φ Δ Θ, who are fortunate in having halls in the very heart of the university. This is all the definite information I have been able to secure. I understand that there are movements on foot in all the leading fraternities represented to build houses.

The prohibition on the part of the faculty of Washington and Lee University regarding chapter houses has kept the movement there from making itself felt. This has been modified now. The faculty have taken a more rational view of the subject. The Σ N chapter occupies a rented house, and the K A chapter, with the general fraternity, is now accumulating a fund with which they expect to build a 'Memorial House' to the founders of their fraternity. They hope to accomplish this in a year and a half.

KAPPA ALPHA HOUSE, GEORGETOWN, TEX.

There are no other chapter houses in Virginia, although some of the chapters at Roanoke and Randolph-Macon are working on house funds.

In North Carolina the chapter house idea seems to have taken a firm hold. There are in all, according to report, five houses at Chapel Hill, and it is a regret that Φ Δ Θ should not be among the number. The Α Τ Ω house and property there are valued at about $3,000. The Ζ Ψ house cost about $800, and the Φ Κ Σ house about $500, although they have no chapter there at present. The other house is that of Δ Κ Ε, the value of which I do not know. The house idea seems to have been well inaugurated, and North Carolina Beta can hardly afford to be left behind in this race.

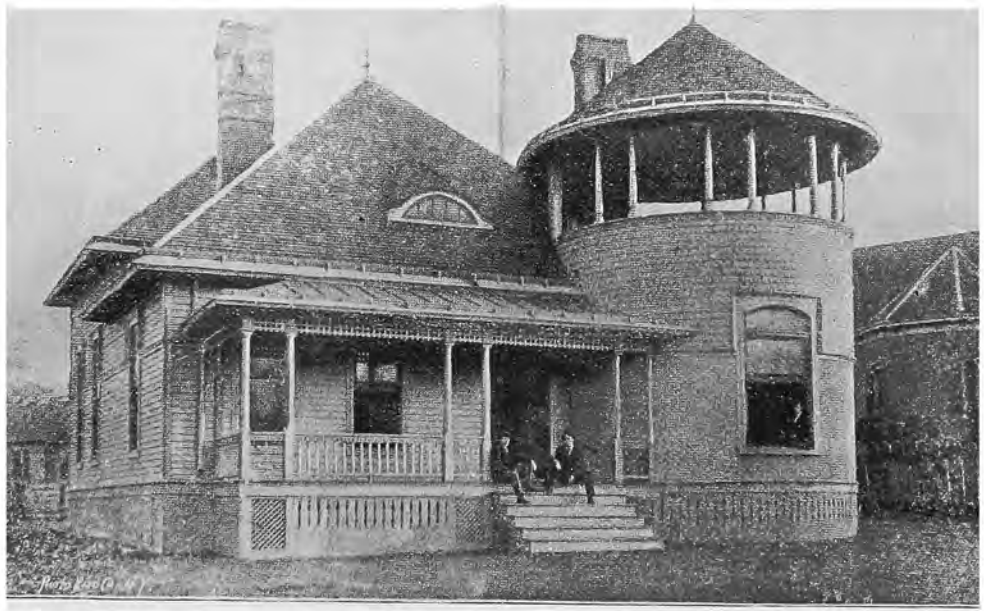
Kentucky, although the home of several old and good chapters, has been very slow to accept or to push the house idea. The only chapter house in the state is the Σ Ν house at Central University, and this is rented. Some building funds are being raised.

In South Carolina, at Wofford College, there are two houses rented and used as lodges. These seem to be the only chapter houses in the state. They belong to Κ Α and Κ Σ. The University of South Carolina prohibits chapter houses.

In Georgia there are five chapters occupying houses. Four of these are at the University of Georgia. Κ Α was the first to venture upon the lodge experiment. The enterprise was successful, and now Σ Α Ε, Χ Φ and Φ Δ Θ are all very comfortably housed within short distances of the university campus. These houses are all rented, but have all been very handsomely furnished and form ideal homes for college men.

At Emory College the Χ Φ's rent a home, and the Κ Α's are strongly considering the experiment. Φ Δ Θ has been the recipient of a building lot, the gift of one of her loyal sons, and the chapter has a building fund of between $2,000 and $3,000, so we may expect a house there before very long.

There are two houses occupied by chapters in Alabama. Σ Α Ε rents a house at the University of Alabama, at Tuskaloosa. The University will not permit the fraternities to build upon the college grounds, but they may build elsewhere in the town, if they so desire. Κ Α owns a house and lot in Auburn, valued at $2,500. This is an old brick building of two stories. The lower floor is rented to the post-office, while the upper floor serves for chapter purposes. The other chapters are all in rented halls, but two of these at least are looking forward to having their own houses. The Α Τ Ω's



TENNESSEE ALPHA'S HOUSE, AT VANDERBILT.

own a lot in the college grounds and the Φ Δ Θ's are working on a chapter house fund.

The Δ Ψ house is the only chapter house in Mississippi. This is at the University of Mississippi, at Oxford. It is a two-story pressed-brick building, 50 x 50 feet, on the university campus. It was erected in 1887 at a cost of about $4,000, which was raised by subscriptions from the alumni. The house was designed for a lodge, but is not used for one. The Δ K E's and the Phis are thinking very seriously of building during this year, although nothing definite has been done as yet, other than to work upon the building funds, which are steadily increasing. The Phis have over $1,000 already. With this in hand a chapter house ought to be realized in the near future, considering the fact that a plat in the college campus would not cost anything, nor would it be subject to taxation. One loyal brother has offered a carload of lumber to start the building.

Louisiana can boast of two chapter houses. These are both at the State University, at Baton Rouge. K A owns a lodge valued at $1,500. The other house is owned by K Σ. There are no chapter houses at Tulane University. This is probably due to the fact that the faculty will not give permission to erect anything but a stone or brick structure on the university grounds. Many of the chapters are working on chapter house funds, but at present they must content themselves with rented club rooms in the city.

There are four chapter houses in Texas. There are two rented houses at the University of Texas. These are used as lodges. One is occupied by K A and one by Σ N. The K A's at the Southwestern University own the only chapter house there. It is a four-room cottage used as a lodge, and valued at $1,500. The Phis at Southwestern have had a building lot given them on the condition that they will raise the building fund. It is needless to say that this fund is being rapidly raised, and soon they hope to have their own home. At Sherman the A T Ω's rent a house.

Missouri is struggling over the problem. The Σ N chapter at the University of Missouri stands alone, occupying the only chapter house in the state, and this is rented. It was especially built for the chapter by an alumnus. The B Θ Π's rented a house here two seasons ago, but did not seem to like the experiment, as they only retained the house for four months. The Phis here are working on their plans, and hope to put them into operation very soon. The B Θ Π's are said to be accumulating a building fund. Nothing in the way of chapter houses can be expected at Wash-

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON CHAPTER HOUSE, SEWANEE.

DELTA TAU DELTA CHAPTER HOUSE, SEWANEE.

ington University, St. Louis, until the university removes to its new site. In the meantime the chapters are accumulating building funds and formulating plans for the erection of handsome lodges. The Phis are not behind in this matter, as they have a very good building fund, which is increasing from year to year. At Westminster College, Fulton, as yet there are no chapter houses. The Phis there have gone so far as to ask their faculty for a building site on the campus, and have been granted the first choice in the selection.

This ends the list of chapter houses in use in the south, so far as I have been able to gain reliable information. Probably some chapters have been overlooked, although an effort has been made to hear from each house and give it due reference. It is gratifying to see that such a real and healthful interest is being manifested in all the leading colleges in this most important feature of the college fraternity of the present day. Surely it would seem as if the day were not far distant when all the chapters in the south will have their own houses, and this will enable them to do much better work than they at present are able to do.

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Record, Pennsylvania.
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Lemon and Black, Randolph-Macon.
Calyx, Washington and Lee.
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Comet, Vanderbilt.
Zodiac, Emory.
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Glomerata, Alabama Polytechnic.
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Jambalaya, Tulane.
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Makio, Ohio State.
Differential, Case.
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Debris, Purdue.
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Savitar, Missouri.
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Senior Annual, Kansas.
Sombrero, Nebraska.
Blue and Gold, California.

Perhaps no feature of THE SCROLL during the last ten years has afforded the careful and appreciative student of Phi Delta Theta's current history more pleasure or profit than have Dr. Brown's reviews of college annuals. The art of presenting, in attractive guise, a long array of facts and figures, however interesting these may be from their importance, is not given to every man, alas! and the reviewer who now undertakes this pleasant task for the first time is glad, out of his many disadvantages, to be able to mention one lone point in which the eleventh review will excel its predecessors—in the number reviewed. This proves on closer acquaintance to be a misfortune in disguise, for it serves only to elaborate and emphasize the many deficiences readers of a reminiscent turn will discover on every page. Consciousness of being unequal to his task can not detract, however, from the editor's personal pleasure in having been thus so generously favored, and he wishes in the beginning to express his gratitude to seven-and-thirty faithful Phis who have, out of their loyalty to *alma mater* and their home chapter, and from their courteous interest in THE SCROLL and its success, managed to load our shelves with their charming burden. To the chapters who have remem-

bered their duty before the edition was exhausted, to the reporters who have scoured the local stores for one last forgotten book, to that ubiquitous and irresistible being whom our friends at Virginia profanely call 'calico,' who was in several cases found to be the possessor of the only available copy but who took pity on the neglected editor, and to several good Phis who were unable to secure another one for money, but who have loaned us theirs for love—to all we wish here to express our sincere gratitude, and a hope that we may be even better remembered this year. Which personalities we trust the impatient reader who forgot to send us his own annual will pardon and pass by.

Some of our exchanges have said that annuals are interesting to the reader at first hand only—never in descriptions. There is more than a grain of truth in this, but they are always so very interesting at first hand that the reader believes he can render a portion at least of their elusive charm—believes until he tries it.

We hope that the custom of exchanging annuals, inaugurated some years since by several chapters, may be kept up. Every chapter should lend its active support to the publications of its *alma mater*, and help to make them creditable in all respects.

The Colby *Oracle*, in dark blue and white, dedicates its thirty-first volume to an honored alumnus, Dr. William Matthews, critic and essayist, of the class of '35. Two Phis and two Delta U.'s are on the board of editors, the other chapters having one representative each. Bro. W F. Titcomb, '97, is managing editor, and Bro. A. E. Linscott, '98, an associate editor. In the senior class 20 men and 16 women are enrolled; in the junior, 41 and 17, respectively; in the sophomore, 33 and 20; in the freshman, 37 and 27; of the men all but fourteen are Greeks, and one of these is pledged. Of the 80 women all but fourteen belong to the two local societies. The local term for spiking is 'fishing.' Δ K E has a chapter of 27; Z Ψ has 18; Δ Y enrolls 23; Φ Δ Θ, 23; A T Ω, 17. There is also a chapter of Φ B K. The Phis are represented in all the college organizations rather better than any of their rivals. They are especially influential in music, athletics and the college publications. All the illustrations in this volume were done 'at home,' the editors proudly tell us.

The first comer of the year was the Dartmouth *Ægis*, the fortieth issue. This is an exceptionally early comer, making its appearance in December. Like most of its neighbors

on our shelves it is issued by the junior class, and this time it is dedicated in sarcasm or anticipation to 'The Co-eds of Dartmouth.' Each of the nine chapters has one representative, and the non-fraternity men have a member on the board. Bro. Carr is business manager. The total attendance last year at Dartmouth was a little over 600, and 320 of these were fraternity men. Large chapters are the rule: Ψ Υ, 32; K K K, 38; Α Δ Φ, 34; Δ K E, 41; Θ Δ Χ, 49; Φ Δ Θ, 40; Β Θ Π, 25; Σ Χ, 34; Φ K Ψ, 27. Of these K K K has a house and Δ K E and Α Δ Φ halls; the house question is just entering a serious phase at Dartmouth. Θ Ν E has a chapter here; the accompanying chapter list locates 25 branches of that society. New Hampshire Alpha leads in athletics, is strong in dramatics, the press and musical organizations. She had the business manager in foot ball, on the college paper, the dramatic club and the annual, and holds the interfraternity whist championship. The 'chinning' season began in 1896, on November 18, this year on October 25. The initiations always follow in a week or two.

This is volume XI. of the Vermont *Ariel*, and the juniors dedicate it to H. O. Houghton, of the class of '46. Bro. Roy L. Patrick is business manager. Α Τ Ω, Λ Ι, Δ Δ Δ and K Σ are not represented on the board. The university has adopted a new yell. An event which seems to have occasioned much excitement since the issue of the last *Ariel* is the kidnaping of the president and prophet of the freshman class by the inevitable sophomores. The whole story is vividly recounted, with appropriate illustrations. As a result of this incident the faculty has issued some stringent edicts on the subject of hazing, to which reference may be found in the Vermont letter of this number. There are 155 fraternity men at Vermont out of some 200 in the college proper; there are about 50 co eds. Besides Phi Beta Kappa, three medical societies and two sororities, there are three local fraternities, Lambda Iota, Delta Psi and Alpha Phi, enrolling 9, 22 and 17 men, respectively. Sigma Phi has 16 men; Phi Delta Theta, 24; Alpha Tau Omega, 23; Kappa Sigma, 24. The Phis are equally prominent in all departments of college activity; Bro. Lincoln is editor-in-chief of the *Cynic*, and Bro. Ray won the Forest prize in oratory.

The Amherst *Olio* comes in December, too. Its editors are juniors, the several fraternities and the non-fraternity men having one each. The business manager seems to be chosen afterward. Bro. Strong is the Phi editor. The editors declare by way of preface that the faultfinder always

does his college more harm than good, and that they will have naught to do with him. One of the first illustrations refers to an attempt to revive the college senate—a hopeless task, apparently. The senate is represented by a row of owls, hanging heads down from a roost with which wires from a battery have been connected. The dedication is to Sabrina, a bronze statute once in the campus, but now kept hidden by successive classes and later given away by them or captured from them. Out of about 400 students all but 75 are fraternity men. The chapters, given here, as elsewhere, in order of establishment, enroll the following members: Α Δ Φ, 36; Ψ Υ, 35; Δ Κ Ε, 31; Δ Υ, 27; Χ Ψ, 26; Ν Φ, 27; Β Θ Π, 28; Θ Δ Χ, 34; Φ Δ Θ, 28; Φ Γ Δ, 13 (but one freshman); Φ Κ Ψ, 34. Theta Nu Epsilon is not mentioned, though Amherst appears on that society's roll. The Phis have representatives everywhere, being particularly strong in the press and musical organizations. Bro. Crary is manager of the monthly, and Bro. Wright is 'college gymnast.'

'To our friends the faculty, to our contemporaries the co-eds, to our ancestors the alumni, and to our severest censors the student body, but in particular to those sturdy pioneers in the field of student publication who, forty years ago, presented to the college world the initial number of a Brown annual, this volume is respectfully and loyally dedicated.'—So says *Liber Brunensis*, issued by 'The Greek-letter fraternities of Brown University.' Bro. Lewis is our representative. In this volume, contrary to the usual custom, the fraternity lists precede the class rolls. Alpha Delta Phi has 28 men; Delta Phi, 26; Psi Upsilon, 26; Beta Theta Pi, 28; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 22; Zeta Psi, 19; Theta Delta Chi, 18; Delta Upsilon, 29; Chi Phi, 18; Phi Delta Theta, 29; Alpha Tau Omega, 31; Delta Tau Delta, 15; total, 289, out of 751 men. There are 157 women; among them are two local sororities and a chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. The chapter of Chi Phi is the one which a few years since expelled all the other chapters of that fraternity and which now constitutes 'the whole thing.' The quarrel was over the question of limiting membership to lineal descendants of Chi Phis. In the graduating class is Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, Jr., whose surname was used so lavishly in connection with the resignation of President Andrews. He is an Alphi Delta Phi. The Phis have their share of all the honors; White manages the *Brunonian*, and Briggs the *Daily Herald*.

The *Cornellian* is a delight to the eye mechanically, and the system of prize offers has called out some interesting literary contributions. The juniors dedicate this volume 'To the Victors of the Hudson, the 'Varsity Crew of '96,' whose pictures follow. Eight members of '98 produce the book, and one of these is Bro. J. H. Wynne. Cornell enrolled 1,763 students last year; 1,284 of them were in the four college classes, the freshmen numbering 500. There are 26 fraternities and sororities, 6 class societies and the honorary societies of Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi. The number in the several chapters is as follows: Zeta Psi, 19; Chi Phi, 22; Kappa Alpha, 23; Alpha Delta Phi, 19; Phi Kappa Psi, 18; Chi Psi, 26; Delta Upsilon, 27; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 28; Theta Delta Chi, 22; Phi Delta Theta, 25; Beta Theta Pi, 24; Psi Upsilon, 23; Kappa Alpha Theta, 24; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 15; Delta Gamma, 21; Alpha Tau Omega, 26; Phi Gamma Delta, 27; Phi Delta Phi, 22; Alpha Phi, 18; Phi Sigma Kappa, 19; Delta Tau Delta, 23; Sigma Phi, 18; Sigma Chi, 19; Delta Chi, 27; Delta Phi, 14; Kappa Sigma, 16; total, 575, including graduate members. Eight Phis are members of Theta Nu Epsilon. The roll of chapters given for that society stops with the first 17 on the Dartmouth roll of 25. The Phis are strongest in the numerous social clubs, in athletics and in music. Bassford was quarter-back on the 'varsity, and Whiting and Dempsey were substitutes; Lines led the banjo club and Weller the mandolin club; Haskell and Bassford were on the nine, and Zeller and Whittemore on the track team.

The '98 *Garnet* is dedicated to Sidney G. Ashmore, professor of Latin at Union. At this first home of the fraternity system it is pleasant to see such a strong chapter of Phi Delta Theta. Bro. C. D. Griffith is editor-in-chief of the annual, Bro. W L. Terry is manager of the track team, Brown and Cullen were two of the six speakers on the prize debate, and all the literary, social and athletic organizations seem to have drawn on New York Beta. Garnet is the college color: the seniors wear garnet and pink, the juniors garnet and yellow, the sophomores garnet and white, the freshmen garnet and gold. The sophomores who started out to salt the freshmen in the fall are said to have been routed with tomatoes. It is the aim of each class at Union to paint in its class colors a shapeless statue on the campus. The paint is said now to be several inches thick, and the statue far more shapeless than at first. Kappa Alpha had last year 10 men; Sigma Phi, 9; Delta Phi, 9; Psi Upsilon,

16; Delta Upsilon, 16; Chi Psi, 18; Alpha Delta Phi, 15; Beta Theta Pi, 16; Phi Delta Theta, 15 (a freshman delegation of four seems to have become an inevitable feature of New York Beta); Phi Gamma Delta, 18; total, 142, out of 221 college students. There are medical and law fraternities, besides Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi and Theta Nu Epsilon. The chapter list of the latter stops with nineteen and does not agree with other lists as to the names of nine of these. Theta Delta Chi is the only one of the six fraternities founded at Union without a chapter there at present.

The juniors of Syracuse dedicate this year's annual to the trustees. It is the fourteenth volume of the *Onondagan*, and there are sixteen editors. C. W. Mills represented $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Seven of the editors are ladies, one a 'neutral' and the others from the six sororities of Alpha Phi (34 members), Gamma Phi Beta (38), Kappa Kappa Gamma (29), Kappa Alpha Theta (33), Pi Beta Phi (23), and Delta Delta Delta (17). Of these Alpha Phi and Gamma Phi Beta were founded at Syracuse. The fraternities are Delta Kappa Epsilon (31), Delta Upsilon (24), Psi Upsilon (26), Phi Kappa Psi (36), Phi Delta Theta (26), Beta Theta Pi (20). Besides these there are chapters of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Alpha (a new senior society with two Phis as charter members), Theta Nu Epsilon and Beta Delta Beta, a freshman society founded at Syracuse and now existing in six colleges. At Syracuse it seems to be a feeder of Theta Nu Epsilon. No attempt is made to give a chapter list for the latter. The Phis at Syracuse have been especially strong in athletics, the base ball team, captain, manager and all, seeming to be a branch of New York Epsilon. There are two Phi class presidents, and Bro. Dolph is leader of the glee club. Bro. Nichols is president of the Kent law club. Syracuse enrolled over 1,100 students last year, 474 in the college of liberal arts. The sororities draw heavily on the department of fine arts, which enrolls 516. There are 163 Greeks among the men and 174 among the women. Bro. Fenner is business manager of '99's *Onondagan*.

The *Spectrum* begins with an interesting double-page halftone of the Gettysburg campus, showing all the buildings, old and new. This is followed by views of the campus in 1892 and 1882, speaking eloquently of the school's growth. But seven of the sixteen juniors on the board are fraternity men. The book is dedicated to a member of the faculty and gives many views of the college, a list of the alumni, pictures of the faculty and several historical tables. From

one of these we learn that the size of the graduating class has increased by decades as follows: 1834–9, 7; 1840–9, 11; 1850–9, 14; 1860–9, 15; 1870–9, 18; 1880–9, 21; 1890–6, 30. Since 1890, 57 fraternity men and 123 'nons' have been graduated, from 1880 to 1889 these figures were almost exactly reversed. Phi Kappa Psi has graduated 120 men since 1855, Phi Gamma Delta 119 since 1858, Sigma Chi 51 since 1863, Phi Delta Theta 59 since 1875, Alpha Tau Omega 34 since 1882. The number of students last year was 218, 76 being in the preparatory department. There are 56 Greeks: Phi Kappa Psi, 8; Phi Gamma Delta, 13; Sigma Chi, 12; Phi Delta Theta, 13; Alpha Tau Omega, 10. Phi Gamma Delta has three preps. and Sigma Chi four. Pictures of the Phi Psi and Sig houses are given. The Phis have one man on the *Mercury*, one on the glee club, and one on the foot ball team. This is Bro. J. W. Ott, '97. They are more numerously represented in class offices and teams and in tennis. They have no representative on the *Spectrum*. There are five local class societies, and the literary society still flourishes at Gettysburg. Since the class of '92 there have been 20 co-eds at Gettysburg; of these 8 are now in attendance and 3 have been graduated.

The thirteenth volume of Washington and Jefferson's *Pandora* is dedicated to Prof. Alonzo Linn, for forty years a member of the faculty. Bro. D. Glenn Moore is editor-in-chief, the first Phi to hold that position. There is only one other Greek on the board, a Phi Gamma Delta, who is business manager, but we understand that even two fraternity men are not usually found on a *Pandora* board. For one of the illustrations a picture from *Truth* has been systematically decapitated and heads of the faculty substituted. W. and J. enrolled last year 228 college students and 72 preps., 300 in all; 248 were from Pennsylvania, 20 from Ohio, 15 from West Virginia and 18 from 11 other states. The Scotch-Irish are as much in evidence here as are the Germans at Gettysburg. Beta Theta Pi enrolls 13; Phi Gamma Delta, 11; Phi Kappa Psi, 12; Phi Kappa Sigma, 10; Delta Tau Delta, 9; Phi Delta Theta, 14; total, 68, or about 30 per cent. of the whole. Beta Theta Pi has a house. Theta Nu Epsilon gives a chapter list of 29, getting out of the tangle that ensues when such lists are compared by giving two Kappa chapters. Phi Delta Theta is represented here, as well as in the flourishing literary societies. Bro. Moore was also editor-in-chief of the *Washington-Jeffersonian*. The chapter had one man on the instru-

mental club, one on the eleven and two on the nine. Washington and Jefferson is the home of Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Gamma Delta, but Phi Delta Theta apparently holds her own against these as well as with the others.

Allegheny's *Kaldron* is marked '97, but the editors do not seem to be confined to that class or to be taken equally from the fraternities. Phi Gamma Delta has four men on the board. W P. Beazell represents Phi Delta Theta. The frontispiece discloses the editors poking and stirring an immense kettle full of MSS. The tailpieces to the class lists are interesting. '00 has a nest of featherless birds, all open mouths; '99 is a set-to between two game cockerels, and so on. Foot ball is introduced by a pigskin-headed convict dragging 'faculty rules' by a chain fastened to his ankle. Allegheny had 182 students in the four classes and 147 preps. Seventy-two are fraternity initiates and 12 pledged. The sororities have 41, with 6 pledged. Of these Phi Kappa Psi has 16; Phi Gamma Delta, 15; Delta Tau Delta, 16; Phi Delta Theta, 20; Kappa Alpha Theta, 18; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 17; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 11; Alpha Chi Omega, 18. The last is a musical society with six chapters. Theta Nu Epsilon does not seem to be very active, and attempts no chapter list, even failing to give the letter claimed by the Allegheny chapter. This letter is Omicron in some lists, though others assign that to Rutgers and to Lehigh. The Sigma Alpha Epsilon chapter group is made from a number of photographs trimmed down and fitted together. The fact is painfully apparent, however, and one of the heads is about one-fourth the size of the rest. There are two literary societies here, to one of which several of the Phis belong, one having been president. Phis preside over the oratorical association and Y. M. C. A., and one was toastmaster at the Pan-Hellenic and another editor-in-chief of *The Campus*.

The eighth volume of the Dickinson *Microcosm* comes close up to the largest in number of pages. It is dedicated to W B. Lindsay, professor of chemistry. Two hundred and nine were enrolled in the college and one hundred in the preparatory school. The latter has its freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes, colors and a vigorous yell. Phi Kappa Sigma leads the fraternity list with 18 men; Phi Kappa Psi has 14; Beta Theta Pi, 18; Phi Delta Theta, 23; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 21; Sigma Chi, 4 (this chapter, Omicron, has had no letter in the Sigma Chi *Quarterly* for a long time; two of the four Sigs are seniors and two sophomores); total, 98—nearly 50 per cent. Kappa Gamma is a

class society said to have been founded at Wesleyan and to have established chapters at Syracuse and Cornell, though the Syracuse and Cornell annuals ignore the fact. Theta Nu Epsilon gives a badly mixed list of 28 chapters, one of which is credited to 'Stephen's' Institute of Technology. Theta Delta Chi, whose chapter died recently, has one junior, two seniors and a law student. There is a chapter of Delta Chi in the law school. Among the 17 co-eds is a local sorority, with six members. The ladies dormitory is known as the 'Henroost.' Phi Beta Kappa has a chapter. The literary societies are very strong at Dickinson, and in these, as elsewhere, the Phis are active. They are especially numerous among the prize-winners and on the publications, having editor-in-chief and six associates on *The Dickinsonian* and three on the *Microcosm* board—McNeal, Bowman and Stonesifer. They have one or two on each musical organization and several athletes, including the base ball captain. One of the last illustrations shows the artists 'who drew and now withdraw,' pursued by their enraged victims.

The *Record* comes in Pennsylvania's familiar red and blue with 300 pages of text and nearly 60 of advertisements. This is the seniors' book, dedicated to class spirit, and the history of the class is given in great detail. On the board of editors Φ Δ Θ has Bro. E. B. Essig, president of the class, and Bro. A. E. Willauer, chairman of the illustration committee. Bro. Willauer has done many of the illustrations himself. Bro. Essig will be remembered by every delegate and visitor to the last convention for his brilliant success with the social arrangements committed to his care. He was four years on the class eleven and three on the crew, was custodian of the class bowl and second honor man. The spoon man of '97 is a Φ K Σ. Pennsylvania Zeta is represented in the glee club, the Garrick club and the literary societies. She does not seem to have run much to athletics last year. Bro. McClenthen was last year junior editor and is now senior editor of *Red and Blue*. The fraternities with their respective numbers are: Δ Φ, 22; Z Ψ, 29; Φ K Σ, 36; Δ Ψ, 38; Σ X, 30; Φ K Ψ, 27; B Θ Π, 35; Φ Γ Δ, 24; Δ T Ω, 21; Φ Δ Θ, 26; Φ Δ Φ (law), 14; Δ Y, 39; N Σ N (medical), 17; Φ Δ Σ (medical), 23; K K Γ, 10; Ψ Y, 31; K Σ, 30; Δ Σ Δ (dental), 32; Δ T Δ, 11. No mention is made of Rho chapter of Θ N E, supposed to exist here. Besides these there is the Phi Phi chapter of Δ X P, a local medical fraternity, Δ M Π Ω, and the engineering fraternity, M Φ A. These have 23, 27 and 20 members, respectively. This

gives a total of 565 Greeks. There were last year 1,078 literary students, 358 in law, 968 in medicine and 373 in dentistry. The net total was 2,811. Co-education is allowed but not very popular, evidently.

The tenth volume of *Corks and Curls* is quite justified in dedicating itself to itself, as it does. The charming pictures of life at the University of Virginia given us by Bro. Poitevent last June all stand out vividly as we take up this finished product of The Republic Press, with its illustrations in colors, its wigs and shoe-buckles and snuff-boxes, its antique type and reminiscent tables of final orators and foot ball victories and chairmen of the faculty. The total enrollment last year is given as 493, 235 of these being academic students. The fraternity list runs as follows: Φ K Σ, 12; Δ K E, 14; Φ K Ψ, 13; B Θ Π, 24; X Φ, 11; Σ A E, 16; Φ Γ Δ, 9; Δ Ψ, 16; K Σ, 10; Σ X, 14; A T Ω, 18; Π K A, 5; Z Ψ, 9; Σ N, 10; Φ Δ Θ, 21; K A, 26; M Π A, 8. Then we have Φ Δ Φ, a medical, an academic society, the 'ribbons' and the clubs. The chapters strongest in academic membership are B Θ Π (13), A T Ω (12), Σ X (9), Δ Ψ (8) and Σ A E (8). Φ K Σ has all her men but one in the professional departments, so has Π K A; Φ Γ Δ has but two academics, and Σ N and K Σ three each. The Pi Phi chapter of Θ N E is evidently dead; it receives no mention. Virginia Beta shows up well: Davis is on the eleven, Poitevent won the *Magazine* medal, J. P. Bruns is editor-in-chief of the *Magazine* (having been at the head of *College Topics* the year before), R. M. Bruns is editor-in-chief of *College Topics*, J. P Bruns and Mathews are in Φ Δ Φ, Dykes in Π M, Bosher in Δ Π, and so on.

The *Lemon and Black*, from Randolph-Macon, is a booklet intended primarily to influence prospective students to come to Ashland. It is a continuous narrative of the doings of an imaginary new student, and sets forth fully all the advantages of each department and of Randolph-Macon in general. The class of 1897, sixteen in number, forms the frontispiece, and there are many half-tones. A 'calithump' seems to be a winter evening charivari to which each member of the faculty is treated in turn, usually followed by a bonfire.

The *Calyx* is dedicated to Washington and Lee's retiring president, Gen. George Washington Custis Lee. On its board of editors, elected by general ballot among the students, are three members of Virginia Zeta—McClintic, Jenkins and McLester. One of the first pictures discloses a

diploma among the clouds and the students below, chained to pillars of the college building which bear the names of various studies: 'weary of study and laden with our sin, we look at Heaven and long to enter in'—so runs the inscription. The academic graduating class numbered 15 and included no Phis. There were 172 students, almost one-third of them being in the law school. Of the Greeks there were 81: Phi Kappa Psi, 9; Kappa Alpha, 9; Sigma Chi, 6; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 5; Phi Gamma Delta, 7; Sigma Nu, 11; Phi Delta Theta, 9; Kappa Sigma, 7; Alpha Tau Omega, 8; Pi Kappa Alpha, 6; Mu Pi Lambda, 6; Delta Tau Delta, 8. For the first time we find here a chapter roll of Mu Pi Lambda. Virginia, Harvard and Missouri are given besides the parent chapter at Washington and Lee. They are named as we name our own—'Virginia Alpha,' etc. Theta Nu Epsilon has a list of 32 chapters, the one at W and L. calling itself Omicron, a name given in other lists to Rutgers, Lehigh and Allegheny. Virginia Zeta has men on the glee club, the nine, the eleven, the committees, in the ribbon societies, the literary societies. Speers is editor-in-chief of the *Collegian*, Campbell is captain in foot ball. 'Callithump' is known here, too, and 'calico' is shortened to 'calic.'

North Carolina colors are the same as Phi Delta Theta's. The *Hellenian* gives yells galore and songs and colors, as the Virginia annuals do. The eighth volume is dedicated to an alumnus, Col. J. S. Cunningham. The twelve fraternities publish the *Hellenian*, and E. S. Askew represents Φ Δ Θ. Bro. Askew is on the glee club, Bro. Kenney on the *Tar Heel*, Bro. Winston on the nine (captain for next year); Bro. Johnston is president of the Y. M. C. A. The university had about 300 collegiate students and about 100 laws and medics. The twelve fraternities are: Δ K E, 13; B Θ Π, 8; Φ Γ Δ, 2; Σ A E, 26; Z Ψ, 17; K Σ, 5; A T Ω, 6; K A, 5; Φ Δ Θ, 8; Σ N, 8; Σ X, 8; Π K A, 3; total, 111. Σ A E has 15 sophomores. Θ N E's chapter list runs to 29, but the compiler could find no letters for the last four, mixed the others and duplicated Kappa and Pi. The North Carolina chapter claims Psi, which others give to Ohio State. There is the honorary society of A Θ Φ, founded here, and four ribbon societies flourish. It seems possible for one man to belong to three out of the four, but the Gorgon's Head and the Gimghouls are mutually exclusive.

The initial number of the *Eccentric*, bound in Centre's white and yellow, is modestly called a pamphlet by its

editors and dedicated to 'our mothers-in-law.' On the board, chosen by the senior class, are three Phis, two Kappa Alphas and one Beta Theta Pi. The Phis are Bros. Welsh, Cook and Sulser. As this is the first issue, much history and many views of the campus and buildings are given. Bro. Bethel contributes an article on 'The Fraternity System.' Kentucky Alpha has representatives on the nine, the eleven, the monthly and the literary society honor lists. There are 217 collegiate and law students and 40 academic seniors. Β Θ Π has 16 men, Φ Δ Θ, 18; Σ Χ, 8; Κ Α, 16. Seven of the Phis were seniors and but two freshmen. Β Θ Π seems strong in local alumni, but the others give no lists. A page is taken up with a sketch of Φ Δ Θ and Kentucky Alpha.

The *Comet's* title page discloses a Greek temple, standing out in the comet's nucleus far up a mountain side. Below, a student, in cap and gown, stretches out his arms longingly. The book is dedicated 'with respect and reverence to the memory of the man whose generosity made it possible.' The frontispiece is the statue of Commodore Vanderbilt of which a picture was given in the October SCROLL. W S. Fitzgerald is the Phi editor, being chairman of the literary committee. The Phis head the chapter rolls with 29 men—8 from Nashville and 5 from Missouri; Kappa Alpha has 19—4 from Nashville; Chi Phi 7—4 from Nashville; Beta Theta Pi, 6—1 Nashville man; Kappa Sigma, 18—2 from Nashville; Delta Tau Delta, 8—3 Tennessee men; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 21—6 local; Alpha Tau Omega, 18—4 local; D. K. E., 28—2 from Nashville; Sigma Chi, 17—6 from Nashville and 6 from Louisville; Sigma Nu, 16—one Nashville man and no freshmen; Pi Kappa Alpha, 5. Theta Nu Epsilon's new chapter is ignored. The academic seniors number 25, there being 233 academic students in all. Phi Delta Theta has several class offices, including the president of '98, many medals and scholarships, musicians, a chess champion, members of Alpha Theta Phi, editors, including the editor-in-chief of the commencement daily, two men on the eleven with the captain for 97-8, three on the nine, and other athletes of every kind. Eight of the Vanderbilt records are held by Phis. Many of the verses in this volume are by Tennessee Alpha men. 'Co-ed' is explained etymologically thus: 'courted,' 'co'ted, 'co-ed.'

The fifth volume of the *Zodiac* is dedicated to President Candler, of Emory. It is said by way of preface that for

its many excellencies thanks are due the exceedingly large number who maintained its high standard by not contributing. On the board of editors Φ Δ Θ is represented by W P. Bloodworth. Each fraternity has one editor, and the non-fraternity students have two; all are seniors. Chi Phi has 18 men; Kappa Alpha, 19; Phi Delta Theta, 24; Alpha Tau Omega, 25 (one sub-freshman); Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 21; Delta Tau Delta, 13; Sigma Nu, 22 (one sub-freshman); total, 142. There are 90 non-fraternity men in the college classes; one of these is Mr. Kia Tsing Tsoong. Phi Delta Theta comes out strong in class teams and in class offices, in debate and the literary societies, which are well kept up at Emory. Georgia Beta has three men in the orchestra, but none on the *Phœnix*. The illustrations to accompany club lists are interesting; the Smith club has Pocahontas in bloomers, wheeling in to rescue Captain John, whose hair stands bristling with terror. Among the biographical sketches of distinguished sons, we notice L. Q. C. Lamar, of the U. S. Supreme Court, and our Bro. W. A. Keener, dean of the Columbia University Law School.

The *Corolla* is dedicated to 'the mother of colleges, the home of the graces, the seat of culture, Tuskaloosa, whose matchless women and chivalrous men have made her name a magic one, ever to be fondly remembered by Alabama's students.' The editor-in-chief of volume V is Bro. Palmer Pillans; this is another senior annual. A unique feature of the arrangement is the grouping of all matter into seven 'days': opening day, Greek-letter day, Thanksgiving day, class day, April Fools' day, field day and commencement day. The illustrations are by an undergraduate. In the preface there is strong reference to the unfavorable attitude of the board of trustees toward foot ball. Two members of the board, presumably not anti-foot-ball men, are honored with pictures and biographies. One is Bro. Daniel Pratt, '85. Two of the four members of the alumni association's executive committee are Phis. It seems that the denominational schools of Alabama have been waging war on the state university. A vigorous rebuttal is given of charges in reference to lack of high moral influences and of high academic standard. An extended comparison is made between Vanderbilt's curriculum and Alabama's, showing them to be generally equivalent. Alabama Alpha seems to have things largely her own way, with the captain and manager of the nine, captain and manager of the track team, two men on the eleven, captain of two class elevens, president of '97,

first honor, two men on the nine, managers of two class nines, and captains of two, military honors, commencement honors and german leaders. Alabama can play no intercollegiate games abroad, so the class teams and games count for much. Σ Λ E had 13 men; Φ Δ Θ, 21; A T Ω, 18; Σ N, 26, Δ K E, 16; K A, 9; total, 103 out of 165. There are five women students.

The class of '97 has issued the first annual to appear at Alabama Polytechnic, *Glomerata*. It is dedicated to Presiden W L. Brown. The six fraternities have one editor each, and there is one non-fraternity editor. Bro. J. B. Hobdy is business manager. The editors declare the book has been compiled for friends and not for critics and so make no excuses. Nor need they, for it is an unusually creditable first issue. Faculty pictures and biographies are all given, as well as chapter groups. Phi Delta Theta leads the chapter lists with 19 men; Alpha Tau Omega has 15; Kappa Alpha, 24; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 23; Sigma Nu, 14; Pi Kappa Alpha, 12; total, 107, out of 306 students. Uniforms prevail in all the student group pictures. Alabama Beta has thirteen officers in the corps, the senior german leader, athletes of all kinds, musicians, a prize orator and an editor of *Orange and Blue*. The school is very proud of its base ball and foot ball records. There are twelve women students.

Ole Miss, too, comes from the hands of the fraternities at the University of Mississippi this year for the first time. The familiar look of its make-up is explained when we find it comes from the press of THE SCROLL'S old printers, Spahr and Glenn. This is another very charming *debutante*. It is dedicated 'to the "University Greys," who, under the leadership of that gallant student-soldier, William Benjamin Lowry, resigned their college labors to battle for the cause of their fathers.' It is published by the fraternities and sororities, Δ Ψ having the editor-in-chief. E. B. Williams represents Φ Δ Θ. The faculty portraits are all given. Sigma Tau and Tau Delta Theta are two sororities with 17 and 13 members, respectively. It will be remembered that Δ Γ was founded here. The fraternities enroll: Δ K E, 30; Δ Ψ, 35; Φ K Ψ, 17; Σ X, 23; Σ Λ E, 15; Φ Δ Θ, 13; B Θ II, 7; Δ T Δ, 20; total, 160, of whom 24 are law students. The total enrollment is 296, 42 being in the law school. Θ N E is credited with 25 chapters, Mississippi's being Alpha Gamma. Omega is applied to a chapter at Minnesota. The motto, '*E pluribus viginti quinque*, explains the omission of

the names of other chapters, however. Φ Δ Θ has 4 members. Mississippi does not seem to be editorially or musically inclined, but in athletics and the literary societies makes a good showing. Bro. Williams is manager of the nine. The B Θ Π chapter is dead this fall. Δ Ψ has a handsome house; she has 13 sophomores. There is one lone barbarian in the senior class.

Volume II. of *Jambalaya* is dedicated 'to the memory of Randall Lee Gibson, soldier, statesman, scholar and first president of the board of administrators of Tulane.' The book is named from a favorite local dish, which is noted, we believe, for its high seasoning. The illustrations are unusually well done, almost without exception. It seems strange that a New Orleans annual should have been printed in Nashville. The chapter rolls run as follows: Kappa Alpha, 25; Alpha Tau Omega, 11; Sigma Chi, 17; Delta Tau Delta, 13; Kappa Sigma, 26; Phi Delta Theta, 14; Sigma Nu, 13; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 18; total, 137, of whom 15 are laws and 49 medics. Kappa Sigma has 14 of the latter and Sigma Alpha Epsilon 11; Phi Delta Theta has 4. There are 241 academic students, 75 in law and 340 in medicine. Pi Beta Phi has 21 members. Theta Nu Epsilon attempts no chapter list. The 'Boar's Head' is made up of 5 Alpha Tau Omegas and 3 Kappa Alphas, who have possibly lost their heads by this time. Bro. Kernion is on *Olive and Blue*, the weekly, and *College Spirit*, the daily. Bro. Bowling is on the eleven and is the Phi editor of *Jambalaya*.

The class of '97 sends out volume IV of the *Cactus* from Texas; with a dazzling white back ground, throwing the plant into strong relief, we have a very artistic cover. It is dedicated to Philip Hatzfeld, but we are given no very strong clue as to who Mr. Hatzfeld is. We find a Greek poem addressed to Aphrodite and one in Latin to Mercury. Φ Δ Θ is not represented on the board of editors. The university enrolled last year 465 students; of these 144 are Greeks: Φ Δ Θ, 14; B Θ Π, 15; K Σ, 31; Σ A E, 9; Σ N, 25; K Σ, 13; Σ N, 12; X Φ, 10; Φ Φ Φ, 10. We had hoped to see a chapter list of the last-named fraternity, but none is given. The Texas chapter is called Alpha Gamma. Women students are fairly numerous, and a few are found in the medical classes, which shows that Texas is far more northern in spirit than most other southern universities. 'Σ' is a ribbon society among the medics, and the seven members of the 'Skeleton Hand' are photographed with a young woman as a background for each member. The ladies are actively in-

terested in tennis and boating, and co-education is carried into both these branches of study. Texas Beta has the president of '99, of the Y. M. C. A., and of the Rusk literary society; editor-in-chief of the *Magazine* and an editor of the *Alcalde*, athletes and orators.

The hostile attitude of the president and a part of the faculty of Wooster toward athletics and fraternities is largely to blame, we suppose, for the fact that '98 has made the eighteenth volume of the *Index* a series of 'roasts.' The dedication is 'to those who, finding their names herein, with charges more or less true—will accept the rebuke gracefully, will meditate thereon carefully and will love the *Index* board as hard as ever.' The board adds that it decided to pay no attention to petitions from the faculty, asking that the *Index* be dedicated to them—'especially Prof. Notestein's, which contained several misspelled words. The faculty list gives each member a nickname and spells it backward. There are 48 juniors, of whom about half are women, most of them being from Wooster. The men are chiefly from small towns in Ohio. In '99, 31 members out of 60 are women, and 22 of them are from Wooster. On the freshman class roll of 67 the four fraternities claim 9 men in all. Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta have large and excellent chapters. Beta Theta Pi has 10 men; Phi Delta Theta, 10; Phi Gamma Delta, 20 (8 seniors and 2 preps.); Alpha Tau Omega, 18. Theta Nu Epsilon has a 'pig pile' group and a chapter list of 33, including Wittenberg and Mt. Union, the institution whence came the initiators of Bishop Vincent and President McKinley. Beta Delta Beta is here called a junior society, not freshman, as at Syracuse, where it was founded. The chapter list agrees with the list in the *Onondagan* less than half way. Mu Alpha Phi is a feminine Theta Nu Epsilon, which says it is 'very conservative, granting charters only to those colleges and universities in which the Greek fraternities have a high standard of excellence.' Wooster seems to be the only such institution, so far. The badge and colors show Θ N E influences. Bro. Calvin's name appears in the Shakspeare club, the choir, the Y. M. C. A. and Beta Delta Beta. Baldwin, Endsley and Sloneker are Θ N E's. One page is headed 'Athletic Organizations,' and in its centre bears the lone word NIT! Opposite is a picture of a gymnasium in ruins. Under the heading 'What I Came to Wooster for,' we read: '*Baldwin*. To curse the way things are run.' This, indeed, seems to be the business of

all the chapters, if the annual is counted an *Index*. It is really the bitterest book we have read in many a day; there doesn't seem to be a particle of good humor in any of the fun.

The fraternities and literary societies of the Ohio State University dedicate the sixteenth volume of the *Makio* to Dr. W. H. Scott, once president of the university. Here, again, we recognize the careful handiwork of our old friends, Spahr and Glenn. Bro. H. N. Schlesinger is treasurer of the board of editors and a member of the board of publication. The difference in spirit between the *Makio* and the *Index* is as striking as it is refreshing. O. S. U. is but 24 years old and has one of our modern, 'hustling' presidents, so that the volume is breezy, enthusiastic and self-satisfied. 'A Symposium' reviews the past, forecasts the future, deals with the state, the trustees, the faculty and the campus; and there are lots of pictures. The literary portion, 'Fun, Fact and Fiction,' is mostly a collection of 'grinds.' O. S. U. is well provided with fraternities. Φ Γ Δ has 21 members; Φ K Ψ, 10; Σ X, 10; Φ Δ Θ, 19; X Φ, 13; B Θ Π, 28; K K Γ, 16; K A Θ, 17; Σ N, 10; A T Ω, 18; Σ A E, 21; Φ Δ Φ, 25; Π B Φ, 15; Δ T Δ, 16; K Σ, 13; Δ Δ Δ, 16; total, 276 out of 969 students. There is a chapter of Θ N E, but no list of chapters or of members is given. Φ Δ Φ has four Phis. Bro. Reed was foot ball captain; Bro. Schlesinger, treasurer of the athletic board; Bro. Barringer, banjo soloist; Bro. Sater, business manager of the glee club and of the dramatic club. We note that the girls' study hall is called the 'gab room.'

The *Differential* comes in seal brown leather, in honor of Case's colors, and is the only one thus bound. This volume (not numbered) is dedicated by '98 to that 'hard-working, toiling, laboring body, to those who will some day startle the scientific world with their brilliancy—the students.' There are three non-fraternity men, three other fraternity men, and three Phis on the board of nine; the Phis are C. D. Hoyt, Frank Hulett and O. F. French. Among the fraternities, Zeta Psi has 16 men and 40 resident alumni; Phi Delta Theta has 16 men and 40 resident alumni. The two local fraternities, Omega Psi and Lambda Kappa, have 14 each. Theta Nu Epsilon appears for the first time and seems to have followed the usual rule of taking enough names of colleges to fill a page, writing some Greek letters before them and calling this a chapter list. The Wooster chapter, which calls itself Tau, is here named Rho. We

understand Ohio Eta has voted not to allow her members to become Θ N E's. The chapter has a man on the *Integral* board, many athletes of all kinds, president of the Y. M. C. A., four members of the senate out of twelve.

The seniors at Indiana University send us volume IV of the *Arbutus*. It is dedicated to President Swain and his wife, both of their pictures being given in the frontispiece. The Phis are not represented on the editorial board. On the first page of distinguished alumni (biographies and portraits) we find two Indiana Alpha men—John W. Foster, '55, and David D. Banta, '55. There were 636 men enrolled, 133 being Greeks: Beta Theta Pi, 18; Phi Delta Theta, 27; Sigma Chi, 20; Phi Kappa Psi, 22; Phi Gamma Delta, 12; Delta Tau Delta, 17; Sigma Nu, 17. Phi Kappa Psi and Sigma Nu are the only ones who seem to have discovered much fraternity material in the freshman class. The four sororities are organized into a 'pan-thygatric' association: Kappa Alpha Theta, 36; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 26; Pi Beta Phi, 20; Alpha Zeta Beta, 14; total, 96 out of 308 women in the university. The non-fraternity students have two literary societies. There are three inter-fraternity societies, the 'Jawbones,' the 'Skulls' and Delta Alpha Delta (law). Phis belong to all of them. They preside over the senior class and the French club, have five men on the glee club, and are represented in the eleven, the nine, the oratorical board, the lecture board and the dramatic club.

Purdue's *Debris* is published by the senior class and dedicated to the black and old gold. The white cover has been discarded. Phi Delta Theta is not represented on the board, nor are Sigma Chi and Kappa Sigma. The book sets forth the equipment, prospects and work of Purdue fully and entertainingly. It is a business-like publication. The enrollment last year was 650, of whom 86 were fraternity men: Σ X, 14; K Σ, 13; Σ N, 22; Φ Δ Θ, 19; Σ A E, 18. The faculty places restrictions on the pledging of freshmen. Indiana Theta has an editor and business manager of the *Exponent*, assistant managers of the mandolin and of the glee clubs, president of the mechanical engineering society, three in Tau Beta Pi (honorary scientific) and three in the 'Skulls of 13. The Sigma Chi chapter has announced that it will henceforth not allow its members to join the latter organization.

The *Michiganensian*, successor to the *Palladium* and *Castalian* of other and belligerent days, is unlike all the rest of our annuals in form, having much the same dimensions as

the average 500 page duodecimo. The pages are not numbered, however. It is a delight to the eye, printed in black and red and illustrated in two or three other colors. It is issued by the senior literary, law and engineering classes, and is not dedicated to anybody. Each fraternity has a chapter list, an heraldic plate, a list of members and a cut of its house. Chi Psi has 14 members; Alpha Delta Phi, 28 (including Mr. Pingree, Jr.); Delta Kappa Epsilon, 27; Sigma Phi, 17; Zeta Psi, 17; Psi Upsilon, 36; Beta Theta Pi, 34; Phi Kappa Psi, 24; Delta Upsilon, 28; Delta Tau Delta, 9; Phi Delta Theta, 27; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 20; Theta Delta Chi, 16; Sigma Chi, 30; Phi Delta Phi, 22 (of whom 12 are Greeks); Kappa Sigma, 16; Delta Chi, 26; total, 380. Of the sororities, Gamma Phi Beta has 15 members; Delta Gamma, 18; Sorosis, 29; Pi Beta Phi, 15; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 21; Alpha Phi, 26; Kappa Alpha Theta, 13; Delta Delta Delta, 12; Alpha Epsilon Iota (medical), 20; total, 169. Omega Psi is another feminine Theta Nu Epsilon, with chapters at Northwestern and Michigan. Upsilon chapter of Theta Nu Epsilon is not mentioned. Besides these we have Nu Sigma Nu (medical), Delta Sigma Delta (dental), Chi Psi Phi (dental), Phi Chi (pharmacal) and Mu Sigma Alpha, the last being the only one in all the list of 32 without a house. So that a Greek joining Phi Delta Phi usually becomes an inactive member of his old chapter if he can and moves into the house of the professional fraternity. The enrollment of all fraternities, without deducting for names repeated, reaches 680. The whole number of students enrolled last year was 2,975, 1,183 being academic. Bro. Hoover is on the mandolin club; Brother Foster is manager and a member of the '00 mandolin club; Bro. Hardy, general treasurer of the junior hop; Bros. Starr and Foster, on freshman committees and Bro. Brooks on the toast list at the banquet; Bro. Woodward is chairman of the senior memorial committee; Bro. Matthews is senior base ball manager.

The *Badger* is dedicated by the class of '98 'to the people of Wisconsin, who by their generosity make possible our education.' Phi Delta Theta is not represented on the board of editors. This is another perfect product of the press, replete with charming views of Wisconsin's beautiful campus, running over with lists of organizations and pictures of various 'teams. Phi Delta Theta heads the chapter rolls with 25 members; Beta Theta Pi has 26; Kappa Kappa Gamma,

14; Phi Kappa Psi, 13; Chi Psi, 25; Delta Gamma, 24; Sigma Chi, 17; Gamma Phi Beta, 19; Delta Upsilon, 25; Kappa Alpha Theta, 13; Delta Tau Delta, 18; Phi Gamma Delta, 19; Pi Beta Phi, 16; Theta Delta Chi, 21; Psi Upsilon, 24, (12 in law), Alpha Phi, 14. This gives a total of 213 men and 100 women. There are 990 literary and engineering students and 216 in law. Theta Nu Epsilon has several seniors but only one junior; something must have happened last year. Wisconsin Alpha had Bro. Anderson on the eleven, whose coach was Bro. Phil King of Princeton. Bro. MacDonald was leader of the banjo club and athletic director. Bro. Manson was tennis champion; Bro. Mann, assistant manager of the eleven and manager for 1897. Bro. Sanborn had a chairmanship on the junior promenade committee. And there are class and other offices and appointments in profusion, to say nothing of the fact that Phi Delta Theta tied for first place on the inter-fraternity athletic meet. Boating receives much attention, evidently. The co-eds seem to have whatever they want in society at Madison; they have, too, their crews, athletic teams, debating clubs, and glee club.

To Governor Stephens the juniors at Missouri dedicate the third volume of the *Savitar*. The editors explain that the name was chosen on account of its 'size and sound, and because its associations bore with them appropriately suggestive meanings.' Savitar is the sun god of the Rig Veda. The Phis have no representative on the board, a Sigma Nu being editor-in-chief and a Sigma Alpha Epsilon business manager. The Phis have several athletic officers, manager and left guard of the eleven, a pitcher on the nine, an editor on the *Independent*, several prize-winners, the leader, the manager and four out of nine men on the glee club, one on the banjo club, two men in Theta Nu Epsilon and two in Phi Delta Phi. The former attempts to give no chapter list. Phi Delta Theta leads the fraternity list here again. She has 22 men; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 21; Sigma Nu, 19; Beta Theta Pi, 12; Sigma Chi, 19 (9 academic); Kappa Kappa Gamma, 10; total, 103 out of 701 students. There is more it would be pleasant to say about the *Savitar* and Missouri Alpha, but space is beginning to fail us. A word should be added, however, about the trip of the eleven to Mexico, under Bro. English's management—a new departure in college athletics, and one, we remember, the faculty at Missouri had something to say about, if the newspapers are to be believed. The very interesting account of this trip is from the

pen of a Phi. Sigma Nu has the only chapter house at Missouri.

The *Searchlight* is turned on us from Westminster by two Phis and a non-fraternity man of the class of '97. Bro. Jacks is editor-in-chief and Bro. Van Meter associate. We understand they made the venture a financial success, as it certainly is in other respects. It is dedicated to William Sausser, 'to whose beneficence Westminster is greatly indebted.' Mr. Sausser's gift to Westminster is said to be the largest ever made in Missouri by a single person at one time to any educational institution. There are but eight members in '97 and five of these are Phis; they consequently hold five offices—all there are. They have all the junior officers, as well. They are left out in oratory (Bro. Ferguson won the contest this year) and music, but come out strong in athletics with three men on the nine, including the captain and the battery, and the president of the association. They are actively interested in the literary societies, and the editor-in-chief of the *Student* is a Phi. The Beta Theta Pi chapter has 14 men; ours, 16; Kappa Alpha's, 14. Westminster enrolled 113 men last year, so that the Greeks are not quite 40 per cent. of the whole number.

The *Senior Annual* from Kansas contains photographs and biographies of the class, chapter groups, pictures of the teams and the university buildings, with the yell and the cast of the senior play. Among the seniors are given three Phis, Bros. Brooks, Reed and Smith, though we understood that five or six more were enrolled in '97. Bro. Smith wears the key of Phi Beta Kappa, and Bro. Reed is foot ball manager for 1897. Counting faces in the groups, it would seem that the chapters enrolled: Beta Theta Pi, 21; Phi Kappa Psi, 16; Pi Beta Phi, 23; Kappa Alpha Theta, 15; Phi Gamma Delta, 12; Phi Delta Theta, 19; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 22; Sigma Nu, 14; Sigma Chi, 18. The Betas and Phi Psis have chapter houses.

The juniors of Nebraska dedicate the *Sombrero* to Chancellor McLean. Bro. P. W Russell, delegate to the Philadelphia convention, is business manager, and Bro. C. H. True is an associate editor. Delta Tau Delta has the editor-in-chief. One of our *fratres in urbe*, Bro. L. A. Westerman, has furnished some of the illustrations. Like the annuals of most of the state universities, the *Sombrero* has much to say of Nebraska's rapid growth in equipment and attendance. The different departments are written up fully. Nebraska Alpha is 'way up in military circles, and the army is considered

second to nothing in importance at Lincoln. Bro. Oury is manager of the eleven, and there are many Phis in the class teams. The girls' basket ball team, by the way, has its picture above the boys' Bro. True is on the junior prom. committee. The literary societies flourish, presumably among the non-fraternity students, however. In the fraternity lists we find Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Delta Phi, but the Theta Nu Epsilon chapter is coolly ignored. All the chapter whistles are given, and pictures of the houses of Sigma Chi and Phi Kappa Psi. Phi Delta Theta is the first fraternity, chronologically, with 15 members; Sigma Chi has 20; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 17; Beta Theta Pi, 19; Delta Gamma, 19; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 20; Delta Tau Delta, 18; Delta Delta Delta, 13; Pi Beta Phi, 20; Phi Kappa Psi, 21; Alpha Theta Chi (petitioning Zeta Psi), 17; Kappa Alpha Theta, 11; Kappa Sigma, 11; Sigma Xi, and Alpha Tau Omega were installed after the *Sombrero* came out. There are, then, 131 Greeks among the men and 80 among the women students; 892 men are enrolled in the university and 761 women.

Our last volume is another beautiful one, California's *Blue and Gold.* The juniors dedicate it 'to that formidable conspiracy of sham, dullness and fun which philanthropists call college humor.' The editors, whose 'hair is gray, but not with years,' count no Phis among them. These editors have views and express them in the preface. They have 'rigorously abstained from striving after literary effect,' have omitted class histories as 'a venerable and decrepit institution.' They have made the pages the same size as in 1896, and beg their successors to help in establishing a uniform size, 'so that the collection in the library may recover from its unhappy state of long, short, fat and lean.' They have also established an exchange with eastern annuals, which, we are sure, will in no case be to the disadvantage of the oriental publication. Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, who purposes doing so much for the university, and who has done so much already, is honored with a portrait as frontispiece and with a biographical sketch. The pictures of the campus lead us to recant what we were on the point of saying in half a dozen cases before this and to declare now that California's surroundings must be the most picturesque of any American institution; and speaking of the other good pictures—those of the girls of '98 seem to us worth looking at twice. The enrollment last year at Berkeley was 1,430; of these 276 were Greeks, 221 men and 55

women. The chapters are: Zeta Psi, 13; Phi Delta Theta, 20; Chi Phi, 23; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 28; Beta Theta Pi, 28; Sigma Chi, 12; Phi Gamma Delta, 20; Sigma Nu, 22; Kappa Alpha Theta, 22; Gamma Phi Beta, 18; Sorosis (since Kappa Kappa Gamma), 15; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 17; Chi Psi, 12; Delta Upsilon, 26. Besides these there are three professional fraternities and Theta Nu Epsilon. Bro. Reinhardt was foot ball manager, Bro. Creed managing editor of the *Berkeleyan*, with two or three others on the staff; Bros. Smith and Hanna were on the glee club, and there were various class and military honors besides. We find pictures of the tents in which the overflowing freshman classes recited in the fall of 1896, and of all the fraternity houses (of which there are thirteen, Sorosis alone having none). Kappa Alpha's dormant chapter receives no mention. No chapter lists are given; Sigma Nu has the only book plate and Beta Theta Pi the only group picture. The co-eds play an important part in student circles. California girls are very conservative, however; they wear their hats and gloves in the class room always.

Two others would have been added to this list but for special reasons. The entire edition of the *Columbian* was sold out before Bro. Ehrhorn became reporter, or Columbia would have been represented. The class of '98 at Minnesota had civil war of the intensest sort over the *Gopher*, and every fraternity man took a solemn oath never to buy a copy of the edition issued by the barbarians or to aid it in any way—and the barbarians did not send us a copy. This was an off year in several colleges which usually publish annuals. Among them we may mention Sewanee, Wabash, DePauw, Northwestern and Chicago. We had hoped to receive the Stanford *Quad*, the Knox *Gale*, the Illinois *Illio*, the Ohio Wesleyan *Bijou*, the Georgia *Pandora*, the Lehigh *Epitome*, the Lafayette *Melange* and the Williams *Gulielmensian*, but the reporters forgot us. We have not learned whether Mercer and Iowa Wesleyan issued annuals or not. What will be the novel feature next year? The freshman's diary and letter to his father are wearing out. Rush Ashmore is aging fast, the faculty records (standing broad grin and the like) are already old, and next year the Yellow Kid will be grown up. But there will be something new, rest assured, and the old features, with new applications, will be just as interesting as ever, we suspect.

WILBUR MORSE, HARVARD, '00.

The inter-collegiate debate is taking the college world captive more than ever this winter. It is a contest purely intellectual, but a contest, for all that, involving all the opportunities for brilliant attack and sturdy defense found in the battles that have been waged this fall on the gridiron, or that are to be decided next spring on the track or diamond. The oldest and most important, perhaps, of all the debates of this kind is the one that occurs annually between Harvard and Yale. Two debates, one at Cambridge and one at New Haven, were held in 1892, 1893 and 1894. Since 1895 a freshman debate is held at one place after the big contest has been decided at the other. This year the freshmen will meet at Cambridge, while the regular teams faced each other at New Haven on the evening of December 3. The question was

'*Resolved*, That the United States should annex the Hawaiian Islands.' A large number of distinguished visitors was present, and conspicuous in the audience were the diplomatic representatives and several citizens of Hawaii. In

the first two debates no decision was given. Harvard won the first five after judges came in, then Yale turned the tables and won the last two; so that the struggle this year was even more exciting than usual, affording Harvard an opportunity to retrieve her lost opportunities in the great game a few weeks before, and Yale a chance to show once more that the sons of old Eli are as quick with their wits and tongues as with their heels and oars.

One member of the brilliant Harvard team is an interesting figure to all Phis. Those, particularly, who were at the national convention of Thanksgiving, 1896, will remember him. Wilbur Morse was born in Philadelphia, May 15, 1876. He received his early education there, being graduated from the Central High School in 1894, as valedictorian, third honor man and class poet. That fall he entered the University of Pennsylvania, and Pennsylvania Zeta gathered him in with her '98 delegation. That year he took a prize in declamation and in debate and was a member of the winning team in the Philomathean-Zelosophic debate. The comic weekly, *Ben Franklin*, was started that year, and Bro. Morse was editor-in-chief. The next fall he entered Harvard with the class of '99 and was a member of the freshman debating team that defeated the Yale freshmen, May 15, 1896 (on his twentieth birthday).

Last year he was out of college but as busy as ever, working on the staff of the Philadelphia *Press*, for which he wrote his excellent reports of our national convention, and reading law with George Quintard Horwitz, one of the brilliant young lawyers of the Philadelphia bar—a partner of Judge W. W Porter.

This fall found Brother Morse at Harvard, a sophomore with '00, and the preliminary contest in debate gave him one of the three coveted places on the team sent to New Haven. There were forty-seven men in the primary debate.

Brother Morse is writing regularly for the New York *Evening Post* and for several other New York and Philadelphia papers. During his summer vacations he manages and edits (in partnership with a college friend) the society paper of Bar Harbor, Maine, called *Bar Harbor Life*—a 20-page illustrated weekly. He expects to read law with Mr. Horwitz after graduation and to engage in the practice of that profession in his native city. H. TH. M.

SENTIMENT AN ARGUMENT FOR MIAMI.

I notice that at the recent convention of Alpha province resolutions were passed recommending that the convention be held in one of the large cities in the state of Ohio, 'because there is apparently nothing but a reason of sentiment inspired by the parent chapter,' to call the convention to Oxford.

Now it does seem to me that sentiment furnishes the strongest argument for holding the next convention at Oxford. Sentiment rules us to a large degree, anyway. What is it that makes so many tourists every year visit the house where Shakspeare lived? Or again, what is it that makes Mount Vernon and Monticello shrines where all Americans love to pay their homage? What is it that takes Phi Gamma Delta's semi-centennial convention next year to a small college town rather than to the large city so near in the same state? What, again, is it that leads the old soldier to tramp over the battle-fields where the civil war was fought? We answer, nothing but a 'reason of sentiment.' That is all.

It is just this 'reason of sentiment' that should give every Phi a desire to visit, at some period in life, the birth-place of his Fraternity; to see the room where Robert Morrison thought out the grand principles of Phi Delta Theta, and building to meet the need of his own college life, 'built far wiser than he knew.' And what better time to make this visit than when we come together to celebrate our semi-centennial?

Now no one maintains that Oxford is a large place, or that the hotel accommodations are adequate, but these things have been taken into consideration. Oxford is indeed a small place, but the people have large hearts. They know how to care for students and strangers. It is a typical college town, where three institutions of wide reputation flourish side by side—Miami University, Western College and Oxford College. Over the latter institution our own Bro. Faye Walker presides. And he has generously offered to place his well-appointed college building at the disposal of the delegates. We don't need a hotel, for here we can have home comforts. Here we can deliberate, fellowship, sleep and eat under one roof, in true brotherly love.

Of course Oxford has few outside attractions such as a city would offer, but who will say that this is an objection? Bro. Palmer says an effort must be made at this convention

to get the delegates better acquainted. This can't be done in a large city where every one goes sight-seeing. But at Oxford they could not possibly get away from each other, for they would meet on every street corner, and the consequences would be that they would all know each other before the convention closed.

Let us bear in mind the character of this convention. It is to be our semi-centennial. From the nature of the case the exercises will be largely reminiscent in character. Why not get upon historic ground? Instead of going to some city and then making a pilgrimage to Oxford—in which there would be few pilgrims, why not go there at once and camp?

Of course we want Father Morrison to be there, and I am sure it would do his soul good to get back to 'old Miami' and lead us young Phis about the old walks where he went fifty years ago.

Yes, it is nothing but 'a reason of sentiment,' but it is strong enough to yield to. Oxford is certainly the proper place for the semi-centennial convention, and we firmly believe it will add greatly to the interest and impressiveness of the exercises if it is held there. ASHER G. WORK.

Brookston, Ind.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

To Chapter Historians:

I desire to call attention to a mistake in my circular letter in reference to the date for issuing the annual chapter reports. It is there given as December 1, 1897. It should be *February 1, 1898.* You will therefore carefully preserve blanks until that date, and then fill them out in accordance with the printed instructions and return.

In the Bond,

McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE, H. G. C.

EDITORIAL.

AND now that the freshman is initiated, what are you going to do with him and what is he going to do? He will do nothing and he will be nothing unless you give him opportunities and direction. Put one freshman on every committee at once, making your appointments in accordance with individual fitness. One man is a born rusher; let the membership committee use him in landing more freshmen. One has a good business head; make him the treasurer's agent and confidential secretary. One is enamored of facts and figures; let the historian give him all encouragement in his power and the reporter make use of him in need. Another has the rare combination of qualities which makes a man prompt, tactful and enthusiastic, able to write well without becoming either conventional or bombastic—a man who knows an item of important news when he hears it, knows how to tell it and how to use it. Let the reporter look after this man; let him become correspondent for some local or home newspaper; have him write a chapter letter once or twice when the reporter is busy, but not too busy to look over the letter and make suggestions and corrections. Then, next year, or year after, make this man your reporter. The freshmen want to work; encourage them to try for class teams and the musical clubs, help them to prepare their debates and essays and orations—and give every one of them some fraternity work to do.

BROTHER WEED'S article will have to be modified in one or two slight respects, to make it absolutely correct, but he has our thanks for the good results of his very careful investigation. At Johns Hopkins, we are told, Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Gamma Delta all rent houses. This information is probably correct, but it did not reach Brother Weed until after his article was in print. Kappa Alpha at Vanderbilt has just

obtained a house, as our readers will see from the department of fraternity news. The south deserves credit for having initiated the chapter house movement in Phi Delta Theta, but she has since been far eclipsed by New England, by New York, by Pennsylvania, by the far west. Georgia has just taken up the good work so well begun by Tennessee, and we want the next convention to see houses owned by both Texas chapters, Mississippi, Alabama, Auburn, Centre, Central and Emory, and rented by all the others.

Some chapters have said recently that 'rooms suit their needs better than a house.' A hall and rooms form a preliminary stage through which many have to pass, but the chapter that is up to date has a house. A suite of seven rooms will cost as much as a house in the long run. Read the article on that subject in the last *Palladium*. It takes time to accumulate a building fund, to get the alumni interested, to perfect plans, but the time to begin is now. Most fraternities have outgrown the initiation of preparatory students and of honorary members. There were once times and places where both these practices were the rule and seemed often excusable and occasionally necessary. But they are no longer so. Among the leading Greek-letter societies of ten years hence a homeless chapter will be counted a reproach.

THE review of annuals in this number may seem to many long drawn out. Last year two issues of THE SCROLL were used, but it was thought best, for purposes of comparison, to notice all the volumes at once. We have refrained from calling attention to data to be found in Bro. Palmer's Manual, such as Phi members of the faculty, but have found it desirable to mention the enrollment in each case, to make it possible to see at a glance the relative size of the fraternity and the non-fraternity student body. The article is intended to be read not as literature but as statistics, and as such is commended to the perusal of all careful fraternity students. The Manual should be followed at the same time.

To Phi editors and contributors this year we have one sug-

gestion to offer. Make up your chapter list in accordance with the SCROLL directory of the last issue of *this* volume, not from the 1890 Baird or from last year's annual. The chapter lists of all fraternities were found to be very imperfect. We have noted the variations in the case of Theta Nu Epsilon. Nobody seems to know how many chapters there are of this organization. Finally, we urge all Phis, no matter whether their chapter seems to have what it deserves on the board or in the book, or not, to support their college annual loyally in every way possible.

THE charter of Ohio Delta, at the University of Wooster, has been suspended by the General Council. The quality of the male student body has been steadily deteriorating for several years past, but three new men having been initiated this fall by all the chapters from the freshman class; Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi and Delta Tau Delta have found it necessary to withdraw since 1891, and now Phi Delta Theta has decided, after consultation between the active members and visiting alumni of Ohio Delta and the general officers of the Fraternity, that the action mentioned above should be taken. The Wooster chapter has given us a host of loyal and gifted alumni, and for their sake we hope that conditions may change before it is too late. If they do not, the chapter will remain stricken from our roll.

THIS is the month for the annual circular letter. Too many chapters look on this as a mere requirement of the constitution for the benefit of the statistically inclined. It is intended as a means of communication between the chapters and their alumni, keeping the graduate's interest, both sentimental and financial, active and intense. A chapter must keep track of its correspondent members for many reasons, and the letter is the best means of accomplishing this end. Have yours printed at once, and print enough copies. Read the directions in the proposed constitution and code, and make this your most profitable expenditure

of time and money in the chapter's interest. Don't forget to give the reporter's address.

THE Phis in Georgia are accustomed to call themselves 'Thetas,' and members of the Fraternity elsewhere have wondered what was the reason for the habit. The Fraternity has never sanctioned the use of the last letter in its name to designate its members. There are three other fraternities whose names begin with Phi—Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Kappa Sigma. Members of the first mentioned, when not described as 'Fijis,' are called Deltas, which is the term used in the literature of the fraternity. Phi Delta Theta, however, uses the first instead of the third letter for this purpose, and our convention of 1882 declared that Phi Delta Theta should be pronounced 'Phy Delta Thayta,' and members should be called Phis, pronounced 'Phys.' Phi Kappa Psi, another fraternity whose name begins with Phi, calls its members Phi Psis, so no confusion is caused by members of Phi Delta Theta calling themselves Phis simply. Members of Phi Kappa Sigma are known by their full name, as Phi Kaps or as 'Skulls,' from their emblem. The habit of Georgia Phis in styling themselves 'Thetas' seems to have originated at Mercer, and the reason probably was the existence of a Phi Delta literary society there. It is noticeable, also, that there is a Phi Kappa literary society at the University of Georgia and a Phi Gamma literary society at Emory. Literary societies form a large element in college life in the south, but no misunderstandings would arise from Phis calling themselves Phis, because the members of the literary societies at Mercer, for instance, call themselves Phi Deltas. The Georgians should break off this habit of dubbing themselves 'Thetas,' for in regard to nomenclature, as well as other general fraternity observances, it is desirable for custom to be uniform and universal.

THE success of our two October province conventions is a matter for congratulation, particularly in the case of the

southern chapters, who met this year for the first time. It is an old story for Alpha province to hold a large and enthusiastic meeting. The social advantage of such gatherings is inestimable; the amount of business to be transacted is not large enough to monopolize the time of the delegates, and the delegates and visitors have much better opportunity to become well acquainted than at a national convention. No small amount of important business was considered, however, at these meetings. They were wisely managed, as well as royally entertained.

AFTER all, the Fraternity is most active and living in its college chapters. The alumni are swallowed up in the maelstrom of workaday life, and the undergraduate Phis are at once the life and the source of renewed life for future days. The chapter letter is, therefore, of deep interest to every member of the Fraternity who follows its progress closely. The other chapters gain inspiration from it. The alumni find in it their youth renewed. So we have thought it worth while, at the expense of a few days' delay, and of a few letters and telegrams, to attempt to present in this issue a letter from every active chapter of Phi Delta Theta. Heretofore, this has not been practicable, because of limited space, but this time other things must wait, while we hear from the chapters. There is a keen personal satisfaction in doing something no person else has done, and when we offer sixty-five letters from the sixty-five chapters of Phi Delta Theta, we have the added satisfaction of knowing that no person else could do this—at present, anyway. We are very grateful to our faithful correspondents who have made this achievement possible, and we forgive the loiterers freely. The first form had to go to press before two or three Alpha and Beta province letters were in type and before two more had arrived. These will be found following the Stanford letter

Chapter Correspondence.*

ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The rapidity with which the material equipment of Dartmouth is being increased awakens the enthusiasm and excites the admiration of every loyal alumnus. The foundations of the mathematical hall and the physical laboratory are nearing completion, and the buildings will be put up in the spring. A chemical laboratory will also be erected next spring, and a central heating station.

Ex-President Bartlett will celebrate his eightieth birthday on Thanksgiving day. On the following evening he will address a gathering of his immediate friends and neighbors and the students of the college. His interest in them all is warm and hearty, and his address will be sure to abound in many delightful reminiscences of the town and college.

Last Saturday Dartmouth defeated Amherst at Hanover by the enormous score of 54 to 0. This makes the fifth successive year that Amherst has been defeated in foot ball, and as your reporter writes these words, the news comes from Williamstown that Dartmouth has defeated Williams by a score of 52 to 0, thereby winning the tri-collegiate pennant for the fifth successive season.

Each winter season at Dartmouth is enlivened by the lecture course. The course was opened last week with a concert by Reeve's American Band of Providence, R. I. During the winter the following lecturers will speak: John B. Gordon, Dr. Frank Gunsaulus and Mr. Robarts-Harper.

Early in the fall term, Bro. A. A. McKenzie, '91, for some years inspector of buildings at Hanover, was offered the position of first assistant engineer by the Nicaragua Canal Commission. Bro. McKenzie did not accept, however.

The chapter is represented this year on *The Dartmouth* by Bro. Musgrove, '99, and Bro Rodgers, '98, the latter being editor of the alumni department. Bro. Wood, '01, one of our new initiates, was elected a member of the board to-day. Since writing the last letter, Bro. Graham, '99, has made the mandolin club, and Bro. Thayer, '01, another of our new members, has become first tenor on the glee club. Bros. Chase and Child, '99, represent the chapter in the trial debates for the Williams-Dartmouth debate next spring. Bro. Barney, '99, is vice-president of the dramatic club, and Bro. Tirrell, '00, is treasurer. Bros. Barney and Sanborn, '99, were our delegates to the Alpha province convention, and they brought back fine reports of the state of the province, and lots of enthusiasm for the work of New Hampshire Alpha.

In the next letter we can report our new members, and give some account of the year's work.

With best wishes, I am Yours in the Bond,

B. C. RODGERS.

Hanover, November 20, 1897.

* Letters not coming in their regular order may be found following the Epsilon province letters.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

Since our last letter we have pledged and initiated eight of the most desirable men from the freshman and sophomore classes. They are Royden Eugene Beebe, 1900, Burlington, Vt.; and Samuel Sibley Dennis, Jr., Hardwick, Mass.; Vernon Waterman Dodge, Morrisville, Vt.; Carroll Putnam Marvin, Montpelier, Vt.; Roy Sydney Morse, Montpelier, Vt.; Earl Elkins Parker, Barre, Vt ; Dean Homer Perry, Barre, Vt.; and Albert Frank Ufford, Fairfax, Vt., all of 1901. The initiation ceremonies were held Friday evening, October 22, and were followed immediately by our annual initiation banquet at the Hotel Burlington. Alumni present at the initiation and banquet were G. H. Baker, '92, C. H. Mower, '93, G. H. Dalrymple, W. F. Daggett and C. W. Doten, '95, E. M. Harvey, '96, F. K. Jackson, W. P. Kern and F. R. Farrington, '97. We were especially pleased to have with us for this occasion a representative from our sister chapter, New Hampshire Alpha, Bro. B. C. Rodgers, *Dartmouth*, '98.

While successful in 'horse-shedding', we have been receiving our full share of college honors. Bros. Ray, '98, Andrews, '99, and Dodge, 1901, are presidents of their respective classes. On the 'varsity foot ball team Vermont Alpha is represented by Bros. Forbes and Keeler, '98, and Lincoln, 1900. On the musical clubs, as they are now constituted, are Bros. Andrews and Blair, '99, and Dodge and Parker, 1901. Bro. Gould, 1900, has been appointed assistant librarian in the Billings library. In the university battalion several Phis hold prominent positions: Bros. Ray and Patrick, '98, are captains, Bro. Dodd, '98, is second lieutenant, and Bro. Andrews, '99, sergeant major.

During the past two months wedding bells have been ringing continually among our alumni. Among the most recent benedicts are Bros. J. C. Turk, '83, H. J. Kilbourn, '93, M. C. Lovell, ex-'96, and I. J. Vail, ex-'98. The engagement of Bro. E. M. Wilbur, '86, to Miss Dorothy Dix Elliott, both of Portland, Oregon, has been announced; the engagement is also announced of Bro. C. H. Mower, '93, to Miss Louise Galusha, both of Burlington, Vt. Bro. Turk has a position with the Union Iron Bridge Co., of New York; Bro. Kilbourn is pastor of the first Congregational church at Alburg, Vt.; Bro. C. C. Briggs, '94, was recently admitted to the Vermont bar; Bro. W. P. Kern, '97, is now in the employ of the Quaker City Morocco Company, of Philadelphia; Bro. F. F. Lincoln, '97, is a reporter on the New York *Sun;* Bro. Sabin, '96, will enter the medical department of the university next January; Bro. Dalrymple, '95, during the 'horse-shedding' season gave the chapter a very pleasant afternoon excursion on Lake Champlain in his steam yacht 'Ariel.'

The university still continues in the path of growth and prosperity. In the military department Lieut. Bailey succeeds Capt. H. E. Tutherly. The freshman class numbers ninety-seven. The annual freshman-sophomore cane rush, which has for many years occurred at the beginning of the college year, was strictly prohibited this fall by the faculty. But, notwithstanding this restriction, a pitched battle was fought on one of the principal streets of the city between the sophomores and freshmen, the latter having gone down town in a body to secure class canes. The rush was declared a draw, and the sophomores who took part in it have been placed on probation by the faculty. Vermont is making her first earnest attempt this year to produce a 'varsity foot ball team worthy of the institution. Many difficulties presented themselves in the beginning, but these seem now to

have been overcome. The team has played no big college games this season, but in several games with some of the strongest teams in the state has been thus far undefeated. Dr. Farrar, *Pennsylvania*, '95, is coaching the team. Our game with Middlebury College, in which Vermont won easily by the score of 14–0, has been the most important of the season. The first military hop of the season will be given by the university battalion, Friday evening, November 19, in the armory. Bro. Patrick, '98, and Bro. Brooks, 1900, are members of the hop committee. These dances are among the most pleasant features of our social life.

Bro. Ray, '98, was the delegate of Vermont Alpha to the Alpha province convention at Providence. He was accompanied by Bro. Jackson, '97.

The chapter is deeply indebted to Bro. Walter B. Palmer for his excellent Manual of Phi Delta Theta, which assisted us greatly in 'horse-shedding' and will ever be a valuable work.

Yours in the Bond,

Burlington, November 3, 1897. C. F. BLAIR.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Massachusetts Alpha returned sixteen men this fall. Since the beginning of the term we have initiated Bros. Harold Chapman Brown, of Springfield, Mass.; Harry Warren Mead, of Auburn, N. Y.; Norman Peck, of Indianapolis, Ind.; and Lewis Squires, of Plainfield, N. J., all from the class of 1901. The entering class this fall numbers about one hundred and fifteen men. This number is somewhat less than that of last year, probably on account of the higher standard the college has set in respect to the requirements for entrance.

The faculty has been greatly changed. Doctor Handcock has taken the place of Doctor Mather, who is continuing his studies abroad. Mr. Huntington and Mr. Sutphen have courses in mathematics and Latin. Mr. Curtis and Mr. Williams are assistants in biology and chemistry.

Some of the honors conferred upon the members of Massachusetts Alpha since our last letter to THE SCROLL follow: Bro. Treat, '97, was elected to Φ Β Κ; Bro. Denison, '97, was treasurer of the class day committee. Bros. Treat and Denison received commencement appointments, Bro. Denison having a philosophical oration and taking prizes in history and German. Bros. Fifer, '98, and Waterman, '98, were elected to the Gargoyle. Bro. Fifer was a prominent member of the athletic team, of which Bro. Waterman is manager for this year. Bro. Graff, '98, is president of the chemical society. Bro. Fitz, '99, was re-elected leader of the banjo club, and is a director in the chemical society. Bro. Baker, '99, is secretary and treasurer of the lyceum of natural history. Bro. Waterman, '98, is on the finance, and Bro. Vary, '99, on the music committee, of the Y. M. C. A. Bros. Bates and Stoddard were on the cane committee for the class of 1900. Bro. Stoddard was elected to the weekly board, and was on his class supper committee. Bro. Doland, 1900, was on the committee for the March 17 celebration. Bro. Mead, 1901, is playing on his class foot ball team, and Bro. Brown, of the same class, is on the mandolin club.

The chapter lost three men by graduation, Bro. Denison, who is studying law in Columbia University, Bro. Northrup and Bro. Treat. Bro. Doland, 1900, left college and entered the biological department of the University of Pennsylvania.

Massachusetts Alpha was pleased to receive as visitors this fall Bros. Buell, '96, Canedy, '96, Irish, '96, Westen, '96, and Denison, '97.

With best wishes, I remain, Yours in the Bond,

M. A. GRAFF.

Williamstown, November 20, 1897.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst is at present busy in enlarging her already wide stretch of campus. The entire Boltwood estate is being graded and laid out in landscape form; when it is completed it will offer a fine sweep of lawn stretching from Maple street to the laboratory. Several streets will be built across it.

The foot ball season at Amherst has closed with a defeat by Dartmouth of 54-0. With the material which offered itself in September, a surprisingly strong team was built up, of which no idea can be gained from the score which the far heavier Dartmouth team succeeded in making. Although the Williams game ended in a tie, owing to a fluke, it is conceded by every one that Amherst outplayed her opponents. Bro. Whitney, '99, was elected captain of the team in the middle of the season and did much to develop it, instituting a new system of second elevens and finding new material.

Massachusetts Beta is in a flourishing condition. The rushing season was a fierce competition, and our chapter is proud to introduce these new Phis: Jesse E. Baker, Keokuk, Iowa; Arthur R. Couch, Northampton, Mass.; Clare J. Crary, Sheffield, Pa.; John E. Denham, Westboro, Mass.; George B. Ennever, Montclair, N. J.; Harry W. Gladwin, Westfield, Mass.; Andrew F. Hamilton, Athol, Mass.; John A. Marsh, New Milford, Conn.; Leonard L. Roden, Attleboro, Mass.; Jay H. Stevens, Hornellsville, N. Y. All are of the class of 1901; another man of the same class, and three men of 1902, are pledged.

Bro. Marsh, 1901, has taken the $500 admission prize. Bro. Baker, 1901, is leader of the freshman mandolin club. Bro. Gladwin, 1901, is athletic director of his class. The upper delegations, too, have by no means been quiet. In the senior elections, Bro. Porter was made class secretary, Bro. Trefethen permanent class secretary, Bro. McAllister choregus. Bro. Klaer, 1900, is athletic director of his class for the coming year. On the glee club we have Bros. Porter, '98, Smith, '99, and Brooks, '99. Bro. Sharp, '99, and Bro. Baker, 1901, represent us on the mandolin club.

We wish to express our appreciation of the work done by Bro. Palmer in his successful edition of the Manual, and offer our congratulations. With best wishes to all, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Amherst, November 15, 1897. CHESTER M. GROVER.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Rhode Island Alpha lost last June by graduation ten loyal Phis. When we returned this fall we numbered only fifteen. Since then we have affiliated Bro. Multer of Union, and after a successful rushing season initiated Bros. Boynton and Stillman from '00 and Bros. Hapgood, Lane and Melendy from '01.

On October 28 and 29 the Alpha province convention met with us, and for two or three days we had the privilege of meeting and enter-

taining a number of brothers from the other chapters. It would have given us a great deal of pleasure if more might have been able to come. On the evening of the 29th we held the most successful and best attended banquet ever enjoyed by our chapter. About forty-five Phis were present, and Bro. Moore presided as toastmaster.

We feel that this convention has been and will be of great advantage to us in our work at Brown. Last spring Alpha Delta Phi held her convention here, and on the 18th, 19th and 20th of November, Delta Phi holds hers with the Beta chapter here.

Rhode Island Alpha is an active force in the life of the college. We are represented on the faculty by Bros. Slocum, Morse, Kenerson, Wheeler and Bullard. Bro. Gifford is assistant manager of the foot ball team, and Bros. Wheeler, Hall, Hapgood and Melendy are in the team. Bro. Greene is on the *Brunonian* and Bro. Putney is the business manager, a position which Bro. C. E. White held last year. Bro. Gifford and Bro. C. C. White are on the *Herald* staff. Bro. Greene, our senior representative on the *Liber*, is president of the board of editors.

At the election of officers of the senior class last month, Phi Delta Theta obtained two offices out of three representatives in the class. Bro. Greene was elected to give the address to the undergraduates on class day afternoon. Bro. Multer was elected class orator for the same day. No other fraternity in college obtained so many offices in proportion to the number of their representatives in the class.

With the most earnest wishes for the continuance of the prosperity of the Fraternity, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Providence, November 17, 1897. HOWELL G. WILCOX.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

As usual, at this season of the year, the all-absorbing topic at Cornell is foot ball. Thus far we have played two games, winning both, which was to be expected. The first game was with Colgate; score, 6-0. Yesterday's game with Syracuse University resulted in a score of 16-0 in Cornell's favor. These scores are small, but the fact is due largely to the many changes made in the line-up of the team. 'Pop' Warner, the famous Cornell guard, is rapidly getting the line men into good shape, while 'Joe' Beacham, last year's captain, has charge of the backs. The material on hand this fall looks very promising, and with the aid of these two able coaches Cornell should put a strong team on the field this year. We have five zealous candidates out hustling for positions, some of whom will undoubtedly earn the privilege of wearing a 'C.' Bros. Whiting and Bassford are after the position of quarter-back; Hackett is playing a good steady game at tackle, and would make the position, hands down, if he only had the advantage of a little more weight; Short is back trying for his old position at end, while Starbuck is making a good fight for left half, showing much of the dash his brother displayed before him. All these men have already had a trial on the 'varsity in the two games played, so it may well be expected that they will be heard from again.

The rushing season is certainly upon us at Cornell. Owing to the large number of fraternities here it is always necessary to be awake to secure enough good men in the fall. However, New York Alpha has been very fortunate so far and it is with great pleasure that I introduce to the Fraternity at large William Harrison Miller, Pottsville,

Pa.; Irving Clinton Brower, Philadelphia, Pa.; Chas. Winn Coit, Holyoke, Mass. We were also pleased to affiliate Bro. C. B. English, of Pennsylvania Epsilon. Besides these men we have three more pledged and hope to be able to add several others to the list in a very short time.

It might be interesting to other chapters to say that this last summer we sent out over one hundred cards to graduate Phis, asking them to fill in the blanks with the names of any friends who were coming to Cornell, and who might wish to join a fraternity. In this way we were able to get in the game early, and through the scheme secured some of our best men. I would advise all chapters to try it. The expense amounts to practically nothing.

The boat races at Poughkeepsie were so fully reported in the daily papers and the magazines that anything I could say here would probably prove uninteresting. It is useless to say we were overjoyed at the results, especially as Yale had to bow to our superiority on the water. Our chapter was again represented, Bro. Ihlder pulling the stroke oar of the freshman boat.

With greetings to all sister chapters, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Ithaca, October 3, 1897. H. HARRISON HASKELL.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

The rushing season is over, and New York Beta has secured a fine delegation of four men from the freshman class: Leroy Shelly, Amsterdam; Harry A. Barrett, Albany; John Ludden, Troy; Everett G. Grout, Cooperstown.

Bro. M. J. Multer, '97, is now professor of mathematics and sciences at the Delaware Literary Institute, Franklin, N. Y. Bro. W. L. Terry, '96, has been elected professor of science in the Kentucky Military Institute with rank of captain.

Bro. A. J. Hornsby, '99, is assistant business manager of *The Garnet*.

Bro. Van Gelder, Brown, '97, has accepted a position in the Edison works. New York Beta is always pleased to welcome Phis who come to make their homes in the city.

Union commenced the foot ball season this fall with a very weak team, but through the untiring efforts of our coach and captain we closed with success, our opponents being unable to score in the last three games.

The junior class has decided to give a series of hops instead of the usual promenade. Bro. Hoyt is a member of the committee.

Owing to our living this year in a chapter house, we find ourselves capable of entertaining with success, and as a consequence our social standing among the fraternities has been raised. We gave our first reception during the latter part of October. In the Bond,

J. I. GAYETTY,

Schenectady, November 26, 1897. R. C. GAMBEE.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Once again has New York Delta a roof over her head, and more than a month's occupancy of her quarters has served to bring order out of chaos, so that the chapter is running smoothly and prospering day by day. Emulating the example set her by Columbia University, New York Delta's new home is larger, more commodious and pre-

tentious than heretofore and most admirably adapted for both meeting and living purposes. It comprises eight large rooms and bath, on the parlor floor and basement of a handsome apartment house, and at present it shelters Bros. Egner, Vinton and Baker.

The last named gentleman is a new initiate whom we hereby introduce to the Phi world with the prediction that he will prove worthy of the honor accorded him.

Nine of last year's chapter returned in October, and Bro. Holloway, of Alabama Gamma, has affiliated. Bro. Farish, whom we had expected to return this year, disappointed us, for he has joined our European contingent, his last communication being postmarked Buda-Pesth. It seems that he traveled during the summer extensively through Mexico and the southwestern states, and with seven months of European travel he should have some rare stories to tell upon his return. Next year he enters the school of mines, and no doubt will do good work there both scholastically and fraternally. As I wrote in September, Bro. Bryant sailed for Europe and is now in Dresden, which he will make his winter headquarters.

The last month has been taken up with class and society elections, and in the whirl Phis have come in for their share. Bro. Egner was elected president of the Webster Law Club, Bro. Denison, president of the '00 law class, while Bros. Vinton and Hinrichs will manage the fiscal affairs of their classes—'98 and '99, college, respectively.

In athletics Bro. Vinton will continue his good work as centre on the '98 foot ball team, and in the '99 team, which is being organized, Bro. Hackett will undoubtedly be heard from.

Bro. Hackett is now interested in university settlement work, and his rare executive talent and tireless energy manifest themselves in the class to which he acts as mentor.

Faculty changes are few when we consider Columbia's large corps of instructors. Bro. Van Gelder, who was on the faculty of medicine, was transferred to a superior position in the chemical department, and in the law school we note with particular interest the addition of Bro. Terry as lecturer on contracts. Bro. Terry was one of the founders of New York Δ, and his sound legal knowledge will do much to enhance the value of the law school course.

In closing, we would acknowledge the visits of many Phis, among them Bro. Godell, of Amherst, Bro. Denison, of Williams, and Bros. Woodward and Hardy, of Ann Arbor (the latter now attending the New York Law School).

In the Bond,

New York, November 20, 1897. OSCAR WEEKS EHRHORN.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

For Syracuse University the opening of the present college year was very auspicious indeed. About four hundred students are enrolled in the class of '01, furnishing good material for fraternity rushing. The faculty has been greatly strengthened by the addition of several new men, not least of whom is Bro. A. E. Leonard, A. M., Ph. D., Ohio Gamma, '88, who has been elected to the office of dean of the college of liberal arts and also to the professorship of pedagogy. Bro. Leonard comes to Syracuse from Binghamton, N. Y., where for several years he has been principal of the high school. We are glad to welcome Bro. Leonard to Syracuse University and hope that his connection with us will be mutually agreeable and profitable.

The new university block is nearing completion. This is to be the home of the law college, when finished will have cost about a half a million dollars, and will be one of the finest edifices of our city. A new science hall is to be erected in the spring.

New York Epsilon commenced the year in a very encouraging condition. We came back to college numbering seventeen men in the active chapter, every one of whom was determined to pledge to Phi Delta Theta only the best men. Fraternity competition was very strong, but we came out at the end of the season with ten men who will, both in college and after life, reflect great credit on the Fraternity. We take pleasure in introducing Bros. Harry B. Reddick, '99; Damon A. Hagedorn, '00; H. Spencer Perry, '00; Allen D. Burnham, '00; Thomas H. Low, '01; Wesley Tisdale, '01; Harry E. Anthony, '01; Louis D. Palmer, '01; Claude M. Merriott, '01; H. Hutchinson, '01. We held our initiation banquet at the Vanderbilt, October 19. Bro. Nichols was toastmaster, and Dr. Leonard and Dr. Sibley were among the speakers.

Our new men are all taking hold of fraternity work in earnest, and we have good reason to congratulate ourselves upon our choice of men. Bro. Lipes, who for two years has been taking a course in the liberal arts college, entered the medical school this fall with the class of '01. Bro. Voorhees, who also was in the liberal arts college last year, entered law this fall with '98. Bro. Kinne, 1900, did not return this fall, but entered the New York City medical college. We also regretted that Bros. Cregg, 1900, Munro, '99, Waffle, '99, and Mills, '98, did not return to finish their courses. Bro. Mills is at present engaged in journalism at his home in Sodus, N. Y. Our chapter lost by graduation last year Bros. Larkin, '94, medicine, '97, Morgan and Nichols, '94, law, '97.

Our delegates to the Alpha province convention held with Rhode Island Alpha were Bros. King and Fenner. They returned filled with enthusiasm and loud in their praises of the hospitality of the Phis at Brown. The convention of 1899 is to be held with us.

Friday evening, November 12, the active chapter gave a reception to the resident alumni in honor of Bro. A. E. Leonard, and on Thursday evening, November 18, we opened the society season with an informal reception to about forty of our friends among the ladies, held at our chapter house on Irving avenue.

With the best wishes of New York Epsilon to all the chapters for a successful year, I am Yours in the Bond,

Syracuse, November 19, 1897. M. C. SMITH.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Alpha greets her sister chapters, the Fraternity and our worthy editor, wishing all a most prosperous year. We began the college year with nine names on our roster. Bro. Turner, '99, is reading law in Easton, and Bro. Poole, '99, has affiliated with Pennsylvania Zeta. We lost three men by graduation. We introduce the following new men to the world of Phis: Bros. Harry Rhea Douglas, Shirleysburg, Pa., and W. Bruner Rosenberger, Colmar, Pa., of the class of 1900; and T. Campbell Fassitt, Easton, Pa., D. Mackey Hinkle, Evansville, Ind., Jos. Henry Vanham, Nickel, Tex., George B. Robb, Newark, N. J., and Earl Saxe, Lansdale, Pa., all of '01. Bro. Saxe at guard, together with Bros. Bray, '00, at full back, and Pierce, '98, at half back, are Pennsylvania Alpha's representatives on the gridiron.

Bro. Hubley, '00, who played on last year's eleven, is under the parental ban. Bro. McDougal is manager of the team. The '97 team, although not so successful as was the eleven of '96, nevertheless is an excellent one. They have been beaten only by the teams representing Princeton and the U. of P. The eleven of the latter institution fell before Lafayette last year and that of the former was not able to score on our 'varsity. Cornell's team is the only other that has crossed Lafayette's goal line this season. The game with Cornell resulted in a tie score, 4–4. Cornell was enabled to score chiefly through the ground-gaining propensities of Bro. Whiting, Cornell's right half, who is looked upon here as being one of the speediest and best men in that position of the year. Caspar Whitney will think twice before passing Bro. Whiting in his selection of the 'All-American.' We had the pleasure of meeting Bros. Whiting, Hackett and Dempsey, of the Cornell eleven.

Lafayette has been so fortunate as to have again secured the services of Bro. Davis as director of athletics for the coming year. Prof. Francis Andrew March, Jr., president of the alumni athletic advisory committee, pays a beautiful tribute to Bro. Davis and his work at Lafayette: 'The Lafayette College athletic committee desires to state that with the co-operation of Dr. Warfield it has been so fortunate as to make arrangements with Mr. Parke Davis to remain at Lafayette during the ensuing year as coach of the athletic team. The committee thoroughly appreciate Mr. Davis' splendid work, which, besides the successes of previous seasons, has given Lafayette this fall a foot ball team, which, in spite of an extraordinary succession of misfortunes, outclasses the teams of all colleges of her size and is only inferior to the teams of the "big four".'

While in Philadelphia lately we had the pleasure of being with Pennsylvania Zeta at an initiation and were most hospitably entertained. Too high commendation can not be paid Pennsylvania Zeta and her alumni for their perseverance in the matter of a chapter house. The plans of their new house, which is to be completed in season for occupancy next fall, indicate one of the most beautiful, convenient and costly fraternity homes to be found anywhere. We were also very pleasantly entertained by the Lehigh chapter on the occasion of a recent visit. Pennsylvania Eta is pleasantly located in a beautiful new house. They deserve great credit for an heroic struggle in the last ditch, when, returning with but three men, they speedily raised the number on their roll to eight. We say 'All praise and honor and success to our brothers up the valley. May equal success be with our lone brother at Washington and Lee!'

Bro. L. J. Shlesinger, Case, '95, honored us with a fraternal call recently.

In the Bond,

HARRY B. MOON.

Easton, November 18, 1897.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

Although we have not added any initiates since our last letter, we expect to introduce a new brother immediately after the Christmas holidays, and notwithstanding the late day for rushing, we have still several men in view and are trying to decide whether they will make fraternity men or not.

In athletics this year we are not quite up to our standard, although our team was much stronger than last year. In the early part of the

season they played with several much stronger teams, and quite a number of our best players were badly injured.

The new dormitory is now nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by the first of the year. It is a very fine building and adds much to the beauty of the campus. Arrangements have been made for the construction of others adjoining as they become necessary.

On Sunday, November 7, the college church, which for the last four months has been undergoing some extensive improvements, was dedicated. Rev. L. S. Black, '88, of Johnstown, N. Y., preached the sermon on the occasion.

Bro. J. W. Krafft, '98, has been appointed physical instructor in the gymnasium. He also plays the guitar on one of the musical clubs.

The class of 1900 has chosen your reporter as its vice-president.

The chapter was recently honored by visits of several Phis: E. G. Denson, N. C. Beta, '96; J. S. Wise, Penna. Zeta, '98; and Louis J. Shlesinger, Ohio Eta, '90, were among those who called to see us. Bro. A. B. Coble, '97, of Lykens, Pa., spent several days with us recently.

It has been rumored that an effort is being made to establish a chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon here, but so far nothing definite can be learned.

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

J. CLYDE MARKEL.

Gettysburg, November 17, 1897.

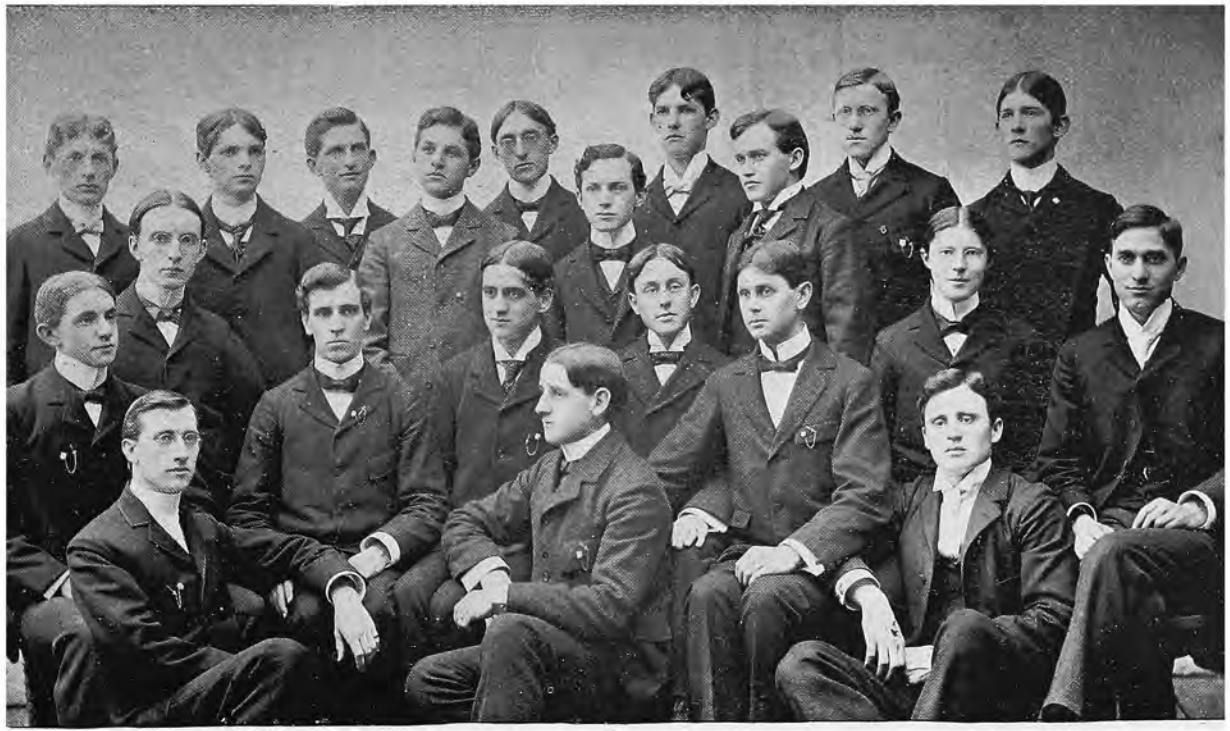
PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

On September 21 Allegheny College began what promises to be the most prosperous year since its establishment. At least one hundred and fifty new students have come in. The freshman class furnishes quite a number of desirable men, but some of the chapters here have been unfortunate, and so far there have been comparatively few initiations.

Pennsylvania Delta finished last year with a membership of fourteen, and six men pledged. All of our initiated men returned this fall with the exception of our three graduates, Bro. George Grant, who is preaching in Pittsburgh; Bro. Arthur S. Maitland, who is in New Jersey with a surveying corps, and Bro. W. Preston Beazell, who is working on the Pittsburgh *Leader*. Two other brothers failed to return, Bro. J. S. Reitz, pledged, and Bro. Fred Grauel, pledged. Bro. Todd, pledged, who has been out of college for two years, is with us again.

Four of our pledged men became freshmen and were initiated in full: Bros. Robert L. Swearer, 1900, Pittsburgh, Pa.; John H. Wolstoncroft, 1901, Pittsburgh, Pa.; J. Chauncey Byers, 1901, West Middlesex, Pa., and Charles E. Douglass, 1901, Punxsutawney, Pa. We have the pleasure of introducing to the Phi world Bros. Charles C. Couse, '99, Greenville, Pa.; Paul B. Masters, 1901, Warren, Ohio; Oliver S. Hoffmann, 1901, Beaver, Pa.; John H. Moore, 1900, Mercer, Pa.; Charles W. Stillson, 1901, Cleveland, Ohio, and Irwin Campbell, New Castle, Pa., pledged. Consequently we have twenty members and two pledged men. Since we are now stronger than ever before we may hope for a still more prosperous year than we experienced last year.

The fraternities in Allegheny College rank in numbers as follows:



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Phi Delta Theta, 22; Phi Kappi Psi, 11; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 10; Phi Gamma Delta, 10; Delta Tau Delta, 5.

Our men are taking quite a prominent place in college athletics. Bro. Weyand, '98, has just been elected president of our athletic association, consisting of one hundred and ninety members. Bro. Douglass, 1901, and Bro. Byers, 1901, are on the college foot ball team, and we expect our chapter to be represented on the college basket ball team. Pennsylvania Delta wishes the best of success to every chapter of Phi Delta Theta. Yours in the Bond,

WM. L. WILKENSON.

Meadville, October 23, 1897.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Epsilon entered upon the work this year with twenty of her old men, thus securing for herself prestige and the opportunity for conservative work during the rushing season. So far our success has been very flattering, eight worthy men having been initiated, who give promise of taking prominent places in college activity. We introduce to the Phi world Bros. Mahlon F. Ivins, 1901, Camden, N. J.; Charles S. Kline, 1901, Catawissa, Pa.; Steward Flager Shiffer, 1901, Stroudsburg, Pa.; Malcom Sterrett, 1900, Washington, Pa.; E. Jones Presby, 1901, Erma, N. J.; Jere Hoover, 1901, Hagerstown, Md.; Robert Loose, 1901, Hamburg, Pa.; Norman Branthaver, 1901, Marks, Pa.

Last June we lost two by graduation, and two others left to attend professional and technical schools. Bro. J. G. E. Smedley was graduated as valedictorian of his class, after having taken each year of his course prizes for scholarship, besides receiving honors at the disposal of his class. At present he is assistant principal of the Johnstown (Pa.) high school. During the rushing season he was with us a few days and aided very much. Bro. Guy Eldon was another of last year's graduates. At the class day exercises he had the Reed oration. Bro. Wintersteen, '99, has entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, and Bro. English, 1900, is taking a course in mining engineering at Cornell.

A temporary change has been made in the faculty, on account of a leave of absence granted Prof. Dare, so as to allow him to recover completely from his illness of last spring. Rev. M. J. Cramer, D. D., LL. D., formerly a professor in Boston University and later in Drew Theological Seminary, has been filling the vacancy referred to above. Many changes have also been made in the curriculum, providing a larger elective list for the upper classes.

On the foot ball field our team has not been so successful as had been expected. Yet, we have scored nearly twice as many points as our opponents. Bro. West, '99, has been playing quarter-back in several games. Among our other representative athletes are Hubler, '98, Wertz, '99, Ivins, 1901, captain of the second eleven, and Bro. Stevenson, '99. Bro. Ivins last year was captain of the team at Bordentown (N. J.) Military Academy.

In literary circles we have our share of honors. *The Dickinsonian*, weekly and monthly, has among its eight editors five Phis; Bro. Linn Bowman, '98, is the editor-in-chief. Bro. Hubler, '98, is president of Belles-Lettres literary society. Bro. Kriebel, '98, is class president. The junior chairmanship, a class-day office, fell to Bro. Mallalieu, '99. Bro. Keeler, '98, and Bro. Adams, '98, will represent us on class day, the former as poet and the latter as historian.

THE DICKINSON CHAPTER.

Dickinson has organized a choral society, with the intention of later establishing a permanent chair of vocal culture. Bro. Adams was elected president of this organization. Bro. McNeal, '98, has been made treasurer of the joint organization of the glee club and orchestra, and is our representative on the last mentioned organization. Bro. Kline, 1901, was one of the successful men to secure a position on the glee club.

Pennsylvania Epsilon spent a very enjoyable evening on November 4, when she tendered her annual banquet to the new men. Thirty-one Phis, including three members of the faculty, were present.

Wishing all our sister chapters pleasant vacations, I am

Yours in the Bond,

J. R. STONESIFER.

Carlisle, November 9, 1897.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Virginia Gamma began the session of '97–'98 with only six of last year's chapter of thirteen back, but still we hope to make this year as successful in every respect as the preceding one. Suitable spiking material was not very plentiful at Randolph-Macon this year, but we were successful in getting our share of the new men. We have so far initiated three: Warner P. Carter and Hunter Peatross, of Danville, Virginia, and David A. Clements, of Crumpton, Md., the brother of Merrick Clements. We had a hard struggle for Bros. Carter and Peatross, winning them from two other fraternities. They are all three excellent fellows, and we feel sure that they will be a credit to the Fraternity. Bro. Carter carried off the highest scholarship prize, and the Greek medal at Danville Military Institute last year. Of Bro. David Clements nothing more need be said than that he is every whit as good a man as his brother.

As usual, the Phis have their full quota of college honors. We are represented on the foot ball team by Bros. Dolley, captain and right half back; Merrick Clements, right tackle; and Janney, substitute guard. I am sorry to report, however, that in our first game with Richmond College, Bro. Dolley, who was playing the game of his life, had his left hip dislocated, and will be unable to play any more this season. Bros. Davis and Peatross represent us in the glee club. Bro. Janney is president of the athletic association and of the Y. M. C. A., and an associate editor of the *Monthly*. Bro. Dolley is one of the five directors of the athletic association.

Our delegate to the Nashville convention, Bro. Kern, returned with glowing accounts of his trip, and his report inspired us all to continue in our endeavors to keep up the high standard of Phi Delta Theta.

Bro. Boyle, '96, and Bros. Chilton and Piggott, of last year's chapter, paid us short visits at the beginning of the session.

With best wishes for all sister chapters, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Ashland, November 19, 1897. S. M. JANNEY.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

The opening of the present session will ever be memorable in the history of Washington and Lee, from the imposing ceremonies connected with the installation as president of Hon. Wm. L. Wilson.

It is the belief of all who give the matter serious thought, that Washington and Lee is upon the threshold of an era of prosperity such as her past record so well deserves. One indication of a more progressive management of affairs is that the foot ball team has been permitted to take a trip through Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia, playing Central University and Kentucky State College at Lexington, Ky., Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tenn., and the University of West Virginia at Charleston, W. Va.

Virginia Zeta was so unfortunate as to return only one man this year, but as he expects to be back next year, she may well hope to build up a chapter equal to any in the university. [See Tennessee Alpha's letter in this issue.] Owing to the decrease in the number of students this session, caused by the introduction of entrance examinations, men who are generally desired by fraternities have not been as numerous as usual. Still many good men have been initiated into the different fraternities.

Φ K Ψ has secured four new men, giving her a chapter of twelve. K A, by affiliates and initiates, now has a chapter of eleven. Σ X, by the initiation of three new men, now numbers eight. A T Ω has seven men. Σ N has a chapter of eight; Φ Γ Δ, of six; Σ A E, of five; K Σ, of two; Π K A, of two; Δ T Δ, of seven; M Π A, of six. Φ K Σ has no representative this year.

While apparently idle at present, Virginia Zeta can promise better things for the next session. With two hundred and fifty or three hundred students on the roll in 1898, all will be well.

Before leaving on the trip through Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia, Washington and Lee defeated Columbian University, 12 to 2, and Allegheny Institute, 30 to 0. On Saturday, October 30, Central University was defeated at Lexington, Ky., by a score of 22 to 0. The reporter, as full back, represents Φ Δ Θ on the team. As the foot ball team passed through Kentucky I had the pleasure of meeting many enthusiastic Phis. Out of the score whom I met may be mentioned some of those on the Central University team: Bro. Speed, captain, Bros. Booker, Huffaker, Booker and Blanton. Although on the losing side, Bro. Speed played the star game of the day, not once missing a tackle or allowing his end to be circled. One can not fail to feel a deeper interest in one's fraternity after meeting such Phis as are always found in Kentucky.

With best wishes for the Fraternity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Lexington, November 2, 1897. R. G. CAMPBELL.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

North Carolina Beta has the pleasure of introducing to the Phi world three new brothers, initiated this month: A. A. Shuford, Isaac Harris and J. J. Asberry, all of the class of 1900. According to the regulations of the trustees of our university, no chapter can pledge any man until the first of October of his sophomore year. Consequently, on the night of the thirtieth of September rushing was in order, and Φ Δ Θ went in for her share, securing all the men she invited.

Our chapter now numbers nine men, all the old men having returned except Bro. Askew. Bro. Roberson has come back to take law, and Bro. Patterson is still in business in the village. So, on the whole, our prospects for the year are very bright indeed. Bro. Winston has been elected captain of next year's base ball team.

We have changed our chapter hall to a more convenient and quieter place, and everything is now moving along smoothly.

There has been great rejoicing over the marked increase in the number of students in college this year. In size now our university ranks foremost among southern institutions, having at present on 'The Hill' four hundred and seventy-two men.

With this growth has also been seen increased enthusiasm for athletics. Our foot ball team has not been scored against this year, and we are again hoping for the championship of the south.

Yours in the Bond,

Chapel Hill, October 29, 1897. CHAS. H. JOHNSTON.

KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

Centre College had her usual propitious opening this fall, gaining almost, if not quite enough, new men to fill the large gap made by the graduation of last year's class. In spite of the number of new men, however, there was a marked falling off in that particular class from which Kentucky Alpha has been accustomed to select her members. Still, we feel that we are to be congratulated for our splendid success. Beginning the year with seven old men and one affiliate, Bro. Owsley Brown, Virginia Beta, of Louisville, Ky., we have gained by initiation Bros. James Campbell, Paducah, Ky.; Maurice Mayes, Mayfield, Ky., and Johnson and Witherspoon, Lawrenceburg, Ky.

Three members of the class of '97, Bros. Cook, Welsh and Sulser, have returned to attend the law school. Our chapter roll at present is smaller than it has been for several years, but we flatter ourselves that the high rank and standard of excellence attained in the past by Kentucky Alpha will in no way be allowed to suffer at our hands.

We had with us at the opening of college, Bros. Peyton B. Bethel, '97, of Louisville, Ky., who by his genial presence and strong influence did much toward starting things off well.

Centre's foot ball team, although weakened by the absence of many of her time-tried veterans, is still up to the usual standard, and the battle at Louisville on December 4 with the University of Virginia for the championship of the south promises to be a hard fought one. We are represented on the team by Bro. Cook, who was unanimously chosen captain.

With the hope that all of our sister chapters have fared as well as we, and with best wishes for their success in the future, I am

Very truly yours in the Bond,

Danville, November 17, 1897. GORDON SULSER.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

On the eighth of September, the university opened with more new men and brighter prospects than ever before. Five old Phis came back ready for work, and we did not work in vain, as we have initiated three worthy men and pledged one or two others. We have been most fortunate in having several old men come back after the university had opened. Bro. Speed, of Virginia Beta, affiliated with us. Bro. Allen, who was here in '95–'96, returned. Bro. Mourning returned to take a special course and prepare for the study of medicine. Bro. L. M. Smith, who was here in '95, is attending the college of law, which is a new branch of the university. The men we have in-

itiated are Bros. S. E. Booker, F. P. Bowles and J. R. Clark, all of Louisville, Ky.

With our present chapter we are confident that we can, as usual, more than hold our own in every way. We have always taken the lead in athletics, and this year we are more than keeping up our reputation. Bro. Jones was elected secretary and treasurer of the athletic association, and Bro. Blanton manager of the second foot ball team. Bro. Speed is captain of the 'varsity team. Four Phis have made the 'varsity: Bros. Speed, captain; Huffaker, S. E. Booker and F. Booker. Two have made the second team: Bros. Smith and Blanton. Although our team has made a poor showing in the games we have played, we have been fortunate in meeting Phis on our trips. We played in Nashville during the Φ Δ Θ reunion and enjoyed an initiation at the Vanderbilt chapter house. We had five of our chapter with us, so Kentucky Delta was well represented.

We were very much disappointed that Bros. Brink, Douglas and Hines failed to return to college. The foot ball team misses Brink, and his place there is hard to fill as he filled it.

Although foot ball has taken up much of the time of our members, we succeeded in giving a very pretty little dance in our hall a few weeks ago. Without a doubt the prettiest girls in Kentucky are in Richmond, and we appreciate very highly the way they treat our boys.

Yours fraternally,

Richmond, November 5, 1897. HARRY M. BLANTON.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The college year opened September 15 with the brightest prospects possible for the university, since Vanderbilt has now the largest number of students in her history.

This year found all the professors in their old places, but, unfortunately for the university, there was an almost general exodus of assistants and instructors. Among this number was Bro. C. P. Williams, '95, instructor in Latin, who now is teaching in a training school for boys in Little Rock, Ark.; his place here is filled by Bro. Andrew Sledd, Virginia Gamma, '92, who was last year at Harvard.

Although we felt keenly the loss of thirteen of our last year's chapter, our thinned ranks were soon repleted by our initiates and affiliates. It gives us great pleasure to introduce the following new Phis to the fraternity: Cicero Nichols, '99, Asheville, N. C.; W. W. Brockman, 1900, Atlanta, Ga.; Beard, '01, Hardinsburg, Ky.; G. Baskervill, '01, Staunton, Tenn.; Rice, '01, Nashville, Tenn.; C. Pilcher, '01, Nashville, Tenn.; N. S. Hendrix, '01, Kansas City, Mo.; H. V. Jones, '01, Kansas City, Mo.; and Macon Reed, '01, Nashville, Tenn. Bro. Reed took the prize of fifty dollars for the best entrance examination in Greek and Latin. We also heartily welcome among us Bro. McLester, of Virginia Zeta, and Bro. Jackson, of Mississippi Alpha. There are several other Phis from elsewhere in attendance at the university, but they do not intend to affiliate with us.

On October 30, at the request of Virginia Zeta, Tennessee Alpha had the pleasure of assisting the former chapter in the initiation of Mark Hutchins, of Chattanooga, Tenn. From what we saw of Bro. Hutchins we feel sure he would be a valuable addition to any chapter, and we congratulate our sister chapter on her success in securing him.

October 11, Vanderbilt day at the Tennessee centennial exposition, will long be remembered as a red-letter day in the history of the uni-

versity. The students in all the departments, being given a holiday, turned out *en masse* to take part in the celebration. Major Thomas, president of the centennial exposition, in behalf of the citizens of Nashville, formally presented a bronze statue of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt to the university. After a short speech of acceptance by Chancellor Kirkland, the oration of the day was delivered by the Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, who made the remarkable old Commodore the subject of a most appropriate address. It is unnecessary to say that he handled his subject in a masterly and most entertaining manner.

We quote as follows from the Vanderbilt *Observer:* 'The unveiling of the bronze statue of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt by some, not without reason, will be considered the most important event of the centennial in its entire six months. As was tersely shown by Chancellor Kirkland in his speech of acceptance, the munificence of the Vanderbilt family in establishing a great university in Tennessee has perhaps meant more to her than any other single fact in her history.' The statue has, since the close of the exposition, been removed from its place on the centennial grounds west of the Parthenon to its permanent site directly in front of University Hall.

In spite of quarantines and other hindrances, the double province reunion of Phi Delta Theta was by no means a failure, there being more delegates present than we had anticipated under the circumstances. All delegates reported chapters in a flourishing condition; all happily seemed to be impressed with the importance of the chapter house question, and nearly all of the chapters seem to have made some move in that direction.

Tennessee Alpha has naturally, on account of the centennial, had the opportunity of meeting many Phis; among them may be mentioned Bros. Earnest Hallman, of Atlanta, Ga.; Speers, of Macon, Ga.; Jones, of Washington City, who was connected with the government exhibit at the centennial; and Little, of the Chicago *Tribune*. We were especially fortunate in having Bro. Fred S. Ball, T. G. C., with us several times; Bro. Ball and his wife spent about three weeks in Nashville, being detained here on account of the yellow fever at their home.

Vanderbilt has an unusually strong foot ball team this year, which is making for itself an enviable record. We have not yet been scored against this season, and have defeated the following teams, all games being played on our athletic field: Kentucky University, 22-0; Central University, 14-0; Virginia Military Institute, 12-0; Kentucky State College, 50-0; and the University of North Carolina, 31-0. We have a game scheduled with the University of the South for Thanksgiving, and we will play the University of Virginia on December 6. Boogher, the captain, and Louis Farrell represent Φ Δ Θ on the team.

Fraternally yours,

Nashville, November 14, 1897. ERNEST S. JONES.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Since our last letter we have initiated the following men, whom I take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity: C. W. Gaskell, London, Eng.; R. E. Brake, M. D., Findlay, Ohio; Douglas Haggard, Nashville, Tenn.; M. P. DuBose, Sewanee, Tenn., and M. W. Levert, Mark, La. Brother Gaskell is a violinist of great repute, being a graduate of the Royal Conservatory of Music, Dresden. Bro. J. B.

Guthrie, of Louisiana Alpha, is with us, and we now have an enrollment of twenty.

Foot ball is the all-absorbing topic, and Phi Delta Theta is well represented on the team. Bro. Wilder is captain and quarter back, and your correspondent plays right end. Bros. Brake and Guthrie are substitutes. We have an unusually good team, and on October 30 we met the strong Auburn team and played them to a standstill, the final score being 0 to 0. The game that counts for all to Sewanee men, however, is the annual Thanksgiving match between Vanderbilt and Sewanee. It is a coincidence that the captains of the two teams are both Phis.

Beta and Gamma Provinces held a joint convention in Nashville, October 15 and 16, and from every standpoint, excepting a numerical one, the convention was a success. The yellow fever prevented quite a number of Gamma men from attending. Bro. G. B. Thomas acted as toastmaster at the banquet in his usual brilliant manner. Bro. Weed responded to his favorite theme, 'Southern Chapter Houses,' and Bro. Haggard eulogized 'The Sewanee Girl.' It was a great pleasure to be able to extend the grip to Brother Walter B. Palmer.

With greetings and best wishes for all sister chapters, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Sewanee, November 10, 1897. TOM S. PARROTT.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Georgia Alpha opened this year with the brightest prospects. September 15 found us snugly lodged in our beautiful new chapter house —the first in our history. Many of the old brothers and several visiting Phis spent the opening week with us. Among these were Bros. Myrick, Sanford, Keen, Dunlap, Hallman, Longeno and Wilkins.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of initiating the following men into the mysteries of Φ Δ Θ: Richard Martin Lester, Savannah, Ga.; Josiah Roy Nunnally, Monroe, Ga.; Nathaniel Macon Dudley, Americus, Ga.; Colonel Clifford Clay, Americus, Ga., and Hamilton McWhorter, Lexington, Ga.

By graduation or withdrawal from college, we have lost the following: Bros. Moreno, White, Brodwell, Sanford, Comak, Culver, P. Smith, Conner, Myrick and J. Price. Bro. Moreno, who has been with us for the past seven years, first as a student and later as a tutor, has left us for Clark University, where he is pursuing a course in mathematics, his chosen profession. Bros. White and Brodwell are at present in the State Normal School, in this city. Bro. Sanford has now entirely recovered from his recent severe illness caused by his being thrown from a buggy. Bro. Comak is engaged in the practice of law in this city, and has already proven himself one of the foremost members of the Athens bar. Bro. Myrick is practicing law in Savannah, where is associated with Hon. Fleming Du Bignon.

Bro. B. D. Watkins, '98, has been compelled to withdraw from college because of sickness. The latest news from him informs us of his rapid improvement. We hope to have him with us again after Christmas.

The sad termination of our foot ball career, by the death of Mr. Gammon in the Virginia vs. Georgia game, has cast a gloom over the whole college. Base ball practice has begun, however, as a substitute

for foot ball, and a preliminary series of class games is now being played.

With best wishes for a prosperous year to THE SCROLL, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Athens, November 19, 1897. U. H. DAVENPORT.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

The fall term opened very auspiciously last September for Emory College and Georgia Beta. An unusually large attendance was on hand, and the total enrollment will foot up something over three hundred students. Desirable fraternity material was in abundance, and never was chapter rivalry more active, or the spiking season more lively and brisk. Phi Delta Theta may well congratulate herself on the success of the Emory contingent. Nine men are the result of our work, and worthy Phis they are: Chas. A. Wilkins, Atlanta; Alvin H. Underwood, Atlanta; Gray Quinney, Waynesboro; Alfred C. Broom, Newnan—all of the class of 1901; I. S. Hopkins, Jr., Atlanta; Jesse M. Wood, Atlanta; Houston P. Houser, Perry—of the class of 1900; and A. Perry Griffin, Oxford, Ga., of '99. I have the pleasure also of introducing our pledged member, Walter Meadow, Atlanta, of 1902. This completes our list of initiates, and we now lean back and felicitate ourselves on securing nine such deserving men.

The chapter roster now records the names of twenty-two members, all zealously and harmoniously striving toward the upbuilding of Phi Delta Theta's cause. I regret to note the absence of Bros. Jenkins and Mumford, 1900, and trust their retirement from college is not permanent. The constituents of the chapter are found prominent in all the walks of college life. In the class-room, the debating societies and on the athletic field the Phis are numerously represented. I will not enter into detail or enumeration of the honors Phi Delta Theta is winning here; suffice it to say with all equity and freedom from vaunting, Georgia Beta stands abreast of the foremost chapter at Emory and acknowledges no superior.

Brother Bradley, '98, is our representative on the *Zodiac* staff.

The new college library is rapidly nearing completion and is a beautiful ornament to our campus.

We enjoyed a visit at the opening from Bro. Earnest Hallman, '96, of Atlanta, the most enthusiastic Phi I have ever met, who gave the chapter invaluable assistance and advice during the spiking season.

With heartiest greetings to all sister chapters, I am

Fraternally yours,

Oxford, November 17, 1897. FRANK S. PALMER.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Mercer University opened September 22 with by far the largest attendance she has ever had.

The faculty has been increased by three new professors, one of whom, Dr. B. D. Ragsdale, professor of theology, is an alumnus of Georgia Gamma. Bro. Pollock, an initiate of Georgia Gamma, who was formerly chairman of the faculty, has been chosen president of the university. Dr. Pollock is one of the leading educators of the south, and is eminently fitted for the high position he occupies.

Georgia Gamma lost four influential men by graduation last year. At commencement Bro. Pearson reflected great honor upon the Fra-

ternity as a champion debater for the Phi Delta literary society. We were represented on the staff of the college annual by Bros. Whitney, DeVaughn and Pearson.

The opening of this term has been one of unusual interest to fraternities here. There has been much good material, and the rushing has been spirited. We were very successful in obtaining new men and wish to introduce the following Phis: Bros. J. A. Kirven and Newsom Cooper, Columbus, Ga.; C. E. Murphey, Hamilton, Ga.; W. C. Gunn, Byron, Ga.; W. T. Ledbetter and Walter Pollock, Rome, Ga.; T. B. Pearson, Lumpkin, Ga.; Eugene Stetson and G. C. Price, Macon, Ga.; and J. M. Clark, Augusta, Ga. Of the above mentioned Bro. Pollock is the brother of our esteemed President.

Bros. B. M. Callaway and P. S. Pearson have been forced to leave college on account of severe illness. This is a matter of sincere regret, and we trust they will be able to return next term.

Bro. C. T. Turner was elected by the Phi Delta society as orator for founders' day, on December 16.

Owing to the accident in the Georgia-Virginia foot ball game, which resulted in the death of one of Georgia's players, the game is practically dead. Great interest was centered in our prospects, and justly so, for our future was more promising than ever. We were represented on the team by Bros. Turner, captain, Ledbetter and Kirven.

It was a matter of great pleasure to us to have with us as visitors and co-workers Bros. Massee and Hughes, also Bro. Speers, of Virginia Zeta.

With best wishes for success to all, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Macon, November 19, 1897. W. T. LEDBETTER.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

The university opened October sixth with fine prospects and an increased attendance. At a meeting of the trustees in June a chair of biology was established, and the following were elected to fill chairs in the university: James K. Powers, LL. D., president; John Y. Graham, Ph. D., professor of biology; George S. Wilkins, Ph. D., professor of civil engineering; and William B. Saffold, Ph. D., professor of Greek and Latin.

Last June we lost eleven men by graduation. The Phis, as usual, took off their share of the honors. Bros. George Searcy and Palmer Pillans were orators on commencement day. Bros. Bestor, Dunlap and Moody were entitled to contend for speakers' places, but were excused at their own request.

The rushing season has closed, and as a result of hard work we take the greatest pleasure in presenting to the Phi world the following: Bros. A. C. Garber, Lanesville; B. K. Craig, Selma; R. M. Snow, Tuskaloosa; J. C. Burns, Burnsville—all of 1900, and J. B. Garber, Lanesville; R. B. Robertson, Fayette; F. L. Milhous, Martin Station; J. R. Foeman, Springville—all of 1901. D. H. Minge, Faunsdale, has affiliated.

Great interest is being manifested this year in the two literary societies, and they are both doing excellent work. We are well represented in the list of officers, Bro. White being president of the Erosophic, and Bro. Owen vice-president of the Philomathic. The classes have had their elections of officers, and the Phis carried off more than their share of honors. Bro. Bestor is vice-president of '98; Bro. Clem-

ents is president of 1900; Bro. J. B. Garber is president of 1901; and Bro. Robertson is vice-president of 1901.

I regret to announce that our foot ball team will not be allowed to travel this year. As a result the boys are losing all interest in athletics, and college spirit seems to have received a death blow.

With best wishes for all Phis, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Tuskaloosa, November 1, 1897. FRANK C. OWEN.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

There was a great difference between the opening of college this session and last, so far as Phi Delta Theta was concerned. For, profiting by our experience of a year ago, we had eleven energetic Phis on hand the day before college opened, and such energy as they displayed has never been excelled in the history of this chapter or any other at Auburn. As a result of our efforts, I feel proud to say that we have captured all that we desired and could ask no more. So it is with the greatest pleasure that I present to the Phi world the following worthy brothers: Jas. A. Ward, Jr., '99, Huntsville, Ala.; A. M. Boyd, '99, Memphis, Tenn.; Emmet S. George, '99, Demopolis, Ala.; Carlyle Nisbet, '00, Macon, Ga.; R. S. Finch, '00, Montgomery, Ala.; J. J. Flowers, '00, Bolling, Ala.; E. W. Thompson, '01, Tuskegee, Ala.; F. P. Folmar, '01, Troy, Ala.; W. L. Burnett, '01, Eufaula, Ala.

Bros. Hightower, Landman, Rano, J. A. Matthews and W. E. Matthews, Minge and Chapman have not as yet returned, but we are in hopes that only a few days will pass before some, if not all of them, will be with us. We number at present nineteen, which gives us a splendid chapter—one that by no means falls short of our high standard.

It is with the tenderest and saddest feelings that I chronicle the death of Bro. James Aiken, Jr., '00, who died at his home in Gadsden, Ala., June 10, 1897. Bro. Aiken was one of our most promising men, both in the chapter and in the college. The vacancy he has left in our hearts and in our chapter can never be filled.

Bro. J. B. Hobdy, who was graduated with the class of '97, is back with us as graduate student in botany. He has charge of the gymnasium and was manager of the foot ball team before it disbanded, a position held by a Phi ever since foot ball has been played here. Auburn's 'varsity this year was by far the best that she has ever turned out. But owing to the cancellation of our Thanksgiving game with Georgia, and the amount of expense the athletic association would have had to incur to finish up the season, it was deemed best to disband for this year. Foot ball is by no means dead here, however, and next year will find Auburn represented by a strong team, as usual.

At commencement last session two of our brothers were the favored ones at the two leading social events. Bro. J. B. Hobdy led the senior class german, and Bro. J. B. Shivers filled the same role for the juniors. The gymnasium, which is a spacious hall, was used on both occasions, and never were prettier germans danced.

Of the ten men that we returned to college, promotion in the military department gave each an office, so at present every old man in the chapter is adorned with the insignia of rank.

We were represented at the Gamma province convention by Bro. A. McB. Ransom, who returned to us highly delighted with his trip and singing praises of Tennessee Alpha.

Taking it all in all, this promises to be a red-letter year for us. I have never seen such enthusiasm displayed as now characterizes our boys. The new hall, the pride of each one of us, seems to have done a great deal in this direction. At any time two or three boys can be found in the hall, and never on our street do you see a Phi who is not accompanied by others. With such an interest in each other and the Fraternity in general we are bound to make for the year a record that may be looked back upon with pride and pleasure.

With best wishes for THE SCROLL and our sister chapters, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Auburn, November 20, 1897. I. F. MCDONNELL.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The University of Mississippi opened on November 15, after a delay of two months, caused by the rigid quarantine in force on account of the prevalence of yellow fever in the southern portion of the state. However, the attendance on the opening day was larger than last session, and everything points to a most prosperous year.

Mississippi Alpha returned eight active men and by diligent rushing we have added eight new ones to our chapter. It is with pleasure that I introduce to the Phi world the following: S. S. Witherspoon, 1901, of Meridian; John M. Broach, 1901, of Meridian; Shelby Rouch, 1901, of Edwards; Joseph A. Spann, 1901, of Pelahatchie; Walter Weatherby, law, '99, of Durant; W. O. Pruitt, '99, of Houston; Richard N. Whitfield, 1900, of Steen's Creek; H. Lynn McCleskey, '99, of Atlanta, Miss. These men will, no doubt, prove to be worthy wearers of the sword and shield, and will reflect credit upon the Fraternity. We now have a chapter of sixteen enthusiastic Phis, and this year bids fair to be the most successful in the history of Mississippi Alpha. We hope to be able to report the initiation of another barbarian in our next letter.

The gulf states inter-collegiate oratorical association, composed of the University of Mississippi, the University of Alabama, the University of Georgia, and Tulane University, will hold its second annual contest here next spring. We hope to see $\Phi\,\Delta\,\Theta$ well represented.

On account of the late opening we will not have a regular 'varsity foot ball team, but we hope to make good our loss there by putting forth an unusually strong base ball team next season.

We extend a cordial invitation to all Phis to make us a visit when in Oxford.

Wishing all the chapters continued prosperity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

University, November 22, 1897. GEORGE LATHAM RAY.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Louisiana Alpha is in a very curious position. Tulane may not open before January 1, 1898, or it may open next week. Until it does open, we can do nothing. All our active members are out of the city, with the exception of Bros. Ludlow and H. Woods. We have been constituted a spiking committee, and have seen several desirable men, whom we expect to get.

Our strength will be about the same this year as last—ten or twelve men. So soon as college opens we expect to put through at least three or four.

We have not yet heard anything from the alumni chapter here. We hope they will help in the work when college opens.

With best wishes for the welfare of our brothers in Φ Δ Θ, I am

Yours in *Φι-κεία*,

New Orleans, November 7, 1897. H. N. WOODS.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The University of Texas opened her doors on September 29 for the year 1897-8, with more favorable prospects than ever before. Texas is very young but it is fast assuming an important position in the educational world. The favorable outlook for the university in no-wise discounted that of Texas Beta of Phi Delta Theta. Eight men were on hand at the beginning, and each was ready and anxious for the work.

Fraternity rivalry frequently becomes very heated at this institution, owing to the fact that there are only about three hundred and fifty male students, while there are ten fraternities whose membership must come from this number. This spirit of rivalry was unusually high this year, but Texas Beta has accomplished all that the most sanguine could hope for. Such fraternities as Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Alpha and Kappa Sigma were met in contest and defeated. These fraternities are among the best, and to win when pitted against such opponents is no easy task. Within a week six men were pledged, and six better men could not be picked from the incoming students. On October 5 the chapter initiated Bros. Waddey W. Battle, Edmond Thornton Miller, Rufus Lonsor Hardy, Leonard Marshall Dumas, Edgar E. Witt and Harry Peyton Steger, whom we are pleased to introduce. Of these initiates Bro. Battle is a senior, having entered on a certificate from another college, likewise Bro. Miller became a junior; Bro. Hardy is a junior law, while Bros. Dumas, Witt and Steger are freshmen.

The Phis are represented in every class in the university; we have one in the graduate department, one senior, five juniors, one sophomore, three freshmen, three senior laws and one junior law.

Bro. Lomax, who was graduated last June, is with us again this year. He is the presiding genius of the registrar's office, and in addition to his work for the university, is pursuing graduate studies. Bro. Donaldson, another of last year's graduates, is practicing law in San Marcos with good prospects of a lucrative clientage. Bro. Barker, our delegate to the Philadelphia convention, has just returned to the university within the last few days. He was detained at home by the illness and death of his mother, which came near rendering his return impossible. His arrival has made our roll number fifteen, with prospects that before this is printed others may be added to the list.

A spirit of enthusiasm pervades Texas Beta that has been sadly lacking in years past, and alumni say that our chapter is in better condition to-day than for many years.

We did not enter a house this fall because of circumstances that rendered the scheme impracticable at this time.

However, we have determined to procure a hall in which to hold our meetings, if such is possible. Arrangements were made for a suite of rooms in one of the most conveniently appointed office buildings in this city, but owing to a transfer of the property our plans were baffled. But we are going to make another trial, and feel confident that our efforts will bring better results.

Texas Beta was highly honored the latter part of October by a visit from Bro. R. A. D. Wilbanks, prominent in fraternity affairs just after the war. Bro. Wilbanks spent several days in Austin on business, and more than once in an informal way entertained the boys with reminiscences of the old days while the Fraternity was yet in its infancy.

In October, '31, the chapter held a special meeting in honor of our visiting brother, and the autumn evening was made short by his interesting stories of fraternity life during the civil war and of the days when there only existed four chapters, with Centre College as Grand Alpha.

The whole Fraternity has probably read of the founding of the chapter at the old University of Chicago, but such a written account is devoid of interest when compared to the manner in which Bro. Wilbanks related how he secured the charter and alone initiated the entire chapter. Bros. Kohlsaat and Smith, cuts of whom appeared in a recent SCROLL, were among those whom Bro. Wilbanks thus transformed from barbarians into Greeks in a single hour.

Just after the war Bro. Wilbanks was the ruling spirit in Phi Delta Theta affairs and in this capacity became intimately acquainted with William F. Vilas, Adlai Stevenson, Jos. C. S. Blackburn and all others who were then prominently identified with the Fraternity.

Texas Beta was greatly benefited by the visit of our distinguished brother, and his enduring loyalty to the Fraternity will ever be emulated.

The year 1896–7 added the Phi Phi Phi fraternity to the list of Greek letter societies in the University of Texas, and now the year 1897–8 ushers in still another, making the total number ten. The last fraternity to enter the university is Alpha Tau Omega. The local chapter has an active membership of four, with several resident members.

With best wishes for a successful year for Phi Delta Theta, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Austin, November 20, 1897. TOM T. CONNALLY.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

It gives us a great deal of pleasure to report the present standing of our chapter. It has never been very large in numbers, and we feel the loss of any member very keenly. Last June our five oldest men were graduated from the university with honor to themselves and the Fraternity. Bro. Holmes was salutatorian of his class and won the senior orator's medal. Bro. Herren, for the Alamo society, was winner of the championship debate by a unanimous vote. Bro. Henderson was elected one of the senior orators for commencement. Bros. Rucker and Biggs, two of the next oldest men, did not return to the university, and the success of the chapter for this year was dubious. Four freshmen, one senior and one pledged man constituted Texas Gamma two days before school opened.

The members devoted themselves diligently to the selection of new material, and rejoice to be able to introduce Bros. Ralph A. Graves, Wm. G. Swenson and Harry O. Knight. The first report of this year has already shown that we were fortunate in the addition of these three. Bro. Chas. W. Brooks, an initiate of '94–'95, has just re-entered the university and adds much strength and interest to the chapter.

We are under many obligations to our province president, Bro. Schuyler Poitevent, for his letters of encouragement and advice. The chapter is on a sure foundation for many years to come. Wishing the greatest success to the Fraternity this year, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Georgetown, November 3, 1897. J. H. McLEAN.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Owing to some misunderstanding on the part of the reporter as to when copy should be sent in, Ohio Alpha's first letter to THE SCROLL was too late for publication in the October issue, but we hope to reach our sister chapters in this issue and let them know of our success.

Miami opened her doors on September fifteenth with an increased enrollment. Generally speaking, a greater number of desirable men entered than for some years previous. Of these, Ohio Alpha was not backward in claiming her share.

Though we are not the fortunate possessors of a chapter house at present, we expect to be comfortably situated in a house before the close of this school year if a good house can possibly be secured.

On Saturday, September eighteenth, we initiated into the mysteries of Φ Δ Θ Horace Cooper Shank, special, Hamilton, Ohio; Stanley Farren Van Pelt, 1901, Wilmington, Ohio; Charles McChristie Hendricks, 1901, Gratis, Ohio. On Saturday, October second, we added to our chapter list by initiation, Stanley Beery Van Deman, 1900, Washington C. H., Ohio; Hugh Daniel Schell, 1901, Hamilton, Ohio, and Carl Herman Mason, 1901, Hamilton, Ohio. After the initiation ceremonies we were served with a sumptuous banquet, at which Bro. R. J. Shank, Ohio Zeta, '97, acted as toastmaster. We have also pledged F. M. Bowen, 1901, Logan, Ohio, and E. A. Beall, Augusta, Ga. Ohio Alpha is now on the high road to success, and we claim to have one of the most congenial chapters of Φ Δ Θ anywhere.

We opened our social season with a dance on September twenty-fourth, which afforded our new men an opportunity of meeting our loyal Phi girls.

Bro. George F. Jackson, of Ohio Delta, has entered Miami and expects to be affiliated with us shortly.

We take pleasure in acknowledging visits since the beginning of the year from Brothers R. J. Shank, S. D. Giffen and F. D. Temple, of Hamilton, Ohio; A. C. Shaw and G. R. Eastman, of Eaton, Ohio; C. A. Kumler and F. B. Yingling, of Seven Mile, Ohio, and C. A. Macauley, of Dayton, Ohio.

The many friends of Bro. H. E. Martindale will be surprised to hear of his marriage in Milwaukee, where he is now living.

Miami's foot ball team is doing excellent work this year. Numerous dates have been secured, and we expect to make a fine showing. We are represented on the team by Bros. Shank and Van Pelt.

Φ Δ Θ is also well represented on the college publication, *The Miami Student*, Bro. Stokes being editor-in-chief and Bro. Zwick an associate.

Trusting that our sister chapters of Φ Δ Θ, and especially Ohio Eta, have been as successful as we in starting the new college year, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Oxford, October 19, 1897. KARL H. ZWICK.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

We have initiated into Phi Delta Theta and take great pleasure in introducing, C. R. Cary, Millersburgh, O.; E. H. Cherington, Sedalia, O.; J. F. McAnally, Carbondale, Ill.; and F. B. Cherington, Delaware, O. Fraternity material has been scarce, but we have secured the best of it, not once having been 'let down.' We have succeeded in pledging W. W. Blackman, Waseon, O., and B. Bowker and D. Bowker, Delaware, O., who will make good Phis.

Bro. Kohl, president of the local debating league, has been elected vice-president of the inter-collegiate league of Ohio.

Foot ball is the all-absorbing topic at Ohio Wesleyan this fall. Never before in the history of the school has such enthusiasm been shown, and never before have the wearers of the red and black been so victorious. Only once have we been beaten and then not overwhelmingly. Coach Yost, of the last year's champion Lafayette team, has more than fulfilled all expectations. Phi Delta Theta is represented by D. Bowker, as quarterback. He is playing a magnificent game, and the general consensus of opinion is that O. W. U. has never had a better quarter. Bro. Morgan is substitute end.

We have enjoyed a visit from Brother T. Watson, '97, of Berea, O., formerly of Ohio Delta, and from Brother DeWitt of Ohio Zeta.

Phi Gamma Delta has seen fit to expel one of her members. No reasons have been given, and the chapter seems to be in considerable turmoil.

Should any of our brothers in the Bond chance to be in Delaware, we will assure them a true Phi welcome. Our latch-string is always on the outside.

Ohio Beta extends her best wishes to every sister chapter in our grand old Fraternity; may they be successful in all their efforts!

Yours in the Bond,

Delaware, November 22, 1897. C. P. MORGAN.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The fall term now drawing to a close has been one of the most important in O. U.'s history. A standard has been reached in athletics which compares favorably with that of the best colleges and universities of the west. Our foot ball team holds the championship of West Virginia, and was to have played Ohio Wesleyan University here December 4, for the championship of Ohio. O. W. U. frankly acknowledged that it was afraid of being defeated and forthwith broke the agreement, and Ohio now claims championship honors. Our team in nine hard fought battles with the best college teams of the state has scored 152 points to opponents' 26. The team has been under the direction of coach W. S. Ford, of Colgate. Ohio Gamma had but one applicant for the team this year, Bro. Ralph O'Bleness, who is looked upon as one of the strongest foot ball men in college.

Dr. Arthur Allin, who held the chair of psychology and pedagogy, resigned to fill a similar position in the University of Colorado. The vacancy has not yet been filled. Prof. Phillips has recently organized a choral society, in which Ohio Gamma is represented by ten brothers. The chapter was very successful in her campaign against the barbarians this term and feel justly proud in presenting to the Fraternity five worthy men: Bros. Door, C. Casto, James P. Wood, Dwight L. Witman, Ralph O'Bleness, and Herbert J. Herrold; pledged, Max Mathues and Eugene Tinker.

Our hall is undergoing numerous changes and repairs in the way of fancy arches, painting, heating apparatus, etc., so that by January 1st Ohio Gamma will have a hall of which she may be justly proud. Our hall is situated at the entrance of the campus, where we will be glad to welcome all visiting Phis, and all brothers who expect to attend the state oratorical contest to be held here next February.

Yours in the Bond,

Athens, November 30, 1897. W. K. SCOTT.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

While the foot ball season did not open very promisingly, there was hope for rapid development of the raw material. However, anticipations along this line have not been realized. Seldom have we had a team which was compelled to struggle against such heavy odds. First we lost a large number of experienced players, then the faculty promulgated rules as to class standing and freshmen, which deprived the team of several strong men. As a consequence, the team has not a single victory to its credit, with but the Thanksgiving game before us. We entertain hope of defeating our old friends from Ohio Wesleyan on that day.

On the other hand, base ball seems to be in a most favorable condition. The schedule is about filled and will contain few foreign engagements, owing to the faculty's decree. The team has lost but two old men.

The *Makio* board has experienced considerable inconvenience in organizing this fall. After about four skirmishes, it has been finally selected, and we can expect a good number for this year.

We learn with a degree of regret of the withdrawal of the charter from Ohio Delta. Our history of recent years has been interwoven to quite a degree with that of Ohio Delta. But we should feel confident that the General Council has discharged its duty for the Fraternity's weal.

We think Columbus should commend itself to all as the most convenient location within Ohio for the convention of 1898. Columbus contains about 40 Phis, who are organizing themselves into an alumni chapter. Ohio Zeta would gladly join them in sharing the honors of entertaining the semi-centennial convention.

We introduce the following as our quota of new Phis since our last communication: H. P. Senter, 1901, Columbus, Ohio; C. G. Bond, '99, Columbus, Ohio; R. C. Reed, '98, Norfolk, Va.; E. B. Grant, 1901, Grooveport, Ohio, pledged.

Bro. Erdman has been made second lieutenant. Bro. Schlesinger is law school reporter on *The Lantern*. Bro. DeWitt is treasurer of the athletic association. Bro. Bock was elected president of the senior class after quite a spirited contest. Bro. Bond represents us on the *Makio* board.

Bro. J. C. Hughes, of Washington and Jefferson, has entered the law school and will affiliate with us. He is expected to make the 'varsity base ball team this year. Bro. Barringer is leader of the university banjo club. Bro. Schlesinger was elected to Phi Delta Phi.

We are pleased to announce visits from following Phis: Dr. T. L. Hughes, of Piqua, a charter member of Ohio Gamma; ex-H. G. C. Marble, Bro. and Mrs. F. S. Ball, and Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown. We wish all Phis to feel free to call upon us when in Columbus.

Fraternally,

Columbus, November 19, 1897. I. M. FOSTER.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

The rushing season at Case is now practically over, and Ohio Eta has had two initiations. We feel that in our new role—a chapter of the leading Greek fraternity—our task of getting the best men who come here has been infinitely lessened; for we now stand upon an equal footing in every respect with the local chapter of Zeta Psi.

On October 15 we held our first initiation, at which we were honored and ably assisted by S. Emerson Findley, our former province president, who acted as master of ceremonies, L. C. McLouth, Michigan Beta, Dr. W. H. Merriam, Vermont Alpha, W. B. Tiffany, Ohio Beta, E. L. Findley, Ohio Epsilon, E. B. Baltzley, Ohio Delta, L. R. C. Eberhard, Ohio Epsilon, and three of our own alumni. The usual banquet followed the initiation, Bro. Shlesinger, '96, acting as toastmaster. The initiates so far are D. W. Jones, '98, J. P. Alexander, '99, C. B. Clyne, '00, Lawrence Basset, Bertram Quarrie and Malcolm Cleveland, of '01; we present them as worthy brothers in the Bond. We have pledged Wilbur Watson, '98, George Yost, '01, and Rolin Lusk, '01.

Bro. Hoyt, '98, has left us to accept a position in the government service as an assistant assayer at Deadwood, S. Dak.

We were recently favored by a visit from Bro. Dwight N. Marble, ex-H. G. C., who chanced in on us during our regular meeting. Bro. Greers, Georgia Beta, was in the city for a short time and attended our meetings while here.

Case has a strong foot ball team this fall. The following are the results of games played up to date: Case, 4, Balwin Wallace, 0; Case, 14, Ohio State, 0; Case, 70, Wittenberg, 0; Case, 50, Kenyon, 0; Case, 10, Oberlin, 16. Phi Delta Theta is well represented on the team by five out of the eleven men.

The local society, Omega Psi, has been extremely unfortunate in the loss by death of three of her members this last year.

The Epsilon Epsilon chapter of Theta Nu Epsilon seems to be going backward this fall; one would hardly know that it existed here.

Bro. Quarrie has been elected president of the freshman class. Mr. Yost is secretary and Bro. Cleveland is senator of the same class.

In closing we wish to urge all Phis who may come to Cleveland, whether on business or pleasure, to stop with us.

In the Bond,

Cleveland, November 20, 1897. FRANK HULETT.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

It is indeed a pleasure to be able to say in this my first letter to THE SCROLL that Indiana University holds her high rank this year as before among the great universities of the west, and that Indiana Alpha of Phi Delta Theta keeps pace with the rapid strides of the university.

The enrollment this year exceeds that of any previous year, and by the end of the spring term we expect to pass the long coveted number of one thousand students. We have a foot ball team that can make a game interesting for any team in the state, and of which we are all duly proud.

Indiana University will send out this year by far the best glee and mandolin club and male quartette she has ever had. The club will make a tour through Illinois during the Christmas vacation, giving fifteen concerts. In the spring vacation it will probably go through northern Indiana.

Our chapter numbers only seventeen men this term, which is six or eight fewer than we usually have. However, we are coming in for a good share of university honors. We have four Phis on the glee club, one on the male quartette, three in the mandolin club, one on the chapel quartette, three in the college band, one each on the foot ball team, the lecture board and the student advisory board.

Bro. Ruby, '97, is doing graduate work and is a tutor in Greek. Bro. Crow, '94, is taking the law course.

I am glad to introduce three noble men who have recently donned the sword and shield: Bro. J. Earl Woodbury, Union City, Ind., Bro. B. Frank Miller, Vermont, Ind., and Bro. Otto Klein, Mt. Vernon, Ind. Bro. Woodbury is a good musician, and will either be leader or solo cornetist of the college band. Bro. Miller is a graduate of the Indiana State Normal and is a strong student. Bro. Klein, for a young man, has had a very extensive experience in European travel.

In a social way Indiana Alpha keeps up her old standard, and three or four times this term our halls have witnessed the merry scenes that always distinguish a Phi gathering.

We have our eyes open for more new men, and I believe we shall be able next time to introduce some of them.

Yours in the Bond,

Bloomington, November 6, 1897. ERNEST P. WILES.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Wabash College began the present year with increased attendance, much college spirit and excellent material for the fraternities. This year we support no foot ball team but have turned our attention to track athletics; on October 16 we held our fall field meet, in which Phi Delta Theta was well represented. A college band, glee club and mandolin club have been organized, in all of which Phis are interested.

All of our men returned this year with the exception of Bro. Malone, who was graduated, and Bro. Mull, '99. A long and hard fought spiking season has just been brought to a close, and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has received more than her share of the spoils. We have initiated and beg to introduce Karl Courtland Banks, special, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Joseph S. Bartholomew, 1901, Valparaiso, Ind.; John Miles Mitchell, '98, Charleston, Ill.; Michael Emmet Foley, '99, Wingate, Ind. We have pledged Kester Bruce Shields, 1902, Seymour, Ind.; William Wilbors Wilson, special, Roachdale, Ind.; and Rufus Winesett Romine, 1901, South Bend, Ind.

Last year closed with $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in the lead: We held both batting and fielding averages on the base ball team, besides having Bro. Byers as manager. Bro. Malone won the standing broad jump at the state field meet; Bro. Byers won the junior Austin prize debate; Bro. Foley, the sophomore oratorical contest; and Mr. Meisenhelder, pledged, was one of the contestants in the senior preparatory contest. This year found us with a good lead in the way of offices, and we have already added greatly to the list. Bro. Byers, having served so well as base ball manager, has been re-elected for the coming season. He is also business manager of *The Wabash*, manager of the glee club and of the mandolin club and is vice-president of the state oratorical association. Bro. Banks is in the band and the glee club, as well as the quartette. Bro. Bartholomew is also in the glee club and quartette. Bro. Ensminger is in the glee club and the band. Mr. Romine is in the glee club. Bro. Mitchell is president of the Y. M. C. A. and as-

sistant business manager of *The Wabash*. Bro. Hayes is vice-president of the sophomore class. Bro. Griesel is treasurer of the junior class, college correspondent for the Indianapolis *Journal* and fraternity editor on the *Ouiatenon* board. Trusting that all chapters have been faring equally well, I am Yours in the Bond,

MARSHALL VANMETER ROBB.

Crawfordsville, November 14, 1897.

INDIANA GAMMA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

Entrance examinations, Thanksgiving and Christmas—the three milestones in the first term's work! The second we have just passed, and Indiana Gamma has no occasion to feel that she has loitered by the way, for she has proven her right to the assertion that she is 'first in spiking, first in peace and first in the hearts of the Butler girls.'

We lost seven men by graduation and one failed to return, Almon Mace, who is now at Purdue. Thus far this year Φ Δ Θ has six new Butlerites worshiping at her shrine, whom I now gladly introduce to the Phi world: Bros. Harvey Hadley, '01, Herbert K. Wiley, '01, and Lawrence B. Davis, '00, all of Indianapolis; Bro. John Williams, '01, Wabash, and Bro. John Cunningham, '01, Fincastle. We have also pledged Lew Wallace, '02, Brownstown, Ind., making a total of thirteen men, including Bros. Lister and Blount, '97, who are pursuing a graduate course.

As usual Φ Δ Θ opened the social season with an informal reception and dance on Hallowe'en. About twenty-five couples were present, and all had a royal time. A few evenings after Thanksgiving the Phi rooms were the scene of a good old-fashioned taffy pulling, the decorations and refreshments being in keeping with the occasion.

Our foot ball team, like many a Klondike claim, 'didn't pan out very well,' the distance between the various departments of the university making it impossible to get the men together for regular practice.

It is with the greatest pleasure that we record the calls of Bro. Mull of Wabash and Bro. Whallon of Hanover. We appreciate them and extend to all wandering Phis a hearty invitation to partake of the hospitality of Indiana Gamma. In the Bond,

VIRGIL DALRYMPLE.

Irvington, November 30, 1897.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Franklin opened this fall with a smaller number of Phis enrolled than for a number of years, only six active men. We accordingly spiked hard and were successful in taking three men from our rivals, while we lost only one to them. We have initiated Guy Guthrie, 1901, of Greensburg, Harry Paskins, 1901, and Will W. Wilson, 1901, both of Franklin, and have pledged Harry Bowser, 1903, of Fort Wayne, and Roy Hinchman, 1901, of North Vernon, Ind. The latter we will initiate the first of next term.

We have the promise of an enclosed athletic park before spring, the money having been raised by the formation of a stock company composed mostly of the alumni of the college, and we await only the selection of the grounds and the incorporation of the company.

The college paper, *The Kodak*, which for the past year has not been published, has been revived, and the first number will appear before

this letter does. Bro. Moore, '98, was selected as business manager and was also chosen as the representative of the students on the board of directors of the new athletic association. Bro. Kenney has been elected president of the class of '99. Bro. Monroe, '98, has succeeded to the place of Bro. Noland on the executive committee of the state oratorical association, Bro. Noland not having returned this fall.

Bro. Clark R. Parker, '97, is completing a course at the Boston Conservatory of Music, and will next spring succeed Prof. Dungan, in the chair of music. Phi Delta Theta will then have five men on our faculty.

Bro. Jesse L. Holman, who was elected reporter, will return to college in a few days. Yours in the Bond of Φ Δ Θ,

PARLEY W. MONROE.

Franklin, November 18, 1897.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Near the opening of the term it was deemed advisable to move our quarters, and as a result the old Phi 'corner brick' now stands vacant, to the unfeigned delight of our former neighbors and the expressed sorrow of our new ones. But slumber deferred should increase its appreciation. The coziness and completeness of our new home needs no description. We announce our success in spiking by the following list: Bro. T. H. Jenkins, Warren, Pa., and Bro. H. G. Garber, Madison, Ind., initiated; T. H. Masterson, Rockport, Ind., pledged, and M. E. Garber, Madison, Ind., who will be initiated in the near future, making, with those announced in our last letter, an accession of seven for the year. Opening with six we now hold thirteen, the unluckiness of which number has in no wise made itself apparent. During the term we have had visits from Bros. Nelson, Deibler, Bridges, Forbes and Bowman, all formerly of Hanover, part of whom were with us to assist in our initiatory ceremonies. A banquet following the initiation tended to sooth the lacerated feelings of our initiates.

Phi Delta Theta has not taken a hidden position of late. Bro. Oldfather has been elected editor-in-chief of the college annual and associate editor of the college journal. Bro. Whallon was again elected manager of the foot ball team, while on it we are further represented by four regular and two substitute players. The presidency of the college oratorical association is held by a Phi, and in the coming contest we will be represented by one of our chapters. Our foot ball team has only played two games as yet, but in neither have we been defeated, having thirty points to four of our opponents. We have two Phis on the mandolin club. Bro. Pearson went as a delegate to the state Y. M. C. A. convention at Evansville the past week.

During the present week a reception will be held in honor of our new men. Our chapter is stronger than for several years past, and with our numerical strength and a prospective loss of but one by graduation, we can see no shallows ahead. We are always glad to meet fellow Phis and extend a hearty invitation to all to visit us, assuring them a cordial reception. Yours fraternally,

T. C. WHALLON.

Hanover, November 8, 1897.

INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

At the opening of the college year in September, Indiana Zeta returned 12 initiates and 4 pledged men. From 1901 we secured 6 men, the pick of the class, and did not lose a spike.

The following men have been initiated into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta: A. N. Doyle, Van Buren, Ind.; L. D. Macey, E. Roller and H. L. Hancock, Newman, Ill.; X. H. Edwards, Fairmount, Ind.; Earl C. Walker, New Albany, Ind.; Fred L. Sims, Charles H. Baird and Forest Cartwright, Portland, Ind.

Of last year's men who have not returned, Bro. Reat is teaching school at Mt. Meridian, Ind.; Bro. Collings is principal of the high school at Cicero; Bro. Crowder is preaching at Russelville.

Bro. Sims has been elected president of the freshman class; Bro. Hancock, captain of the freshman foot ball team; Bro. Smith is secretary of the oratorical association.

The foot ball team has labored under the disadvantages of faculty opposition and student indifference, and has not come up to its usual high standard. We defeated the Indianapolis Training School 22 to 0, and lost to Purdue and Notre Dame by scores of 8 to 0 and 4 to 0, respectively. Bro. F. Roller is captain and guard, Bro. Foxworthy, sub. guard; Bro. F. Cartwright played half back the early part of the season.

In the military department, Bro. Mead is first lieutenant and adjutant; Bro. Doyle is a sergeant; Bro. F. Roller is lieutenant in the artillery.

Bro. Ruick, '97, is at Yale. Bro. Prosser, '97, is professor of physics in the New Albany high school. Yours in Φι-κεία,

CHAS. B. CAMPBELL.

Greencastle, November 4, 1897.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Theta lost by graduation five of the best men who ever entered Purdue. They were prominent in both social and college life and are greatly missed in the chapter. We wish them the highest success in life, and the positions they already occupy indicate that they are well started on the way. Bro. Kirk is an electrician at Jacksonville, Ill.; Bro. Moore, assistant city engineer, La Fayette, Ind.; Bro. Morse, with the Wabash Bridge Works, Wabash, Ind.; Bro. Wheeler, with the La Fayette Bridge Works; and Bro. Tschentscher, a student at Cornell.

The race after men has resulted in a decisive victory for Φ Δ Θ. We have initiated Jay Byron Dill, Jr., 1900, and Herbert Martin Woolen, 1900, and pledged Harry Rudolf Wilson, 1901, all of Indianapolis, men of whom Indiana Theta is justly proud, and who were desperately sought after by all the fraternities.

In university affairs Purdue has been rather quiet this fall, the calm being disturbed only now and then by a victory or a defeat of our rather unlucky foot ball team. Church, the famous Princeton tackle, and Poe, the Princeton half back and coach, have each coached our men, but we lack the material for a western championship team and are out of the race for this year. The second week in November witnessed the arrival of our new Schenectady locomotive for the mechanical engineering department. It is of a special design by Prof. W. F. M. Goss of Purdue, and its principal feature is its adaptability for either simple or compound running. It takes the place of 'Schenectady No. 1' in our locomotive experimental laboratory, which is the only completely equipped plant of its kind in the world. The results obtained from tests on the old locomotive have proven inval-

uable to the builders and railroad men alike, and a very useful career is in store for 'No. 2.'

With best wishes and a hearty welcome to all Phis, from Purdue's loyal chapter, I remain Yours in Φι-κεία,

PERCY H. BATTEN.

La Fayette, November 14, 1897.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The university opened on October 1, and the attendance has steadily increased until the number stands somewhere over 3,200—higher by 200 than ever before. Of this number there are some 350 eligible men (literary and engineering students) in the freshman class.

The fraternity year opened somewhat earlier, for we put our house in order and pledged 4 men before college opened, and since then we have pledged 4 more. Of these, 5 are initiated, so that with the 12 men who returned to active membership, the roll counts 17. The chapter has been unusually well represented this year in the professional fraternities, Bros. Matthews and Thayer having joined Φ Δ Φ and Bro. George Lowrie Ν Σ Ν, a fraternity which has absolute choice of men in the medical department of the university.

This year witnesses the first change for many years in the occupant of the executive chair of the university. Prof. H. B. Hutchins, formerly dean of the law department, is now acting president during the absence of Dr. Angell as U. S. minister to Turkey. No change is noticeable, however, in the government of the institution. In fact, the administrative board displays the same determination this year that it did last, to break up the organization of the 'varsity glee, mandolin and banjo clubs. The fact that the clubs have been refused permission to give a single concert outside of town this year is of considerable interest to us, as Bro. Palmer is leader of this year's banjo club, and as we have three other men on the various clubs.

Foot ball, however, suffers from no such discouragements, for not only does the faculty withhold almost all restrictions, but the financial support of the student body has been greater than ever before. Our foot ball representation, on the 'varsity, at least, is a thing of the future. At present, we have four men on the freshman team, but it might be well to add that their accomplishments are not limited to that one field.

Of last year's four graduates, the two who did not return to follow a professional course are now enjoying excellent positions: Bro. Miller, as instructor in chemistry in the Kansas City Manual Training School, and Bro. Woodward, as assistant to an expert mining and mechanical engineer.

There are more than the usual number of Phis from other chapters in attendance here this year. At the present time Bro. Chapin, of Michigan Beta, and Bro. Young, of Iowa Beta, are our only affiliates.

In conclusion, just a word concerning the note in the last SCROLL, taken from the Delta Upsilon *Quarterly*. It charges us with having changed sides in an inter-fraternity struggle and calls this a 'contemptible flop.' We do not consider a defense necessary, but wish to state the facts. In the 'final struggle' we were *with* Delta Upsilon, and not until *after* our victory and in the general readjustment which followed did we become associated with *some* of the old *Palladium* fraternities, while Delta Upsilon was in a similar way associated with *other* members of the old organization. In charging us with having

changed sides, Delta Upsilon evidently regards herself as a sort of land-mark, and in so doing gives further proof of the egotism displayed when she claimed to have been the leader of the winning side.

Wishing Phis the world over a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and reminding them that the latch-string is always out at the door of Michigan Alpha, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Ann Arbor, November 19, 1897. FRED R. HOOVER.

MICHIGAN BETA, MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE.

We begin the college year with the largest freshman class in our history. Good material is not wanting. We have initiated three men and are looking up several whom we expect to pledge. We take great pleasure in introducing our new brothers, Frank Gunn, '00, and Arthur Lyons and Lucian Kendrick, '01. We feel they will prove an honor to the Fraternity and our chapter.

We lost two men last year by graduation. Brother Walter Amos is now instructor in mechanical drawing in Detroit, and Bro. Chas. Hermann is engaged in business with his father. Bro. Cornelius Chapin left at the end of the last winter term. He entered the U. of M. this year to take a course in electrical engineering. We understand he affiliates with Michigan Alpha.

Bros. Morgan Morgans, '00, Frank Smith, '00, and Frank Longyear, '00, did not return to college this year.

Bro. Chas. Alvord, '95, has been appointed by the state board of agriculture to fill the place left vacant by Prof. A. A. Crozier in the experimental station. We enjoy an occasional visit from him.

The foot ball season has been a success. The men have been in active training since the beginning of the year under the competent instruction of a U. of M. coach. This, together with the excellent material, makes the strongest eleven we have ever placed on the gridiron. We are represented by Bro. E. J. Price, '00, as left guard.

An appropriation of $5,000 has been allowed for the erection of a new electric light plant. Henceforth we hope to have our rooms lighted by electricity.

Arrangements have been made whereby the street car line now enters the college grounds, and we are therefore conveniently connected with Lansing, three miles away.

By our next letter we expect to have a number of other initiates to introduce.

With best wishes to the Fraternity, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Lansing, November 18, 1897. A. B. KRENTEL.

MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Although only three of last year's members returned to college this fall, and we have been somewhat handicapped by unavoidable circumstances, we are now hustling and can predict a strong chapter by the winter term. We have pledged one of the best all-around men in college and expect soon to put the button on one or two more. At present we have three active and six pledged men.

Next term Bros. Smith and Campbell will be in college, and two pledged members will be eligible for initiation. We expect to rent a suite of rooms, which we will use as we did our house.

H. S. Myers, '95, our reporter, has been seriously ill since the second week of the fall term, but is now some better.

Thanksgiving day we enjoyed a visit from President Palmer, who was passing through Hillsdale. In the evening we had a very fraternal visit with him at the hotel.

The college has more and a better class of students than last year. Our prospects for the year are looking brighter, and with hard work we will have a strong chapter.

Yours in the Bond,

Hillsdale, November 26, 1897. VERNE G. MYERS.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha lost seven men last June, and the chapter began this fall with six members. Last Friday night we initiated the following: Joseph Brown, 1900; George Moore, 1900; Edward Hammett, 1901; Neal D. Tomy, 1901; Claude Seek, 1901; Center Case, 1901; Frank Phelps, 1901. We expect to be able to add to this list in the next letter. The men we have been fortunate enough to get this fall are the pick of the new comers, and their accession again places the chapter at the head of the eight chapters at Northwestern. Besides ourselves, this year Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Chi have been successful in getting men. The other five fraternities have fallen below their standards.

We have rented for the year a cozy suite of rooms at 1603½ Orrington avenue, facing Fountain square, in the center of Evanston. We are planning a tally-ho party for the Thanksgiving game between Northwestern and Wisconsin. The recent faculty decree that no organization shall give more than one evening party during the year will be observed by our chapter. The general chairmanship and leadership of the Pan-Hellenic promenade falls to Phi Delta Theta this year. Our party will be given in February, probably at the Country club house.

Bro. Conner, '97, is now teaching Greek in the Academy; Bro. F. W. McCasky, '97, is engaged in business in Minneapolis; Bro. C. A. Stewart, '97, is in business in Chicago; Bro. E. S. Hutchins, '97, is studying medicine in Chicago; Bro. T. M. Fowler, ex-'97, is in business in Evanston; Bro. R. A. Noble, ex-'98, is at the Northwestern Medical School; Bro. Ward Marble, ex-1900, is in business at Crown Point, Ind.

Northwestern University is prospering this year. The enrollment is larger than ever before. A few changes have been made in the faculty. In the chair of Continental history Prof. Stanclift has been replaced by Prof. James, of Cornell, Iowa, and in the department of French Prof. Wheeler is succeeded by Prof. Balliot, of Indiana University. Prof. Hatfield, who spent last year traveling in Germany, has returned and taken up this work as head of the department of German. The university has been the recipient of a large sum from the Fayerweather estate, and a new academy building and gymnasium are things of the near future. Improvements have been made at Sheppard field for the accommodation of the foot ball team, which, though not as successful as might have been desired, has given a good account of itself, considering the fact that most of the men are new at the game.

Our chapter is located so near Chicago that we might reasonably expect even more calls than we receive from the Phis residing in and visiting the city. We know that there are a great many living near us that we have never met. With a chapter in Chicago and a chapter at Northwestern, no Phi in or near Chicago need feel that he has no place to go where he will be made welcome and shown a good time. Come to see us.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Evanston, November 1, 1897. GEORGE ELMER MOORE.

ILLINOIS BETA, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The first term of the winter quarter at The University of Chicago has just closed, and with it passes a period of unusual activity in the development of Illinois Beta. During this time we have experienced all the vicissitudes of house seeking and furnishing in the midst of a rushing season which our competitors have made unusually trying, and now, having added two men to our number, and being comfortably established in a cozy flat, we are looking hopefully forward to a year of growth and prosperity such as hitherto we have hardly dared hope for.

Illinois Beta returned but four men this fall, being greatly handicapped at the outset by the temporary withdrawal from the university of Bros. Brayton, '00, and Hales, '00, who found it to their advantage to continue their occupations of the summer. Bro. Brayton will be with us next quarter and Bro. Hales will return in October, 1898, and complete his course without further interruption.

Five men are now living in our house: Bros. Wilson, Ickes, Mosser, Stockey and Sawyer. Bro. Wilson, '97, is pursuing a course in the Chicago College of Law, and Bro. Ickes, '97, is on the staff of the Chicago *Record*. Bro. Mosser is leader of the glee club and a member of the Apollo club and university choir; Bro. Sawyer is university correspondent for the Chicago *Tribune*, member of the glee club, member of the dramatic club and on the *Cap and Gown* board; Bro. Flanders is on the mandolin club, and your correspondent is a member of the university choir, a member of the glee club and its secretary.

On the twenty-second of October we held our first initiation of the year, taking in two men: F. H. Calhoun, '98, captain of the track team, and R. E. Graves, '98, a scholarship man. Bro. Shepardson, Illinois Eta, was among our guests. We have since pledged three more men, one of whom is on the mandolin club and another of whom promises to do wonders in track athletics next spring.

Illinois Beta sent six men to attend the fall initiation at Northwestern University, on October 29, and a most enjoyable time was reported. A large number of Phis were present and much credit is due Illinois Alpha for the cordial hospitality extended to all her guests.

We have had several pleasant visits from members of the Fraternity during the summer and fall, especially during the summer quarter, when a number of Phis from various colleges took special work in the university. Among the yellow fever refugees who sought shelter in Chicago we were glad to welcome Bro. Coleman, of Tulane University. Bros. Palmer and Miller, of the General Council, have been with us several times during the past six months, and both have been zealous in assisting us to get a good start this fall. We are also greatly in-

debted to the members of the local alumni chapter, who have generously contributed much to our material welfare, and to whose efforts mainly we owe our present comfortable quarters.

The prospects for the growth of our chapter during the present year are better than ever before. We have met with good success thus far and expect to do better in the future. I think Phis in other institutions little realize what we have to contend with in the line of adverse faculty rulings at The University of Chicago. All chapters here are forbidden, under penalty of forfeiting their charters, to bid or pledge freshmen until such men have been in attendance at the university six months. This rule necessarily forces us to continue our rushing season with unabated zeal throughout the year, and leaves us at the end of the school year, especially if we have been unfortunate in bidding men, in a condition of mental, physical and financial exhaustion. The freshman, meantime, is tossed about from one chapter to another, fêted and feasted like a king for six months, and then expected to join the fraternity offering him the biggest inducements.

The Omega club has just been granted a charter by Ψ Υ, for which it has been fighting for the past five years. The new chapter will come in with about ten men. There is also a rumor current to the effect that Δ Υ will soon establish a chapter here with five or more charter members. If this be true we shall have seven fraternities to compete with next year.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Chicago, November 20, 1897. C. F. STOCKEY.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have pledged three men, Scott Ingle, '01, and Walter and Frank Williams, '02. All of these men are very popular in their classes. Scott Ingle is well known in athletics, both here and at Oberlin. He is the 'varsity pitcher, as well as full back on the eleven. The Williams brothers are also athletes of promise.

We have given two parties this year, both of which have been most enjoyable affairs. We also anticipate combining with the alumni in a formal party at Christmas.

The Knox foot ball team has enjoyed a very successful season, having won five out of seven games played. Bro. Adcock at end has been making a great reputation for himself. At the last game, with Monmouth, the three fraternities gave box parties.

Bro. Johnson was elected treasurer of the sophomore class recently. Bro. Holland is at work on the '99 year book, of which he is editor, and from present indications it will be the best book ever issued at Knox.

Yours in the Bond,

Galesburg, November 17, 1897. WILL MATHER LEWIS.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

So few of our boys returned to live in the chapter house this year that we were a trifle concerned at first, but all is serene now; we would not give up the house for anything.

Bro. Walter Johnson has accepted a position under McClure, of New York, as editor of *The Osprey*. Bro. Johnson has made this neat little publication what it is, and, with these new advantages, we predict for

him a bright future. While we are sorry to see him go from us we rejoice at his success.

On the evening of November 6 our chapter held its nineteenth annual stag banquet in the chapter house, and only those chapters who have a house can know what a joy it is upon such occasions. The boys served the banquet themselves, as is our custom.

Our new gymnasium is now completed, and for its size is one of the best in the west. We are justly proud of it.

With very best wishes for all the chapters, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Galesburg, November 18, 1897. R. G. CARPENTER.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL Illinois Eta has initiated three men: A. R. Johnston, 1900, G. Huntoon and L. Huffman. In addition we have three men pledged and more in sight. Bro. Johnston, the crack 'varsity half back, was compelled to quit the game owing to a severe injury which he received in the Chicago game.

Bro. Walker is at present a busy man, for he is arranging the game between the Carlisle Indians and Illinois. These two teams play in Chicago at the Coliseum, Saturday night, November 20. Our chapter will be present in a body and will occupy two boxes. Bro. Goodrich has recently been elected assistant foot ball manager.

Bro. Fulton, captain of the 'varsity base ball team, will return after Christmas and will assist Coach Huff in coaching the candidates for the team. Last spring we had five Phis on the championship team and we expect to have the same number this year.

Bro. Palmer paid the chapter a delightful visit and favored us with an excellent talk on rushing new men. Several Purdue Phis visited us on October 23, when Illinois accomplished what she has striven to do for several years—defeat Purdue. Bro. Johnston was easily the star of the day.

Phi Gamma Delta has been introduced into the university. This chapter starts with fifteen men and bids fair to become a strong rival of the older fraternities. Bro. Walker responded to a toast at their initiation banquet.

The new central heating and lighting plant is rapidly nearing completion, and a new conservatory is gradually assuming form. The old mechanical shops are being transformed into a modern gymnasium. A large building for the school of music is under consideration, and when these improvements are completed, Illinois will stand on a level with any university in the west.

With best wishes to all our chapters, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Champaign, November 18, 1897. A. N. HAZLITT.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

This year's rush was commenced with twelve old men back, and as a result of their efforts the following were pledged: Henry J. Blakely, Milwaukee; Elbridge Bacon, La Crosse; Neely E. Pardee, Wausau; William H. Biersach, Milwaukee; Samuel Robbins, Carthage, Ill.; Frank R. Barns, St. Louis, Mo.; Mark Newman, Madison, Wis.; Samuel B. Gregg, Danville, Ia.; George Hardgrove, Fond du Lac, Wis.;

John L. Ragland, Missouri—ten in all. I wish to introduce Bros. Blakely, Bacon, Pardee and Biersach to the Phi world.

Wisconsin was fortunate in having Bro. Phil King back this year as foot ball coach, as the work of the western champions will show. We were all sorry to bid good-by to Bro. King, but hope to have him back again next year.

The members who attended the game with Minnesota at Minneapolis on October 30, are enthusiastic in their praises of the hospitalities shown them.

Bro. Bacon, '01, was recently elected a member of the glee club. The undersigned was assistant manager of the foot ball team. Bro. Phil Fox was captain of the '00 track team.

Yours in the Bond,

Madison, December 2, 1897. CARL F. GEILFUSS.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

We always have to sink to conventionalisms in trying to express our most individual thoughts or feelings. How much more difficult, then, would it be for me to find new words and unused phrases to tell the Fraternity that Minnesota Alpha has her share of all the prosperity that she could possibly wish for Φ Δ Θ everywhere.

Some time during the summer a mighty impulse struck two of our most active workers, and when the boys drifted back Bros. Condit and Sherburn had a surprise in store for them. They halted in astonishment at the door, and our pet 'freshman,' Esterley (he isn't really a freshman, you know), stammered out a word of apology, stumbled away dazed and began a new hunt for the old chapter rooms. Every room has been refitted. Each one has its characteristic color and furnishings. Some at first claimed that the poster room had been desecrated, but when they saw that beautiful and appropriate pictures had taken the place of the time-worn and somewhat *passé* poster all were satisfied and pleased. I wish I could describe our quarters, but I shall have to content myself with the statement that a certain crowd of co-eds has threatened to appropriate our smoking-room for its own purposes.

We have so far initiated four men, and are satisfied that Φ Δ Θ will always have reason to be proud of Ralph E. Weible, Weible, N. D.; Ed Stong, Minneapolis; Louis Wright, Minneapolis, and Joseph Smith, Minneapolis. Most of the old men are back, so that we are well represented in every department in the university. In addition to our already large representation in the faculty, we have the pleasure of welcoming a new brother, who holds the position of assistant professor in the Latin department. Bro. Fred Huxley has been appointed assistant in the medical department.

In a social way the Phis have had a royal time this fall, but the greatest event, from our standpoint, was the banquet given by our chapter and the alumni to the Wisconsin Alpha chapter on the evening of October 30 at the Commercial Club. The following notes appeared in the city papers:

'Little informal fraternity gatherings in honor of visitors from Madison were numerous Saturday evening. All of these were very enjoyable, perhaps none more so than the banquet tendered by the Phi Delta Thetas of Minnesota to their brother Greeks from Madison. The Phi Delts gathered at the Commercial Club, where Dietrich catered for them in his best style. Members of Wisconsin Alpha,

who were among the Madison rooters, were the guests. Phil King, the "little corporal," who coached the Badgers to victory, is a Phi, but was detained from the gathering by other engagements. After the dinner James G. Wallace, of the alumni chapter, introduced several of the brothers for informal speeches. The chief speech was made by Rev. E. H. Wilson, of Faribault, a Phi from back in the '50's, who comes from Centre College, Kentucky, where the third chapter of the Fraternity was organized. With special appropriateness to the time the menu cards, which are always planned to make souvenirs of the occasion at these Phi Delt gatherings, were ovals printed with a design made by H. L. Murray, of the alumni. Two stocky foot ball players in the uniforms of Wisconsin and Minnesota hold between them a slate upon which each guest inscribed the score. The figures are colored in water colors.'

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Minneapolis, December 3, 1897. H. N. T. ALLEN.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

School opened with ten Phis present. The chapter numbered twenty-three at the close of last year. Seven were lost by graduation and some others have not returned.

Elizabeth Hershey Hall was opened for women students at the beginning of the term and is an assured success. Incidentally we might mention the fact that Phi Delta Theta does not lack for warm friends among its occupants.

An excellent lecture course has been secured. Six numbers will be given, each one of decided merit.

Lieutenant Kalk has been placed in charge of the military department, and has won the respect and good will of the students. The department is larger than last year and will assuredly prosper, for a majority of the swords are worn by Phis. Bro. Heskill is band leader. At present he is suffering with an attack of congestion of the lungs, from which it is hoped he will speedily recover.

Preparations are now being made for the local oratorical contest, held for the purpose of selecting delegates to the state contest. Bro. Rex is secretary of the local association. Bro. Helphrey, as president of the interstate oratorical association, has brought honor to our chapter and will be a credit to the institution.

After beginning his senior year Bro. Brown was unexpectedly compelled to give up his work. On his resignation as manager of the foot ball team Bro. Helphrey was elected to the position. One of the best teams in the history of the institution is now bringing victories to I. W. U. Only one game has been lost and that to the far-famed Missouri Tigers. The games played and scores are as follows: Knox, 18-0; Wapello Indians, 60-0; Missouri Tigers, 4-6; Penn, 36-4. The Penn game came on Saturday, November 6, and was attended by the Phis in a carriage party. After the game and a ten-mile drive we took supper at the Jackman House, in New London. Several informal receptions and socials have been given in our parlors, and overflowing merriment was the result.

We have no new initiates to announce as yet, but it is only because under our college rules there are no available men of the kind of which Phis are made. During the year we will be able to announce a number of new men of choice quality.

Sorrow came to our chapter the past week when Bros. George and

Fred Smith were called home to the death bed of their mother. They arrived too late to see her alive. By our brothers' loss we all feel saddened. In the Bond of Φ Δ Θ,

JESSE MCF. BECK.

Mt. Pleasant, November 8, 1897.

IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

The university began the fall term with several large new buildings, several new instructors, an increased attendance over any former year, with the financial prospects of the athletic association looking brighter, and with indications that our foot ball and track teams will be the best that we have ever had.

Our chapter began the year in new halls, pleasantly located near the university, consisting of six large rooms and a dance hall, newly furnished throughout and supplied with water, gas and steam heat.

We appreciate the steam heat perhaps more than anything else, for the pleasure and enjoyment to be derived from cold rooms is well known to us. One room is fitted up for a library, and if the interest in it, and the donations to it continue as they have begun, we will soon have a library of which the Fraternity may be proud, and which will be a great benefit as well as source of pleasure to its members.

All last year's members are back but six. Bro. Wakefield is practicing law in Sioux City, Iowa, and Bro. Barker in Cresco, Iowa. Bro. Simmons is an editor on the Ottumwa *Courier*, Bro. Young is attending school at Ann Arbor, Mich., and Bros. Mulky and Pittenger are at Rush Medical College, Chicago. We have taken in but one new member thus far, and have pledged four who will come in soon. There are two or three Phis from other schools here whom we exect to affiliate. So, considering the fact that we have thirteen of our old members, we do not need to be in any hurry to take in new men.

Though not as well fixed financially as we might wish, yet it is not worrying us any or interfering with the social enjoyment of our new halls. The subject of a chapter house has been discussed in our meetings for the last two years, and we have come to the conclusion that halls such as we have at present are better suited to the needs of our chapter than any house which we would be able to get. None of the other fraternities here have a house, and I do not think that a house would suit them as well as a hall in this town.

Iowa Beta wishes to extend greetings to all sister chapters, and to assure all Phis a hearty welcome if they should ever have occasion to visit our city. Fraternally yours,

ALBERT A. PAISLEY.

Iowa City, October 21, 1897.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated W. Neal Winter, of Greenville, Mississippi, thereby gaining a victory for Phi Delta Theta. With pardonable pride we look upon Missouri Alpha's record during the rushing season. We have asked six men to join our Fraternity and have not met with a single refusal, while in most of the cases they refused others in order to join us.

We have more than our share of the honors this year. In the battalion of cadets, Bro. English is major. We also have the adjutant, a first lieutenant, a sergeant and a corporal. Bro. Maitland and Bro.

Peper are respectively the presidents of the junior and sophomore engineering classes, and Bros. Edmunds and Burruss are the vice-presidents of the corresponding academic classes. Six brothers are on the glee, banjo and mandolin clubs, of which Bro. English is secretary and treasurer, as well as leader of the glee club. Bro. Ruffner is vice-president of the associated clubs and leader of the banjo club. On the staff of the *Independent* is Bro. Drum, one of our new men. Bro. Switzler has charge of the fraternity department of the *Western College Magazine*, and Bro. Ruffner is the local correspondent of the same.

The inter-society oratorical contest, held November thirteenth, was won by Mr. Harris, of the law school. He was promptly challenged by Bro. Thompson, who won last year.

Missouri's foot ball team has been very unfortunate this year, having lost most of the games, but we hope to make a better showing on Thanksgiving. Early in the season Bro. Smith received injuries which prevented his playing. Bro. White, having been appointed director of the gymnasium, could not play, and his absence greatly weakened the team.

The university council has created a body to be known as the athletic board, to control all athletic matters. The board consists of members of the faculty, alumni and undergraduates. President Jesse is *ex-officio* chairman. The representation on the board is to be as follows: Four members of the faculty, one alumnus—to be elected by the executive committee of the alumni association, and the captains of the foot ball, base ball and track teams.

To-night Missouri Alpha celebrates with an oyster supper her twenty-seventh birthday. We will have with us Bros. Anderson, '95, Allee, '95, S. L. Watson, '95, Ed. Watson, '95, E. R. Johnson, '94, C. L. Switzler, '94, and, we hope, others of our alumni.

In accordance with the reminder in *The Palladium*, the circular letter will be issued on time.

Bro. Helphrey, as manager of the Iowa Wesleyan foot ball team, was here some weeks ago. Several Missouri Beta men came over with their foot ball team. We always enjoy having Phis visit us.

Yours in the Bond,

Columbia, November 20, 1897. CHARLES SHUMWAY RUFFNER.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Owing to a slight misunderstanding on the part of the reporter, Missouri Beta failed to have her customary communication in the October SCROLL, which fact necessitates the recital of the record we have made from the opening of school.

Bros. Smiley, instructor in Kemper Family School; Jacks, with the St. Louis *Republic;* Van Meter, of the banking firm of Van Meter and Smith—all last year's graduates—were early on the ground to lend their aid and encouragement in the annual opening rush. At the outset we were slightly handicapped by the comparative youthfulness of the entire chapter, but thanks to its excellent reputation and the timely assistance of our alumni, each and every man honored with an invitation now wears the sword and shield. We take pleasure in introducing Bros. A. L. Gordon, Fulton, Mo.; R. G. Cousley, Sedalia, Mo.; Duncan McGregor, Fulton, Mo., and G. A. Campbell, Jackson, Mo. We are also glad to state that Bro. Seibert, formerly of Missouri Alpha, is with us.

On the foot ball team, of which Bro. Cousley is captain and right half back, we are well represented with Stratton and Gordon as ends and Campbell at tackle. Bro. Gordon is president of the athletic association and occupies a similar position in the literary society of which he is a member. In the recent contest to determine who should represent Westminster in the coming inter-collegiate oratorical contest, the reporter was chosen. If we continue to be as successful during the remainder of the year as we have been thus far, there will be but little left to comfort our rivals.

Our membership is now 12, with one man pledged, whom we hesitate to pass alone through the triple gates, lest his addition bring upon us the evils commonly associated with a certain luckless number.

Wishing a successful year to the chapters, I am

Yours fraternally,

Fulton, November 18, 1897. M. N. FERGUSON.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

We have lost but two of last year's attendant members. Bro. John G. Cole, '99, has gone to Harvard, and Bro. Wm. G. Clark, '98, has left us to complete his engineering education at Columbia.

We take pleasure in presenting to the Fraternity our new initiates: Silas Bent Phillips, 1900, engineering school; Thurston Wright, '01, college (a brother of Bro. Thomas H. Wright, '98); and Henry Ware Eliot, Jr., '01, college. Bro. Eliot is a grandson of Dr. Wm. G. Eliot, an eminent Unitarian clergyman, who was for many years the honored chancellor of the university. We are very glad to have Bro. Trescott F. Chaplin, '96, back again with us after a year in the graduate school of The University of Chicago. He has entered the law department of this university and has taken an active interest in our work. Bro. James L. Stuart, '98, took a summer course at Chicago and reports a very pleasant time with the members of Illinois Beta. Bro. Albert B. Lawver, '96, intends to return shortly to take a graduate course.

Among the faculty there have been a few changes. Henry S. Pritchett, professor of astronomy, has been appointed by the president to the important position of superintendent of the United States coast and geodetic survey, with headquarters at Washington. While it is a great honor for Prof. Pritchett, the loss to the university will be keenly felt.

Mr. Henri Dumay, instructor in French, has gone to New York as the editor of a journal there, and Mr. Gaston Douay, late of Columbia, has taken his place.

Bro. Orville L. Simmons, Indiana Theta, '93, instructor in cryptogamic botany, has severed his connection with the university and gone to Texas. Bro. Henry W. Stuart, California Alpha, '93, who was instructor last year in economics, has left, and Mr. H. R. Hatfield has returned to his former position.

Bro. John B. Pitman, Tennessee Alpha, '98, is in the medical department, and we hope to have him affiliate with us. The medical school, by the way, has increased the course, so that it now requires four years for graduation, and as the numerous other medical schools in the city require only three years, we hope to get a better class of students than formerly, from which we can select some men worthy of Phi Delta Theta.

Bro. Jacobs, Ohio Alpha, has visited us once or twice this year. He

is in business in the city. We all regretted very much that we were unable to meet Bro. Palmer when he was in the city a short time ago.

Yours in the Bond,

St. Louis, November 11, 1897. CHAS. P. PETTUS.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Only ten of our men returned this year, and of these Bro. Reed has gone home, leaving us but nine old members. We have initiated two men so far, and pledged three others.

We lost by graduation last June Bros. Smith, Reed, Limbocker, Brooks, Freeland and Crum, and by failure to return, Bros. Watson, Sierer, Crooks, Nimocks and Sanford.

We have so far given but one hop, which was, however, quite successful. Our fifteenth annual stag banquet in commemoration of the founding of the chapter was held on the evening of November 20. It was a very enjoyable affair and a success in every way. Among those who were present were Bros. Nichols, Higgins, Playter, Nimocks, Caldwell, Jones and Learnard.

The glee and banjo clubs are to make a tour of the state during the holidays. Bros. Lee and Cooper are members of the organizations, Bro. Cooper being president of the combined clubs.

Last June Bro. Smith was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Bro. Crooks is playing quarter-back on the Kansas City Medical College eleven.

Wishing success to Phi Delta Theta, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Lawrence, November 23, 1897. H. W. MCLAUGHLIN.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Now that the rushing season is over, the members of Nebraska Alpha feel that they have had their share of the spoils. We have taken men from several of our rivals and lost none. Since the last letter to THE SCROLL, we have held but one initiation, and that in honor of Bro. Abbott, of 1901. This makes a total of five new members this year.

The foot ball season for Nebraska bids fair to close successfully. Among others we have played Ames, Tarkio, Missouri and Kansas. Our first game—and our first and last defeat—we played at Ames, the latter winning, 12–0. In explanation, we plead that the team had had about two weeks' practice, and Ames had had three or four before we commenced. On the eighteenth of October we defeated Tarkio, 16–0, on the campus field. On the thirtieth we beat Missouri, 41–0. This was the first league game, and naturally we felt very proud of the team. On the thirteenth of November, Kansas came up, feeling very confident of victory, for she had, two weeks before, defeated Iowa, champion last year, 56–0. Nebraska won, 6–5, after a bitterly contested game. If the officials had not been for Kansas, the score would have been 10–0. Nebraska has protested the five points credited to Kansas. We are looking forward to the Iowa game on Thanksgiving, and are hopeful of winning this, also. The Phis are represented on the team by Brother Hayward, who plays right tackle, and in the management by Brother Oury. Brother Welch showed his loyalty to the team by presenting them with stockings. We can not speak

highly enough of coach Robinson, and we feel that Nebraska's success is due largely to his constant, patient efforts.

The glee club is planning two trips for this year, one just before the holidays and a second trip later in the year. Bros. Mueller and Sumner represent us there.

In a military way we have met with considerable success. So many registered for drill this year, that two battalions of three companies each had to be formed. Bros. Haggard and True are captains, and Bro. Weber is first lieutenant. Bros. Stebbins and Whedon are first sergeants, while Bro. Sumner as ranking second sergeant is sure to get something good next year. Brother Oury is captain of the Pershing Rifles, a select company of the best drilled men of the regiment. Brother Russell was promoted to the rank of captain before the battalion was formed into a regiment, but resigned, as he does not expect to return next semester. The regiment mourns the loss of its commandant, Lieutenant Jackson, 9th U. S. Cavalry, who died on Friday, November 19.

On November 20 the chapter entertained the fathers of the Lincoln Phis. Bros. Hayward and Welshans, in their celebrated monkey act, were heartily encored.

This is our first year in a chapter house, and to say that we are pleased with chapter house ways is but half expressive enough.

Yours in the Bond,

CHAS. H. TRUE.

Lincoln, November 21, 1897.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The end of the fall term is now near at hand, and California Alpha looks back upon it with considerable satisfaction. Though we have not yet succeeded in entirely replacing the ten brothers lost last term, we hope by the beginning of next year to have very nearly done so. Since our last letter to THE SCROLL Bros. Frank W. Bugbee, '00, and Homer A. Bousley, '01, have been initiated, making our total number of new men for this year four, and the total strength of the chapter fourteen. We will probably have Bro. Bousley with us only two years, and then will send him back to our brothers in New York Delta at Columbia. Bro. Guy L. Bayley, '98, left college soon after the opening of the term to accept a good position at the Union Iron Works in San Francisco.

This term has not been a very good one for the fraternities as a whole, the new class containing very little first-class fraternity material. Sigma Chi obtained only one man, Beta Theta Pi, Zeta Psi and Phi Gamma Delta, two. Chi Phi and Kappa Alpha Theta have three new members, while Phi Delta Theta, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Nu, Chi Psi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon each captured four. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Gamma Phi Beta were the most fortunate, obtaining six apiece. A chapter of Kappa Alpha (southern) has been reorganized with a membership of seven. Bros. Wemple, ex-'99, and Reinhardt, '97, are charter members of Pi Sigma Tau, and Bro. T. A. Smith, '97, of Zeta Omicron. These are both new fraternities which have been established in the medical department of the university.

The active chapter is working hard to make our new chapter house for next year a certainty. The local chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon

has commenced its new house. Beta Theta Pi and Zeta Psi already own chapter houses here.

As Thanksgiving approaches interest in foot ball is becoming intense. Our team this year is thought to be stronger than last, though we miss Ransome, last year's captain, who is now at Yale, where he has succeeded in demonstrating the fact that we do know a *little* about foot ball out here in the west. We departed from our usual custom this year in not having an eastern coach for the team, employing instead Mr. Nott, formerly of Brown and now an assistant instructor in the university. Probably by the time this letter appears in print it will be known whether we have won a glorious victory or suffered ignominious defeat at the hands of our rival, Stanford.

Yours in the Bond,

Berkeley, November 17, 1897. J. R. MOULTHROP.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

Never before has Stanford University registered so many students as this fall. There are now eleven hundred in regular attendance, and every department of the university is crowded. As a result of this the Doubtful Case committee has been playing havoc with the freshman class, and they have impressed the fact that 'the indolent or unworthy will not be retained in the institution.'

The principal event of the past month has been the faculty Kirmess, which was given in the museum for the benefit of the Hildebrand Library fund. The most interesting feature of the entertainment was a farce written and acted by the faculty. Three repetitions were necessary to accommodate the people who came in crowds from San Francisco, San José, and all the neighboring towns. About eighteen hundred dollars were realized for the library.

California Beta commenced this college year with six men. We now have ten active members, and two more are pledged. All of the members are taking an active interest in the chapter, and we hope to strengthen and build it up. We are now agitating the house question, and it is very probable that we will build this year.

Since our last letter we have initiated two more freshmen, Harrison H. Hill and Edward T. Maples. Both of them played on the freshman foot ball team that defeated the Berkeley freshmen, 16-8. Bro. Hill is also a prominent candidate for a position on the 'varsity eleven.

Yours in the Bond,

Stanford University, November 7, 1897. BENJ. E. PAGE.

ALPHA PROVINCE—*Concluded.*

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

The college year opened Thursday, September 22, with every prospect of a successful year, and already this prospect is being fulfilled in a remarkable manner. Within a few weeks two gifts of five thousand dollars each have been made to the building fund of the university. It is hoped that another year will see Colby supplied with a much needed building for the biological department, and a ladies' dormitory.

In athletics we have been more than usually successful. Our foot ball team is the first Maine team to have beaten B. A. A., and for the first time in our foot ball history we have beaten Bowdoin.

Only seventeen Phis returned this fall for 'fishing,' and though we have initiated four loyal freshmen we miss greatly those whom we have been accustomed to have with us. Bro. House came back for a few days but was obliged by severe illness to return home for a year's rest. Bro. Tolman hopes to be with us later in the year.

On October 25 we initiated the following members of 1901: Guy Wilber Chipman, William Coleman McCue, William Henry Sturtevant and Harry Albert Tozier. Bro. President J. Clark Moore, who made a visit, short but much enjoyed by us, was present at the ceremony and banquet.

The Phis are represented in nearly all the branches of college activity. Bro. Brown is manager of the glee club, in which we are also represented by Bros. Linscott and Doughty. Bros. Farbush and Linscott are members of the banjo and guitar club. Bros. Tozier and Towne hold important positions on the 'varsity eleven. Bro. Linscott is appointed as one of the speakers on the public debate of the term, and Bro. Towne has just been elected vice-president and assistant business manager of the Colby *Echo* publication society.

With the best of wishes to all Phis, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Waterville, November 22, 1897. W. B. CHASE.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

The 97th year of Washington and Jefferson college began very auspiciously with an increased attendance over last year. The new freshman class, which will be the 100th class to be graduated by the college, numbers nearly 75. The sophomore and junior classes each lengthened their class roll. The latter is the largest class in college. The senior class is the smallest for several years and received no additions to its membership. Several men did not return this fall, so that only about 30 will be graduated. The preparatory department is also large.

The fall campaign has been a rather lively one among the fraternities, and nearly all have initiated several new men. The freshman class contained a very desirable lot of men, while several of the new members of other classes were not to be passed by. Pennsylvania Gamma has, as yet, initiated no one, but we have three of the best members of 1901 pledged, who will come into full membership after Thanksgiving. We did not engage as actively in rushing this fall as did our sister fraternities, and, on the whole, it seems that we pursued the wiser course. We have lost no good men and have run no risk of securing a wrong class of members. There is already some dissatisfaction among the other fraternities because of too hasty initiation of new men. Our course this fall, which I think was a trifle too conservative, has, after all, been beneficial to us in more ways than one. The impression has gained prominence among the new men that we are a very conservative and select crowd, and so deeply is this impression grounded that we can secure almost any man we want. Another thing that speaks well for our chapter is the high standing our members have in the college. There is not another fraternity here whose members make as high individual records in the class-room as does Pennsylvania Gamma. That has been the case for years.

The opening of the college year found our roll sadly depleted, and of fourteen men at commencement only seven returned this fall. Brothers Hughes, Kerr and Miller, '97, are now reading law. Brother

Hughes is at Ohio State University, and has cast his lot with Ohio Zeta. Brother Kerr is in an office at home, East Liverpool, O., and Brother Miller with an uncle in Pittsburg. Brother C. B. Giffen, '98, and Brother S. E. Giffen, 1900, are at home in Wheeling, W. Va., both being in business with their father. Brother G. L. Caldwell, '98, is reading law at his home at Wheeling, and Brother C. M. Kelso, 1900, is in a bank in Dayton, O.

Although we are 'only seven,' we have gathered more than our share of college honors. Brother Rule is business manager of the college glee association. Brother Baker is a member of the banjo club, Brother Logan of the mandolin club, and Miller (pledged) is the 'basso profundo' of the glee club. We have the largest representation of any fraternity in the glee association. In athletics we hold our own with any of them. Brothers Eicher and Moore are members of the executive committee of the college athletic association, which controls all athletic teams and the glee association. Brother Eicher is vice-president of the association. Brother Carline is assistant manager of the base ball club and will be manager in '99. Duff and Miller (pledged) are members of the freshman foot ball team. Brother Eicher is right end of the 'varsity team, and is one of the best in that position in the state. He is a member of the '99 *Pandora* board. Brother Moore is essayist for Philo and Union literary society at the next annual contest with Franklin and Washington society. Our members are well represented on class offices.

The foot ball season so far has been very successful, and, with the single exception of the University of Pennsylvania, no team has crossed our goal line this year. This almost duplicates last year's record, when the final score stood, W. and J. 188 to opponents' 0, for the entire season. The team was coached by the Rev. Clinton Tyler Wood, Princeton, '92, and ex-Captain Inglis, W. and J. '97. This is Mr. Wood's second year with the team. The second game of the season was with the U. of P., and W. and J. accomplished the feat of scoring on the Quakers and keeping their record down to three touchdowns. The scores of games played follow, our own preceding in each case: With Bethany, 56–0; U. of P., 4–18; Geneva, 12–0; Westminster, 16–0; Pittsburgh College, 24–0; West Virginia University, 12–0; Pittsburgh Athletic Club, 8–0; Pittsburgh College, 36–0; Adelbert, 6–0; Waynesburg, 22–0; total, W. and J., 206; opponents, 18.

Only one game remains to be played, that with the Duquesne Country and Athletic Club of Pittsburgh at Exposition Park, in that city, on Thanksgiving day. This game will decide the amateur championship of western Pennsylvania, as W. and J. has already won the collegiate championship. The game will be watched with interest, as D. C. and A. C. will be 'loaded' with Wharton, Farrar, Uppenheimer and other great stars of the gridiron. [W. and J. won.—EDITOR.]

During the sessions of the Pittsburgh conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, which was held here the last of September, we had the pleasure of meeting a number of Phis who were in attendance as delegates. One evening we held an informal reception in honor of our visitors, which was a very pleasant affair. They came up to the hall frequently, laid aside their ministerial dignity for the time being and showed themselves to be typical, jolly Phis.

Pennsylvania Gamma will be twenty-two years old on December 4, and in accordance with our annual custom, the active and correspondent members will celebrate the event by a banquet.

The celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of Philo

and Union and Franklin and Washington literary societies, which was to have occurred this fall, was necessarily postponed until Tuesday of commencement week in 1898. Brother Moore is a member of the committee in charge of the celebration.

Brother C. C. Sterrett, '91, who has been practicing law here for some time, and was recently admitted to practice before the supreme court of the state, has renounced Blackstone and entered the Western Theological Seminary, Allegheny, Pa.

Brother A. A. Hays, '95, is a frequent visitor at the hall. He is principal of the high school here.

The Rev. George P. Hays, D. D., father of Brothers C. W., Walter and A. A Hays, died at his home here on September 6. Dr. Hays was president of Washington and Jefferson college from 1870 until 1881. He was a member of the class of '57 and one of the most prominent Presbyterian ministers.

The Rev. Clinton Tyler Wood, Princeton, '92, Princeton seminary, '97, who was coach of the '96 and '97 foot ball teams, will leave New York December 11 for Wellington, Cape Colony, South Africa, where he will labor as a missionary under the Dutch collegiate church of New York city.

Before another issue of THE SCROLL our three pledged men will have donned the sword and shield, and we hope to have landed several more good men that we are cultivating.

Our latch-string is always out, and we are always glad to entertain any Phi who may drop in on us. Though we have no chapter house, we will make a visitor just as welcome and entertain him just as well.

With best wishes for all Phis, I remain

Yours in the Bond of Φ Δ Θ,

Washington, November 22, 1897. DAVID GLENN MOORE.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Pennsylvania Zeta sends her greeting to the Fraternity and regrets that she has not been represented in THE SCROLL earlier in the year. We are very busy and have been so all fall. The necessity of finding a new house kept the committee very much occupied, until we finally settled at 214 S. 37th street. The house is small and cozy and does very well for a transition from our old ruin at 3250 Chestnut to the elegant new home we hope to have next fall.

The chapter is in very good condition, twenty-two men in attendance, of whom fourteen were left from last year. Six men have been initiated, and two have affiliated. Bro. Doland of Williams, and Bro. Poole of Lafayette, have joined the chapter, and are living in the house. The initiates are Bros. Paxton, Acker and Jayne, 1901, college, Bro. Stilz, '98, college, who enters the law school next year, and Bros. Stiles and Dorey, '99, law. We are not through with our work yet, and hope to have several more names to announce later.

In college life Phis are prominent as ever. Bro. Willauer, '97, architecture, is taking graduate work in his subject, and has been elected to the teaching staff of the department. Bros. McKinley, Davison and Dorey all hold class offices, and Bro. Dorey is an editor of the law school magazine. Bro. Wise was 'varsity coxswain last June, and has been coxswain of his class crew and of '99, medical, during the recent inter-class regatta. Bro. McKinley is playing with the mandolin club.

Pennsylvania's foot ball championship is undoubted this year. After

having administered decisive defeats to all comers, particularly Harvard, the comparative scores leave no reason for doubt as to Pennsylvania's right to the honor. We are very glad, of course, and our pleasure is increased by the fact that Bro. Outland has played such a distinguished game all the season at right tackle, and has finally been rewarded by receiving the captaincy for next year.

With best wishes, I am Very sincerely,

WILLIAM ADAMS MCCLENTHEN.

Philadelphia, November 27, 1897.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Pennsylvania Eta commenced the fall term with but three men, seven seniors having received degrees at the last commencement. On Friday night of the first week five men were initiated: John J. Brice, 1900; Andrew T. Brice, 1900; William B. Grubbe, 1900; Herman A. Straub, 1901; George W. Welsh, 1901. The house occupied before, which belonged to some of the alumni, has been given up, and a new one rented in the most desirable portion of the town—a corner house on a large lot. The new house is on Delaware avenue, the finest street in South Bethlehem. On the first floor is a large reception hall, a parlor, a library or smoking room, and a billiard room. In the two upper stories there are six large bed rooms, bath room and a chapter room.

This year's freshman class numbered about 100, and has some good fraternity material. We have one man pledged and our chances of getting two others are very good.

Bro. William S. Franklin, Kansas Alpha, has taken the chair of physics here.

By the next issue of THE SCROLL we hope to let you have a picture of our new chapter house.

With best wishes to the Fraternity, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

South Bethlehem, November 29, 1897. WILLIAM B. GRUBBE.

BETA PROVINCE—*Concluded.*

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

It gives me pleasure to report to the Fraternity, through THE SCROLL, the condition of Virginia Beta. Our active membership this year has been increased over that of last year by four, the total membership now being sixteen; and there is every indication that the session of 1897–98 will be more prosperous for the chapter than any other session has been for the past few years.

We returned at the beginning of the year ten old men: Bros. Eugene Davis, Burrow, Furniss, Jones, Lea, McLester, Poitevent, Siler, Stearns, and Sutherland. And we were further strengthened by five Phis from other chapters, of whom Bros. Frederick and Martin, both of Georgia Beta, have been duly affiliated. This gave a working chapter of twelve, and the record established last year of not having lost a man to any other fraternity remains unbroken; we have thus far initiated four men.

The first 'goating' was Saturday, October 9, when Timothy Avery Paul, of Walla Walla, Washington, and Ernest Morgan Watts, of Huntington, West Virginia, were dubbed Phis. They are both tak-

ing the law course. Our second initiation was Saturday, November 20. Two academic students were the candidates, and I take pleasure in introducing to the Phi world Bros. James Woods Price and Rodger A. Walke, both of Virginia.

After the initiation Saturday night, the chapter enjoyed the annual fall banquet. Bro. Stearns was toast-master, and among those who responded to toasts was Bro. Wall, Ky. Δ, '96, who was with us for the evening.

By graduation last spring Virginia Beta lost several loyal members. Bro. Bosher, who took the degree of M. A., is studying medicine in the Richmond College of Medicine, where Bro. Lancaster is also in attendance. Bro. Pierce Bruns received the degree of B. L., and is now located in Baltimore. Bro. Martin Bruns is studying medicine at Johns Hopkins. Bro. Dykes is now practicing medicine near Atlanta. He was one of the few men who were graduated with honors in the medical profession last spring. Bro. Fink is out in Arkansas. Bros. Gordon Mathews and Dabney Davis are practicing law together at Lewisburg, W. Va. Bro. Speed is now a member of Ky. Δ, while Bro. Owsley Brown has affiliated with Ky. A.

Our chief honor this year lies in the magnificent foot ball playing of Bro. Eugene Davis at right guard. Thus far, he has played Virginia's star game.

Work on the new buildings is nearing completion, and the buildings themselves will be ready for complete occupancy by January 1. The three-term system has been introduced into the university this year, and it bids fair to meet with the approbation of the student body.

Yours in the Bond,

University of Virginia, November 22, 1897. JOHN P. LEA.

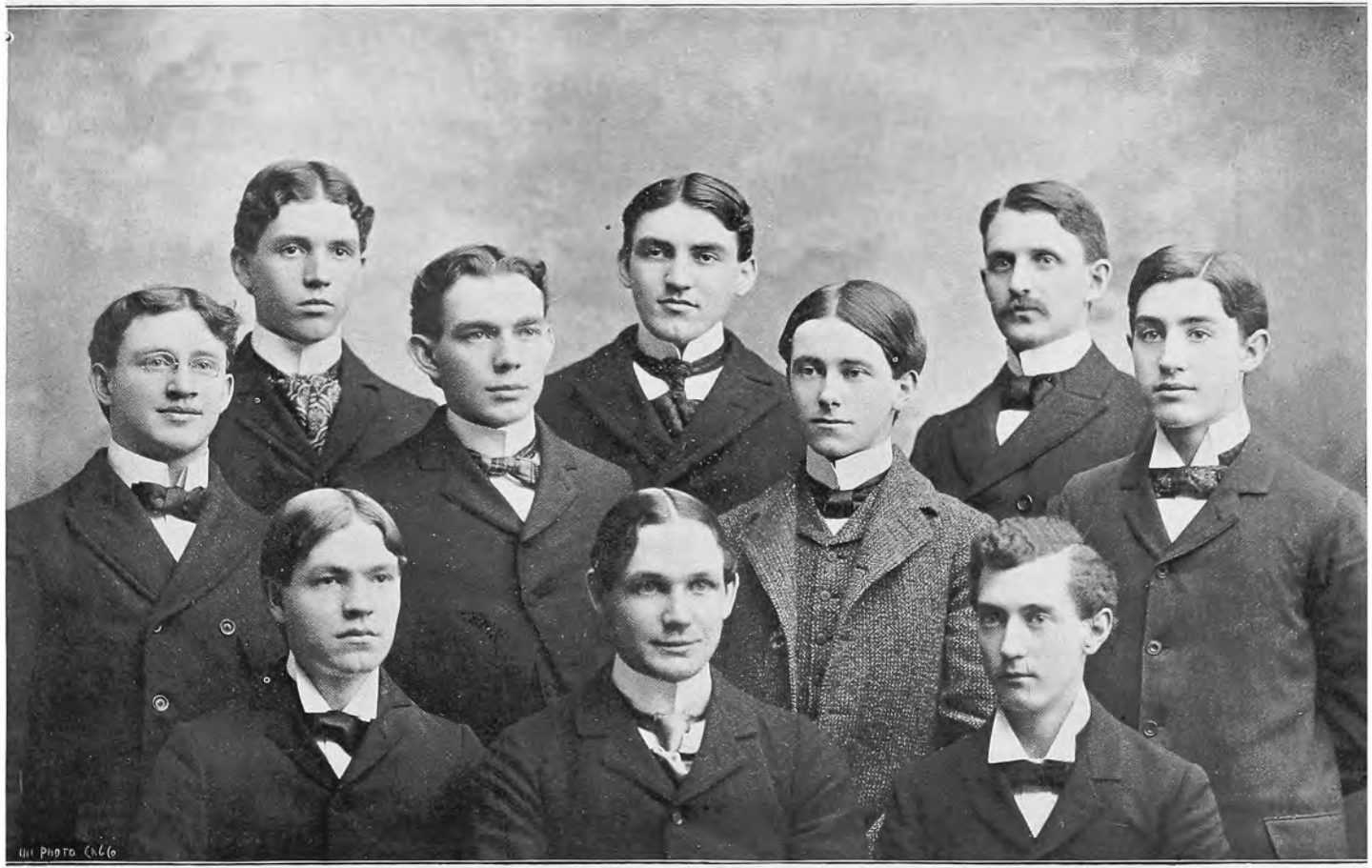
THE PROVINCE CONVENTIONS.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

The report of the Alpha province convention herewith presented was intended to emphasize the social features and supplement the account of business transacted published in the November *Palladium*. Not until the editor took up the minutes of the convention in order to draw off such an account from them, did he realize that data were lacking. It is too late to obtain what we had hoped to present, and we assure the Alpha province men who had places on the toast list, and our hospitable Brown chapter, that it is a matter of sincere regret to THE SCROLL and its readers that we have been favored with the official account only as recorded in the journal of the convention. We are able to state, however, from other sources, that Rhode Island Alpha fairly outdid herself as a generous host, and that the theater party, the foot ball game and the banquet were as eminent successes and sources of as much pleasure as the corresponding events at Nashville a fortnight earlier.

The convention owes much to the president of Alpha province, Bro. J. Clark Moore, Jr., who left no stone unturned in his efforts to secure a large attendance and a maximum of combined profit and pleasure. At his own expense he notified all the alumni of New England and New York of the approaching meeting, and during the week preceding he visited a number of chapters in different parts of the province.

The convention met in the hall of Rhode Island Alpha, at Provi-



DODDS. GANT. JACKSON. CALVIN. FARWELL. ENDSLEY. SLONEKER. BALDWIN. MOORHOUSE. GRAHAM.

dence, on the morning of October 28. President Moore took the chair, and Bro. J. Leonard Barney, *Dartmouth*, '99, was made secretary. After an opening prayer by Prof. W. M. Munson, *Michigan State*, '88, Bro. Moore addressed the convention on the matters of business to come before it. Bro. W. E Greene, *Brown*, '98, welcomed the delegates and visitors in behalf of the local chapter and alumni. The reports from chapters showed the province, without exception, to be in a prosperous condition. The only point at which weakness had been apprehended was at Lehigh, where but three members returned, but five men have been initiated there already and another pledged, and a new house has been secured. The total enrollment at the convention was exactly fifty, forty-two being present at the banquet. Headquarters were at the Narragansett Hotel, where a group picture was taken at the close of the second day's session. Resolutions were passed extending thanks to Rhode Island Alpha for her 'welcome and royal treatment' of the convention and for the 'generous cordiality and courtesy' manifested. The next convention was appointed for 1899, at Syracuse, N. Y., the exact date to be determined later by the president of Alpha province and New York Epsilon. A number of important matters of business were discussed and acted upon. The November *Palladium* makes a full report on these.

A number of older alumni came to the convention: G. H. G. McGrew, *Indianapolis*, '73; P. W. Search, *Wooster*, '76; W. W. Case, *Allegheny*, '84; F. H. Clapp, *Vermont*, '86; W. M. Munson, *Michigan State*, '88. Bro. McGrew lives in Cambridge and is engaged on the lecture platform; Bro. Search, editor of the first edition of the song book, is superintendent of the Holyoke, Mass., schools; Bro. Clapp is a physician at North Grafton, Mass.; Bro. Munson is a member of the faculty of the University of Maine. The complete list of those present follows:

Pennsylvania—J. Clark Moore, Jr., '93; *Allegheny*—W. W. Case, '84; *Dickinson*—W. G. Souders, '98; *Cornell*—J. W. Young, '99; *Case*—L. J. Shlesinger, '96; *Wooster*—P. W. Search, '76; *Indianapolis*—G. H. G. McGrew, '73; *Michigan State*—W. M. Munson, '88; *Dartmouth*—L. H. Blanchard, '97; M. W. Smith, '98; J. L. Sanborn, '99; J. L. Barney, '99; *Vermont*—F. H. Clapp, '86; F. K. Jackson, '97; P. O. Ray, '98; *Amherst*—C. E. Tilley, '92; R. Horton, '98; C. A. Strong, '98; R. W. Smith, '99; *Syracuse*—L. M. Fenner, '99; G. W. King, '00; *Brown*—F. E. Carpenter, '89; Fred Slocum, '95; W. H. Kenerson, '96; P. R. Bullard, '97; A. M. McCrillis, '97; F. E. Horton, '97; F. A. Greene, '97; S. L. Multer, '98; H. G. Wilcox, '98; N. T. Ewen, N. H. Gifford, D. H. Hall, T. M. Phellerplace, F. Putney, Jr., and E. F. Viles, all of '99; G. G. Bass, E. H. Boynton, L. V. Calder, J. W. Downs, R. F. Hanson, A. E. Horton, C. K. Stillman, D. E. Truesdell and C. C. White, all of '00; E. G. Hapgood, W. C. Lane and J. G. Melendy, all of '01.

BETA AND GAMMA PROVINCES.

The first Phi Delta Theta convention in the south since the Atlanta Exposition in 1895 was held at Nashville on October 15 and 16, 1897. The fortunate Phis who shared its pleasures have been emphatic in their expressions regarding its success. But for the yellow fever, which kept away many of those who had long anticipated the reunion, it is certain that the attendance would have been from wider fields. When it became known that such prominent and zealous southern Phis as Bros. Ball, Guerrant and Poitevent could not attend, and that

many others would be missed, the Nashville Phis suffered considerable discouragement. But Bro. Palmer was here, with the chapter behind him; alumni became interested, and then came delegates from other chapters. What further comment is necessary? It went far beyond our hopes.

Convention headquarters were at the handsome Tulane Hotel. In the hotel assembly hall the single business meeting began at 10:30 o'clock on the morning of Friday, October 15. Walter B. Palmer, president of the General Council, called the convention to order, and he was continued permanently in the chair. J. H. DeWitt was chosen secretary, and the address of welcome was given by Firman Smith, Esq., of the Nashville bar. A full report of the business session has been given in the November issue of *The Palladium*.

The intervening hours until the next gathering were spent by the visitors at the Tennessee centennial exposition, so that there was no lack of enjoyment. On Friday evening, Tennessee Alpha threw open her hospitable home, and there was a Phi love feast in which fifty Phis participated. The main feature of entertainment was the initiation of two candidates—Cicero Nichols, of Asheville, N. C., and W. W. Brockman, of Atlanta, Ga. The ceremony was conducted by Hill McAlister, of Nashville, who knows it perfectly, and performs it in a most impressive manner. While the older alumni were disposed to think that too much roughness was introduced in the second act, several of them who are members of other orders, declared that they had never witnessed a finer ritualistic performance than the first and third acts, and among those who so expressed themselves was Bro. Thomas, who has taken every degree in Masonry save one. After the initiations, there were impromptu speeches from many Phis, while mirth, laughter and the best of good comradeship prevailed. One of the happiest speeches was from Bro. Brockman, one of the initiates of the evening, and a brother of F. S. Brockman, Tennessee Alpha, '91, who is national college secretary of the Y. M. C. A., with headquarters at New York city.

Saturday afternoon there was a foot ball game between Central and Vanderbilt on the Vanderbilt campus, another game between Sewanee and the University of Nashville on the latter's campus, and a third game within the exposition grounds. Saturday evening the pleasures of the Phis culminated in the banquet given by Tennessee Alpha to Phis at the roof garden café of the Woman's Building of the exposition. Early in the evening the members assembled to watch the fireworks from the steps of the Parthenon. Then in the auditorium they heard a grand concert by the Bellstedt-Ballenberg band, and gave the Phi yell from the gallery before six thousand people. Forty-seven were present at the banquet, and no one who mingled with that splendid and devoted company of fellows failed to experience a deeper and more loyal appreciation of our dear old Fraternity. From nine o'clock until midnight there were interchanges of wit and outbursts of fraternity enthusiasm, such as can be found only in a Phi Delta Theta gathering. Letters of greeting and congratulation were read from Brothers Miller, editor of THE SCROLL; Ball, treasurer of the General Council; Guerrant and Poitevent, presidents of Beta and Gamma provinces, respectively. Bro. Miller recommended that a province convention be held in the south in 1899, and it was decided to meet in the summer or fall of that year at Chattanooga and Lookout mountain. Bro. McLester stated that there was a number of Phis in Chattanooga, all of whom should be organized, and therefore

a motion proposed by him favoring an alumni chapter at Chattanooga was adopted.

The toasts were interspersed with the college yells of the various speakers, found in Bro. Palmer's new 'Manual of Phi Delta Theta.' Among songs which also came between speeches were, 'Our Cause Speeds On,' 'Phi Delta Theta All Revere,' and 'Phi Delta Theta Dear,' the latter being Bro. Palmer's new song to the air of 'America,' first published in the 'Manual,' and by him heard sung at this banquet for the first time. The toast list was as follows:

'Greeting,' Dr. G. B. Thomas, toastmaster, Mobile, Ala.

'Rush Line and Rushing,' H. H. Huffaker, Central University.

'A Proctor's Lot Is Not a Happy One,' C. B. K. Weed, Sewanee.

'Phis and F. F. V's,' A. Sledd, Randolph-Macon College.

'The Shotgun Quarantine,' W. M. Richmond, University of Mississippi.

'Nashville Girls,' W. S. Fitzgerald, Vanderbilt.

'Sewanee Summer Girls,' Douglas Haggard, Sewanee.

'Initiation Ceremony—Act II.,' W. W. Brockman, Vanderbilt.

'Beta and Gamma Provinces,' W. B. Palmer, Nashville.

'Chicago, 1893; Nashville, 1897,' R. H. Little, Chicago *Tribune*.

'Chattanooga, 1899,' Battle McLester, Vanderbilt.

'Au Revoir,' J. H. DeWitt, Nashville.

It is unfortunate that this must be closed without some description of the banquet speeches, particularly those of Brothers Little and Thomas, which gave rise to round after round of laughter. But to conclude, the following is a list of all present at the various meetings:

Lafayette, Charles S. Jones; *Illinois Wesleyan*, Richard H. Little; *Centre*, J. D. Russell, Jr.; *Alabama*, Oscar Teague*; *Washington and Lee*, Battle McLester*; *Virginia*, George Bruce Thomas, Keats Speed; *Randolph-Macon*, LeRoy E. Kern, A. Sledd*; *Auburn*, A. McB. Ransom, George P. Cooper†; *Southwestern*, O. B. Staples*, W. F. Dunkle*; *Mississippi*, W. M. Richmond, G. L. Jackson*, Firman Smith†; *Central*, W. F. Booker, S. E. Booker, G. K. Speed, H. H. Huffaker, T. H. Jones; *Sewanee*, Caleb B. K. Weed, R. S. Jamison, Charles J. Slack, Marion P. DuBose, Telfair Hodgson, W. A. Buntin, Douglas Haggard†; *Vanderbilt*, W. F. Bradshaw*, C. R. Baskervill*; Campbell Pilcher*†, Stuart C. Pilcher†, S. M. Reed*†, D. A. Breard*, A. L. Breard*, Thomas R. Foster*, Nathan S. Hendrix*, Herbert Carr*, Lewis Farrell*†, A. W. Harris, Jr.*†, G. A. Wyeth*, Cicero Nichols*, W. W. Brockman*, R. B. C. Howell*†, E. M. Underwood*, H. M. Anderson*†, H. Grantland Rice*†, W. S. Fitzgerald*†, Herbert V. Jones*, Ernest S. Jones*, Paul M. Jones*, W. J. Kellar, Fred J. Fuller†, Hill McAlister†, W. R. Manier†, J. W. Manier, Jr.†, Pope Taylor†, L. R. Campbell†, W. B. Palmer†, J. H. DeWitt†.

The total attendance was sixty. Those marked with an asterisk are connected with Vanderbilt University. Dr. P. M. Jones and A. Sledd as instructors. Those marked with a dagger are residents of Nashville. Bro. Kellar is an alumnus from Gallavon, S. C. All of the meetings were well reported by the Nashville daily papers.

JOHN H. DEWITT.

PERSONALS.

Union—Lynn M. Scofield, '97, is construction engineer at the Knox street viaduct at Albany, N. Y.

Amherst—Burt L. York, '96, was married to Miss Clara B. Olney at Putnam, Conn., July 27, 1897.

Amherst—Wesley R. Burnham, '95, was married to Miss Alice Ford at Gloucester, Mass., June 29, 1897.

Franklin—Harry Bridges, '00, was married in Franklin on October 20, 1897, to Miss Katherine Vaught.

Washington—Philo S. Stevenson, '94, has returned to Flora, Ill., as the principal of the high school there.

Union—Harry P Willis, ex-'97, now at Schenectady, N. Y., is slowly recovering from an attack of typhoid fever.

California—Ross Morgan, '91, was married at Lakeville, California, on Saturday, October 30, 1897 to Miss Elizabeth Bodwell.

Miami, '52—Ex-President Harrison has accepted the presidency of the new university club now being organized at Indianapolis.

Vanderbilt—Howell E. Jackson, '90, after several years' residence in Alabama, Texas and West Tennessee, has returned to Nashville.

Hillsdale—L. P. Davis, '96, delegate to the Philadelphia convention, is with Marshall Field & Co., Chicago. His address is 1841 Wabash ave.

Washington—Dr. Frederick B. Hall, '94, medical, who became the father of a boy last summer, has lately left St. Louis and gone to Seneca, Mo.

Washington—James Harrison, '95, has gone to Pittsburgh to superintend the manufacture of the underground cables for the Kinloch Telephone Co. of that city.

Franklin, '61—The Christmas *Frank Leslie's* contains an article on 'The Baptists,' by Gen. T. J. Morgan, D. D., corresponding secretary of the American Baptist home missionary society. This is the first of a series on the religious denominations of America.

Washington—Lockett G. Coleman, '98, is captain of the Weld rowing club of Harvard, which came in second in one of the races at the national regatta at Philadelphia last summer.

Of the four men now in the field as traveling secretaries for the student's volunteer movement for foreign missions, two are Phis—Robert E. Lewis, *Vermont*, '92, and Fletcher S. Brockman, *Vanderbilt*, '91.

Randolph-Macon—Andrew S. Martin, '88, has purchased a half interest in the wholesale drug firm of Walker & Williams, Norfolk, Va., and the style of the firm is now Walker & Martin. He resides at 200 York St.

Vanderbilt—The English Grammar by J. W. Sewell, '90, professor in the Nashville high school, and published by the American Book Company, has been adopted for the public school system of Greater New York.

Wabash—Wilbur C. Abbott, '92, *Cornell*, '93, who last year held a traveling fellowship from Cornell at Oxford, England, has returned and accepted a position as instructor in history at the University of Michigan.

Indiana—Gen. John W. Foster, '55, has been appointed by President McKinley as special plenipotentiary to treat with the prime minister of Canada or his representatives on all matters pending between the two countries.

Amherst—The marriage of Herbert E. Riley, '96, to Miss Gertrude L. Stone, occurred October 6 at the Congregational church, Florence, Mass. Bros. Warren, '95, and McAllister, '98, acted as ushers. Mr. and Mrs. Riley will reside in Florence.

Vanderbilt—Dr. Harry S. Vaughn, '94, is practicing dentistry at the Altman Building, Kansas City, Mo., and not at Denver as previously announced. His interest in Phi Delta Theta is unabated, as evidenced to his chapter in various practical ways.

Missouri, '89—The Grand Canyon Hotel at Flagstaff, Arizona, was burned on the morning of September 14, 1897. Bro. T. J. J. See lost his entire library, many manuscripts, letters, pictures and personal effects. He succeeded, however, in saving the records of the observatory and his general manuscript catalogue of double stars within 75 degrees of the south pole.

Lafayette—The honorary degree of D. D. was conferred on Rev. Francis H. Moore, '77, by his *alma mater* at commencement in June. The Doctor spent the summer traveling in Europe. He is pastor of the Middletown, Del., Presbyterian church.

Ohio State—Hubert H. Ward, '90, is now general agent of the State Mutual Life Assurance Co. of Worcester, Mass., for northern Ohio. He was junior member of the firm of Frank L. Ford & Co., and on the sudden death of Mr. Ford last September was given sole charge of the agency.

Michigan—Dr. W. L. Dunn, '94, who, since graduation, has practiced medicine at Asheville, N. C., was a guest at the chapter house Thanksgiving week, and on December 7 he sailed from New York for Hamburg. He will spend a year or two studying advanced surgery at the University of Berlin.

Indiana—Hon. G. M. Overstreet, Jr., '68, died of consumption at his home in Franklin, Ind., on November 2, 1897, aged 55 years. He fought with conspicuous bravery at Gettysburg and had been honored with many positions of trust and dignity in civic life, having been twice mayor of his native city. He had been an earnest worker in the Presbyterian church for 40 years. A wife and four children survive him.

Centre, '94—A wedding in which nearly all the participants were members of Phi Delta Theta was celebrated on September 29 in Kentucky, as described in the clipping below. Frank D. Curry is one of five brothers, all of whom are Kentucky Alpha boys. Miss Louise Forsythe is herself an ardent Phi, and a sister to Dunbar Forsythe, of Kentucky Delta, '94. Reed Curry and Charles Pearson are also Kentucky Delta men, and Wiley Forsythe was a member of Missouri Beta. Frank Curry is one of the most popular boys in Kentucky and his bride is one of the very prettiest and most charming daughters of the old Blue Grass state:

The marriage of Mr. Frank D. Curry and Miss Louise Forsythe, of Harrodsburg, Wednesday evening, was a most fashionable affair. It took place at the First Presbyterian church, Rev. J. G. Hunter, the pastor, being assisted by Rev. W. O. Goodloe. * * * The groomsmen were Mr. Reed Curry, best man; Messrs. Wiley Forsythe, Versailles; Charles Tebbetts, Lexington; D. J. Curry, Charles Pearson, Dunbar Forsythe. An elegant reception at the home of the bride followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Curry will reside at Harrodsburg, after visiting Asheville, Washington City and other points east.

The groom is a graduate of Centre College and a member of the wholesale grocery firm of D. J. Curry & Son.—*Danville Advocate.*

Georgia, '97—The Atlanta *Constitution* of June 21, last, comments on the remarkable record of Bro. Thos. B. Conner, of Cartersville, Ga., who was graduated from the University of Georgia this year. In his freshman year at Mercer, Bro. Conner made a general average of 100. At the university he led his class through both the junior and senior years, taking every prize open to him the last year, the Bible study prize, the only senior essayist's place, the ready writer's medal, the two Wilcox prizes of $50 each for work in French and German, and first honor in the bachelor of arts course. The faculty consider him one of the brightest men who ever attended the university.

Vanderbilt—A matrimonial epidemic is raging among the alumni of Tennessee Alpha.

On November 3, 1897, at the residence of the bride's mother, in Nashville, Rev. Fennell P. Turner, '91, was married to Miss Rosa Vaughan. John H. DeWitt, '94, was best man. The groom is general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for the United States, with headquarters in New York city.

On November 12, Hon. T. Leigh Thompson, '86, was married at the home of the bride to Miss Nellie Ely. The bride is a noted beauty and a real colonel on the staff of Governor Taylor—the only woman ever appointed to such an office in Tennessee. She is secretary of the Daughters of the Confederacy. Bro. Thompson has been twice elected to the legislature and is president of the state association of Sons of Confederate Veterans. Among the wedding presents was an exquisite silver tea-service. On the tray was engraved: 'To Colonel Nellie Ely-Thompson, from Governor Taylor and his staff.' Mr. and Mrs. Thompson will reside at 321 North Vine St., Nashville.

On November 18, at the First Presbyterian church in Nashville, Dr. Richard Alexander Barr, '92, was married to Miss Sarah Elizabeth Kirkpatrick. W. Frank Harris, '88, was best man. Dr. Barr is a member of the faculty of the Vanderbilt Medical College, of which he is an alumnus, and was recently appointed state prison physician.

On November 29, at the home of the bride's father, Judge Ed Baxter, Judge Robert H. Marr, '80, was married to Miss Lucile Baxter, of Nashville. The secrecy with which the engagement and the marriage were guarded gave a tinge of romance and unusual interest to the event. Judge Marr is now district attorney for the parish of New Orleans.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

COLLEGES.

Chicago and Columbia will debate at New York in February.

It costs the state of Wisconsin $260 for each student educated in the State University.

Ohio Wesleyan has received a bequest of $35,000 for the purpose of endowing a new chair.

Prof. Geo. D. Herron, of Iowa Wesleyan, is being charged with teaching socialism to his classes.

The only anti-foot-ball bill passed so far in any state has been vetoed by the governor of Georgia.

President McKinley will deliver the oration on the 22d of February, 1898, at the University of Pennsylvania.

The total registration at Harvard so far is 3,045, against 2,892 last year; 1,814 are in the college classes, there being 471 freshmen.

The attendance at the University of Berlin this semester is the largest on record—over 6,000. About 600 of these are Americans, forty-three being women.

Another dormitory for women is to be built at The University of Chicago so soon as $75,000 can be raised for that purpose. There are three women's halls on the campus already.

The American University which the Methodists are founding at Washington will probably be opened to students before long. The hall of history will be completed by the end of this year.

The University of Missouri receives $23,023 from the estate of the late John C. Conley, under the operation of a law recently passed by the legislature which provides that if a man dies leaving no father, mother or direct lineal descendants a certain per cent. of his estate, excluding any amount left for charitable or religious purposes, must go to the state university.

A new scientific club at Michigan is called the Catholepistemiad. This was the name originally given the university in 1817 and retained till 1821, when the change was made to the present title.

At Cornell this year the A. B. degree will be given to all graduates, which means that all work is elective. Contrary to expectation the classics were not injured nor were the sciences materially strengthened by the change.

Dartmouth has received a bequest of between $75,000 and $100,000, of which $50,000 will go to build a new laboratory for the physics department. Lafayette received gifts amounting to $95,000 during the college year of 1896–97.

The Bradley Polytechnic Institute, at Peoria, Ill., which is to be a feeder for The University of Chicago, was opened October 4. The number of students enrolled was 150. The director, E. O. Sisson, is a member of Beta Theta Pi.

The number of students matriculated at the end of the first fortnight at Columbia this year was 1,780; at the same time last year it was 1,646. On the same day Brown had 839 enrolled, as against 908 a year ago; Michigan had 2,909 instead of 2,611.

A new oratorical league is being formed by Ohio State University and Ohio Wesleyan University, formerly members of the Ohio state oratorical association. The University of Illinois has joined them, and it is the intention to add three or four more universities.

The New York *Sun* says that genuine college life and spirit have commenced to develop among the students of Columbia since the removal to Morningside Heights. Social life was out of the question down town; few students joined fraternities or literary societies, or took active interest in other college organizations. The change is ascribed to the common life of the students in the boarding houses, dining halls and fraternity houses. The freshmen have displayed unprecedented class spirit. In the list of fraternities given in the *Sun*, Phi Delta Theta is named first. The others are Psi Upsilon, Delta Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Phi, Delta Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappi Psi, Theta Delta Chi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Phi Kappa Beta, a junior society, is a burlesque on Phi Beta Kappa. On the back of its key badge a mug of beer replaces the lamp of learning of Phi Beta Kappa. All the chapters are said to have houses

or rooms *en suite*, where at least a few of the members have sleeping quarters.

Wesleyan has 112 freshmen, Bowdoin, 62. The total enrollment at Oberlin is 1,237; at Beloit, 230. Yale has 296 freshmen, against 355 last year and 331 the two years before, the chief falling off seeming to be in the New England states outside of Connecticut.

The sale of liquors at the Princeton Inn has called out a resignation from the faculty, resolutions from several synods, a statement from ex-President Cleveland, some intemperate language from a prohibition editor and conflicting testimony enough from newspaper correspondents to prove anything anybody would like to believe.

The new Williams catalogue shows an attendance of 20 graduates, 60 seniors, 91 juniors, 101 sophomores and 112 freshmen; total, 384. Williams has definitely abolished rushes, and instead a reception is given to the freshmen by the Y. M. C. A. The Amherst sophomores have passed resolutions condemning hazing, we may add.

President Raymond, of the University of West Virginia, is only twenty-nine years old. Fifteen years ago he was a Chicago newsboy. He saved money enough to enable him to learn stenography, by the aid of which art he paid his way while a student at Northwestern. He was graduated there in 1892 and is a member of Beta Theta Pi.

FRATERNITIES.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is to have a house at Missouri.

Kappa Sigma mentions eleven chapter houses in her directory.

Senator Wilson, of Washington, is a member of Delta Tau Delta.

Theta Delta Psi is a new sorority at Bucknell with a shield shaped badge.

Alpha Tau Omega has entered the University of Texas. Four men were initiated.

The Chicago chapter of Sigma Chi has initiated a member of the faculty, and the Washington and Jefferson chapter of Beta Theta Pi has taken in the coach of the foot ball team.

Maybury, the famous Wisconsin sprinter, has been initiated by Phi Gamma Delta.

West Virginia University has adopted the Chicago system of four quarters and will remain open the year through.

Nu Sigma Nu no longer has a clear field in the medical department of the University of Michigan. Its new rival is Phi Alpha Sigma.

The Mississippi chapter of Beta Theta Pi has surrendered its charter. Only three members of the Vanderbilt chapter returned this fall.

Ten chapters failed to send delegates to the Phi Gamma Delta convention at Nashville last summer. The October *Quarterly* says that but three of these are excusable.

The Wooster correspondent of the Beta Theta Pi says: 'There are only about five fraternity fellows among the new students, and only one of these have we seen fit to invite.'

Three of the six commencement orators at Harvard this year were members of Delta Upsilon. Out of thirty-one chapters in that fraternity eighteen own houses. Another is to be built at Colby soon.

At the Kappa Sigma reunion at Nashville, October 15 and 16, resolutions were adopted recommending to the Grand Chapter a rule prohibiting membership in Theta Nu Epsilon and similar societies.

Beta Theta Pi took Alpha Tau Omega to task recently for failing to distinguish honorary from regular members in her new catalogue. We have been told that the last Beta catalogue is open to exactly the same objection.

Phi Gamma Delta moved into new houses this fall at Lehigh, Johns Hopkins and Allegheny. In the last year she has refused applications for charters from Centre, William and Mary, Rutgers, Missouri and Washington State.

Phi Kappa Psi has adopted a pledge button consisting of a small shield with the lamp and book feature of the regular badge. This supersedes an unauthorized button, the chief objection to which was that it bore the letters 'Φ K Ψ.'

A Chicago paper, in announcing a province convention of Sigma Alpha Epsilon to be held in that city in January, says: 'President McKinley was a member of the fraternity at Union College, and will be invited to be present at the ceremonies.'

Delta Phi held her 'seventieth' national convention with the Brown chapter on November 18, 19 and 20. On the evening of the first day a dance was given in Lyman Gymnasium, to which the senior delegations of the other fraternities were invited.

The *Palm*, the *Rainbow* and the Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly* have reached us a month late, and the *Delta* of Sigma Nu and *Shield* of Theta Delta Chi were two or three months behind time; so don't expect THE SCROLL to escape the contagion entirely.

This fall Kappa Sigma returned three men at Virginia, Southwestern and S. W. Presbyterian, four at Centenary, five at Hampden-Sidney, Kentucky and Wabash. Smaller chapters seem to be the rule this year in many fraternities and many colleges.

It is reported that local societies are applying for charters to Zeta Psi at Minnesota and Nebraska, to Sigma Alpha Epsilon at Gettysburg, to Delta Upsilon at Illinois and Chicago, to Alpha Delta Phi at Stanford and Wisconsin, to Delta Kappa Epsilon at Case.

Delta Kappa Epsilon held her 'fifty-first' convention at the Palmer House, in Chicago, on November 22, 23 and 24. Twenty-nine chapters out of thirty-five were represented. The absentees were Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, Virginia, Adelbert and Kenyon.

The Alpha Tau Omega *Palm* complains because the new catalogue does not sell. Five hundred and six copies were sent out to the chapters, and of these only 144 have been paid for, while 258 copies have neither been paid for nor returned. The editor says, 'There is great need of better support on the part of alumni, also.'

The first article in the Sigma Chi *Quarterly* for November is, 'What and Who [sic] We Did at Nashville'; it is a picturesque account of the late convention. The total attendance of delegates and visitors was 107; at Cincinnati, in 1895, it was 147; at Indianapolis, in 1892, 116. The convention established an endowment fund. But four men returned at Hobart this fall; one came back at Centre, but he has initiated six. At Randolph-Macon one old man returned, and four have been initiated, while at Hampden-Sidney four returned and initiated one. Not a single member returned at the University of Cincinnati, but an alumnus has initiated six men.

Members of Delta Tau Delta were forbidden by enactment of the Chicago convention in August to join Theta Nu Epsilon and kindred societies. The discussion on the motion was prolonged and exciting. The new Delta Tau catalogue has been issued, the last edition having appeared in 1884. The present edition contains nearly 6,000 names.

At the request of President Harper, the senior council, one of the two representative bodies among the students of the University of Chicago, has set on foot negotiations looking toward the establishment of a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Phi Beta Kappa is 'in' at Northwestern, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota and Kansas, and the faculty hopes for a successful issue.

Delta Tau Delta's Williams chapter has ceased to exist. The Allegheny chapter returned three old members this fall; the largest chapter reported is at Minnesota, twenty-two strong. Vanderbilt began with five and initiated nine. Iowa began with four, as did Washington and Lee, and there were six at the start at Washington and Jefferson, Hillsdale and Rensselaer.

Phi Gamma Delta installed a chapter at the University of Illinois on October 15. There were 22 charter members, of whom 17 are now active. Among them are several prominent students, including the editor-in-chief of the '99 *Illio*. The chapter's sponsor was Dr. David Kinley, dean of the college of literature, who was a Fiji at Johns Hopkins. At the installation banquet the other chapters were represented by one member each, and Bro. Rufus Walker, Jr., in their behalf, welcomed the new chapter.

According to lists given in the annuals reviewed in this issue, chapters of Theta Nu Epsilon have been established at the following institutions: Wesleyan, Syracuse, Union, Cornell, Rochester, California, Colgate, Kenyon, Adelbert, Hamilton, Rensselaer, Stevens, Lafayette, Williams, Amherst, Allegheny, Lehigh, Washington and Lee, Pennsylvania State, Dickinson, Pennsylvania, U. C. N. Y., Kansas, Wooster, Michigan, Rutgers, Dartmouth, C. C. N. Y., Ohio State, North Carolina, Swarthmore, Maine State, Case, Northwestern, Iowa, Minnesota, Washington and Jefferson, Bowdoin, Missouri, Hampden-Sidney, Nebraska, Chicago, Virginia, Tulane, Mississippi, Mt. Union, Wittenberg, Wisconsin, DePauw, Washington, Vanderbilt, Davidson; total, 52. Many of these, however, have died or been killed by fraternity chapters or the faculty.

The administration building at the Tennessee centennial exposition will soon occupy a conspicuous position on West End avenue, having been bought by the Kappa Alpha fraternity, who will remove it to a lot opposite Vanderbilt campus just as soon as it is vacated. It will be occupied as a club house by this thriving fraternity of Vanderbilt University. Besides being a very convenient building for such a purpose, it is also a pleasing reminder of the exposition.—*Nashville American*, Nov. 23, 1897.

At Kentucky University last June the non-fraternity students to the number of 150 asked the curators to abolish fraternities there, claiming that they were killing the literary societies, forming cliques and creating dissensions. The Kappa Sigmas and Kappa Alphas sent men to debate the question with the barbarians before the curators, who referred the matter to the faculty, who took no action, leaving no restrictions on the chapters. They are not allowed to initiate theological students, however.

The New York *Evening Post* of November 13 says that:

Of the fifteen fraternities having chapters at Lehigh fourteen occupy houses which they either own or rent, and out of the total of 349 registered students, exclusive of the non-resident graduate students, 169 are fraternity men. Of this number 123 live in fraternity houses, while the remainder of fraternity men, like the non-fraternity students, rent rooms throughout the towns of Bethlehem and South Bethlehem. In this connection it may be stated that the expense of living is about the same in a fraternity house as elsewhere, the average being $9 per month for a room and $3 to $6 a week for board.

Kappa Sigma has been taking the Washington and Lee chapter of Kappa Alpha to task for initiating graduates of the Virginia Military Institute immediately after commencement. V. M. I. has become incensed at this practice, and now requires students to pledge themselves to join no fraternity, not only while students, but for one year after graduation, as well. The *Caduceus* intimates that Kappa Alpha loses in dignity in thus 'scrambling for members' at an institution which prohibits fraternities.

Zeta Psi, Delta Psi, Phi Gamma Delta and perhaps other fraternities have certificates of enrollment, handsomely engraved and suitable for framing. The Phi Gamma Delta certificate is entirely in Greek, and each member is required to purchase one, the price being $1.50. A similar certificate has been proposed in the *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi. A certificate of membership is included among the forms appended to our proposed constitution, printed in 1896, which will come before our 1898 convention for adoption.

The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi for December has an interesting description of 'Phi Kappa Psi Realty.' Pictures of the eight houses now owned by the fraternity are given. They are at Michigan, Beloit, Colgate, Kansas, Syracuse, Amherst, Gettysburg and Minnesota. Cornell is now building, and Bucknell and Stanford own lots. The value of the realty now owned is said to be more than $100,000. It is a most creditable showing. Houses are rented at Columbia, Franklin and Marshall, Johns Hopkins, Wittenberg, De Pauw, Chicago, Wisconsin and Nebraska. We are glad to correct an item copied from the *Beta Theta Pi*, which said that the Wittenberg chapter was forced by financial embarrassment to take a more modest house. The change was made on account of the difference in age and conveniences of the two houses, and the chapter has no debts.

The Omega club, organized at The University of Chicago in 1894, for the purpose of securing a charter from Psi Upsilon, has succeeded in its object. Some chapters objected to the charter being granted, and early in 1896, certain Chicago alumni undertook to force things by initiating the members of Omega into Psi Upsilon, but the members soon discarded their Psi U. badges and resumed their Omega pins. The necessary vote having been obtained, the chapter was formally instituted on the evening of November 24, 1897. The following account of the exercises is from the Chicago *Inter-Ocean:*

The Psi Upsilon fraternity installed the Omega chapter at The University of Chicago yesterday. The secret exercises were held in the Auditorium hotel at 6 o'clock, twenty-three men being initiated under the direction of Herbert L. Bridgeman, president of the Executive Council and editor of the Brooklyn *Standard-Union*. Immediately afterward 120 Psi U.'s sat down to a dinner given in the banquet hall by the alumni association of the northwest.

It was founders' day, the sixty-fourth anniversary, and the fraternity felt itself fortunate in being able to gaze upon the face of one of the founders, Rev. Dr. Samuel Goodale of Columbus, Neb.

Rev. Dr. William M. Lawrence, Amherst, '71, acted as toastmaster. He said: 'I was one of the board of trustees of the old Chicago university, and I went down with the concern; and I felt a great sorrow at the suspension of the Omega chapter, which went down, too. But now, as the new university is far greater than the old ever was, we may hope that the new Omega chapter will also be far greater than the old.'

Rev. Dr. Samuel Goodale, Union, '36, responding to 'The Sixty-fourth Anniversary of Psi Upsilon; Its Founder,' said that at a reunion in New York last year he had said he hoped he might live long enough to see a chapter of Psi U. in the University of Wisconsin and one in The University of Chicago; but he had hardly expected to, being then 83 years old. This, therefore, was truly a Thanksgiving jubilee to him.

The Psi U. had begun humbly, with a few young men not very accomplished, sitting round a table up under the roof of Union College.

There were Hadley, Tuttle, and Martindale, still living and probably pretty much used up, as he was, and they had formed the fraternity to escape the Kappa Alphas, who were after them.

In this Omega chapter the fraternity had reached the limit of the Greek alphabet, and now perhaps it would have to begin on the Hebrew. Bishop Nichols had regretted that California had no Psi U. chapter the last time he had seen him.

The other speakers were Herbert L. Bridgeman, Amherst, '66, Geo. C. Howland, Amherst, '85, Frederick W. C. Hayes, Chicago, '80, M. Dwight McIntyre, Chicago, '98, H. H. C. Miller, Michigan, '68, Standish Backus, Michigan, '98, and William T. Underwood, Michigan, '72.

At the convention of Delta Upsilon at Amherst in October, 111 delegates and visitors registered, 27 of these being active members of the Amherst chapter. No applications for charters were approved, but the editor of the *Quarterly* says that two will probably be granted later. We want our reporters to make their best bow to the editor of the *Quarterly*, for this is what he says: 'The Phi Delta Theta SCROLL for October contains many items of interest concerning the fraternity world. It is remarkable how much fresh information concerning Greekdom THE SCROLL secures for each issue. The secret of it must be that the Phi Delta Theta chapter correspondents are keenly alive to the situations in other fraternities. It is evident that they are making a careful study of the existing conditions in the colleges where they are placed, and the results of these investigations are systematically sent to the editor of THE SCROLL. In consequence THE SCROLL always prints the latest, fullest, and, apparently, the most reliable information concerning the different fraternities.'

Theta Nu Epsilon receives attention at the hands of Walter S. Holden, secretary of the executive council of Phi Kappa Psi, in the last number of the *Shield*. He says that the arguments in favor of Theta Nu Epsilon are: First, that it forms inter-fraternity friendships and dispels clannishness; second, it is an honor to be elected to the society. He admits that there is some force in the first argument, but believes that it would be no reflection on Phi Kappa Psis who were not asked to join, if their fraternity had a law against such action. His arguments against the society are: First, ill-feeling, jealousies and divisions are created within the chapter; second, Theta Nu Epsilon takes part in college politics, and in doing so sometimes opposes Phi Kappa Psi; third, its initiatory escapades are unmanly and undignified; fourth, Phi Kappa Psi has a right to all the time and money at a member's disposal for fraternity purposes. He cites a case where a man wore a Theta Nu Epsilon pin but none of

Phi Kappa Psi. He has investigated different colleges and finds that chapters are weakest where the outside societies are strongest. He also opposes allowing membership in professional societies and says that his chapter (Michigan) now forbids such membership. He is a member of a professional society but is 'firmly convinced that a double allegiance is never advantageous. The graduate's advice is very helpful to the chapter.'

Referring to the convention of B Θ Π at Niagara Falls last July, the October *Beta Theta Pi* says:

The convention was remarkable for the large number of chapters represented. All but two had at least one delegate. These two were Beloit and Brown, each strong chapters.

The innovation of having the convention begin at the end of the week and extend over Sunday was a decided success. It broke up the rush of business, gave an opportunity for rest and thought, made all of the boys better acquainted, and did much to avoid a rush at the last hours of the convention.

The keynote for the business of the convention seems to have been struck in the magnificent report of the general secretary, when he declared that so far as could be seen the fraternity was now large enough, and that our path in the future led us to building up within.

Our constitution adopted in 1879 survives in principle and operation in the one adopted in 1897, and the curious student of our affairs will find many of its familiar expressions in the constitution of 1889. . As a matter of fact the constitution and code of laws set forth less a revision than a codification. . The fraternity has reason to congratulate itself upon the fact that of late years no seal of secrecy has been imposed upon the members regarding its constitution, laws, system of administration, or manner of government. This reflection is apropos of the publication of the constitution and code of laws adopted at the July convention. We do not conceal their contents, and college authorities everywhere who have supervision over our active members are welcome to all proper information concerning these regulations, but we do not expect our chapters to freely give out copies to other Greeks, or those who have no good reasons for desiring to see them.

We are glad to chronicle one change in the laws, viz., that making the order of the 'committee of the whole on the state of the fraternity' more conspicuous at conventions. The administrative business of conventions, and in fact much of their legislative work, could be much more wisely dispensed with than the searching *viva voce* examination into the condition of chapters implied in this order. The changed procedure makes it the first important order of general business for the convention.

A special committee was appointed to examine into the chapter house question. This is but one more indication of the strong current towards chapter-house life among our chapters. Wesleyan has recently purchased the house in which the chapter has lived for four or five years, and the St. Lawrence and Stanford chapters are building their houses, and expect to have them ready for occupancy before the close of the first term of this college year. The purchase of a chapter house gives an assurance of permanence to a chapter as nothing else can. The members of chapters in smaller colleges must face the situation. They must see that the ever-increasing tendency to raise the

standard of the fraternity will each year relatively place them in a more inferior position, unless this pledge of the chapter's faith in their continued existence and prosperity takes visible form. In many towns where some of our smaller chapters are located, like those at Hanover, Ohio, Wittenburg, Wabash, Bethany, Hampden-Sidney, Iowa Wesleyan, Westminster or Centre, chapter houses can be purchased or built for relatively small sums of money. All of the chapters named have long rolls of loyal alumni, who can be appealed to in proper form for assistance in this behalf, and with whose aid all of these chapters should soon find themselves house owners.

The suggestion was made at the banquet to purchase back Wooglin-on-Chautauqua by subscription, and to re-establish it as a Beta home. All hail to the noble alumni who have such an idea, but are we not face to face with a great necessity? Verily, we think so. As children should see to it that those should never want who gave them life, is it not our first duty to build homes for the chapters that gave us Beta blood? Crying for a place of shelter, we hear many of those noble brothers calling to us. Here it seems is a field. Aid and assist them first and bright homes will open to Betas throughout the land. Then, if we still desire to do so, let us build our larger home.

Mr. Junius E. Beal, of Ann Arbor, Mich., publisher of the B Θ Π catalogue, contributes an article about Wooglin, from which it is learned that nineteen acres of land on Lake Chautauqua were purchased in 1883, and a large club house was erected in 1884. In 1891 the property was officially estimated at $36,000. The annual conventions were held in the club house usually up to 1894. Then there was a mortgage foreclosure, and the property was bought by a New York stock company. The building is finely fitted up as a hotel and is called 'Wooglin Inn,' but the patronage does not seem to be large, and the company would sell the property, and offer it at a low figure.

Mr. J. Cal. Hanna, of Columbus, Ohio, general secretary and catalogue editor, announces that the chapter lists of all chapters from Miami to Columbia have been put in type, making 732 pages, but these lists do not include the names of members initiated since July 1, 1894, which names are to be added separately. The total membership to September, 1897, is estimated at 10,520. The total membership of Φ Δ Θ on February 1, 1897 as shown in the 'Manual' was 9,134, and in September it was probably 9,200, or about 1,300 less than B Θ Π. It is a curious coincidence that our attendant membership in 1896–97, as shown in the H. G. C.'s summary of chapter reports in the June SCROLL, was exactly the same as B Θ Π's, viz., 1,065, as shown in a statistical table in the October *Beta Theta Pi*. Mr. Wm. R. Baird, of New York City, author of 'American College Fraternities,' continues as editor of the Beta magazine, which insures that it will be made a valuable organ of B Θ Π and interesting to the whole fraternity world.

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Bro. Earnest G. Hallman, of Atlanta, was host at a dinner of twenty Phis on Thanksgiving day at the Hotel Aragon.

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Bro. Walter H. Sherburne, 42 N. 12th St., Minneapolis, Minn., wishes to exchange monograms with every Phi chapter.

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The 58th anniversary of the Few literary society was held at Emory on October 29. Bro. John S. Tilley delivered the anniversary address.

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The first circular letter to arrive was the one from Case, exactly on time, and followed closely by those from Syracuse, Allegheny and Southwestern.

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Ohio Gamma sent out a new card with white and blue ribbons 'In Honor of the New Phis'—Bros. Costo, Witman, O'Bleness, Wood and Herrold, and Messrs. Tinker and Mathews, pledged.

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E. A. Wright has designed a new plate for college annuals, a modification of the one used as frontispiece in THE SCROLL for October, 1896, which was a design made by him from suggestions of Dr. J. E. Brown.

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Chicago has pledged Garrey, end on this year's 'varsity, making four men pledged besides the two initiated this fall; Hillsdale has two initiates; Case has initiated two since her letter was written; Indiana, three; Tulane started on November 29 with seven old men and two pledged.

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The fourth paragraph on page 18 of the November *Palladium* should be read again by the reporters of the chapters at *Washington and Jefferson*, *Pennsylvania*, *Washington and Lee*, *Centre*, *Alabama*, *Northwestern* and *Iowa*.

The winner of the Illinois state oratorical contest is a Beta Theta Pi from Knox; Bro. M. N. Ferguson represented Westminster in the Missouri state contest, and Bro. T. C. Whallon comes up from Hanover to the Indiana contest.

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The President of the General Council made a trip through Michigan during Thanksgiving week, visiting the chapters at Ann Arbor, Lansing and Hillsdale. Previously during the fall he had visited the chapters at Vanderbilt, Illinois, Chicago and Northwestern.

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The movement inaugurated during the session of '96–'97, to place in the new library of the University of Virginia a suitable monument to Edgar Allan Poe, is now being actively pushed, in order that the bust may be begun at once. Prof. Charles W. Kent is president of the association having this matter in charge, and Bro. Schuyler Poitevent is vice-president.

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We are under many obligations to reporters at *Dickinson*, *Lehigh*, *Lombard*, *Ohio*, *Washington*, *Knox*, *Iowa Wesleyan*, *Case*, *Miami* and *De Pauw* for their college magazines. Let us have more. Each of these papers has one or more Phis on the staff. Bro. Bowman is editor-in-chief of *The Dickinsonian*, Bro. Carpenter of the *Lombard Review*, Bro. O'Bleness of the *Mirror*, Bro. Lewis of the *Coup d' Etat*, Bro. Stokes of the *Student*.

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Bro. John H. Outland, *Kansas*, '98, now in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, has been chosen captain of the U. of P. eleven for 1898. He was a star half back at Kansas, played half back and captained the scrub last year at Pennsylvania (being ineligible for the 'varsity on account of the one-year rule), and has played a great game at right tackle this year on the 'varsity. The Philadelphia Times of November 26 says:

He was placed at right tackle to strengthen the weakest point in the team, although he was a stronger player at half back. The readiness with which he acquiesced in the change, in spite of the fact that it meant a complete sacrifice of all opportunity for personal glory for the good of the team, is but a mark of the traits of character which particularly fit him for the position.

As a player Outland is destined to become one of the strongest backs that ever played on the gridiron. His natural qualifications are of the most promising nature, and his adaptability to the necessi-

ties of the game is already demonstrated. Outland will doubtless make one of the most successful captains that Pennsylvania has ever had.

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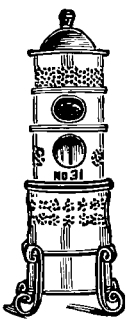

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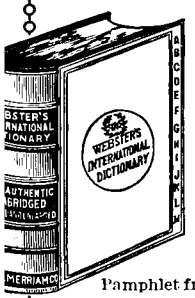

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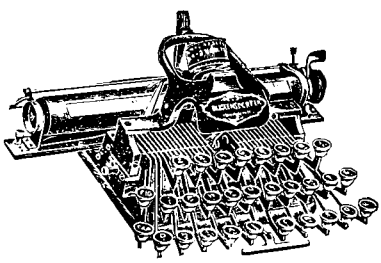

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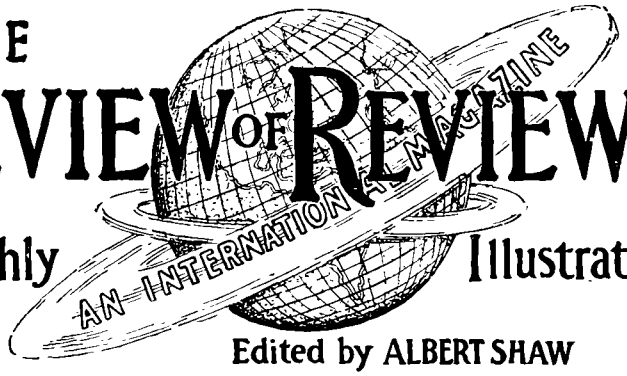

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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

A sketch of the University of Texas and its student life necessarily contains a brief glance at the university's surroundings and a passing notice of many things that are characteristic of Texans.

The university is situated in Austin, which is not only the center of government but is only a short distance south of the geographical center of Texas. A more pleasing location for the head of the free school system of the state could not have been chosen. The fact that Austin is situated on the Colorado river might suggest that its citizens inhabit the lowlands, but such is not the case; residing on the banks

of a great water-course they dwell amidst the hills. Unlike Rome the city sits not on seven hills but on thrice seven. Surmounting the highest peak the great state capitol lifts its spire 311 feet towards the heavens, and three-quarters of a mile to the north, adorning the next highest hill, stands the state university, exemplifying the idea of our Texas fathers, that state education was to be of next importance to the existence of the state itself.

Aside from the natural beauty of the surroundings, the location has many other advantages. The healthfulness of the locality can be excelled in few places in Texas, and, indeed, many health-seekers come here annually to enjoy the high dry atmosphere that surrounds us.

To the student there is much in the surroundings that is interesting. The heads of all the departments of government are located here, and much that is instructive and beneficial may be obtained from attendance on the sessions of the legislature, the supreme court, the railroad commission and other state institutions. The state library affords excellent advantages to those inclined to the study of Texas' early days and history, while the departments of agriculture and geology furnish interesting material for the student of science.

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The institutes for the deaf and dumb, for the blind and for the insane are located here, and come in for their share of interest and study. To the engineering student the granite capitol, second in size only to the national capitol, and the great dam that transforms the Colorado into a lake twenty-five miles in length, are studies in themselves.

Lake McDonald is as pretty a body of water as can be found in the south, and is useful as well as beautiful; it not only furnishes water for the city but supplies the necessary power for the electric light plant and the street railway system. Upon this lake in the not far distant future we expect to see many an inter-collegiate boat race between the best teams in the country.

The surroundings are such that, as can be readily seen, the choice of the site of the university manifested a keen insight on the part of the founders into the advantages to be derived from such a location. Perhaps it would be interesting to

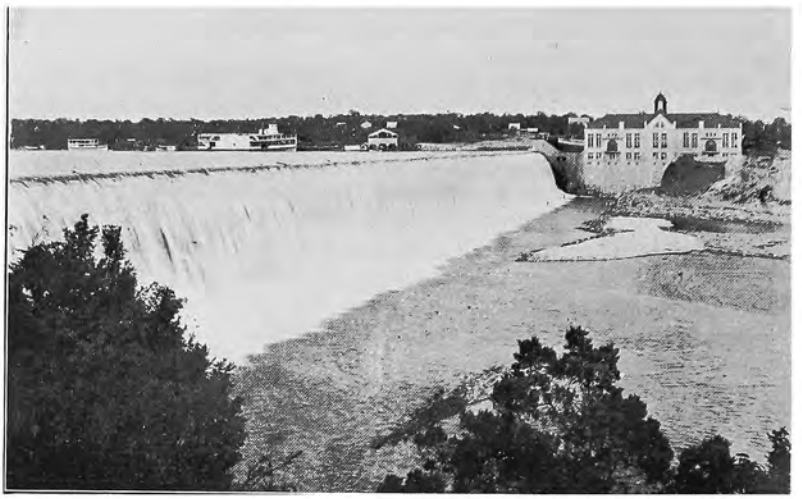
know something of those men who selected the present site and set apart the campus which they hoped some day would be dotted with buildings.

In 1839 the congress of the Republic of Texas set apart fifty leagues of land for the construction and maintenance of the university, and designated the present site as the future home of the projected university. This took place while Texas was yet a republic; the war for independence had scarcely closed and the fortunes and homes that were wrecked by that struggle had not yet been restored when the Texas fathers turned their minds towards founding an institution where the youth of the country might be educated. The men who had met Santa Anna on many a bloody field, those who had been with Rusk and Lamar, and the heroes who had stood beside Sam Houston at San Jacinto, knew that liberty was born of knowledge, and fresh in the enjoyment of freedom, they set about devising ways and means to perpetuate it.

Those who founded the university were brawny pioneers; they were dressed in buck-skin suits and coon-skin caps; they carried at their side the trusty bowie-knife and kept close at hand the unerring rifle, yet most of them came from eastern colleges and universities. Many young men just out of college came to Texas in the early days to seek their fortunes, and just such men were those who set about to provide for the future university. It is surprising to find that such a large percentage of the soldiers in the Texan armies were college men, men who afterwards took prominent parts in the affairs of state.

The next step towards realizing the ambition of the founders was taken in 1858, when the state set apart much more land and at the same time appropriated money and authorized the organization of the university. In a short time the Civil War came on and delayed any progress until a later day. The exigencies of war demanded that the funds set apart be used for other purposes, and the result was that at the end of four years of strife the university was almost stripped of the princely endowment that had been bequeathed to it years before. After a long struggle a part, but not nearly all, of the endowment was recovered from the state.

The constitution of Texas adopted in 1876 contained the clause: 'The legislature shall, as soon as practicable, establish, organize and provide for the maintenance, support and direction of a university of the first class.' Five years later, in 1881, the legislature enacted the laws that the con-



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stitution directed, and in September, 1883, the University of Texas opened her doors and the dreams of her founders had commenced to be realized after a lapse of forty-four years.

The university, when first organized, consisted of the departments of literature, science and arts, and law. Reminiscences of the early days are interesting in the extreme. The buildings afforded meager advantages, and professors and students were forced to submit to many inconveniences.

Besides the regular professional degrees conferred in law, medicine and engineering, the university provides courses in the department of literature, science and arts leading to the degrees B. A., B. Sc., B. Lit., and graduate degrees M. A. and M. S. The degrees conferred in the academic department are recognized by the leading universities of America as of standard excellence and merit. Alumni of Texas have demonstrated their excellent undergraduate training by distinguishing themselves in independent research and investigation in both Germany and America. Within the last three years fellowships have been won in Harvard, Yale, Cornell, Columbia, Johns Hopkins and the University of Chicago by graduates of the University of Texas.

Ever since its establishment the law department has been noted for the thoroughness of its work. It has steadily gained prestige and strength until it now stands in the front rank of law schools. The number of students in this school alone is over one hundred.

The department of medicine was established in 1890. Its growth and development have been phenomenal. In 1897 the school of medicine had an attendance of nearly three hundred students. The course of study has been improved until it now covers a period of four years. Specialists are employed in every branch, and the medical department is already eclipsing many of the older schools of the central and south central states. Galveston is the location of the medical branch, and was chosen on account of its many advantages for hospital work and clinical study.

Tuition is free in all departments of the University of Texas. The only fees required consist of a nominal matriculation fee and laboratory fees sufficient to compensate for materials actually used by students. No distinction is made between Texas students and those from other states as to the matter of fees; all are welcome.

The university buildings in Austin consist of the main building, the chemical laboratory, the power house and

Brackenridge Hall. An eastern wing will be added to the main building, while more laboratories and halls will be built as rapidly as the development of the institution demands.

Brackenridge Hall was given to the university by Geo. W. Brackenridge, of San Antonio, one of the regents of the university. Mr. Brackenridge has been one of the university's most faithful friends and has made various other donations to the institution.

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CAMPUS SCENE LOOKING SOUTHWEST.

the president, and their decision is final in all matters pertaining to the administration of university affairs. This board has complete control of lands belonging to the university and the disposition of all funds appropriated for the maintenance of the institution. The income from the lands and securities held by the board of regents, when added to the legislative appropriation, amounts to something near $110,000 annually.

It was in 1896–7 that the University of Texas had her first president. Up to that time the university was similar to the University of Virginia in that a chairman of the faculty administered the duties of a president. In June, 1896, the board of regents tendered Dr. Geo. T. Winston the presidency, and in September following he resigned a similar position in the University of North Carolina and entered upon his work in Texas. Dr. Winston was educated in Cornell University, and is familiar with the modes of government and organization of the greatest universities in the United States.

His deep learning and previous experience as college president singularly fit him for the position he occupies, and every department of the university has felt the influence of his presence. His administration of affairs exhibits marked executive ability, and has resulted in calling the attention of the people of Texas to the university in a manner that has been productive of much good. It is the purpose of Dr. Winston to bring the university into close touch with the free schools and the public generally, and to that end much of his time is spent in traveling and delivering addresses before high schools and academies throughout the state.

It is the policy of the regents, as well as of the president, to affiliate with the university all high schools of sufficient grade, and to permit graduates of these approved schools to enter the university without examination. This plan has been highly successful and already fifty or more schools have arranged their courses of study satisfactorily and are in complete affiliation. This movement has proven a great stimulant to the public schools, and all are advancing their courses so that sooner or later they may enjoy the advantages of such an arrangement. It is hoped by the university management that the number of affiliated schools will reach into the hundreds within the next few years.

What the success of this plan of affiliation will result in may be readily seen. It means that the free school system will be organized and graded with the university at its head;

that the state will furnish free education from the first reader, through the public schools, through college, and through a profession if such is desired. The magnitude of the enterprise can hardly be appreciated, and what it means for the upbuilding and broadening of the university of the Lone Star State can be expressed when it is said that the Constitution of '76 will be obeyed and Texas will have a 'university of the first class.'

There are at present fifty-seven instructors and professors in the University of Texas. The idea of promotion and reward is thoroughly in keeping with the spirit of the institution, and to this is largely attributed the fact that few enjoy the distinction of full professorships. The authorities are unwilling to entrust to new men the highest positions and salaries, and they are only won by faithful and meritorious service.

The number of students in attendance at the university during '96–7 was 751. Thus far 705 students have enrolled for '97–8. By the end of the year these figures will pass the 750 mark. Attendance in the medical department has fallen off nearly one hundred this year on account of the yellow fever epidemic; but on the other hand the academic department has a largely increased attendance. Over two hundred students are now in the law and academic departments who have never been in the university before.

Probably the best way in which to direct the attention of the reader to the characteristics of the University of Texas would be to describe some of the enterprises and organizations which are of sufficient interest to enlist the energies of students and professors.

The Texas Academy of Science is dominated and controlled by university thought, though some of its members are in no way connected with the institution. This is an organization for scientific research and investigation whose membership is chiefly composed of university professors. The most prominent member of the Texas Academy of Science is Dr. George Bruce Halsted, professor of mathematics. Dr. Halsted is of international reputation and his mathematical ability is recognized throughout the Union.

The Texas State Historical Association is an organization whose members reside in different parts of the state, but whose home is in the university. All the records, relics and manuscripts belonging to this organization are in the custody of the School of History.

Most prominent of those enterprises that are guided by

A Shady Retreat.
TEXAS CAPITOL IN THE DISTANCE.

the genius of the students are the university publications, which mirror the ideals, fancies, and whims of the student mind more accurately than any other agency.

The Press Club is an organization that has lately sprung into existence. Its purpose is to enlighten the public concerning the workings and progress of the university. All bona fide newspaper correspondents, who send communications at least once each month to their home paper concerning the doings in the capital city, are eligible to membership.

The University of Texas Magazine is a monthly journal published by the literary societies, and affords an opportunity for the development of literary talents in both prose and verse. Often rare bits of college wit appear in the *Magazine* that go the whole round of college journalism before they grow wearisome.

The Ranger makes its appearance weekly, and chronicles the actual news of the university and the college world.

The Cactus is the name of the annual, and up to this time four volumes have appeared with marks of improvement in each succeeding issue. Each senior class in the university has three representatives on the editorial board, the other classes have one editor each. The editors elect the editor-in-chief from their number.

Closely akin to the university publications and of scarcely less importance are the literary societies. The Athenaeum and Rusk are as old as the university, and many are the interesting events that have occurred throughout their history. Both were born of the spirit of rivalry, and on occasions of debates and contests the cheers of enthusiastic partisans show that rivalry still exists. The Ashbel is the name of the society whose destiny is guided by woman. Quite a number of the young ladies belong to this organization, and by their zeal have made the Ashbel a synonym for literary excellence and culture.

The Athenaeum and Rusk societies have entered into an agreement whereby they constitute the 'Oratorical Association of the University of Texas.' The selection of an orator to represent Texas is delegated to the oratorical association. A contest is held annually and the winner is entitled to represent the university. Last year the southern intercollegiate contest was held here, but owing to the great distance only two colleges sent representatives, Vanderbilt and Sewanee.

Another event of equal importance to Texas will be the

annual debate with Tulane, which is to be initiated next year. Last year plans were formulated and an agreement reached whereby Texas and Tulane were to meet in debate some time during '97–8, but owing to the delayed opening of Tulane, the debate had to be postponed. The rules regulating the debate are similar to those which are used by Harvard and Yale.

Among the various organizations that are the offspring of student enterprise the Dramatic Club occupies a unique position. This club was organized during '96–7 and made its initial appearance in 'Richelieu' in the Hancock Opera House, this city. Dramatic talent is not lacking among the students, and quite a number are there whose abilities in this art are exceptional. The Dramatic Club is under the direction of Prof. T. R. Hamberlin, and the success of the organization is due in a large degree to his efforts and industry.

The musical interest of the university is centered in the two glee clubs. The men's glee club is under the direction of Prof. E. P. Selock, while the celebrated Ludwig waves the baton for the four vocalists that compose the women's glee club. The men's club will make a tour of the cities of Texas sometime during the spring months.

That part of college life that elicits more enthusiasm and interest than any other has yet to be told of. Until this year the enthusiasm for athletics was confined almost exclusively to foot ball, but with the coming of a physical director interest has been aroused in other departments of athletics; not only will Texas be represented on the gridiron, but the diamond, the tennis court and the race track will know the prowess of her athletes.

Although Texas began the foot ball season of '97 under unfavorable circumstances, she has retrieved every defeat and still wears the honor of the championship of Texas. W. F. Kelly, of Dartmouth, was the coach, and he had no easy task in transforming raw material into a good team. About half the team were new men who had never played the game before, and it is surprising that Texas made such a good showing.

The distance is so great to other universities that it is extremely difficult for Texas to arrange games outside the state. In '96 the team went to Louisiana where they played Tulane and Baton Rouge, defeating the former but going down before the latter. The same year Missouri visited Texas and another Waterloo was experienced by our team.

RHODES S. BAKER, TEXAS, '96.

R. WAVERLEY SMITH, TEXAS, '87.

After the game here, the Missouri and Texas teams went on a tour through Mexico, playing a series of games on the route. No games outside of the state have been played this year.

Early in the season the university was defeated at Dallas by the Dallas Athletic Club, and at Fort Worth by the Fort Worth Athletic Club, but on their return home the Texas team downed Add-Ran at Waco. Later Fort Worth and Dallas both visited Austin and the 'Varsity boys visited revenge on their opponents. Several other games were played all of which resulted in a victory for the 'Varsity.

On the occasion of a foot ball game every loyal 'Varsity man dons the 'orange and white' and hies himself to the gridiron, ready and willing to sing and yell himself hoarse in cheering on the team. The young women are not impervious to the spirit of enthusiasm, and, decorated with the college colors, they are always on hand to inspire with their presence the struggling team.

As the university team comes on the field the 'rooters' greet them with the official yell:

Hullabaloo—Hooray—Hooray
Hullabaloo—Hooray—Hooray
Hoo-ray—Hoo-ray
'Varsity—'Varsity U. T. A.

Each rooter is furnished a copy of various songs and the chief mogul of the 'rootororial club' waves his tin horn and the mirth begins. As long as the contest lasts the grandstand rings with the songs and yells of the 'rooters,' while those on the side lines chime in on the chorus:

Rickety—Rockety—Cis boom ah—
Texas, Texas, Rah! Rah! Rah!

and

Je he—Je ho—Je ha, ha, ha—
Texas!

and various other yells improvised for the special occasion roll across the field with frequency.

Base ball is rapidly gaining popularity in the University of Texas. Last year our team took two trips, and this year will go on several tours more than last season. Base ball is handicapped by the fact that the league games detract from the interest in collegiate base ball, and then, too, base ball does not net as great an income as does foot ball. Those interested in the national game are actively at work, and if good material is not lacking the season of '98 will be a memorable one. Bro. Botsell is captain of the base ball

nine, and has done a great deal towards increasing the interest in this manly sport.

Track athletics have never flourished here, but '98 will see a better team here than has ever before existed in the university. The gymnasium instructor is experienced in this department of athletics and will train a good team for '98. Tennis is quite a favorite with the students, so much so that several tennis clubs are now in existence. Several courts are kept in good condition and every afternoon are occupied by lovers of the game.

To have a fine rowing team is the dream of many an athlete, and with the excellent advantages of Lake McDonald we may be permitted to hope that such a dream will some day be realized. With the erection of a university boathouse enthusiasm will be aroused to such a pitch as to insure a fine rowing team. The day when Texas shall contend with the universities of the north and east for supremacy on the water is awaited with impatience.

The athletic council has control of foot ball, base ball, tennis, track athletics and all contests in these sports. The council is composed of three members of the faculty, three students, and three alumni, and to their judgment and discretion all the interests of the athletic association are entrusted.

The university is a member of the Southern Inter-collegiate Athletic Association. This association has on foot plans to reform the rules of foot ball so as to eliminate as many objectionable features as possible. H. G. Blacklock, the 'Varsity quarter back, represents Texas on the committee of revision.

The religious sentiment of the university finds expression in a Y. M. C. A. and a Y. W. C. A. Both these associations contribute to the support of missions and various other kinds of religious work.

Ever since its founding the University of Texas has been co-educational, and no distinction is made between the sexes. Though only one-fourth of the student body is composed of women, this small proportion demonstrates its ability to cope with the intellects of men without invidious results. The plan of self-control applies as well to the young women as it does to the male students. Independence and self-restraint characterize the conduct of both men and women. The young women of the university exert quite an influence over the male student; their presence in the institution tempers his conduct and in a remarkable degree restrains his disposition to err.

Above all things the student body of the University of Texas is cosmopolitan. Sons of farmers, merchants, ranchmen and brokers may be found in the same classes. We have every type of student from the weak-eyed Johnny to the robust, sombreroed cowboy; from the spectacled dude to the individual appropriately dubbed Reuben. Among others there are teachers, preachers, clerks and men of various professions attending the university. There are in attendance German, French, Swedish, Spanish and Bohemian students, and it is expected that within a few years the number of Mexican students will be very large. All kinds of students may be found in the university except negroes, and the negro can never be admitted on an equality with the white man.

Maverick is a term essentially Texan, and signifies that type of student that has the air suggestive of western life and customs; something of that spirit of abandon and freedom that characterizes the cow-boy and the road agent. The university has a large share of Mavericks, and is proud of them. Broad-brimmed hats are worn, and an attempt to abolish this custom would result disastrously. There are many students who dislike to relinquish their spurs and leggins on entering the university, and the sombrero is all that remains to remind them of home and old associations.

Some may be at a loss to know what becomes of the Texan's six-shooter when he enters college. This, unlike the spurs and leggins, can not be abolished, but is ever in hand if trouble is in the air. What would life be to a Texan without a six-shooter?

The almost total absence of lawlessness and vice among the students of the university is remarkable. An occasional 'hurrah,' the result of someone imbibing too much amber liquid or the outcome of one draught too much of Kentucky dew, is noticed, but such a thing as continual dissipation is a curiosity. True, sometimes a few students may break up a poker game by forcing the dealer to the wall and causing the banker to make an assignment, but at this student vice ceases. Taken all in all the University of Texas is remarkably moral in its atmosphere and life, and the eastern collegian who has only seen Texas through exaggerated newspaper accounts, will be agreeably surprised when he sets foot in Texas and finds that only a few students wear horns and still fewer persist in shooting tenderfeet to see them kick.

Yes, we have fraternities here—here in the land of the cactus and antelope. Here fraternities exist and prosper in

the university, the oldest of which is Phi Delta Theta, which was established in 1883. Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha, Chi Phi, Sigma Nu, Phi Phi Phi, Alpha Tau Omega have chapters here. Unlike the custom in some colleges the spirit of fraternity life does not encourage large memberships. Kappa Sigma has seventeen members, while Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta have fifteen each. The other fraternities vary in membership from fourteen to six.

The anti-fraternity spirit rarely exists here, but when the lines are drawn the contest between the fraternity men and the 'anti-frats' becomes very bitter. All the fraternities seem to look with disfavor upon anti-fraternity fights, and it rarely occurs that any dispute is engaged in by two fraternities. The Greeks all seem to be bound in some kind of relation; if a man joins a fraternity all fraternity men begin to feel more kindly toward him than if he had remained a 'barbarian.'

Fraternities sometimes play an important part in college politics. Frequently two or three fraternities combine to elect one person from each fraternity to various positions; each fraternity throws its strength to the men agreed upon in consideration of the support given their candidates.

And as to college politics there is very little to be said, except that the allotment of honors and positions is generally planned a long time before the date of the elections.

Great political activity is noticeable on the occasion of the election of a Final Ball president. The Final Ball is the great social event of the year, and the honor of presiding on this occasion is eagerly sought by aspiring society heroes. All the fraternity banquets and balls are given during commencement, and, taken all in all, the last days of each year are spent in one continual round of gaiety. Visiting alumni and distinguished men from over the state are often the guests of honor on these occasions, and all that is charming tends to make glorious the closing of the year. The climax of all these festivities is reached in the Final Ball, which is the society event of the whole of Texas. On the last evening of the college year the grace and beauty as well as the gallantry of the whole state assemble to do honor to the close of the session, and amidst a blaze of glory the curtain falls and another college year is ended.

We have seen the university as it is, may we not spend a moment in contemplating what it is to be in the years to come? With an endowment of two million acres of land,

which is yearly increasing in value, and with legislative appropriations, the university will soon be upon a basis of perfect stability. Each year the number of students is increasing, thereby necessitating the employment of more professors and instructors. New departments are being added and the older schools are being strengthened; in fact, a spirit of life and activity pervades the whole institution.

With the consummation of the plan of the affiliation of high schools will come such an influx of students that

TOM J. LEE, TEXAS, '94.

more buildings and laboratories will have to be erected. A president keenly alive to the needs of a growing institution and loyal alumni all over the state are constantly making the university more popular, and to what it will attain in the future can only be known by patient waiting. With all of these advantages and with millions of people and the majority of the Lone Star State standing beside her, the University of Texas will ultimately be what its founders desired it to be, 'a university of the first class.'

In connection with this sketch of the University of Texas,

it gives Texas Beta great pleasure to present the cuts of three of her prominent alumni. Brothers Smith, Lee and Baker were all thoroughly identified with Phi Delta Theta affairs while in the college, and since leaving the university have not forgotten their connection with the fraternity.

R. Waverley Smith entered the university in 1883, and graduated four years later with the degree of A. B. He was a charter member of Texas Beta, and was the chapter's first president. Great responsibility rested upon him as president of the infant chapter, and to his judgment and foresight is due much of the later success of Texas Beta.

After leaving college Bro. Smith studied law in Galveston, Tex., and was admitted to the bar in 1889; he is now a member of the law firm of Scott, Levi and Smith, whose commercial and corporation practice is quite extensive. In 1895 he was elected city attorney of Galveston, and is now holding this position.

In October, 1897, Bro. Smith was appointed lecturer on medical jurisprudence in the University of Texas and is now serving in that capacity with honor and credit.

Tom J. Lee was a prominent fraternity man all during his university career. Having taken his academic degree he entered the law department in '92 and graduated with the class of '94. Bro. Lee still takes an active interest in Phi Delta Theta and keeps himself informed as to the condition of the fraternity's affairs.

After leaving the university he located in Waco, Texas, for the purpose of practicing his profession. Two years ago the board of regents appointed him agent for all lands belonging to the university. This position he still holds to the entire satisfaction of the regents.

Rhodes S. Baker is a representative Texas Phi. Graduating in the law class of '96, he located in Dallas, Texas, where he has since practiced his profession.

While in college Bro. Baker was not only the guiding spirit of Texas Beta, but was prominent in many departments of college life. He was editor-in-chief of the *University of Texas Magazine* one term, editor-in-chief of *Cactus*, '96, and represented his class on graduation day.

Bro. Baker begins his legal career with flattering prospects, and Texas Beta predicts for this young Texan a long life of success and usefulness. TEXAS BETA.

OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

In the years from 1887 to 1892 inclusive, a large number of fraternity records, mostly old letters, were published in THE SCROLL. These records, which bear dates from 1848, the year the Fraternity was founded, to 1869, were collected by me from various sources. The archives of several chapters were searched, including those of Indiana Alpha and Kentucky Alpha, which contain (or did) many Ohio Alpha papers.* Our ever loyal founder, Rev. Robert Morrison, D. D., furnished a large number of old letters relating to the early years of the Fraternity, and another large quantity of Phi Delta Theta correspondence was obtained from Archibald Wilson, brother of John McMillan Wilson, deceased, who also was a founder. These old documents are intensely interesting to members of Phi Delta Theta, and they throw a flood of light on the history of the first twenty years of the Fraternity.

Since the publication of the old records in THE SCROLL, I have collected a good many more, relating to the period subsequent to 1869. Most of them were obtained from Charles B. Gaskill, who was the pioneer Phi in Georgia, and who for several years, beginning in 1871, conducted a very extensive fraternity correspondence, which, fortunately, he has carefully preserved. I have not been able to obtain much from Charles O. Perry, Charles T. Jamieson, George Banta, A. Gwyn Foster, George W. Cone and Clarence J. Reddig, who were very prominent Phi workers in the '70's and their loss of old correspondence illustrates how papers of historic importance are liable to disappear, unless collected and preserved in a safe place.

With this issue of THE SCROLL, the publication of 'Old Fraternity Records' is resumed, and the new series, relating to the years from 1869 to 1878 inclusive, will be printed as space will permit. It is not claimed that the records of the third decade of the Fraternity are as interesting as the records of the first two decades, but it seems very desirable to

*Ohio Alpha suspended in 1857. Indiana Alpha was 'Grand Alpha,' or presiding chapter, 1858-60; and Kentucky Alpha, 1860-68, which accounts for Ohio Alpha records coming into the possession of these chapters.

print all papers which help to fill out gaps in the history up to 1878, when THE SCROLL was permanently established.*

WALTER B. PALMER.

1869.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., Nov. 15, 1869. Mr. S. T. Quick, Bloomington, Ind., Dear Sir: In reply to yours of the 8th inst., I am sorry to inform you that the Michigan Alpha of Φ Δ Θ no longer exists. Hoping that no other chapter may suffer the same fate, I remain, yours truly, J. Wm. Johnson.

Your letter of inquiry is received. We have seven active members, besides several members of other chapters who reside in the city and meet with us. We are in fine working order; will take in two or three more good boys soon. Our chapter is the 'Indiana Eta of the Φ Δ Θ.' I am one of the charter members and formerly a member of the Indiana Gamma at Northwestern Christian University, Indianapolis. Our boys would like to hear from Mother Alpha.—Wm. H. Wiley, Terre Haute, Ind., to S. T. Quick, Indiana University, Nov. 18, 1869.

Franklin, Ind., Nov. 30, 1869. S. T. Quick, Dear Sir: My attention was called to the matter about which you inquire on last evening, and, after such investigation as I have been able to make, am able to say that the charter of the Franklin chapter is not to be found at this time. It was organized, I think, in the early part of the year 1858 or 1859, but almost immediately thereafter the college was suspended and nothing was ever done. Where the charter is I have no means of ascertaining. There are two members of our Fraternity at Franklin College at this time, one of whom, Daniel W Herriott, is extremely anxious to organize a chapter. A charter having already been granted to Franklin College and never revoked, it strikes me as unnecessary to grant a new one; still I hardly see what else can be done in the absence of the old one. There is a Beta student here

*THE SCROLL was first issued in January, 1875; it suspended in September, 1876, and it was not published again until September, 1878. Since 1878, THE SCROLL itself supplies a very good history, or at least the material for a very good history of the Fraternity. In 1886 a complete classified index, together with a review, of the first ten volumes, was issued, and in 1896 a similar index and review of the second ten volumes.

Each chapter should delegate some member or a committee to write its history, with the aid of documents in its archives, information furnished by correspondent members, and a file of THE SCROLL. The two ten-year-indexes refer to everything of importance relating to each chapter that has appeared in THE SCROLL since the first issue. Each chapter should endeavor to complete its file of the magazine. Alumni members should be requested, in the annual circular letters, or in personal letters, to supply missing copies. The Fraternity librarian probably can furnish some copies that may be needed.

at this time and the Phis apprehend that he will proceed at once to the organization of a Beta chapter. I trust our members may in some manner be empowered to go at once to work. Yours in the Bond, D. D. Banta.

Your postal of 27th making inquiry in regard to the time I joined the Φ Δ Θ Fraternity at Indiana Asbury University, and how long I was an active member of same, is at hand, and, in reply, will say that I, with four others, viz.: Charles O. Perry, Tom Brant, Dan Elder and Dave Floyd, was duly initiated into the mysteries of said order February 25, 1868, and I continued an active member of same until within two or three weeks of my graduation, which occurred the latter part of June, 1869. I can not say positively that I am a member of the Φ Δ Θ Fraternity at this time, because, about two or three weeks before I left college, I became dissatisfied with its workings, or rather with some of the 'boys' in it, and told them I did not intend to have anything more to do with them, or the Fraternity either. I did not attend any more of their meetings, and never heard whether they took any action in regard to me or not. If they did not, I suppose I am still a member; if they did, why, I am not. I wrote to Samuel D. Puett, of Rockville, this state, several months ago, asking him whether the chapter at Asbury had ever taken any action in regard to me for conduct already referred to, but he did not know anything about it. Mr. Puett continued in school the next year, 1869–70, and it seems strange to me that he did not know something about it. He was not a member of the Fraternity at the time I was, but joined after I left school. John R. Miller, who was considered a charter member, though not present at time of the initiation of those just mentioned, possibly could tell you something in regard to my case; also Jim Nutt, both of Greencastle, Ind. Mr. Nutt belonged at Bloomington, the State University. Messrs. Mahan and Parsons, of the same chapter, granted us our charter. I have given you the facts in my case, and I am willing that you should pass judgment as to whether I am still a member of the Φ Δ Θ Fraternity or not. I can't say that I am or that I am not. My idea about the matter would be that I am, for the reason that the chapter at Asbury did not do any good after 1869, and possibly did not strike my name from the roll in consequence.—T. C. Bartl, Alfordsville, Ind., to R. C. Duncan, Washington, Ind., April 30, 1880.

1870.

We have sought long and in vain for the old charter, and at our last meeting it was voted that we should send to you for a copy of it. We hope to receive it as soon as it will be convenient for you to send it. We are prospering as a society very well. We have no correspondent members, owing to the recent revival of the college from a slumbering state. We are hoping to awaken some of the old Phis and hear from them ere long.—C. H. Hall, secretary Indiana Delta, to S. T. Quick, Indiana University, Feb. 26, 1870.

The Ohio Alpha is in a most flourishing condition at present, and the indications now are that the chances for long life are better than ever before. We have just moved into a new hall which we have secured after long waiting and much exertion, and are now making an effort to get it furnished in good style before the convention meets.—Harvey Lee, Miami University, to Indiana Alpha, March 14, 1870.

To begin with the beginning: I received a letter dated September 29, 1870, from E. R. Walker, at that time a student at Hanover, Ind., inquiring about the chances of forming a chapter of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in Missouri. After some conversation with Randall and James H. Dryden, Eugene Field and others, at that time students in the university, I answered his letter. We all signed the Bond of secrecy, which I forwarded to Walker. I next received a letter from Walker setting out more fully the object and general nature of the Order; this letter bears date of October 17, 1870. He then put me in correspondence with D. E. Platter, of Oxford, Ohio, from whom we received our charter. As soon as we received it we organized with the above named persons as members. I think I was the principal officer during the first year. During this year we initiated a man by the name of Johnson who took the first honors—Stephens medal and law prize in the class of 1871.—Clark Craycroft, Joplin, Mo., to Henry W Clark, Missouri University, Feb. 4, 1887.

1871.

I was not aware that it was necessary to send an annual report to the Alpha of the state. I knew it was in the Articles of Union, but, as we had never complied with the rule, we presumed probably it had been done away with. I think something of this sort is necessary to prevent errors in the future, for I agree with you there are a good many errors in the catalogue just out.—J. L. Fletcher, Recording Secre-

tary Indiana Epsilon, to Ed. Mooney, Indiana University, Jan. 19, 1871.

(Sub Rosa.) Roanoke College, Salem, Va., March 6, 1871. Messrs. Gaskill and McDowell, Dear Sirs: Your letter dated February 24th was duly received. As we are in duty bound to inquire diligently into the merits of all candidates for membership, I wrote immediately on the reception of your letter to Dr. Wills, your president (of course without stating to him my object), from whom, I am happy to say, I received the highest recommendations as to your moral character, etc. At our next meeting, I will, therefore, place your application before the Fraternity, and will then make application to the Grand Alpha for a charter, as it is not in our power to organize chapters out of our own state without their direction. Permit me to say that we are proud of your call, and hope soon to hail you as fraters. I write this note to let you know that we have received and are favorably disposed toward your call. In a day or two I will write again, giving definitely manner of procedure, etc. Very truly and sincerely yours, F. H. Terrill, Secretary Virginia Alpha, Phi Delta Theta.

(Confidential.) Ohio Alpha of the Phi Delta Theta, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, March 12, 1871. Mr. Chas. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., My Dear Sir: This morning I am in receipt of your communication to the Virginia Alpha of our Fraternity, asking that a college of the said Fraternity be established at Oglethorpe University. From the papers enclosed, your institution bids fair to stand high in the list of colleges; and, such being the case, there will probably be no difficulty in the securing of your wish. Our college being the Grand Alpha of the United States, we alone can grant you a charter. But before we do this some preliminary steps must be taken in the matter. Enclosed you will find a pledge of secrecy, which if you will sign and return to us, we will send you the necessary papers. It is customary to send a man to establish colleges, but your distance from us is so great that the expense would come too heavy. We ask you first to give us these pledges, not because we doubt your honor, for in that case we would pay no heed to your petition, but because the nature of the case demands such precautions. After sending us this pledge with your names attached, we will send you a copy of our Bond and Constitution, which, if you accept, you will signify the same to us, and this will constitute you members of the Frater-

nity. Then you can send us a petition for a charter, constituting you a college of the Φ Δ Θ, the form of which petition we will send you in due time. But if after reading the Bond and Constitution, you can not accept them, you will be under obligation by your pledge to return them. But I do not fear your inability to accede to the demands of the Bond and Constitution. There is nothing in either but what any christian or gentleman can accede to. By signing this pledge and returning it immediately, if all goes well, you can be ready to go to work by the 1st of April. Hoping that I may hear from you at no distant day, I am most sincerely yours, D. E. Platter.

Your letter dated March 22d has been received. Bro. Platter, Secretary of the Grand Alpha, informed me in his last letter that he had sent you papers to sign, and if you signed them he would immediately send you the Bond, Constitution, etc., so I suppose ere this you have been duly initiated into the mystic order of the Phi Delta Theta. I am sorry you have been so long in getting your charter, etc., but it could not be avoided. The distance being so great, we could not send a member to your college, and consequently, in proceeding by letter, we had to be very careful. These circumstances I know you will appreciate. Our chapter numbers fourteen or fifteen, and all but one have pins.—F. H. Terrill, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, March 27, 1871.

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, March 29, 1871. Brethren of the Georgia Alpha of the Φ Δ Θ: Welcome to our fraternal union. With pleasure I received your letter of acceptance this morning, and I hasten to greet you as Phis of the 'royal blood.' Already I am proud of the Georgia Alpha, and trust that ere long it will be followed by the Georgia Beta if there is room. Now that the feelings generated by our fratricidal strife are dying away, I want to see the young men of the North and the South linked closer together, and with charity and brotherly love, together putting their shoulders to the wheel, and together rolling along the great work which the present age has placed upon them. You are now at liberty to 'swing out' your badges, and if you will designate to me the number you want, I can send them immediately. Our grip will be made known to you when we send you your charter. Little dependence can be put on grips, because they are almost invariably discovered. If you wish to swing out before getting your badges, you

can come out in our colors, which are blue and white. Get the Greek letters Φ Δ Θ printed on the white ribbon, and pin to the lapel of your vest. The effect would be better though, perhaps, if you should wait for your badges, then swing both together. The badge is a sure sign of recognition, whereas the grip can be counterfeited if discovered. Chapters are sometimes compelled to adopt their own grips. All further information will be forwarded with your charter. I am glad you will have a place in which to meet, because a nice hall presents many attractions to members. We have adopted the plan of each class of graduates having their pictures framed and hung in our hall. I will send you a catalogue of our Fraternity, which will tell you where to find your brothers. Besides the chapters mentioned in the catalogue, there are two strong chapters in Illinois, founded this year. One is at Monmouth College, and the other at Knox College, Galesburg, Ill. The Missouri Alpha is now strong, and the Ohio Beta has twenty members. In the next issue I shall be proud to see the Georgia Alpha. If you have friends or acquaintances at any other southern institutions, please let me have their names and addresses. Our national convention meets at Indianapolis, with the Gamma of that state, on the second Wednesday of May next. J. Z. Moore, a young and talented lawyer of Kentucky, will deliver the oration, and Rev. J. M. Oldfather the poem. By writing to Beeler & Curry, Cincinnati, Ohio, you can get paper of any kind or quality, stamped with our design as you see on the catalogue, either in the paper or in ink as you prefer. Hoping that prosperity is in store for you, I subscribe myself, most sincerely your brother in the Bond, D. E. Platter.

We are glad to hear you are prospering so well. You certainly have been doing good work to get eight men in your chapter in so short a time. You now have more men than we have. At the first of the session we numbered fourteen. Two since then have left the college; we expelled two in the last week or two for immorality (drunkenness and profanity), and we compelled four others to resign because we disliked to expel them. So you see we have had a quite exciting time in the Virginia Alpha lately. I enclose a picture of the Fraternity taken last year, which you can look at and return, as it is the only copy I have on hand. This is the way we have our picture taken. If you can we would like for you to have yours taken in the same way.

It cost us about two dollars apiece.—F. H. Terrill, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, April 20, 1871.

This morning I ordered four badges engraved as you desire, and will send them by express in a few days. Why don't you send your application for a charter? I sent you the form among the former papers. Sign and send it to us; then we will grant you a charter, and also send you full instructions in regard to establishing chapters. To the Alpha chapter of each state is entrusted the power of establishing other chapters in that state and granting charters to the same. But till you get your own charter you can not go ahead. Certainly if you have a good opening at Franklin (literary department of the University of Georgia, called Franklin College.—W. B. Palmer), by all means establish a chapter, but send for your own charter first, because, until you receive that, you are not a chapter of the Φ Δ Θ according to the rules and Articles of Union. You can be busy ascertaining what can be done at the State University, and, as you are not very distant, it would be best for you to send a man when you get ready for operations.—D. E. Platter, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, April 22, 1871.

As it is probable that some important changes will be made in the Articles of Union at the convention, which meets this week, I will defer sending them till I return. If you wish to establish a chapter, proceed in the same manner we did with you. I will write you immediately on my return from the convention. I will send your charter to-morrow.—D. E. Platter, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, May 8, 1871.

University of Georgia, Athens, May 10, 1871. Mr. Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dear Sir: Your communication of 9th inst. was received this afternoon, and its contents duly considered. I shall keep inviolably the trust committed to my charge, and if you succeed in establishing your Fraternity here, I hope you may never regret having imposed this confidence in me. I think we have plenty of nice young men to constitute a respectable brotherhood at 'Old Franklin,' though there are four secret societies already here. The new one, of which I spoke in my last to Mr. Smith, came out last Sunday morning. I suppose it is a chapter of a regular organized society. The letters on the badge are Φ Γ Δ. Hoping to hear from you soon, and trusting that

'all things may work together for good,' I am most respectfully, J. M. Mason.

We were disappointed in not having your chapter represented at the convention. I send you a copy of the Indianapolis *Journal* giving a brief account of the proceedings of the convention. However, the 'woman question,' which the *Journal* says was postponed until our next convention, was 'quashed' on the last day of this convention. You will receive the minutes of the convention as soon as the secretary of Grand Alpha can transcribe them. The grip has been changed, and pass words instituted, all of which you will receive in due time, as it was thought best not to commit them to paper. In a word, the convention was a decided success, and I think that from this convention will date the rapid advancement of the Fraternity. Steps were taken to organize chapters in the leading colleges of the east. Let us hear from you soon. Write to the different chapters, especially the following: Illinois Gamma, Galesburg, Ill.; Ohio Gamma, address George Florea, Delaware, Ohio; Georgia Alpha, Atlanta, Ga.—A. B. Thrasher, Secretary Indiana Gamma, to Kentucky Alpha, May 15, 1871.

In reply to your letter, I beg to say that there are several secret societies already in existence here. I regret that I can not comply with your wishes, but I do not think it advisable to consent to the organization of any new society of this kind.—Andrew A. Lipscomb, President University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill and Robert N. Smith, Oglethorpe University, May 25, 1871.

I am glad that your club selected Mr. Mason to manage affairs, not because I did not feel inclined to accept the position (for I would have accepted it, and would have done all in my power to please you), but then I think Mr. Mason is more competent to fill the position than I am, both on account of his age and influence; and I do not think your club could have chosen a person more worthy of the position or one that would fill it better than Mr. Mason can if he will, and Mr. Clayton writes me that Mason is willing to do all in his power. I will see Mr. Mason to-day if possible and offer my assistance. If anything is to be done it ought to be commenced; these other clubs are increasing gradually. I have spoken to only one of my friends on the subject and I think he will help me.—Edward I. Smith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, May 26, 1871.

I saw Mason and told him what you said in regard to establishing a chapter here, and I succeeded in persuading him to work with me, and we have together been able to get six of our friends, who we think are deserving men, to join us. After we get our chapter once established we will be able to take in more. If you still desire to establish a chapter of your Fraternity at our university, please send the necessary papers immediately, and directions to commence. By that means you may be able to prevent the expense it would necessarily take in sending a man.—Edward I. Smith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, May 31, 1871.

I forward to you by this mail a copy of the constitution of the Φ Δ Θ, as revised at our late convention held at Indianapolis. You will observe that the Bond has not been altered, but the constitution has been thoroughly revised, and the Articles of Union have been merged into it. I did not fill out in full the forms appended to the constitution in regard to application for charter, etc., as they remain the same as before, and you can fill them out in full when you transcribe them into a book. The grip and signs of recognition have been changed, and it was ordered not to have them put in writing; so I can not communicate them to you by letter, but will endeavor to make you acquainted with them as soon as possible in some manner or other. We have not received the minutes of proceedings of the convention as yet for some reason, but as soon as received will send you a copy. Our next convention meets with the Indiana Alpha chapter at Bloomington. I send you a list of our chapters with their addresses, and hope you will make it a point to carry on a correspondence with them, as I believe it adds much to the interest of our society to have a regular correspondence between all our chapters: Ohio Alpha, Oxford, J. H. Gilmore; Ohio Beta, Athens, H. W. Coultrop; Ohio Gamma, Delaware, G. C. Florea; Indiana Alpha, Bloomington, Ed. Mooney; Indiana Beta, Crawfordsville, R. O. Post; Indiana Gamma, Indianapolis, J. B. Dill; Indiana Delta, Franklin, G. M. Lambertson; Indiana Epsilon, Hanover, E. B. Walker; Indiana Zeta, Greencastle, Tom Hartley; Indiana Eta, Terre Haute, John Gordon; Kentucky Alpha, Danville, A. W Ringland; Virginia Alpha, Salem, D. B. Floyd; Georgia Alpha, Atlanta, C. B. Gaskill; Missouri Alpha, Columbia, Clark Cravcroft; Illinois Alpha, Chicago, F A. Smith; Illinois Beta, Monmouth, H. J. Bigger; Illi-

nois Gamma, Galesburg; Iowa Alpha, Mt. Pleasant. I do not know the addresses of the Illinois Gamma and Iowa Alpha, as they have just been established. I am at present recording secretary of our chapter. I am of the class of '72, but as I do not propose returning here next year, I give you the name of Bro. Gilmore as recording secretary. Please let me hear from you as soon as you receive this, as I shall feel anxious to know whether you receive the papers safely. —Francis K. Raymond, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 2, 1871.

Our membership at present is not very large, numbering only seven. At the first session we had *the* popular man of the college, H. J. Bigger, but he left Hanover and went to Monmouth, and established chapters at Monmouth and Galesburg, Ill., and one in Iowa. He has been doing a big thing for us. The ΦΓΔs at Monmouth have gone to smash, and the ΦΔΘ took in some of their best men. We are growing as a Fraternity very rapidly. At the opening of the year, there were, I think, but thirteen chapters, and now we have at least twenty-one chapters in different parts of the Union, and at least ten Alpha chapters. I am glad I was so fortunate as to get in a society of this kind and such a good one.—Charles T. Jamieson, Hanover College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 5, 1871.

We held our first meeting on last Monday night. We opened with seven men. Temporary officers were elected, to hold their offices until the next meeting, which will take place as soon as we receive the other necessary papers from you. Mr. Clifford Clayton—as he was elected temporary secretary—wrote to Tom, and sent him a copy of the Bond, with the names of the club affixed. He sent it by registered letter; please reply to it and send the other papers immediately. We desire working in private until we obtain all the good men left; then we will come out in force and surprise the natives.—Edward I. Smith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University June 8, 1871.

We were somewhat surprised to hear that we had been discovered. They can *know* nothing about us, *conjecture* what they please. Bro. Mason has been quite unwell, but I hope he may be out by Saturday night. We are anxious that you should send on everything before that time, as we will get in some new members shortly.—Charles M. Beckwith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 13, 1871.

As you have all the facts of our proceedings from our acting secretary, it would be useless for me to recapitulate. We designed last Saturday night for our first regular meeting, at which time we intended to elect officers preparatory for working, but as I was unwell and did not meet with the body, it did not elect, but decided to meet again next Saturday night, by which time the committee, if possible, will obtain a hall, our meetings heretofore having been held in one of the brothers' room. We have some very nice boys in view, some of whom we expect to get in next Saturday night. We are doing the best we can under the circumstances, and will be glad at any time to receive instructions, advice, etc., from your chapter or you individually.—J. M. Mason, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 13, 1871.

We were rejoiced to learn of such splendid successes we are having through the instrumentality of energetic and enthusiastic Phis in different parts of the country. Hardly a letter has come to us without the news of some new chapters being formed or in contemplation. We knew there was a Georgia Beta in contemplation, but when we received the news to-night of a Georgia Gamma we were greatly and pleasantly enough surprised. Instead of pushing gradually south, we have made a bold and sudden leap, and we hope by combining our northern and southern forces to fill up the gap that now intervenes between them. In establishing chapters our policy should be to locate them in only good colleges and to take in none but the best of men.—Charles T. Jamieson, Hanover College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 13, 1871.

Yours of the 6th, 7th and 9th received, also one to Bro. Allen, of the 8th. I heartily congratulate the Georgia Alpha upon her success in establishing the Georgia Beta and Gamma, and sincerely trust that they may prove themselves worthy members of the Φ Δ Θ Fraternity. I forward you by this mail six catalogues of our Fraternity, which you can distribute among the boys as you think best. You would probably better forward one each to your Beta and Gamma chapters. At the convention it was ordered that all of our badges should be made at Indianapolis hereafter, hence I can not order any more made here. Those which I send you are some the jeweler had on hand, and we promised to dispose of them for him. The object in having them all made in one place is to have them all of uniform size. I

prefer the small to the large size. I am sorry to hear of the state of affairs at Chicago. I have not heard officially from them since the convention, but presume I shall hear soon, as I have written to Bro. F. A. Smith. In regard to standing in class of our boys in the senior class, I would say that of the four Phis only two were eligible, the other two being absent from college more than six weeks during their last two years and hence not eligible to honors. Bro. Surface took the second honor, and all four of the boys are permitted to speak on commencement, which is considered quite an honor. We have not received the minutes of the convention from Indiana Gamma yet, although we have written them concerning it three times. If we do not receive them soon we will not forward them to you until next fall, as I presume your college will be closed.—Francis K. Raymond, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 14, 1871.

We have been fortunate enough to procure an old schoolhouse for our place of meeting. It is in a retired portion of town, and is one of the best places we could possibly have obtained. We hold our next meeting to-morrow night. We have only seven members at present; we expect to get four more soon. Bro. Mason has been sick, but we think he will be able to meet us to-morrow night. I saw the badge you sent Beckwith, and I think it is beautiful.—Edward J. Smith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 16, 1871.

We looked for our charter last week but it did not come. We did nothing Saturday night but read the constitution and appoint a committee to draw up a code of by-laws.—J. M. Mason, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 19, 1871.

I will speak first of that which no doubt interests you most—the Beta. It gives me great pleasure to state that on last Saturday evening we initiated into our mystic order two young men, both of the very highest standing: Mr. Peabody, of the senior class, who is, by the way, a student of the ministry, and Mr. Bibb, of the high school, who will enter the sophomore class next term. This raises our number to nine. Mr. Dupree, of the senior class, has consented to become one of us. He is a man of the highest moral character and stands high in his class. We hope to raise our number to twelve this term. We can not hope to take many honors this term, on account of our starting so late; next term will show what we are. Every man is perfectly

devoted to the order, and I can safely say the Φ Δ Θ society will never be ashamed of any of us. We have not been refused by a single man, unless he had made up his mind to connect himself with no secret society, or else had made positive promises to others.—Charles M. Beckwith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 25, 1871.

We received the badges and letters to-night, and notwithstanding the advice, we have decided, for reasons that we think good, to wait until all that have ordered badges have received them before we 'come out.'—R. S. Saulsbury, Emory College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 26, 1871.

We are looking anxiously for our badges. So soon as they arrive we will come out. It will be a great surprise to many outsiders; they have no idea of our number and strength.—Charles M. Beckwith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, July 11, 1871.

I merely write to ask you something about our badges; please tell me exactly when they will be here. I hope most sincerely that they will not be delayed one moment longer than what is absolutely necessary. We are very impatient to swing out our colors. Do write to Bro. Dill again, and tell him to send the badges, even if he can't get them here until the 30th, as some of us will be here at that time and can forward them to the rest.—Charles M. Beckwith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, July 19, 1871.

Slayton and Lovejoy have come out as Phis, to the surprise and displeasure of the other secret societies, for Slayton has been asked this term by the Chi Phis and Lovejoy by the Kappa Alphas; both refused and joined us immediately afterward. We have as good a stand in college as any secret society in it.—Green B. Battle, Emory College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Sept. 2, 1871.

We are getting along first rate. Appointed the committee on catalogue at our last meeting and hope to have it out on time this year and more complete than last year.—J. H. Gilmore, Miami University, to M. T. Scott, Centre College, Oct. 7, 1871.

Bro. Saulsbury is anticipating a trip to Macon during the fair and has expressed a desire to establish a chapter there. He thinks that he can secure little Jackson, formerly a student at Emory.—B. E. Anderson, Emory College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University Oct. 12, 1871.

Our chapter has eight members back this term, and we think of initiating several more before long. We can get about whom we please here. Four of the professors are Phis, two in the law college and two in the literary. We have heard from most of our Indiana chapters lately, and they were never in a more flourishing condition. There has lately been an alumni chapter started in the city by the resident Phis, most of them lawyers. Some of you write to the Indiana Eta at Greencastle, Asbury University. If you would address a letter to Charles A. Murray, Greencastle, Ind., you would, I think, secure a very interesting correspondent.—A. B. Thrasher, Northwestern Christian University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Oct. 16, 1871.

Bro. Robert Saulsbury left Oxford Wednesday morning, prepared to establish a chapter of the Φ Δ Θ at Macon on one condition, and that was that he could get good men. I think he will succeed, as he is quite popular among the Macon boys.—B. E. Anderson, Emory College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Oct. 26, 1871.

Our membership is eleven: three seniors, two juniors, one sophomore, and the rest in the freshman class. This chapter is the Eta; the Zeta is at Hanover, Ind.—C. A. Murray, Indiana Asbury University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Oct. 30, 1871.

We came here this year with only three members, and I am sorry to say that we have only four now at college, Brothers Hargrave, Miller, Tyree and myself. We will take in another student at our next meeting. Do not understand that we are discouraged. We will make a desperate effort to rebuild our once glorious old chapter here. We have the sign of recognition and grip, which I received from the Indiana boys last summer. The last convention determined that they should not be written upon paper, therefore I can not send them to you. We heard from some of the other chapters in Georgia that you were anticipating establishing another chapter in your state, at Mercer University. Mr. Smith, of whom you spoke, I believe is there. —D. Bittle Floyd, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Nov. 10, 1871.

The Illinois Beta sends greetings to the Georgia Alpha and reports prosperity. We number ten members, which we think doing remarkably well, considering the fact that we have three other fraternities with which to contend in college. The Illinois Gamma at Galesburg, Ill., is not in

just as prospering a condition as it should be, as some of the members of last year did not return this session, and in consequence left it rather weak as regards numbers, but strong in hope and energy. Our Iowa Alpha numbers some fourteen or fifteen members and is flourishing finely. We were greatly pleased to hear from you of the prosperity of the Georgia Beta and Gamma.—H. J. Bigger, Monmouth College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Nov. 11, 1871.

We have lived in Φ Δ Θ bonds only about six months. Our chapter is strong, numbering: seniors seven, juniors six, sophomores two, freshmen one, preparatory two, alumni four. The first and second honors of the senior class belong to Φ Δ Θ. We were visited a few weeks since by two delegates of the Illinois Alpha. We had a never-to-be-forgotten banquet. The Β Θ Π's are our rivals here.—Charles F. Knowlton, Iowa Wesleyan University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Nov. 15, 1871.

'Tis with great sorrow I am compelled to rehearse to you the sad fate of our chapter. Three weeks ago we had twelve boys wearing the sword and shield; at present not any, and only four who are still true to the Bond which we accepted. There was some dissatisfaction on the part of some of the boys, as they thought the others were not doing their part. They tendered their resignations, which caused a striking discord among the rest, and they all resigned save four, who say they will stand by the Bond and advocate its cause till the wheels of time shall cease to roll. We wrote the Grand Alpha of our trouble, and they sent Mr. Lee, one of their best alumni, accompanied by Mr. Darnell, of Greencastle, to see if the boys could not be reconciled, but their labors proved fruitless, and they went away yesterday and left us as they found us. The names of those who are still Phis are: E. A. Hamilton, D. A. Chenoweth, H. G. Bradford and Beverly Gregory. We are now going to work secretly until we get a lot of good men, and then we will again swing our badges. I do not know what to say about our convention, but Mr. Lee says we must have it here now by all means.—Beverly Gregory, Indiana University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Nov. 20, 1871.

As to the chapter in New York, Bro. Potter has simply been laying the foundations for one at Cornell University. It will probably be started next January or February. It will be a great honor to us. We have a new chapter at Wooster, Ohio. The men necessary have been initiated, but

the charter has not been procured. Bro. Robert H. McClelland is the founder. He has taken in the next to the best senior and expects to get the best. It will be in running order by the first of next term. The chapter at Ann Arbor, Mich., is not fully under way yet. Bro. A. Dwight Baldwin, late of the Ohio Alpha, is there.—Charles T. Jamieson, Hanover College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Dec. 7, 1871.

I request chapters and individual Phis to examine their old fraternity papers, and to loan me those that may be of interest, or to send me copies of same, or of such portions as are of importance. The materials for a history prior to 1878 (when THE SCROLL was permanently established), are meager, and almost any letter relating to Φ Δ Θ before that time would be of value in filling out gaps in the record. This notice does not apply to the chapters at Miami, Indiana, Centre, Wisconsin, Lafayette and Wooster, whose archives I have examined. Walter B. Palmer, Editor of the History of Phi Delta Theta, 511 South Spruce street, Nashville, Tenn.

ALBERT LEONARD, OHIO, '88.

Albert Leonard, A. M., Ph. D., Ohio Gamma, '88, who has entered upon the duties of dean of the college of liberal arts and professor of pedagogy in Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y., was born at Logan, Ohio, and is a comparatively young man, being but a little over forty years of age. His preparatory work was done at the Ohio Central Normal School. In 1888 he was graduated with high honor from Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, having completed both the classical and pedagogical courses. For a time he was instructor in Ohio University, but soon became principal of the high school of Dunkirk, N. Y. He resigned in 1893 to accept the principalship of the high school of Binghamton, N. Y., from whence after four years of successful work he was chosen to succeed the late Dean John R. French, LL. D., of Syracuse University. Dr. Leonard fills this difficult position with dignity and tact and has already won the respect and esteem of all.

The degree of A. M. was conferred upon him *in cursu* by Ohio University. His doctor's degree was earned from Hamilton College for graduate work in English literature. He was one of the founders of *The Journal of Pedagogy* and for the last six years has been its sole editor and proprietor. It will be the official organ of the department of pedagogy of Syracuse University.

ALBERT LEONARD, OHIO, '88.

A CASE OF LIFTING AT WILLIAMS.

The *Shield* of Theta Delta Chi gives an extended and interesting account of a case of 'lifting,' in which northern Kappa Alpha played a very discreditable part. The trouble was caused by the initiation of James B. Platt, by the Williams Chapter of Kappa Alpha, while he was still a member of Theta Delta Chi. The editor of the *Shield* states the case thus:

A young man entered college, and during his freshman year did not join any society. He received attentions from all and bids from some. After careful deliberation, he decided that he would like to join Theta Delta Chi. From the deliberation he exercised, he ought surely to have known whether the move would be satisfactory or not. For a time all was well, but suddenly the boy tendered his resignation. It was not accepted, because it is not possible for a man to sever his connection after having taken the vows.

A special deputy of the grand lodge of Theta Delta Chi visited Williamstown to investigate the matter and advise the chapter, or 'charge' as it was called. The following is from his report of an interview with Platt:

I demanded from him whether he had any complaint against any member of Theta Delta Chi. He said that he had no fault to find with any of them, and that his condition was simply that he did not believe himself worthy to be a member of the fraternity, as he could not feel for it that enthusiasm and loyalty which he should give. I then questioned him in regard to his associates outside of the charge. He admitted that a senior named Flock, his room mate, was his most intimate friend. Searching in this for Platt's motive, I questioned him very closely as to his relations with Flock and the Kappa Alphas, and charged him with the purpose of joining that fraternity. This he repeatedly and emphatically denied, and he said that his relations with the Kappa Alphas and Flock had nothing to do with his action or desires. On his request that he be allowed to resign, I informed him that there did not exist in the fraternity any provision for the release of a member by the exceptance of a proffered voluntary resignation. Such a provision, I showed him, would be of itself a nullification of the fundamental law of the fraternity.

The chapter could not accept Platt's resignation, because the laws of the fraternity forbade; neither could it expel him, unless he had committed some overt act. It decided, however, to relieve him from attendance and other chapter duties; therefore the following agreement, which was to be made public in college, was entered into between him on the one hand and the chapter on the other:

Brother James B. Platt offered his resignation from Theta Delta Chi, basing it upon the fact that he was totally lacking in fraternal feeling, and that he felt he was acting the part of a hypocrite in remaining a member of the fraternity under the circumstances. This

proffered resignation was read, but was laid on the table, and not voted on, it appearing that there was no authority under the law of the fraternity, either in the charge or in the grand lodge, whose representative was present, to accept the resignation of a member from the fraternity; that expulsion is the only method by which a member can cease to be a Theta Delt; that in order for Brother Platt to be expelled, and so sever his connection with the fraternity, the commission by him of some act of dishonorable nature would be necessary. Under an understanding with the members of the Iota Deuteron charge, Brother Platt, at his request, has been relieved from all attendance, and is excused from wearing the fraternity pin and from all duties to the charge; but the friendly relations between Brother Platt and the individual members of said charge continue.

Several weeks later, one P. M. Brown, a member of Kappa Alpha, called at the Theta Delta Chi house and announced that Platt had been pledged to the Kappa Alphas. Of what then occurred, Charles H. Davis, Theta Delta Chi, writes:

Brother Kellogg and myself called on Brown and asked him what they were trying to do with one of our men. He said that he was not sure, and that under the laws of this commonwealth, no organization could prohibit a man from resigning. He said that Platt had told him what he had done, and that we had practically refused his resignation, and that he (Platt) considered himself a free or a neutral man. We had quite a few words of less importance, but told him that we did not consider Platt a free man, and that he *was* still a member of our fraternity. He wanted to know if I meant to call Platt a liar, and I told him that Platt had broken his word, and that he could call it what he wished to. Also we gave him to understand that we considered that the Kappa Alpha society had broken all fraternity laws and etiquette in the actions they had taken with Platt. He said that if Platt was not a free man, that was for us to settle with Platt.

Subsequently the Theta Delta Chi chapter received the following formal statement from the Kappa Alpha chapter:

After due consideration of the statement made by the Theta Delta Chi fraternity in relation to James B. Platt, whom the Kappa Alpha society has seen fit to elect to its membership, this society would state that its members have arrived at the decision that no sufficient reason exists to alter their action, and that the Kappa Alpha society considers James B. Platt an entirely free man, and under no further obligations to the Theta Delta Chi fraternity, of which he was formerly a member, other than his oath of secrecy. The principle determining this action is that neither the dictates of precedents nor reason justify the hindering of any man from resigning from any organization, unless under oath never to resign, and from taking any subsequent action he might choose in relation to any other organization.

Referring to this communication, Charles H. Davis writes:

We read this with some care, and at once picked out the last sentence. We thought on it a while, and then went over to the Kappa Alpha house. We asked Brown if they meant what they wrote. He answered in the affirmative, and we asked him if he did not consider a man bound by his oaths. He said yes, and that a man would be disbarred to break them. That, you see, gives their idea of Platt. Then we asked him if they would continue their action if such oath

existed. He said yes, and added that it was a matter to be settled with Platt and did not concern them.

Platt then wrote to Davis as follows:

The main reason for my feeling as I do is that I do not think a man can be forever bound to a mistake. When a man can no longer carry out an oath in the spirit in which it was made, I think he is no longer bound by it, or if he is technically bound by it he is justified in breaking it. But this matter was considered, discussed and decided over a month ago. If there was an oath breaking it was done when I withdrew from the fraternity. I do not see that the present question is at all affected by it. The oath was not that I should never join any other fraternity.

After quoting this letter, Charles H. Davis writes:

The next day I had a long talk with Platt, and told him that his note proved nothing. We were at it for about an hour, and some very plain talk came out. All he would say was that he was sorry we looked at it that way and thought him a liar. I told him that no other conclusion could be drawn from his actions and words. That was our last talk. The Friday before he had returned his pin. A few days afterward we heard he had been initiated into Kappa Alpha, and the same day we saw him wearing a Kappa Alpha key. We considered this sufficient evidence, and Monday night, December 13, we expelled him, and the following morning sent notices to that effect to the other fraternities.

Commenting on the whole matter, the editor of the *Shield* makes the following just observations:

The course followed by the Kappa Alpha chapter at Williams has been dishonorable to themselves, and discourteous to our Iota Deuteron charge, as well as to every other fraternity represented there. They initiated James B. Platt, knowing him to be a member of Theta Delta Chi, upon their own confession. We lack words to express our indignation at such an outrage to fraternity courtesy. It is not often that we have been called upon to suffer from this evil. It is an absolute rule with Theta Delta Chi never to take into membership any one who has been a member of another college fraternity. It is true that some fraternities do accept and initiate members of other fraternities who have been expelled therefrom, or who have severed their connection with their first love, so far as it was in their power to do so, for the express purpose of joining a second. How long are the governing bodies of reputable fraternities going to allow such things to happen? Were such practices prevalent in any considerable degree, membership in a fraternity would not be worth a row of buttons. Reasoning on common sense grounds, it ought to be embodied in the constitution of every college fraternity that no man could belong to more than one fraternity, and that no fraternity has the right or power to initiate any man who belongs to or has been a member of any other college fraternity.

The editor of the *Shield* has done well in presenting the facts in this case so fully, for they are instructive to other fraternities. Kappa Alpha has brought deserved odium upon herself by inducing a man to become a traitor to the fraternity whose vows he first voluntarily assumed and then basely violated. All honest men in all fraternities will congratulate Theta Delta Chi that she is rid of such a renegade.

EDITORIAL.

Annual Alumni Day, March 15, 1898.

The subject proposed by the General Council for discussion.

Phi Delta Theta's progress in fifty years and her prospects for years to come.

THE increased interest which alumni Phis show for the Fraternity is very gratifying. Unquestionably there has been a great advance in this respect during the past ten years. There are now many correspondent members in every section of the country who not only evince a very strong attachment for the Φ Δ Θ, but who can be depended on to perform any duty which the Fraternity may require of them. The influence and strength of the Fraternity in large measure depends on her loyal sons who have left college walls, and it is a most encouraging indication that they are more numerous now than ever before. Phis generally have learned that they can derive not only great social enjoyment but also many practical benefits from continuing their fraternity associations.

The marked increase of fraternity spirit among alumni is due to a considerable extent to the establishment of Alumni Day in 1889. The reunions held annually since then have awakened the loyalty of Phis in the various cities where alumni chapters are organized. It is certainly a most admirable plan to gather around the festive board, to renew acquaintances with brothers in the Bond, and to recount the deeds of those to whom Φ Δ Θ is indebted for the great prosperity it has enjoyed. However, not all alumni have adopted this custom. It is to be hoped that reunions will be held this year wherever there is an alumni chapter, and even where only two or three may be gathered together. Where there is an alumni chapter and a college chapter in the same city, they should join in celebrating the birthday of our venerable founder, Robert Morrison, who, on March

15, 1898, will complete his seventy-sixth year. Province Presidents should make a special effort to organize the alumni in cities where annual reunions have not been held heretofore. Once the custom is established at any place, there is little probability of its discontinuance. THE SCROLL hopes that a great many reports of pleasant and profitable meetings will be forwarded for publication in the next issue; they should be forwarded promptly to insure their appearance in the April number. Every college chapter, whether it has the co-operation of neighboring alumni or not, should have exercises in recognition of the day which has become so important in our fraternity calendar. The ritualistic ceremony for Alumni Day can be used this year for the first time.

DO NOT neglect the men who failed to attract your attention the first term they were in college. Many of them would make good Phis. Every year men enter college who at first do not appear to be particularly brilliant, but who develop into excellent fraternity material. In Scriptural phrase, also in Masonic language, 'The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner.' You may be a good judge of human nature, but it is impossible for you, within a few weeks, or even months, to properly appreciate all the good elements of character possessed by all the new-comers at college. Many a boy, who has done little good during his freshman year, surprises all his fellows with his improvement in sophomore year, and some who stood low the first year graduate near the top of their respective classes.

Therefore, be ever on the watch for developing talent. Do not rest satisfied because you initiated a good delegation last fall. Do not be content if there are any good men yet to be obtained. Do not wait too long in cultivating the acquaintance of non-fraternity students, especially if rivalry is close, else good men may go off to other fraternities. Constantly bear in mind how many members will graduate next commencement, how many will fail to return next fall, and

how many members there will be at the opening of the next collegiate year, making liberal allowance for those who will drop out of college unexpectedly. If your chapter is first among the fraternities at your college, don't take any chances of occupying third or fourth rank next year, on account of numerical weakness. Don't get careless. Don't be indifferent to men whom you were inclined to overlook at the opening of the rushing season. Watch them closely, for you will find probably that some of them are not so unprepossessing after all. Do not limit your chapter membership by any arbitrary number. Maintain a high standard for admission, and be sure to preserve a homogeneous membership, but remember that a large chapter is stronger and more influential than a small chapter. Always keep wide awake for the interests of Phi Delta Theta, present and future, and lastly don't get too conservative. Many a fine chapter has been wrecked on the rock of ultra-conservatism.

PHI DELTA THETA has entered upon its semi-centennial year, and this fact, it seems, should supply inspiration for songs or odes dedicated to the Fraternity. We already have an excellent collection of songs, but some good new ones would be very acceptable. The fourth (1895) edition of the song-book contains eighty-seven songs, the production of about twenty years. Every generation of Phis, that is every college generation of four years, should provide its quota of songs, but the last generation or two has done scarcely anything in this line. It really seems that the progress of Phi Delta Theta during half a century, and the prosperity and prominence the Fraternity now enjoys, furnish a splendid theme for additions to our hymnology. We advise rising Phi poets to write verses inscribed to the Fraternity, adapting them to familiar airs. It would be better to select other airs than those to which songs previously written are sung, or original music would be better still. THE SCROLL will gladly give space for any creditable verses that may be offered for publication, and after appearing in these pages they may be included in future editions of the song-book.

THE 'Old Fraternity Records,' collected and edited by Brother Palmer, and published in previous volumes of THE SCROLL, furnished a great many important and interesting details regarding the first two decades of Phi Delta Theta. Whatever may happen to the originals, printed copies of them will remain, and will be valuable for supplementing the history of the Fraternity. With this issue of THE SCROLL, publication of these records is resumed, and the new series will embrace the third decade, from 1869 to 1878. In the latter year, THE SCROLL (first published in 1875) was permanently established, and a file of the magazine from that time supplies most of the materials needed for a history of the fourth and fifth decades.

The letters written more than a quarter of a century ago, which appear in this issue, tell of the suspension of the Ann Arbor chapter in 1869 (revived in 1887), the reorganization of the Franklin chapter in 1869, the establishment of the Missouri chapter in 1870, and of the establishment of the Monmouth, Knox, Iowa Wesleyan, and the Georgia chapters in 1871, Mercer not being chartered until 1872. Mention is made of movements that led to the establishment of the Wooster and Cornell chapters in 1872. About 1870, Phi Delta Theta entered upon a wonderful era of development, never equalled by any other college Fraternity. Some of the old letters give information about the convention held at Indianapolis in 1871, when the constitution was revised, the old articles of union being merged into it.

The attention of readers is directed to the last paragraph, in which chapters and individual Phis are requested to examine their fraternity collections, with a view to unearthing other important records, copies of which Brother Palmer asks to be sent to him. It is to be hoped that chapters will adopt the suggestion that each should appoint some member or a committee to write its history, with the aid of documents in its archives, information obtained from alumni, and a file of THE SCROLL, complete indexes to which were published in 1886 and 1896.

THE *Beta Theta Pi* for February contains an interesting discussion of the question, 'Shall the alumni or the undergraduates grant and withdraw charters?' The arguments in favor of vesting such power in the board of trustees of the fraternity alone are presented in the following condensed extracts:

Ever since our fraternity was founded, apparently, the most important subject to be dealt with, it seems to me, has been that of the granting and withdrawal of charters; and, during the fifty-eight years of the fraternity's existence, this matter has been entirely left to the judgment of the undergraduate members, although, at the present time, the alumni outnumber the undergraduates in the proportion of nine to one. At times during the years past, the fraternity has been swept by alternate waves of expansion and conservatism. When the wave of expansion was at its height, every petition for a charter was promptly granted, and with little inquiry into the real merits of the applicants or the standing of the institution from which they hailed. Again, when the spirit of conservatism prevailed, the merit of the applicants and the standing of the college were scarcely taken into account at all.

At the present time, as for the past twenty years, in order to grant or take away a charter, the required vote must be so nearly unanimous that the combined vote of a few chapters only is needed to prevent the granting of a charter, and we have recently seen that, similarly, when a few chapters combined to prevent it, no charter could be withdrawn, the consequence is a deadlock. A sufficient number of chapters are of the opinion that no new chapter should be established effectually to prevent any growth of any kind in the fraternity, and a similar number are equally determined that no chapters shall be deprived of their charters. The majority of the chapters holding to neither opinion, and desirous of a healthy growth, and the cautious pruning of weak branches, are powerless to affect the policy of the fraternity in either direction.

For a number of years it has been the unwritten law of the fraternity that the administrative officers, such as members of the board of trustees, the chiefs of the districts, the general secretary, general treasurer, editor and business manager of the magazine, should be filled by alumni. The board of trustees, as at present constituted, is made up of two attorneys in active practice, a chief adjuster of a prominent fire insurance company, a principal of a high school, a college professor, and an editor of a daily newspaper. It goes without argument that the judgment of these six men is apt to be far better, and their conclusions sounder, than those of 62 college undergradu-

ates, from as many different colleges, 90 per cent. of whom attend a convention but once.

As the board of trustees has a reasonably fixed tenure in office, it can make plans for a considerable time ahead, and can see that its plans are carried out. For instance, if a petition from a growing state university, sure in time to become a large institution, were under advisement, it could say to the petitioners that when they had accomplished certain results—for instance, secured a certain number of men, built a house or the like—then they would receive a charter. By making such definite agreements with petitioners, much better work would be accomplished, and the petitioners would know that, just as soon as their part of the contract was fulfilled, they would be given a charter, and they would not have to take the chances of an uncertain vote of chapters, as is now the case. The board of trustees could also call to account any chapter which it considered was below our standard, and give them a certain time to improve, or accomplish certain results, or their charter would be revoked. The result would be that charters would be granted and withdrawn solely upon the merits, and not because neighboring colleges were friendly or hostile, or because the students at one institution were said to be more 'high-toned' than at the other. Relevant evidence affecting the question would always be acceptable.

The foregoing, which was written by an alumnus, is answered by another alumnus, a district chief, whose main points are shown in the following condensed extracts:

To begin with, the fraternity is an organization of college men, and primarily of students in active college affiliation. The percentage of alumni, as compared with college students, who take an active interest in the fraternity, will be found to be about in the reversed proportion to the number composing the two classes—one-tenth alumni to nine-tenth students. Therefore, the question of where we are to have chapters should be, to my mind, as it is now, directly subject to the vote of the active chapters represented at the convention. The college men are the ones who have to come in the closest contact with the different colleges, and, therefore, the places where we are to be represented is of paramount importance to them, while hardly one alumnus in a hundred takes the trouble to ascertain about the location of the several chapters. It is also none the less right that those who come in contact with the active chapter should be the ones to judge where and when a charter should be revoked.

The charge that some chapters are prejudiced and vote from such a standpoint, certainly can not be taken as a general rule, for such is not the case. If a delegate comes to the convention pledged, it will be found in nearly every instance to be the expression of a chapter

that is thoroughly posted, and that has acted after careful consideration of the subject. If there were less of dictatorial spirit exhibited on the part of different alumni, these matters would pursue a very much easier course at conventions. It is my contention that it is not the proper sphere of an officer of the fraternity to dictate its policy, but to act simply in the light of an adviser. It is for the convention to decide all matters pertaining to the government of the fraternity, and it is to that body that its officers should report in the light of experienced counsellors and not, I repeat, with the exhibition of threats and such like, as have been given in recent conventions.

Where petitions have been rejected of late years, no one, unless he be prejudiced, can say that the fraternity has acted unwisely. The policy of exclusion and conservatism, although only partly prosecuted, has shown clearly the wisdom of such a course. The spread of the fraternity, without the close safeguard which we now have, would result in the introduction at many institutions of uncongenial elements, which would surely tend to create friction in time. The safeguard at present for the granting of charters is deemed sufficient against the introduction of other than the most worthy petitioners, but it has been the opinion of quite a large number that it should require the unanimous consent of the convention before any charter should be granted. The clearest argument that might be presented against allowing the trustees to control the granting and revoking of charters is shown by the working of the recently wiped-out dispensation clause in our constitution. Why was that done? Merely to place greater safeguards against the introduction of petitioners to whom the convention would refuse a charter. It had been tried for years, and the action of the executive committee in several instances received determined and widespread disapproval from a large element of the fraternity. Such cases are sure to result in decided bad feeling, and tend towards anything but a feeling of harmony and good-fellowship among the numerous chapters of the fraternity.

It seems to me that it is much safer to have the revoking of chapters left with sixty men, representing 1000 others, then to leave it to five men who act simply as they personally judge best. It is hoped, therefore, that the matter of charges in our constitution and by-laws will be passed by, at least for a few years, as not needing further discussion at our conventions, that time may be devoted rather to the discussion of the improvement among our chapters and of matters concerning fraternity life in general.

The editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*, who is Mr. Wm. R. Baird, author of 'American College Fraternities,' says he has not yet drawn any conclusion about the matter. Nevertheless he seems to be more in favor of alumni, rather than

undergraduate control, and he makes the following statement:

> We do not agree with the argument that our system of government, having been perfected (?), should not be meddled with, because we do believe that improvement is by no means impossible in many directions.

The revision of the constitution of Beta Theta Pi was completed at the convention last year. From the foregoing it would appear that in balloting on granting or revoking of charters the delegates from the 62 college chapters only are allowed to vote. If the Betas should give alumni chapters equal representation, and allow the general officers, who are usually alumni, to vote in conventions, the plan might be found to work to the satisfaction of all parties, and result in benefit to the fraternity. If all power should be delegated to the alumni exclusively, the undergraduates would lose interest, and no good fraternity workers would be developed from their ranks. On the contrary, if all power be centered in the undergraduates exclusively, the alumni would lose interest, and would not be so apt to attend conventions, where their experience and counsel would be greatly missed. The articles from which the foregoing extracts are taken indicate that in Beta Theta Pi, the alumni are more generally in favor of extension, while the undergraduates constitute the conservative party, which division is hardly what might be expected.

The convention of 1898 will be held at Columbus, O. The exact date, program and railroad and hotel arrangements will be announced in later issues of THE SCROLL.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

One of the greatest successes of this college year was the 'Kullud Koons' Kake Walk,' given in the armory, Friday evening, November 12, for the benefit of the foot ball association. A large and enthusiastic audience witnessed the performance, in which over one hundred students appeared in costumes and specialty acts and walked for the cake. The proceeds of the 'Kake Walk' will enable the foot ball management to start next year free of debt.

The foot ball season closed November 20, with an interesting game between the freshman and sophomore classes, which resulted in a tie, 24–24. Bros. Brooks and Murray played with 1900, and Bro. Morse with 1901.

All the academical fraternities at the University of Vermont have now held their initiations, and rank in numbers as follows: Lambda Iota (local), 11; Sigma Phi, 16; Alpha Tau Omega, 19; Alpha Phi (local), 19; Delta Psi (local), 21; Kappa Sigma, 23; Phi Delta Theta, 25.

Mid-year examinations begin here February 1. It was rumored some time ago that the faculty intended to abolish the honor system, which has been several years in vogue at the University of Vermont, and return to the old custom of 'watching' in 'exams.' This report occasioned some excitement, and there were hot debates in two college meetings held to consider the subject. Finally a set of resolutions, which, it is hoped, will relieve the difficulty if put into operation, has been passed and presented to the faculty. It is the general desire to prevent, if possible, the disgrace of losing an honor system in 'exams' which has been tried several years and found wanting only because of the dishonesty of a small part of the student body.

The conference committee, designed to provide for a mutual understanding between faculty and students in all matters of common interest, has been received after a year of disuse.

Yours in the Bond,

Burlington, January 22, 1898. C. F. BLAIR.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

The season of foot ball at Williams was one of disappointment, but the tie with Amherst was of great satisfaction. The candidates for the base ball team are at work in the gymnasium, and although five players were lost by graduation, there is abundant material for a good team. Bro. Smith, '99, is secretary and treasurer of the basket ball association, which has just been organized. $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ is represented on the athletic team by Bros. Fifer, '98, and F. Squires, 1900, both in the pole vault. The college is proud of the team, and a good record is expected.

Massachusetts Alpha celebrated her initiation banquet at the 'Idlewild,' in South Williamstown. The prospect of buying a house was enthusiastically discussed, and the fact that the $\Delta\ K\ E$ house has just

been completed, together with several other good reasons, makes it almost a necessity for this chapter to have a house of its own.

Yours in the Bond,

Williamstown, February 5, 1898. M. A. GRAFF.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Since the date of the last letter, New York Delta has held two successful smokers, which were well attended by graduates and attendant members. Refreshments were served and a most enjoyable evening passed.

In the December communication we failed to note the fact that Bro. Hackett, '99, College, was elected vice-president of the Columbia University Press Club, and that Bro. Egner, '98, Law, continues as chairman of the Dictionary Committee of the American Dialect Society (Columbia branch).

Later in the year the chapter will suffer a loss in the departure from the city of Bro. Hinrichs, '99, College, who, having captured the Brooklyn cadetship, will leave to prepare himself for West Point.

For the last few months Bro. Shelly, of Pennsylvania Zeta, has been in New York on business, during the major portion of which time he has stopped at the chapter rooms, adding one more to our chapter residents. On the 29th he left us for his village home in Philadelphia, carrying the best wishes of our members for Pennsylvania Zeta's continued prosperity.

The New York alumni have recently bestirred themselves to a degree hitherto unattained, and the coming fortnight will no doubt develop an 'anticipated surprise.' In the Bond,

OSCAR WEEKS EHRHORN.

New York, January 31, 1898.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL New York Epsilon has kept on in the even tenor of her way, having no outside troubles to worry her. The chapter has been striving to strengthen itself internally and, by getting thoroughly acquainted with our new brothers, to enlist their sympathies more strongly with the common interests of the chapter.

Our new men are all that we could desire them to be and are rapidly acquiring that spirit and enthusiasm in fraternity work which characterizes Phis the world over. In this class work they are attaining a high degree of scholarship, and already in the several receptions which we have given they have demonstrated their social qualities. In fact, we are fully convinced that we have received the best delegation from '01 that has been pledged to any fraternity at Syracuse, and through them we look for great strength to come to the chapter.

The social season in college circles now is at its height. Syracuse Phis always have been considered the best of entertainers, and this year we have certainly confirmed our reputation in the social events which we have already given.

Invitations will be issued soon for an annual mid-winter reception, which is set for February 16. Our annual alumni banquet is to be held this year at the Yates Hotel, the night of February 18. Bro. Albert E. Leonard, dean of the liberal arts college, will act as toastmaster, and we expect an unusually large number of our alumni members to be present. It is the eleventh anniversary of the organization of our chapter.

The night of February 19 occurs the annual city concert of our musical clubs, at the Weiting Opera House. This is the most fashionable event of the whole college year and our men will not be lacking in their loyalty. There are six Phis on the glee club, and Bro. Burnham is president of the organization.

Prospects are bright for one of the most successful seasons in base ball that Syracuse has ever known. About twenty-five games have been arranged with most of the best colleges in the east. The season's work includes an eastern trip of several days, playing four games in New York city and a trip south as far as Washington, D. C. Bro. Voorhees is captain of the team and is one of the pitchers, while four or five of the other positions on the diamond will be played by Phis. We also anticipate a brilliant season in track athletics, having arranged dual meets with Cornell, Williams and Rochester, besides the regular intercollegiate games.

The new Law College will be ready for occupancy the first of May, and early in the spring ground will be broken for the new Science Hall, which will cost about $100,000.

Fraternally yours,

Syracuse, February 1, 1898. M. C. SMITH.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

On the fourth of January, Pennsylvania Beta began the winter term with eight members. Since then, Melville T. Huber, '01, of Gettysburg, has been initiated, and we take great pleasure in introducing him to the Phi world.

The handsome new dormitory, which was completed during the Christmas holidays, is already filled with students. The college roll is still on the increase, a number of new students having entered this term.

At a meeting of the board of trustees, recently, steps were taken toward the erection of a new building for the preparatory department. Adjoining the campus proper there are about forty acres of land owned by the college. It was proposed at this meeting to have it laid out in a park with clusters of trees, walks, driveways and sites for proposed buildings, to be arranged according to the best methods of landscape gardening. The president was instructed to engage an expert to prepare such a plan, so that we hope in the near future we shall have a large addition to our beautiful campus.

The students, alumni and friends of the institution are contributing to a fund for the erection of a bronze statue of Prof. S. S. Schmucker, D. D., the founder of Pennsylvania College. The figure will be the best quality of bronze, heroic size, full relief, with a suitable pedestal bearing an appropriate inscription. It is to be placed on a commanding site on the campus, and is to be dedicated during commencement week.

At a recent meeting of the athletic association, Bro. Beerits, '99, was elected assistant base ball manager, so that next year he will become manager. He is also vice-president of Philo Literary Society.

The Σ Χ chapter has recently initiated five 'preps.,' so that over a third of their membership—14—is preparatory students. Α Τ Ω, with one 'prep.,' is the only other chapter here which has any but regular college men among its members.

On December 27, the Greek letter fraternity men of York, together with a few of the alumni of the 'Big Four,' held a banquet, and steps

were taken toward a permanent organization. Φ Δ Θ was represented by the Rev. H. H. Weber, '82, who acted as toastmaster, and G. H. Kain, '97, both of this chapter.

During the Christmas holidays, Bro. Singmaster, '98, paid a very pleasant visit to Pennsylvania Eta, at Lehigh.

With best wishes of the Fraternity I am

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Gettysburg, February 7, 1898. J. CLYDE MARKEL.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

The winter term at 'old W. and J.' began on January 5 with several new students and nearly all the old ones back in their accustomed places. The total enrollment for this year will be larger than last year, being considerably over three hundred. This term very little occurs to arouse general interest outside of studies and literary society work. All athletic work is confined to the gymnasium. Class drills are held three times a week, and members of the freshman, sophomore and junior classes are compelled to attend. A competitive drill will be held at the end of the term. The seniors are excused from class drill, but must do individual work in the gymnasium. Basket ball is arousing a great deal of interest this winter, and a series of inter-class games have been arranged. Bros. Rule and Bell are on the senior team; Bro. Eicher on the junior, and Bro. Ralston on the freshman team.

The foot ball season closed most auspiciously for Washington and Jefferson. The team was the best the college ever had, and won the championship, inter-collegiate and amateur, of Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The Thanksgiving game with D. C. and A. C. at Pittsburg was a fitting climax to the season, W. and J. winning 'hands down.'

Shortly after the Thanksgiving game the team met and elected Bro. Eicher, '99, captain of the '98 eleven. Bro. Eicher is the youngest man on the team, and has played right end for two seasons. Coach Wood regarded him as one of the best ends in the business, and all the players spoke highly of his playing. He is also one of the lightest men on the team. Bro. Eicher is the second Phi to be captain of the college eleven, which is considered the greatest honor, athletically speaking, any one can secure since foot ball was introduced into W. and J. Bro. James P. Linn, '95, was the other man to hold the position. The prospects for next year's eleven are good. A coach has not yet been chosen, but it is safe to say a Princeton man will be the choice of the management.

Since our last letter we have initiated a number of good men, whom it gives us pleasure to introduce to the Phi world. They are Thomas Chalmers Duff, 1901, Allegheny, Pa.; William Everett Ralston, 1901, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; James Slocum Craft, Merrittstown, Pa.; and Robert White Lindsay, Allegheny, Pa., who are pursuing special courses. Bro. Ralston is a member of the freshman basket ball team, and was a member of the freshman foot ball team, as was also Bro. Duff. Bro. Lindsay is a member of the glee club.

The senior commencement committees were announced recently. Bro. Bell is on the invitation committee, and Bro. Baker is a member of the 'hop' committee. The fight for positions on the last named committee was very hot, but as usual the best man-a Phi-won.

The chief event of interest to the entire college this term is the inter-

society contest, to be held on March 31. Bro. Moore is essayist for the Philo and Union Literary Society.

The glee and instrumental clubs, under the management of Bro. Rule, '98, took a trip through Ohio during the Christmas vacation. The clubs traveled in a special car. The trip was a great success, and reflects great credit on Bro. Rule's business ability. The clubs this year are the best we have had for several years.

Base ball practice has begun in the cage. The prospects for a good team are bright. The pitching force, which has been weak heretofore, will be strong this year. There are four good men for this position. The schedule is about made out. Two games a week will be played, and an eastern trip has been arranged for. Bro. Eicher will be short-stop of the team—a position he has held for two seasons. The prospects for a good track team are good.

On December 4 we celebrated the twenty-second anniversary of the founding of Pennsylvania Gamma chapter by a banquet. A number of correspondent members were present, and all had a royal good time.

The brothers all compliment THE SCROLL'S new dress, and consider it a great improvement. We are certain that Phi Delta Theta has the best fraternity organ and the most enterprising editor.

With best wishes to the Fraternity, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Washington, February 2, 1898. DAVID GLENN MOORE.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Delta begins the winter term with nineteen men and one pledged member. Although we lost at the end of the fall term one of our new men, we are still the strongest chapter in college.

In the class elections this year the members of Phi Delta Theta received quite a number of offices. Bro. Wright is ladder orator of the senior class, Bro. Oakes is historian and Bro. Casteel 'replier' of the junior class, Bro. Stolzenbach is historian of the sophomore class and Bro. Moorehead is salutatorian of the same class.

Pennsylvania Delta is also well represented on the Philo Franklin Literary Society contest team. Of the four places on the team three are filled by Phis. Bro. Lowstuter, '98, was chosen essayist, Bro. Weyand, '98, orator and Bro. Swisher, '00, declaimer.

We begin to see carried into effect our hope of having a chapter house. We are in a house now, but it is small, and we have been trying to secure a larger one. We have succeeded. The lease was signed a month ago, and we expect to move in at the beginning of the spring term. Later we shall send a more definite account of it. We were glad to see so many chapters represented by letters in the December SCROLL.

Yours in the Bond,

WM. L. WILKENSON.

Meadville, January 31, 1898.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, 'Old Dickinson' ended one of her most successful foot ball seasons by defeating Pennsylvania State College, at Sunbury. Never in the history of the institution has there been displayed such enthusiasm by the student body as in this game and the one immediately preceding, played with Franklin and Mar-

shall. No doubt much of the victory may be attributed to the hearty cheering of the students as well as to the hard playing of the team. The scores for the season were as follows:

	Dickinson.	Opponents.
University of Susquehanna	18	0
Carlisle Indians	0	36
Haverford	6	5
Swarthmore	20	4
Lehigh	0	5
Lafayette	0	19
St. Mary's	0	0
Villa Nora	52	0
Franklin and Marshall	42	0
State College	6	0
Total	144	69

At the annual election of officers for the athletic association, held in December, Bro. McNeal was elected base ball manager and Bro. Kline assistant foot ball manager for the coming seasons. The prospects for a successful base ball season are bright, several men having entered college, bringing with them very commendable records.

President Reed, who for several months past has been very ill and unable to fill his official duties, after spending a few weeks at Old Point Comfort, Va., has greatly improved in health and is again with us.

During the Christmas vacation Dr. B. O. McIntire, professor of English, was married to Miss May Florence Park, who has been for several years a successful teacher in Hasbrook Institute, Jersey City.

The collections of biological specimens in the museum have been recently enlarged by the generous contributions of Dr. T. C. Smith, a member of the board of trustees, who procured from the Smithsonian and Medical Museums, for the college, a human skeleton and a dozen typical animal forms, all well mounted and articulated, besides more than a hundred marine vertebrates.

The course of lectures for the public will be greatly augmented this year by several members of the faculty. Dr. Reed, Dr. Prince, Dr. Mohler, Dr. Cramer and Prof. Sellers are among those who will lecture on various topics.

The chapter was greatly pleased with the visit of Bro. F. S. Brockman, Tennessee Alpha, who was at the college for a few days in the interests of the student volunteer movement.

The boys are evincing much interest in our plans for a chapter house, and although we have suffered more or less disappointment, we are striving to have our house ready for occupancy for the opening of college next fall.

At one of our recent meetings Bro. Stonesifer, on account of extra work resigned his office as reporter of the chapter. The present writer was elected to that position.

With the best wishes for the success of every chapter of our noble Fraternity, I am Yours in the Bond,

WILBUR V. MALLALIEU.

Carlisle, January 17, 1898.

BETA PROVINCE.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Since the beginning of the spring term we have initiated Samuel R. Buxton, Jackson, N. C., and Fred Jackson Coxe, Literville, N. C.

Bro. Buxton is a member of the law class. He is a brother of a former member of this chapter. Bro. Coxe is vice-president of the junior class. We feel assured that these men will make loyal members, and we are glad to introduce them to all Phis. We have ten enthusiastic members, and our prospects are brighter than ever before.

The meeting of the board of trustees on the 27th was an important one. President Alderman's annual report showed that the university has made great progress in the standard of scholarship. We now have over 500 students, including the summer school. The enrollment is over 700. Several additional professors were elected at this meeting. Prof. Gore was made dean of the faculty to act during the absence of President Alderman, who will sail February 5, for a four months' trip to Europe and Palestine.

The trustees authorized President Alderman to secure a teacher of expression, who will act as critic in the literary societies, and will also train the commencement speakers.

The corner-stone of the new alumni building will be laid June 1. The building is to be completed during the summer.

A new hotel is to be built on the site of the old Chapel Hill Hotel, which will cost $6,000, and, according to contract, will be finished by April 1.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL, Bro. Johnston has been elected editor-in-chief of the *Hellenian*. He is also an inter-society debator for February 22. The annual debate with Georgia will take place here in March; we are confident of winning.

We already have material for a good base ball team, yet our best players have not come. The pitchers and catcher will come in a few days; others will come in during the month of February. Our best games will be with Princeton, Harvard, Pennsylvania, Johns Hopkins, University of Virginia and Lafayette College.

Yours in the Bond,

Chapel Hill, January 29, 1898. R. G. KITTRELL.

KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

Since our last communication Kentucky Alpha has been so unfortunate as to lose one of her late initiates—Bro. James Campbell, of Paducah, Ky. We greatly regret the loss of one of the most promising members of our present chapter, but trust that he will be able to return at the opening of the next college year.

On January 15, we initiated Wm. Robinson Huguely, of Danville, Ky. We take great pleasure in introducing him to the members of Phi Delta Theta, and commend him most heartily to the good-fellowship of all Phis.

On January 12, Kentucky Alpha entertained with cards and dancing in the chapter hall. It was one of the most enjoyable features of the winter's entertainments.

College opened after the Christmas holidays with a considerable increase in attendance.

As yet no one has been elected to fill the place left vacant by the death of President Dr. Wm. C. Young. Under the efficient management of the dean and the faculty, however, the institution has not materially suffered on that account. It is confidently expected that a choice will be made at the next meeting of the board of trustees.

The prospects for the base ball team this spring are flattering. At a recent meeting of the athletic association your correspondent was

chosen manager of the team for the coming season, and Bros. Reynolds, Dickens and Hale are practically sure of places, so Kentucky Alpha will have quite her usual share of the honors in that direction.

With best wishes for the continued welfare of our sister chapters, I am Yours in the Bond,

GORDON SULSER.

Danville, January 30, 1898.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have met with quite a sad misfortune. During the Christmas holidays, while all but two of our members were out of town, our hall was destroyed by fire. It was beautifully decorated and furnished, and was the pride of each and every member. All the furniture and draperies were in the Fraternity colors, and the hall was a 'beauty.' Nearly everything was a complete loss. By good luck we saved the bond and ritual.

After Christmas Bro. Douglas, who was with us last year, returned to take up his studies at the university. Bros. Blanton and Mourning left for the department of dentistry and medicine, which are situated in Louisville.

At a meeting of the athletic association Bro. Speed, who was captain of our foot ball team, was elected captain *pro tem.* of the '98 base ball team. Several of the boys will be candidates for positions both on the ball team and the track team.

We are represented in every department of the university, and are in better condition than ever before except for our recent misfortune. Soon we hope to have this trouble cleared up and to be comfortable either in another hall or in a house.

With best wishes for all Phis I am

Yours in the Bond,

Richmond, January 31, 1898. W. FRED BOOKER, JR.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The success of the university foot ball team continued to the last, the team finishing the season by defeating the University of the South, on Thanksgiving, 10 to 0, and by playing a tie game with the University of Virginia on December 6, the score being 0 to 0. That the latter game should have resulted in a tie is to be regretted since the championship of the south on this account remains undecided.

During the Christmas holidays the glee club took its usual trip, this time it being confined to the state of Kentucky. The club reports a successful trip. There are four Phis in the club, namely: Carr, Howell, Nichols and Fitzgerald. Carr is also vice-president of the club.

As reported in the last SCROLL, the Kappa Alphas have bought the house used as the Administration Building during the Centennial, but they have not as yet been able to secure a desirable location for it; consequently the building is still on the exposition grounds.

The 'Dekes' have rented a suitable two-story brick house, in Garland avenue, just south of the campus, which they now use both as a lodge and a meeting hall. Only eight men of the chapter live in the house, several of the rooms being reserved as parlors, reading rooms, etc.

The list of the fraternities having chapters at Vanderbilt, and their numerical strength, is as follows: Φ Δ Θ, 26; K A, 24; X Φ, 12; B Θ Π,

3; K Σ, 21; Δ T Δ, 14; Σ A E, 26; A T Ω, 19; Δ K E, 27; Σ X, 10; Σ N, 14, and Π K A, 7.

The university has recently sustained a great loss in Mr. Andrew Sledd, instructor in Latin, who has gone to fill the chair of Latin in Emory College, Georgia. Bro. Sledd, who is a most enthusiastic Phi, was an excellent and popular teacher while here, and we were all sorry to have him leave us, though we congratulate him upon his good fortune.

W. W. Brockman, 1900, was at the annual election of the Y. M. C. A. elected president for the year 1898. E. M. Underwood, 1900, was recently elected captain of the track team for this year. At the last track meet of the southern intercollegiate athletic association, held in Nashville, Bro. Underwood won first place in the 440-yd. dash and second place in the 880-yd. run. The next meeting of the S. I. A. A. will probably be held in Atlanta, next May.

Yours in the Bond,

Nashville, January 21, 1898. ERNEST S. JONES.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

The holidays are over and most of our boys have returned and set tled down to earnest work, after a leave of absence of ten days.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, Alabama Beta has continued her career with credit to herself, and still adds new names to the roll of Phi Delta Theta. Lucias Kelly Simmons, '99, Demopolis, Ala., Henry Moss Copeland, '00, Troy, Ala., and John Percy Reide, '99, Marion, Ala., are our new initiates.

Bro. E. S. George has resigned college, and gone into business with his father in Marion, Ala. Bro. Geo. M. Wheeler, who was prevented from returning, when college first opened after Christmas, owing to a painful accident which he suffered during the holidays, has returned, much to the delight of his many friends.

Although our college heretofore has not made quite so brilliant a record on the diamond as on the gridiron, our outlook is good, and owing to the efforts of Bro. A. M. Boyd, who is captain of this year's base ball team, together with the manager, we hope to make things interesting for our rivals in the different contests in which we may engage.

In the selection of officers of the senior class to take part in exercises on February 22, Bro. Shivers was elected orator and Bro. Jno. S. Paden, prophet. Bro. Paden and Bro. Shivers have also been promoted in the military department, Bro. Paden to adjutant of battalion, and Bro. Shivers to first lieutenant of Company A.

As usual the winter term at college is rather quiet. The minstrel and glee club, which Bro. Hobdy is reorganizing, expects to take an extensive trip during the month of February.

Wishing a prosperous year to THE SCROLL and sister chapters, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Auburn, January 15, 1898. I. F. MCDONNELL.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Louisiana Alpha sends her best wishes for a happy and a prosperous New Year to all Phis. It is rather late to do so but circumstances have prevented our sending them earlier.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Phi world our new brother, Thos. Gilmore, '01.

Louisiana Alpha of Φ Δ Θ has taken her share of honors at Tulane this year. We had no 'varsity foot ball team, but had a class league. We had four men on the junior team and one on the freshman team, Bros. Ludlow, Landry, Woods and Gasquet were on the junior team and Bro. Gilmore was full-back on the freshman team.

Bro. Ludlow is vice-president of the junior class. Bro. Landry is manager of the '98 'varsity base ball team. Bro. Woods is secretary and treasurer of the Tulane German Club.

We should consider it a great favor if when visiting New Orleans Phis would call at the university or send word to the reporter where they are stopping. In a large city like New Orleans it is almost impossible to ascertain whether one is a member of Phi Delta Theta or not, unless he first approaches us.

If any Phi intends entering Tulane, let us know, and let him affiliate with us.

Hoping that all Phis will aid us in this respect, I am

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

New Orleans, January 11, 1898. H. N. WOODS.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

We have just passed through the intermediate examinations, and are, of course, prepared to enjoy ourselves and everything else more than usual. The distinction list of the several departments has not been made out yet, but Phi Delta Theta will be fairly represented whenever it does come out. This we know for certain, that several of the Phi boys made the highest grades in school on their examination papers.

Bro. Creager has just been elected by the San Jacinto Society to be their leader on the champion debate at commencement next. This has been, time immemorial, one of the highest if not the highest honor in school.

We have initiated since our last report, Bros. John W. Snyder, J. W. Black and S. P. Ulrich. Bros. Black and Ulrich are both juniors. We were certainly very fortunate in the addition of these older men. They are two of the very kind Phi Delta Theta needs.

We continue to work, though rather slowly, on our chapter house fund. We intend to have a house before our minds are easy.

With the very best wishes for the success of the boys this second term, I am Yours in the Bond,

J. H. MCLEAN.

Georgetown, January 24, 1898.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

This year has certainly been one of the most prosperous in the history of Ohio Alpha. Our successes have been unbounded in all lines.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, Bro. S. F. Van Pelt has been elected manager of the Miami University band, and Bro. C. H. Mason, poet of the class of 1901.

We are enjoying society this year to its fullest extent; with our numerous 'Phi girls' we are able to have various social entertainments,

especially dancing parties. Ours is the only 'frat.' in the school that can successfully give dances, which fact is due to our spacious hall.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Phi world Bros. Francis Meade Bowen, Logan, O.; Paul James Van Pelt, Wilmington, O.; William Barnes Cullen and Earl Gardner Beauchamp, both of Hamilton, O. These brothers were initiated on the night of January 15.

We regret exceedingly the loss of Bro. P. J. Van Pelt, who has left us to take up a course in business college. Although in the chapter but a short time he had won the hearts of all of us.

Since our last letter we have pledged Clifford McDill and Louis Gilbert Flower, both of Oxford, O.

Cordially inviting all Phis to visit us whenever the opporunity affords itself,

In the Bond,

KARL H. ZWICK.

Oxford, February 12, 1898.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The enrollment for the winter term of Ohio University shows a slight increase over the fall term. More college spirit is manifested than ever before.

The beautiful Lux Hall was opened to the public for the first time February 17, by the Ohio state oratorical association, and is an acquisition of which the university may be justly proud.

There was not the interest manifest at the contest this year as in former years. Only small delegations were sent from the eight colleges composing the association, showing a gradual decline in oratory under the rising influence of debate. As a result of the contest J. A. Barnett, Beta, of Wooster College, received first honors.

Base ball will not be supported at the university this spring, owing to the fact that the city is to have one of a semi-professional nature.

Ohio Gamma celebrated the opening of her new hall with an informal reception to the local chapters of Beta Theta Pi and Delta Tau Delta. Whist was expected to be the chief amusement of the evening, but upon the introduction of boxing gloves a hurried adjournment was made to the exercising room, where contests were speedily arranged and for one hour battle raged with Greek vs. Greek, at the end of which luncheon was served. Extemporary toasts were responded to by each chapter and the guests departed, each expressing himself as highly pleased with the reception tendered.

It is with the utmost sorrow that Ohio Gamma announces the death of Cydnor Tompkins, '02, pledged, of Columbus, O. Funeral services were held at the home of Maj. J. M. Welch, in this city. The chapter attended in a body.

Bro. I. M. Foster, of Ohio Zeta, was at his home in this city for a few days during February, on account of illness.

Ohio Gamma is glad to note the general prosperity of the Fraternity as indicated in the annual letters received.

Yours in the Bond,

Athens, February 19, 1898. W. K. SCOTT.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Our university is now undergoing a dedicatory period. Townsend Hall, the elegant and commodious quarters for the agricultural school, was formally dedicated on the 12th inst. It is situated at the extreme west of the quadrangle.

The Armory-Gymnasium is to be dedicated on Washington's Birthday anniversary. It is the veritable pride of the entire institution. Its architecture is magnificent and imposing. It is at the north-east of the quadrangle. It is hoped that the new athletic field may be located to the immediate north of this building.

The base ball season is near at hand. In this line of athletics we have bright prospect for an unusually strong team. Though the strict enforcement of the faculty's ruling on class standing has robbed the squad of a few particularly strong men, it may be confidently expected that a good team will be forthcoming. Our chapter will, in all probability, furnish three of the regular team—Bros. Davis, Hughes and Bond.

Ohio Zeta experienced a very pleasant evening on January 21, in the nature of its monthly 'hop.' Professor and Mrs. Wm. McPherson acted as chaperons. An unusually large attendance of local graduate Phis was welcomed. Bro. Philip Welch, of Ohio Gamma, was also present.

In college honors permit us to note the following: Bro. Dowd is president of the Germania Society, Bro. Erdman has been selected fencing instructor in the gymnasium, Bro. Bond is our fifth member of Phi Delta Phi, Bro. Schlesinger is on the '99 social committee.

We have pledged Mr. Leonard Clark, 1901, of Columbus, Ohio.

We have been honored with calls from following brothers: Sloneker, Ohio Delta; Schlesinger, Ohio Eta; O'Bleness and McCune, Ohio Gamma. We sincerely hope for calls from our brothers in the Bond.

Fraternally yours,

Columbus, January 24, 1897. ISRAEL FOSTER.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

On last Thanksgiving day we finished up the foot ball season by defeating Western Reserve University by a score of 14 to 0. This game is our most important one each year and always attracts a great deal of attention among the local foot ball enthusiasts. This game also puts Case in a position among the first in the state and many foot ball men concede that Case finished with the strongest team in Ohio, although she had been beaten once and had not played Ohio Wesleyan.

Phi Delta Theta is to have the captain for '98; Bro. Nieding, '00, was recently elected to that position; Bro. French was again awarded a 'C' and Bros. Quarrie and Lusk (pledged) won their 'C's' for the first time.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated into the secrets of Phi Delta Theta, Wilbur J. Watson and George Yost, who we feel sure will prove excellent Phis. This makes the chapter eighteen in number.

One of the most enjoyable and successful 'events' thus far for the local chapter was a 'quilting party' which was arranged for us by one of our Phi sisters. We say successful because about that time we were much in need of quilts and bedding, and this proved to be a very happy way to obtain them.

The chapter gave a party on the fourth of this month, immediately after a lecture to the public by our president, Dr. Cady Staley. The lecture and party together made a very pleasant affair.

Ohio Gamma alumni chapter has been strengthened by the addition to its roll of Bro. Mansfield, of Amherst, '97, who is teaching

physics at Central High School. Bro. Mansfield makes the fifth Phi at Central, and Principal Harris, who is a 'Deke,' is credited with saying that he will shoot the next Phi who comes.

We deem ourselves fortunate in being on the line of the Long Distance Telephone Company, for that brings us Bro. Marble quite regularly every two months. Bro. Marble, although a busy man, is just as earnest in Phi Delta Theta as ever.

It gives us great pleasure to read the good wishes and regards expressed for our chapter by Ohio Alpha in her letters to THE SCROLL, and they may be assured that they have the best wishes of the new chapter.

In conclusion we wish to invite all Phis who may come to Cleveland, whether on business or pleasure, to come and stay with us.

With kindest regards for sister chapters in Phi Delta Theta,

In the Bond,

Cleveland, January 29, 1898. FRANK HULETT.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Since my last letter to THE SCROLL three more men of superior type have signed their names to the bond of Phi Delta Theta. I take great pleasure in presenting to the brotherhood Bros. Harry and Charles Dickey, of Tipton, Ind., both of the class of 1901, and Thomas Karsell, of Bloomington, Ind., junior law, '99. I am sure they are and will continue to be worthy Phis. Bro. Karsell is one of the second bassos on the glee club.

Bros. Folsom, '99, and Glen Gifford, '99, returned at the beginning of the winter term. Bro. Trook, who has been attending the law school of the University of Indianapolis, entered I. U. just a few days ago and will graduate with the class of '98.

Our glee club made its usual Christmas holiday tour, giving 19 concerts throughout southern Illinois and southern Indiana, clearing over six hundred dollars. The club will also make a spring tour of about the same number of concerts, under the management of the Inter-State Lyceum Bureau.

On January 20 the annual 'Foundation Day' exercises were held at the men's new gymnasium. Governor Mount was present, and acted as chairman of the day. Several prominent speakers addressed the audience, and many distinguished guests were present. President Jesse, of Missouri, made the prominent address. In the evening the Students' Dramatic Club presented Shakespeare's 'Much Ado About Nothing. Bro. Glen Burbank took the part of Don Pedro.

Onr annual debate with the University of Indianapolis will soon take place in Bloomington, and very naturally we expect to win.

At present the university interest centers on spring athletics. There are fine prospects for a winning base ball team and track team. The new athletic field is being pushed to completion, and with its many improvements it will be first-class. A revival in tennis will be made and the university will build a number of new courts.

In a word, we are prospering every day, and each week we grow prouder of our university.

Indiana Alpha is constantly on the alert; and she never fails to land a man in every prominent movement in which the university is concerned.

With best wishes to all the Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Bloomington, February 19, 1898. ERNEST P. WILES.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Since our last letter, Indiana Beta has initiated and begs to introduce William Wilboro Willson, '01, of Louisville, Ky. Bro. Willson has already proven himself a worthy wearer of the sword and shield, and is making an enviable reputation for himself as an orator.

On December 15, our chapter was favored with a call by Bro. John C. Black, of Chicago, Indiana Beta, '62. We have also received visits from Bro. Parry, ex-'96, and Bro. Mull, ex-'99.

Our college oratorical contest was stubbornly fought, and it was by accident only that Bro. Byers lost first place. At the state contest, Wabash was represented by a large delegation, accompanied by the college band. Bro. Hays was elected secretary of the state association at this time.

Bro. Foley was invited to be present at the Jackson Day celebration, at Lafayette, and made a speech which was highly commented on by the papers.

A mandolin club is the latest addition to our already long list of musical organizations. Φ Δ Θ is represented by Bro. Meisenhelder and Bro. Byers, who is manager.

The base ball schedule has been arranged. We have our first game with the University of Indianapolis, April 23. Bro. Mull expects to return in order to fill his former position on the team.

With best wishes for sister chapters, and all members of the Fraternity, I am Yours in the Bond,

MARSHALL V. ROBB.

Crawfordsville, February 1, 1898.

INDIANA GAMMA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

The University of Indianapolis is just recovering from the annual celebration of Washington's birthday by the students of the university. It was a success in every way. Nearly 700 students from the four departments of the university, headed by the University of Indianapolis band, marched in the parade. Indianapolis was decorated for the occasion with royal purple, the university color. Tomlinson Hall, the largest in the city, was crowded at the exercises in the afternoon. Bro. Addison Clay Harris, '62, and the Rev. J. A. Milburn, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, of Indianapolis, addressed the assembled students. After the speeches came a 'love-feast.' The floor was cleared and the students danced till dark. In the evening the students attended the theater.

On the general committee, which had in charge the making of the plans for the celebration, were Bro. A. B. Clarke, '97, Bro. Virgil Dalrymple, '98, and Bro. Carl McGaughey, '01.

We are glad to report the return from abroad of one of the strongest members of our faculty, Bro. D. C. Brown, '79. Bro. Lister, '97, who has been pursuing a graduate course, has accepted a position in Eureka College.

Bro. Williams, '01, who was compelled to return to his home in Wabash on account of a severe attack of the grip, is again in school.

Bro. Hugh Th. Miller, whose illness has cast a shadow over every loyal Phi heart, is convalescent, and the prospects are that before the next issue of THE SCROLL he will have resumed his labors in behalf of Φ Δ Θ.

Since our last letter Indiana Gamma has won one of the greatest victories in her history, as a result of which I am now enabled to in-

troduce to the Phi world Robert W. Hobbs, '99, of Indianapolis, who has been spiked by every fraternity in college. Bro. Hobbs is a member of the team for the U. of I.—I. U. debate.

With hearty greetings to all Phis everywhere. I am

In the Bond,

Irvington, February 23, 1898. VIRGIL DALRYMPLE.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

The second term began January 6, with all of the brothers who were with us last term present, and several new students in college. Much interest is taken in furnishing the gymnasium with new and superior apparatus.

After the very interesting class fight of January 17, resulting in a complete victory for seniors and sophomores, those classes which had not yet organized hastened to do so. Bro. Wilson was elected president of the freshman class, which gives us two class presidents—Bro. Kenny being president of the junior class.

There has been quite a revival of interest in literary work in the college this year, and the Phis have been prominent in the movement. At the last election of the Periclesian Literary Society, Bro. McAlpin was chosen president and Bro. Edwards, secretary.

On the evening of the twenty-fifth a very happy and enthusiastic party of some thirty Phis, students and alumni, with our loyal supporters—the ladies—gathered around the banquet table at the Leland Hotel, of this city. The tables and rooms were very handsomely and artistically decorated with the Fraternity colors and flowers. The following toasts were responded to:

Toastmaster, Bro. Neal, '92.
'The Present Occasion,' Bro. Moore, '98.
'The Sword and the Shield,' Bro. Owens, '96.
'The Fraternity Man,' Miss Bertha Miller, '99.
'The "Grad.,"' Bro. Hudson, Indiana Alpha, '97.
'Phi Delta Theta,' Miss Mary Payne, '99.
'The Ladies,' Bro. Harry J. Martin, '95.

Impromptu speeches were then made by several of the alumni. The occasion will long be remembered by all present as a most enjoyable one.

We have been pleased to receive short visits from Bro. C. L. Morse, Vermont Alpha, '85, and Bro. Switzler, Missouri Alpha, '94.

Bro. Edward Middleton, '97, has received the appointment of city engineer of Franklin.

Since the beginning of the term we have pledged John W. Williams, '00, who will become one of us the first of next year.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Phi world Bro. Roy Hinchman, class of 1901, of Vernon, Ind., whom we initiated into the mysteries of Φ Δ Θ on January 8.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Franklin, January 26, 1898. JESSE L. HOLMAN.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have had the misfortune to lose three of our chapter, Bro. W. G. Rogers and Bro. M. E. Garber, by reason of sickness, and Bro. C. M. Pearson, who has left to enter Penn College, Iowa. Their loss will be keenly felt.

Several of our recent meetings have been in the nature of reunion meetings, we having had several of our alumni and former members with us.

Bro. Whallon has been elected president of the state athletic association, Bro. Oldfather, vice-president of the state oratorical association, and Bro. Deibler, secretary of the college athletic association.

In the coming Voris oratorical contest we will be represented by Bros. Deibler and Jenkins. Bro. Reap officiated as president at the recent oratorical contest at Indianapolis. The 'mumps' has made its appearance here, having 'initiated' two men, both Phis, but from the looks of many others, it is very probable that many will be 'pledged' ere long.

Yours in the Bond,

T. C. WHALLON.

Hanover, February 1, 1898.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The second term opened January 4, with an increased attendance in all departments, especially in the school of art and music. As a result of the labors of our vice-chancellor, Dr. Hickman, the endowment fund has been increased by several large donations during this term.

The annual state oratorical contest was held in Indianapolis, January 21, and resulted in an easy victory for De Pauw.

Since our last letter, we have initiated Porter Smith, '01, Tilden, Ind., and Earle Parker, '01, La Grange, Ind.

Phi Delta Theta is represented on the glee club by L. R. and F. S. Cartwright, Stults, F. V. Smith, Hodges, Edwards, and B. F. Roller; on the mandolin club by F. V. and Porter Smith, Hodges, and L. R. and F. S. Cartwright.

B. F. Roller is physical director of the gymnasium, and secretary of the state athletic association. Bro. Meade has been chosen as one of the representatives of De Pauw in the intercollegiate debate to be held with Earlham in April.

Bro. F. V. Smith is treasurer of the state oratorical association. The athletic board has chosen Bro. Ruick, '97, Yale, '98, to coach the foot ball team next fall.

With best wishes to Phis, everywhere, I remain,

Yours in Φι-κεία,

CHAS. B. CAMPBELL.

Greencastle, February 8, 1898.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The new year finds us in possession of the most desirable fraternity house in Lafayette. This house, known as 'Marstellar Place,' is situated at State and Sheetz streets, facing the campus, of which we have a commanding view. It has been the home of numerous Phis in recent years, but not until January 1 did we come into complete possession. We still retain our hall in the business district of the city and it is the scene of many pleasant informals during the season.

Bros. John and Miles O'Brien left Christmas to accept lucrative positions offered them in the east, in which we wish them the greatest success. We have pledged Hubert B. Clapp, of Chicago, and have two other very desirable men 'on the string.'

In athletics, the spirit of the student body was never better. Sev-

enty-six men answered the call for track team candidates, and there is an abundance of good base ball material in view.

The series of railway engineering lectures, which is being given here this year, has attracted considerable attention from the general public and especially from railway men. The lectures so far have been by J. T. Brooks, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Railway; Melville E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four; Bro. Addison C. Harris, of the Pennsylvania Railway; John W. Noble, ex-secretary of interior; Robert Quayle, C. & N. W. Ry., and Angus Sinclar, of the *Engineering News*. Bro. Benj. Harrison was present at the lecture of John W. Noble, who was secretary of interior under his administration, and although on account of the shortness of his stay he was unable to meet us formally, he expressed his appreciation of our invitation to a reception and sent his best wishes to the chapter.

Yours in the Bond,

Lafayette, January 31, 1898. PERCY H. BATTEN.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Nothing of extreme importance presents itself for inscription in the present letter, for fall athletics are over and spring athletics have not yet begun. Moreover, this year witnesses no such inter-fraternity brawls as have occurred in the last few years at just this time.

On the contrary we may say that the smoothness with which preparations are being made for the 'Junior Hop' is a matter for congratulation. In that one thing, at least, the literary fraternities of the university are bound by an iron-clad constitution of such strength as to allow no discord. The 'hop' is booked for February 18, and from present indications we will be represented by about fifteen men.

The result of the final debate contest in the university a few days ago was one that should interest all fraternity men. The three winners, who will represent the university in the Chicago-Michigan contest, belonged respectively to Δ Χ, Ζ Ψ, and Α Τ Ω.

A university whist club has been growing in size and importance in the last few months, and Bros. Gorenflo and Raynor have been distinguishing themselves in that field.

It is understood, generally, that Dr. Angell will return to the university next year and resume his work in the capacity of president.

With best wishes, I am yours in the Bond,

FRED R. HOOVER.

Ann Arbor, January 31, 1898.

MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Vacation has passed and we have had one meeting this term.

During vacation we took the opportunity of having an initiation, while Bros. Burt and Geo. Green, Austin, Gilbert, March and Kelley were in town. We now have the pleasure of introducing to the Phi world Charles Adams Sheldon, of Hillsdale. After the initiation we were invited to meet the Pi Beta Phis, who were meeting that evening, and a very enjoyable time was spent.

Before this letter appears we will have initiated Harry L. Guggenheim, a freshman, and we hope that soon some of the pledged men will be ready for initiation. Of the new men we expect Phi Delta Theta will have her share of the best.

We now have a suite of very pleasant rooms in a house facing the

east campus. Here we have our meetings, and also use the rooms for studying and visiting, and find it just the place for rushing men. It is also a good study-room for the fellows who live down town, and in fact, is a regular rendezvous for Phis.

The college received for a Christmas gift, $1,150, from a friend in Wisconsin, and for a New Year's gift, $4,258.80, from a friend in Hillsdale, also a bequest note of $2,000, from Mrs. Frances Jackson Kies.

Athletic training for Michigan intercollegiate field day has begun in the gymnasium. F. H. Woodworth (pledged) has charge of the wrestling class. The election of the athletic association officers occurs on January 11, 1898.

We were informed lately that there are many more new students than ever before.

Trusting that our circular letter has reached you, and that the alumni of Michigan Gamma who read THE SCROLL will write us concerning it, I remain Yours in the Bond,

VERNE G. MYERS.

Hillsdale, January 3, 1898.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha has pledged two men in the academy since our last letter to THE SCROLL.

Bro. Mott P. Mitchell, '98, has been appointed to the Gage prize contest in extemporaneous speaking. Bro. Cooke, '99, is on the *Syllabus* board as committee on fraternities and organizations. Bro. Webb, '00, one of the foremost members of the Thalian Dramatic Club, played a leading part in 'A Proposal Under Difficulties,' at Swift Hall, February 8. Bro. Sturgeon, '00, carried off two prizes at the indoor athletic meet, held at the 2d Regiment Armory, Chicago, January 29. Bro. Buntain, '99, is chairman and leader of the Pan Hellenic promenade. Phi Delta Theta will have the largest representation of any fraternity at the promenade this year.

Bro. Bruce B. Powell, ex-'97, will be married Thursday evening, February 10, to Miss Grace E. Hartshorn, of Evanston, at the home of her parents. Bro. Powell is practicing law at Gilman, Ill.

The glee, banjo, and mandolin clubs gave their annual concert at the First Methodist Church, January 21. The concert was followed by an informal reception in the University Guild room. The clubs will take a trip this week, filling dates at Mt. Carroll, Ill., Warren, Ill., Independence, Ia., and Waterloo, Ia.

The prospects for a good base ball team this year are splendid. About thirty-five candidates are practicing in the gymnasium, and plenty of first class men can be found among them.

The first semester at Northwestern has just closed, and the faculty and students express themselves as well satisfied with the new system.

We shall have something to say at another time in regard to the article that appeared in the *Chicago Evening Post*, of January 29, alleging that an attempt had been made by Illinois Alpha to lift the local chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Evanston, February 8, 1898. GEORGE E. MOORE.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

I am pleased to introduce to the world of Phi Delta Theta, Bro. George Morris, who has recently been initiated into the Fraternity by Illinois Zeta.

The chapter is growing stronger continually, and has every prospect for a bright and profitable future. The college is as strong as usual, and everything is being done by the faculty to better the opportunities already afforded at Lombard.

In the mandolin and guitar club Phi Delta Theta is represented by Bros. Allen, Fletcher and Bullock. Several other Phis are on the ladder and soon expect to join the club.

Under the able instruction of Mrs. Anna Chappell Gunnell, the drama, 'A Scrap of Paper' was successfully presented upon the gymnasium stage, and on the evening of February 15 will be given in the auditorium. Two of the members of Illinois Zeta are in the cast of characters.

On the foot ball team of last season Bros. Weeks and McElvaine were the star half-backs, and won many a victory for Lombard. Both are good sprinters, and at line bucking are especially good.

Illinois Zeta greatly feels the absence of Bro. Walter A. Johnson, who recently went to New York.

On the evening of the initiation of Bro. Morris, our president, Bro. Wiswell, gave a banquet at one of the down-town restaurants. We regret very much that Bro. Wiswell will not be in school next term.

With the best of greeting to all the chapters of Phi Delta Theta, I am Yours in the Bond,

FAY A. BULLOCK.

Galesburg, February 2, 1898.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Illinois Eta commenced the winter term with sixteen initiated men and five pledged. Three of the pledged men will be Phis by the time this letter is published. The men are I. H. Hill, '99, of Joliet; R. W. Mills, '99, of St. Louis, the university champion half and quarter mile runner, member of mandolin club and band; Bruce Fulton, '01, Hartford City, Ind., who bids fair to outrival his brothers in base ball.

It is with regret that I announce that Bro. Huntoon, '01, has been compelled to leave us on account of sickness. We hope that he will be able to return in the spring.

On February 11, Illinois Eta holds her anniversary ball and banquet. We expect many of our alumni to be present with us on that most enjoyable occasion. We have been the first chapter to adopt patronesses, and the other fraternities, as usual, have followed our example.

Our chapter had the pleasure of entertaining Miss Mary French Field, January 11. Miss Field gave a reading under the auspices of the Alethenai Literary Society, and our chapter attended in a body.

About 75 base ball candidates have begun active training under the guidance of Coach Huff and Captain Fulton. Eight of last year's team have returned, and the existing vacancy will probably be filled by Bro. Fulton, '01, this making five Phis on the team. Illinois expects to win the western championship this spring. The Rockford team of the Western Association will be here April 1, and play a series of 12 games with our team, hence by the time the western championship season opens, Illinois will have a well seasoned team.

Among the honors Illinois Eta has recently received I note the following: S. R. Duffy, '95, graduate member of the advisory board of the athletic association; Bro. Fulton, '98, captain of base ball team, president of students' dancing club, reporter *Illini;* Bro. Hatch, '98, secretary athletic association, assistant editor *Illini*, secretary M. E. and E. E. Society; Bro. Harker, president mandolin club; Bros. Griffiths, '99, and Gillette, '01, hold offices in their respective classes.

Bro. Walker has submitted his report as manager of the foot ball team of '97. His report shows a balance of $2,500, this being the first time in the history of Illinois athletics that so great a balance has been. This clears the association from debt and leaves a snug sum in the treasury.

Illinois Eta acknowledges receipt of many chapter letters, but there are a few that we would like very much to see.

The university has recently purchased 40,000 volumes for the new library, this making a total of over 100,000 volumes now owned by the university.

Our new gymnasium will be ready for occupancy about April 1. The horticulture building was completed last month.

Bro. Swenson, '89, has charge of the moving of the dynamos, motors and other electrical appliances into the new central heating and lighting plant.

President Draper has returned from a sojourn in the south and lower California.

With best wishes and kindest regards to our sister chapters, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Champaign, January 31, 1898. A. N. HAZLITT.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since the December issue of THE SCROLL we have initiated four new men, and it affords us great pleasure to introduce Brothers Barns, Hardgrove, Ragland and Robins to the Phi world. Besides these we have two pledged men, Newman and Gregg, whom we hope to dub Phis before the next SCROLL.

Our fall party proved to be a success in all respects, and the brothers were well satisfied with the results.

The first semester is rapidly drawing to a close and the final examinations on the half year's work are close at hand. We are keeping a sharp lookout for new men, as many students enter the university at the beginning of the second semester.

The annual 'Junior Prom.' occurs on the 19th of February and the junior class is busy in making the necessary preparations. We are well represented on the 'Prom.' committees. Brother Pooler is chairman of the decoration committee and Brother Geilfuss is treasurer. As this is always the chief social event of the year many of the alumni are present and it is an excellent opportunity for the old Phis to meet the new ones.

The editors of *Phikeia Annual* have been elected, and material is being gathered for its second edition. The first issue, printed ten years ago, proved such a success that we have determined to get out a second one, and we hope to make it as great a success.

Ice boating has been at its height for the last few weeks, but the recent heavy storms have spoiled it to some extent. The chapter owns three boats which are all fast sailers.

We have had several pleasant visits from Bros. Bacon, Barnes, Sweet and Mann.

Bro. Elwell, law, '96, has opened a law office in La Crosse, Wis. Bro. Bacon, '97, holds a good position on the *Republican and Leader*, in La Crosse. Bro. Hubbel, law, '98, has left us and has entered the hardware business in Duluth, Minn. Bro. Manson, law, '97, was recently elected justice of the peace in Wausau, Wis.

Yours in the Bond,

Madison, January 27, 1898. BERNARD C. DORSET.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The most important local event of recent occurrence was the annual oratorical contest which we are glad to report was won by Bro. Pace, '99. Taking advantage of a technicality our rival, B Θ Π, attempted to prevent the appearance of Bro. Pace on the program. The result was one of the bitterest fraternity fights in the history of the university. After a week of raging conflict the Phis emerged from the scene of battle with the support of 75 per cent. of the girls, a handsome majority in the oratorical association, and the sanction of the faculty, to whom the matter was carried. The evening following Bro. Pace won the contest, making the phenomenal record of receiving five firsts on delivery from as many judges. He will represent the university in the state contest, February 24.

We have the pleasure of introducing three men, worthy of the privileges of Φ Δ Θ, who have donned the sword and shield since our last report. They are, C. F. Nevins, Burlington, Ia., Ralph Stafford and Archie Day, of Mt. Pleasant, Ia. We are truly proud to call these men brothers. Bro. Stafford is the son of the president of the institution, who was a Beta. Our securing him was thus a signal victory.

Bro. Nevins is temporarily out of school. Bro. Guylee, our 'funny man,' has recently made an extended trip to Kansas. We welcome him back. Bro. Robinson, '97, is taking post-graduate work here and his presence with the chapter is appreciated.

The Beta Theta Pi chapter here numbers ten men. Thus far they have had no initiation this year. They will have some additions by the close of the year, but will lose six by graduation.

Some of the honors not yet reported, held by Phis, are as follows: Bros. Helphrey and Beck are the presidents of the two gentlemen's collegiate literary societies; Bro. Pace is president of the junior class; Bro. Crawford is secretary of the athletic association.

In the military department Bro. Geo. Smith is captain of Company B; Bro. Pace is 1st lieutenant and ordnance officer; Bros. Hearne and Crawford are 1st lieutenants, and Throop, 2d lieutenant, while Beck is sergeant major. Our new men, Bros. Stafford and Day, are sergeants.

On the *Wesleyan* staff Beck is subscription agent and Throop, advertising agent.

Under the efficient management of Prof. McCauley the commercial department is in a highly prosperous condition.

On the debate between the literary societies we were represented by Bros. Pace and Helphrey. In the oratorical contest these two, in addition to Beck, were our representatives on program.

Our chapter was glad of the opportunity to meet Bro. F. S. Brockman, of Tennessee Alpha, while he was visiting our institution on his tour of the northwest in the interest of the student volunteer movement and missions.

May prosperity in its superlative degree attend all sister chapters.

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Mt. Pleasant, January 22, 1898. J. McF. BECK.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The last semester has been most prosperous for Missouri Alpha. In scholarship, in athletics, and in literary work we feel that we have maintained our former prestige, and have moreover set a new pace for Phis that are to come. We have now a membership of 19, of whom Bros. Harry W. Smith, '99, Edward L. Drum, '01, George F. Maitland, '99, Arthur W. Brent, '01, Dudley T. Dunlop, '00, and W. Neal Winter, '01, were initiated this year.

We regret to announce that Bro. George Richard Tyler, '91, of Nevada, Mo., has joined the Chapter Grand.

Bro. Broderick was recently elected captain of the base ball team, and by virtue of this office he is a member of the board which controls athletics in general. Bro. Smith will try for the track team, which now gives promise of record-breakers. It is but just to Bro. White, gymnasium director, to say that the excellent condition of the team is largely due to his painstaking efforts.

Bro. H. T. Cary, '94, professor of civil engineering, was recently granted a leave of absence until September 1, and leaves to-day for Europe.

Bro. T. J. J. See, '89, recently 'renewed his pledges in Φ Δ Θ' while here. He delivered a lecture before the scientific association of the university on January 13, and was given a banquet by the university council, an honor never before given an alumni of the university. Bro. See was present at a meeting of Missouri Alpha, and favored us with some very pleasing remarks. After the meeting he was the guest of honor at a Phi oyster supper.

Missouri Alpha will fittingly celebrate Alumni Day.

Yours fraternally,

Columbia, February 1, 1898. CHARLES SHUMWAY RUFFNER.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Since the last edition of THE SCROLL, Missouri Beta has been the recipient of rare good fortune in shape of the unexpected reappearance of three former associates of this chapter on the field of action. It is seldom, indeed, that a fraternity can rely upon second term matriculants for its support, much less can it hope at that time for the arrival of comrades of former years. This, however, happily falls to the lot of our chapter this year. Van Meter, B. L., '97, has quenched his burning desire for mercantile pursuits, sold his interest in a banking institution, and returned to his Alma Mater to resume his sedentary occupation at Westminster, and incidently to attach an A. B. to his name in June. Bro. Brown, who has been imbued with similar sentiments for the period of a year and a half, is with us with his accustomed enthusiasm Bro. Baker, being duly repentant of certain murderous designs on Old Father Time, is again in the class-room. With these additions, coupled with our now strong and active body of Phis, the prospect for the remainder of the year is exceedingly bright.

Bro. Henderson, representative of D. L. Auld, with whom nearly every chapter in the Fraternity is acquainted, and who in former days was an active member of Missouri Beta, lent his presence to our last regular meeting and gave us the benefit of his advice, based upon many years of experience and observation, not only with the chapters of our own Fraternity, but also our rivals. Bro. Henderson is as earnest and enthusiastic to-day as when actually engaged in the strifes and struggles of the chapter of which he is a member.

The pledge button, which has been in vogue in many chapters long since, made its initial appearance in fraternity circles at Westminster on a future Phi. Its presence on a man who had been rushed by other fraternities elicited no slight degree of interest. The pledge button system seems to possess quite an advantage over the ancient sub rosa observance, in that it enables the prospective candidate to enjoy the society of his future brothers, without laying himself liable to the accusation of pressing himself upon a fraternity's notice.

Since our last letter, Dr. E. C. Gordon, who for a number of years has performed so successfully the arduous duties of president of the college, has resigned, and J. J. Rice, A. M., LL. D., who for thirty years has occupied the chair of political science in this institution, is acting president until further action upon the part of the board of trustees.

The base ball season is rapidly approaching, and, while in all probability Westminster may never boast of as fine a pitcher as she possessed in the shape of Bro. Jacks, we hope to strengthen in other lines and thereby sustain our enviable reputation of the diamond. Bro. Gordon, with his long experience on the field, will doubtless be the mainstay of the team, while Bros. Baker and McGregor will be the chief strength in the pitching department. All members of Missouri Beta have successfully crossed the Rubicon of examinations, and are entering upon the second term with all the customary and time-worn resolutions of future diligence.

Wishing each and every chapter the highest meed of success.

Yours fraternally,

Fulton, January 28, 1898. M. N. FERGUSON.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Brother Cooper has been elected treasurer of 'The Masque,' a dramatic club recently organized. Brother Lee is a member of the editorial board of the *Senior Annual*.

Brother Funston has returned from Cuba, having been captured and paroled by the Spanish. He passed through here on his way to his home in Iola, Kas., where he will remain for some time until his wounds are healed.

Financially we are in better shape than for some time.

Our annual circular letter will be out in a short time. The committee finds much difficulty in getting accurate information as to the addresses of alumni.

Our annual spring party takes place April 29. The reporter is authorized to announce that, owing to the recent action of the sororities upon the liquor question, the punch will not be 'spiked.

We have recently pledged Melvin H. Taylor, of Lyons, Kas.

Yours in the Bond,

Lawrence, February 1, 1898. H. W. MCLAUGHLIN.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

Stanford University opened for the second semester on Wednesday, January 11, and the long term of five months is fairly upon us. Great improvements are being made on the campus. Houses are being built, trees are being set out, and streets improved.

The members of the Stanford chapter of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ have made the best record of any fraternity here in their studies.

We now have a house committee at work, and it is very probable that we will be in a house of our own by the beginning of next year. We are ready for suggestions and help from our alumni.

It was with great sorrow that we received the news of the death of Francis W. Lake, '97. Bro. Lake died of consumption, at Grand Island, Neb., December 16. He was one of the most prominent men ever at Stanford, and took a deep interest in the growth and prosperity of Φ Δ Θ.

The members of California Beta are trying to locate their alumni, and it will save us considerable trouble if the old members will voluntarily send us their present addresses.

BENJ. E. PAGE.

Stanford University, January 14, 1898.

ALUMNI.

NEW YORK ALPHA ALUMNI, NEW YORK.

In pursuance to a call issued by several members of the New York Alpha alumni chapter a meeting of Phis in the Metropolitan district was arranged for the evening of December 15, 1897, and notwithstanding the unpropitious weather many responded.

The meeting was entirely informal and as a result of the suggestions offered a committee on incorporation was appointed by the temporary chairman, with authority to call a second meeting. When that necessary preliminary had been attended to, Bro. D. R. Horton was *ex officio* chairman, and as a result of his and the committee's labors, articles of incorporation, after approval by Justice Freedman, of the New York supreme court, were duly filed with the secretary of state at Albany, and a call for a second meeting issued.

This was held on the evening of February 4, 1898. The by-laws, after a few changes, were approved and signed by those present. Some thirty members is the nucleus, which it is confidently believed will grow to a hundred or a hundred and fifty in a few weeks' time. Letters and telegrams were read from many Phis wishing success and promising support, and the prospect is bright. All members of the Fraternity whose addresses were known were notified, but the precaution of notifying the press, which responded with notices, resulted in several good brothers appearing in person or by letter, who had but lately settled within our city.

Temporary officers have been elected who will hold office until the annual dinner on March 15, 1898, when a fiscal year beginning, according to the by-laws, new officers will be elected for the ensuing twelve months.

Dues are $10 per year for resident, and $5 a year for non-resident members, payable in advance. Brothers residing outside a radius of 25 miles from the city hall, in Manhattan borough, may become non-resident members, but this shall not prevent them from becoming resident members. They have the same club and voting privileges, save that office-holding is restricted to resident members.

The club hopes very shortly to acquire a club and chapter house which will be up to date, and hearty co operation upon the part of Phis interested will tend materially to hasten its undoubted success. Checks may be made payable to Arthur P. Van Gelder, instructor, Columbia University, by whom receipt will be promptly acknowledged.

In the Bond,

New York, February 5, 1898. OSCAR WEEKS EHRHORN.

LOUISIANA ALPHA ALUMNI, NEW ORLEANS.

On Wednesday, February 9, Bro. W. G. Tebault entertained at supper in his elegant mansion, in Canal street, complimentary to the New Orleans alumni chapter of Phi Delta Theta, now in its infancy. The crowd seated around the festive board was as true and enthusiastic a set of 'frat' men as ever assembled together. True to his spirit the host had not forgotten the active chapter, and well may we say was it represented, every man of it being present. The object of the gathering was to celebrate the glorious event of the unanimous granting by the General Council of a charter to the alumni Phis of New Orleans. The feast was one long to be remembered, the flow of wit and humor being as free as that of the wine which ever filled the emptied glasses.

Before the repast an impromptu meeting of the alumni present was held to devise ways and means by virtue of which the alumni chapter could be placed on a solid working basis. On motion of Bro. Brady, duly seconded, Bro. Cosby was called to the chair to preside at the first meeting of the new organization. The deliberations were short and to the point. The fact that no charter had been forwarded the new chapter, though one had been unanimously granted by the General Council, was commented upon, until finally, at the suggestion of Bro. Cosby, the motion was put before the house to elect a committee of three to draft suitable by-laws and constitution for the new organization and to communicate with the General Council with regard to the forwarding of the charter granted by them.

The nominations being in order Bro. Cosby selected Bros. Grantland L. Tebault, Lloyd Coleman, and George C. H. Kernion to serve on it, which action met with the approval of those present.

Then with the hope of being soon able to meet in the local of the new alumni chapter the loyal Phis, with sharpened appetites, repaired to the supper room, where a spread that would have graced the table of Lucullus himself was in waiting for them. It consisted of:

Potage
Bouillon à la Volaille
Poisson
Pampano grillé à la West End — *Pommes au beurre*
St. Julien
Entrées
Mayonnaise — *Petits pois de France*
Bouchées à la Reine
Rôti
Dinde rôti farcé aux huitres
Sauterne
Salade de crevette
Glaces
Vanille et fraises
Punch glacé
Petits fours
Noix — *Fromages*
Pièces montées
Olives — *Fruits*
Café noir

At the end of the feast a toast was offered the host by Bro. L. S. Prentiss in a very felicitous manner. Bro. Cosby gave a humorous recitation. The prospects of Phi Delta Theta in the queen city of the south was freely discussed and all left decided at heart to make their best effort to elevate the already high standing of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and to infuse into the hearts of all its members in New Orleans that admirable fraternity spirit which is essential to the growth and prosperity of a

chapter. Those present were: Among the alumni, Bros. W. G. Tebault, John Conniff, Grady, Hamilton Jones, Leon Cusachs, Wilkinson, S. S. Prentiss, Lloyd R. Coleman, F. McN. Gordon, Robert Jamison, Grantland L. Tebault, Leon Lewis, Alex. Allison, Chas. Cosby, and George C. H. Kernion, and of the active brothers, F. V. Gasquet, Harry Ludlow, Louis Landry, Hal Woods, Tom Gilmore, Frank Copp and Frank Lewis.

Just as the assembly was about to disperse a message was received from Bro. Leveque, Tennessee Alpha, expressing his regrets at not being able to attend on account of professional duties.

Yours in the Bond,

GEORGE C. H. KERNION, '97.

New Orleans, February 14, 1898.

MICHIGAN ALPHA ALUMNI, DETROIT.

On Monday evening, November 22, the Phis of Detroit met in the parlors of the Cadillac Hotel for the purpose of organizing the Alpha alumni chapter of Michigan, the charter having been granted during the early summer months.

Notwithstanding the fact that a stormy night was scheduled for this meeting, a fairly good representation was present to participate in the exercises, which were very informal.

The meeting was presided over by Bro. A. H. Kessler, Michigan Alpha, '95, the writer acting as secretary. The following officers were elected: President, L. S. McCollester, Ohio Epsilon, '81; vice-president, P. T. Davis, Illinois Alpha, '93; secretary, W. P. Putnam, Ohio Epsilon, '93; treasurer, A. H. Kessler, Michigan Alpha, '95.

The following were appointed on a banquet committee to make arrangements for an informal dinner in the near future and for the annual banquet on March 15, 1898: Bro. L. S. McCollester, Ohio E., '81; Bro. G. S. Hammond, Ohio B., '76; Bro. C. M. Preston, Michigan A.; Bro. A. J. Stringer, Michigan A.; Bro. Theo. Kaderly, Ohio Eta, '97.

It is the intention of this committee to make the annual banquet one that will not only attract attention from rival fraternities, but also add strength to our own organization.

To this banquet we invite any Phi who may be in these parts at that time. Formal invitations will be sent to the chapters of the state, and a good time in general is in store for those who are fortunate enough to be with us.

The following list includes all Phis known by this chapter to be in the city. Should any Phi who reads this list know of any brother who lives here, but whose name does not appear below, he will confer a favor upon this chapter by informing the undersigned, giving address of any person so mentioned.

P. T. Davis, Illinois Alpha, '93; J. C. Hallock, Michigan Alpha, '94; G. S. Hammond, Ohio Beta, '76; E. D. Hutton, Michigan Beta, '83; A. H. Kessler, Michigan Alpha, '95; L. S. McCollester, Ohio Eta, '81; J. C. Patrick, Michigan Beta, '94; H. W. Quinby, Michigan Beta, '89; B. C. Robbins, Indiana Delta, '78; A. J. Stringer, Michigan Alpha; C. M. Preston, Michigan Alpha; Theo. Kaderly, Ohio Eta, '97; F. E. Searle, Massachusetts Alpha, '93; R. D. Steele, Michigan Alpha, '99; J. M. Payne, Michigan Alpha, 99.

Fraternally,

W. P. PUTNAM.

Detroit, February, 1898.

PERSONALS.

Hanover—Thomas C. Potter, '74, is a druggist at Indianapolis.

Ohio State—S. R. Bolin, ex-'99, has entered the Yale law school.

Ohio State—R. J. Shank, '97, is practicing law in Hamilton, O.

Missouri—Joseph C. Tipton, '90, is Indian agent at Flagstaff, Arizona.

South Carolina—W C. Cochran, '94, is practicing law in Greenville, S. C.

Georgia—Moses Wright, '85, is solicitor general of the Rome, Ga., circuit.

Franklin, '85—Edward J. Beardsley, M. D., is an oculist at Champaign, Ill.

South Carolina—W. T. Aycock, '89, has begun to practice law in Columbia, S. C.

Hillsdale—N. B. Sloan, '97, is teaching science in the Flint, (Mich.) high school.

Hillsdale—S. E. Kelley, '94, has been elected traveling agent for Hillsdale College.

Ohio State—Douglas Ingram, '97, is engaged in electrical work in Schenectady, N. Y.

Illinois Wesleyan—William J. Mathews, '96, is now practicing law in Springfield, Ill.

Richmond—Cecil H. Baker, '89, is teaching in the Knoxville (Tenn.) Classical School.

Amherst—George R. Mansfield, '97, is teaching in the high school at Cleveland, Ohio.

South Carolina—Dr. George Walker, '89, is now practicing his profession in Baltimore.

Miami—Rev. Henry L. Brown, '56, is pastor of the Presbyterian church at Somers, Wis.

Syracuse—A. G. Vredenburg, '90, is director of music at Galloway College, Searcy, Ark.

Hillsdale—W. R. Wood, '97, is pastor of the Free Baptist church at Unadilla Forks, N. Y.

Wabash.—Edgar W Olive, '94, has accepted the position of instructor in botany at Harvard.

Minnesota—Helmus W. Thompson, '88, has moved from La Crosse, Wis., to Eugene, Oregon.

De Pauw—L. C. Bentley, '94, was married to Miss Josephine Eads, '96, December 30, 1897.

Iowa Wesleyan—Rev. Frank W Adams, '75, is professor of Greek at Iowa Wesleyan University.

Wabash.—Frank G. Evans, ex-'98, was recently married to Miss Etta Crabbs, of Crawfordsville.

Mississippi.—W. A. Lucas, '95, is professor of Latin and Greek in the Jefferson Military Institute.

Iowa Wesleyan—Ed. Roth, '95, has been re-elected superintendent of schools of Henry county, Iowa.

Amherst—Henry M. Moses, '97, is teaching physics in the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Polytechnic Institute.

Union—Glenn M. Scofield, '97, is draughtsman for the Youngstown Bridge Co., Youngstown, Ohio.

De Pauw—John Emory Jenkins, M. D., '85, died of typhoid fever, at Charleston, Ill., September 25, 1897.

Missouri—L. W. Graves, '96, has bought the *Sweet Springs* (Mo.) *Herald*, of which he will be editor-in-chief.

Hillsdale—M. L. Palmer, '91, was elected secretary of the Michigan state teachers' association, December 30.

Hanover—William A. Caldwell, '74, is instructor in the California School for the Deaf and Blind, at Berkeley.

Gettysburg—M. L. Holloway, Ph. G., '84, is engaged in the drug business at 16th and Brown Sts., Philadelphia.

Buchtel—Arthur A. Stearns, '79, is secretary of the Cleveland bar association, of which H. A. Kelley is also a member.

Buchtel—Gerald H. Brown, '00, a grandson of Ossawattomie Brown, is business manager of *The Buchtelite* this year.

Union—Prof. E. S. Harris, '86, formerly of Schuylerville, N. Y., is now superintendent of schools at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Union—Monte J. Multer, '97, is instructor in mathematics and science in the Delaware Literary Institute, Franklin, N. Y.

South Carolina—Laurens W. Boyd, '90, represents a Cincinnati publication, 'Looking Southward,' at Nashville, Tenn.

Ohio State—Fred S. Ball, Ohio, '88, of Montgomery, Ala., is general counsel for the Alabama and Tombigbee Railroad Company.

Wabash.—Ira Wyncoop and Lloyd Hammond, both of '95, are attending the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at Chicago.

Hillsdale—Ernest S. Bowen, '88, is a member of the firm of Fay & Bowen, manufacturers of bicycle pumps, at Auburn, N. Y.

Hillsdale—G. G. Kenny, '90, is in the office of the collector of customs for the port of San Francisco. His address is 1106 Bush St.

Northwestern—Clay Buntain, '99, was one of the pallbearers at the funeral of Frances E. Willard, in Evanston, on February 24.

Cornell—Wells S. Gilbert, '93, is assistant manager of the Russell-Miller Milling Co., of West Superior, Wis. He still lives in Duluth.

Vanderbilt—Allen R. Carter, '87, is president of the Dispatch Publishing Company, Louisville, Ky., which publishes the morning *Dispatch*.

Indiana—George H. Pendleton, '91, is practicing medicine in Indianapolis. His office is at 166 Ft. Wayne Ave. He was recently married.

Washington and Lee—R. J. McBryde, Jr., '95, delegate to Indianapolis in 1894, is principal of the Episcopal Male Academy, at Houston, Va.

Hillsdale—George March, '93, is special agent for the Imperial Fire Insurance Co. for the New England states, with headquarters at Boston.

Lafayette—Rev. E. J. Knox, D. D., '77, is presiding elder of the Allegheny district, M. E. church. His residence is 15 Esplanade St., Allegheny, Pa.

South Carolina—J. B. Patton, '87, engineer U. S. N., is detailed by the navy department to inspect armor plate at the Carnegie steel works, Pittsburgh.

Amherst—Rev. J. Romeyn Danforth, '88, has removed from Mystic, Conn., to St. Albans, Vt., where he is pastor of the First Congregational church.

Syracuse—Rev. Theophilus S. Devitt, '90, is pastor of the First Congregational church at Branford, Conn., and superintendent of schools of the same city.

Missouri.—W W. Clendenin, '86, professor of geology in the University of Louisiana, spent last fall at Columbia a fugitive, it is said, from yellow fever.

Michigan, '94—Dr. John D. Dunham, practicing at Columbus, Ohio, is professor of bacteriology in the Ohio Medical University and city bacteriologist.

Vanderbilt—W. R. Manier,'81, is head of the firm of Manier, Denton & Co., jobbers and manufacturers of boots and shoes, at 340 Court Square, Nashville.

Alabama—J. M. Dedman, '87, formerly proprietor of Red Boiling Springs Hotel, is now in charge of the Bethel House, a large and handsome hotel at Columbia, Tenn.

Indianapolis—John Campbell Morrison, '88, is a member of the junior class of the Indiana Law School, of the University of Indianapolis. He is president of his class.

Michigan State—Frank J. Annis, '75, one of the charter members of the chapter, is secretary of the Colorado state board of agriculture, his residence being at Ft. Collins.

Northwestern—The marriage of Paul T. Davis, ex-'93, and Miss Mary Hitchcock occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hitchcock, Detroit, on Thursday, November 25, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are now at home at 70 Hendrie Avenue, Detroit.

Hanover—J. C. Garritt, '83, is spending his vacation at Hanover. He has been engaged in work in the mission fields of China. He will return the latter part of the year.

Lombard—Edwin S. Swigart, '86, delegate from his chapter at the Richmond convention, 1882, has been, since 1896, cashier of the Citizens' Banking Company, Champaign, Ill.

Wabash—Thomas L. Stillwell, ex-'98, one of Indiana Beta's strongest members, was drowned August 1, 1897. His untimely death was a great shock to his many friends.

Vanderbilt—Dr. W. J. Kellar, captain of the famous Vanderbilt foot ball team of '93 and '94, is practicing medicine at Gallavon, S. C. He attended the recent province convention at Nashville.

Richmond—Rev. Wm. F Harris, '78, a charter member of Virginia Delta, is a Baptist minister at Carthage, Mo., and is state recording secretary of the Missouri Baptist Young People's Union.

Stanford—Francis W. Lake, '97, died at Grand Island, Neb., December 16, 1897, of consumption. He was buried at his home in Jamestown, N. Y. He was a bright student and was exceedingly popular at Stanford.

Indianapolis—John T. Lister, '97, who has been doing graduate work in Butler this year, will go to Eureka College, Eureka, Ill., in March, where he is to be professor of French and German in place of Carl Johann.

Vanderbilt—In January the Nashville city council elected Edwin A. Price, '82, city attorney for two years. The office has been held previously by two other Vanderbilt Phis—Lytton Taylor, '76, and Claude Waller, '84.

Iowa Wesleyan—At the last session of the Iowa annual conference, at Oskaloosa, the following Phis were present: W. A. Longuecker, '92, A. C. Thornley, '93, W. S. Shearer, '94, F. B. Tucker, '94, and W R. Jeffries, '90.

C. C. N. Y.—Eugene H. L. Randolph, '85, former editor and manager of THE SCROLL, editor of the catalogue, Historian and President of the General Council, died at Pasadena, Cal., December 20, of consumption. A sketch of his life by Walter B. Palmer will appear in the Chapter Grand of the June SCROLL.

Hanover—W. B. Barr, '75, is general agent for the Wisconsin and Michigan Ry. Co. and Lake Michigan Car Ferry Transportation Co., with his office in the Railway Exchange building, at Fourth and Chestnut streets, St. Louis.

Franklin—E. L. Hendricks, 94, is superintendent of the Johnson county (Ind.) schools. Will Featherngill, '87, is superintendent of the Franklin city schools, and Alva O. Neal, '92, teacher of Latin in the Franklin high school.

Columbia—George P. Bryant, *Dartmouth*, '91, is in Dresden, Saxony, teaching Latin and Greek, and incidentally learning German himself. He will remain abroad nine months or longer. His address is 24 Lüttichau Strasse.

Randolph-Macon—The Virginia conference of the M. E. church recently assigned G. H. Lambeth, '90, to West End church, Hampton; S. J. Battin, '93, to Farnham; J. D. Langley, '93, to Belmont and Rose Hill, near Charlottesville.

Franklin—On December 15, Frank Martin, '95, was married to Miss Elizabeth Payne, of this city, who was also a member of the class of '95. Mr. Martin and wife reside in Indianapolis, where he holds a position as deputy auditor of state.

Indianapolis—Robert A. Bull, '97, has gone to the Klondike. He is one of a party of prospectors sent by the Hoosier Gold Mining Company, of New Albany, Ind. He fills the positions of treasurer, cashier and secretary of the prospecting party.

Hanover—Frank D. Swope, '85, has formed a law partnership with Morton V. Joyes and William Jarvis, at Louisville. Mr. Joyes is county attorney and received his nomination at the Democratic primaries largely through the efforts of Bro. Swope.

Allegheny—Chauncey F. Bell, '94, who won second honors last year in the inter-state oratorical contest at Columbia, Mo., is this year president of the oratorical association at the University of Colorado, and literary editor of *Silver and Gold*, the university weekly.

Buchtel—S. E. Findley, '94, has charge of the department of Latin in the Akron (O.) high school. His brother, E. L. Findley, '91, who had taught Greek in the Wesleyan (Mass.) academy since leaving Johns Hopkins, is teaching Latin in the Cleveland high school.

Richmond—Claybrook James, '90, and Miss Martha Storrs Ellerson, of Richmond, were married in the First Presbyterian church, of that city, on December 1, 1897. Upon their return from a trip of sight-seeing, Mr. and Mrs. James will be at home to their friends at Asheville, N. C.

Central—Frank P. Kenney, '93, for eight years connected with the Lexington Trotting Association, has been appointed secretary of the Louisville Driving and Fair Association. He has been connected with trotting horse interests all his life, and is considered one of the best posted men in the country.

Dickinson—Professor Wilbur M. Stine, '86, professor of physics in the Armour Institute of Technology, Chicago, had an interesting article in the October, '97, issue of the *Indiana Medical Journal*, entitled 'Roentgen Rays as an Aid to the Physician.' The article has been republished in a number of medical journals.

Ohio Wesleyan—Dr. J. E. Brown, '84, has been elected editor and manager of the *Columbus Medical Journal*, with which he has been associated since 1889. The magazine is now entirely in his control, and he has on the staff two other Phis, Dr. Theodore L. Chadbourne, *Michigan*, '91, and John Dudley Dunham, *Ohio State*, '94.

Lombard—Walter A. Johnson is in the office of S. S. McClure, publisher of *McClure's Magazine*, in New York. Bro. Johnson is twenty-five years old, and has been for two years past editor of the *Osprey*, the official organ for ornithologists in several states. The *Osprey* will hereafter be published by Mr. McClure, with Bro. Johnson as editor.

Columbia—Fred Hinrichs, Jr., '99, will be Brooklyn's next representative at West Point. He recently beat seven competitors in the mental examination for the place. He had previously passed a physical examination. He is a son of F. W. Hinrichs, the well-known Brooklyn lawyer and orator. He will leave Columbia for West Point in June.

Washington and Jefferson—David G. Moore, '98, has written for *The Saturday Supper Table* a review of a book entitled 'A Life for Africa,' which is a sketch of Bro. Adolphus Clemens Good, Ph. D., '79, who for 12 years was a missionary in Equatorial West Africa. Dr. Good died at the age of 38 after accomplishing a great work in Africa.

Case —There are five Phis teaching in the Cleveland (O.) high schools. At the Central High School are: Charles P. Lynch, *Allegheny*, '86; Herbert C. Wood, *Amherst*, '93; E. S. Findley, *Buchtel*, '94, and George R. Mansfield, *Amherst*, '97. At the Central Manual Training School, Lewis C. McSouth, *Michigan State*, '89, is principal. In all there are twelve Phis teaching in Cleveland.

Indianapolis—Prof. Demarchus C. Brown, '79, who was married in September to Miss Jessie Lanier Christian, '97, and went to Europe on his wedding tour, returned to Indianapolis February 14. Professor Brown was taken ill with appendicitis in Rome, but came on to New York, where he underwent a surgical operation. He is much improved in health and will again take charge of his Greek classes.

Pennsylvania—Among other 'potentates' (to quote from a recent issue of the Philadelphia *Times*) who have attended the university, Seyichiro Terashima, '93, is a prince of the present royal family of Japan. Kenjiro Matsumoto, '95, lieutenant in the Japanese army and son of the present commissioner of railroads, was, until recently, a student at the university, but was called back to Japan to his position in the army.

Randolph-Macon—Andrew Sledd, '92, assistant in Latin at Vanderbilt, has been elected to the chair of Latin at Emory. Of the four men under consideration for the position, all were Phis. This makes four Phis on the faculty at Emory: Rev. Morgan Calloway, D. D., vice-president and professor of English (honorary); Rev. H. S. Bradley, *Emory*, '90, professor of biology; W. B. Griffin, Jr., *Emory*, '86, adjunct professor of ancient languages; Andrew Sledd, professor of Latin.

Amherst—Alpheus Sherwin Cody, '89, is now in Chicago. After graduation he was a reporter on the Boston *Herald* for two years. During this time he was asked, on the recommendation of a well-known editor, for aid in writing stories. His instructions proved so helpful that he was prevailed upon to issue them in book form. This was done in London, in 1895. Prof. Dowden, Prof. Genung, I. Zangwill and many other critics have praised the book highly. Mr. Zangwill said: 'It is the most sensible treatise on the short story that has yet appeared in England.' Bro. Cody has published a novel, 'In the Heart of the Hills,' and is actively engaged in newspaper and other literary work.

Michigan State—Prof. L. H. Bailey, '82, is editor of two series of books on agriculture and horticulture published by the Macmillan Company. Five of the volumes have been written by him. Besides these he is author of a collection of evolution essays entitled 'The Survival of the Unlike,' and is preparing a text-book on botany and a volume on 'The Evolution of Our Native Fruits.' His trip abroad last summer was in search of some incidental material for the last named work. The professor is also editor of an Encyclopedia of American Horticulture, which is to appear in 1900.

Lombard—Edwin Hurd Conger, '62, has been appointed by President McKinley to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to China, at a salary of $12,000 a year. He was, previous to his last official appointment, United States minister to Brazil. He was born in Knox county, Illinois, in 1843. After his graduation from college in 1862, he enlisted in the war, and served till its close. He later studied law, and was once state treasurer of Iowa. He has also served in three sessions of congress. He stands very high in Iowa as a man of affairs.

Ohio Wesleyan—At a meeting of the board of trustees of Albion College in December, Dr. John P. Ashley, '90, was elected president of that college. Dr. Ashley was born at Stoke-on-Trent, England, April 14, 1862. His parents having died in his childhood, he came to America. He lived at Brooklyn until 1884, and after a short stay in Zanesville, O., he entered the O. W. U., in 1885. Here he was graduated in 1890, afterwards receiving a Ph. D. from this institution.

While in college he was a member of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. He was president of the Y. M. C. A. of the Euterpean musical society, of the Homiletic club, and of Chrestomathean literary society.

In 1890 Dr. Ashley entered Boston University and pursued the full regular course of the degree of S. T. B. In 1893 he was honored with an appointment to a traveling fellowship, and under the supervision of Professor Borden P. Browne, pursued studies in the universities of Jena, Leipzig, Berlin and Oxford. In 1894 he was admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, and in 1895 he became president of Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, at Lima, N. Y.

On September 19, 1895, Dr. Ashley was married to Miss

Delia Lease Gust. She was also a graduate of O. W. U., of the class of '90.

Dr. Ashley has given his life to hard study and hard work, and is fitted in every way for the position to which he has been elected. He is filled with enthusiasm and is a man of more than ordinary ability. Everything with which he has been connected has been a great success, and his election as president of Albion College insures that college a great advancement in the next few years.—*College Transcript.*

Vanderbilt—A biography of Judge J. D. Goodpasture, deceased, has been written and published by his sons, A. V. and W. H. Goodpasture, of Nashville. It is a volume of 308 pages, and it includes the genealogy of the Goodpasture family. It also contains an extended account of the trip to Europe, during the winter of 1885–86, of Judge Goodpasture, W. H. Goodpasture, '81, R. F. Jackson, '81, L. R. Campbell, '80, and W. B. Palmer, '80, the latter four being Phis. The Goodpasture brothers own the most complete collection of books relating to Tennessee in existence, and A. V Goodpasture is writing a history of the state.

Miami—The laborious and useful work which our venerated founder, Rev. Dr. Robert Morrison, '49, has done for the Presbyterian Church is attested by the report of the standing committee of home missions to the sixty-fifth annual session of the Synod of Missouri, held at St. Louis, October 12, 1897. Summing up the work of the year then closing, the chairman, Rev. Dr. R. P. Farris, says:

During the year a most important work, the value of which, the Synod should thoughtfully ponder, has been done by our painstaking, indefatigable colporteur, the venerable Dr. Morrison. Though this conscientious brother is minded like Tennyson's brook, to 'go on forever,' in spite of torrid heat, and arctic cold, and tropic rain and fathomable mud, yet his work has been much hindered through several months by extraordinary and long continued downpours and impassable roads and especially by a protracted wasting illness that seized him in journeying and brought him nigh to death. Nevertheless he has traveled in his own conveyance nearly 2,000 miles, made 1,141 visits, sold copies of our publications to the amount of $650, besides many copies of the Bible and the Confession of Faith, given away $30 worth of such literature, and preached 51 times. This is a satisfactory record. Good fruit in perpetual abundance is bound to grow from the sowing of such seed. But what is one sower in so large a field as ours!

The minutes of the session of the synod held in October, 1895, speaking of Brother Morrison's work during the pre-

vious year says: 'An admirable work and admirably done.' Brother Morrison is also recognized as a great benefactor to Westminster College, as shown by the following extract from the *Searchlight*, the college annual for 1896:

> The college has had to contend with great financial hindrances. Its original plan of endowment was by scholarship notes. Mainly by this plan the endowment was raised nearly to $100,000 before the civil war. When the war closed, many of these notes were found to be worthless, and the college became seriously involved in debt, in part by the board borrowing from its permanent fund to maintain its contingent fund and partly by borrowing from other sources. Vigorous efforts were made through financial agents to increase the endowment and remove the debt. Among these agents who did faithful and successful work may be mentioned Rev. John Farris and Rev. Robert Morrison. It was by the heroic toil of the last named that a burdensome debt [$15,000] was removed and the college started on a new financial career.

Indiana—Amos W. Butler, '81, has been chosen from among thirty-five candidates as secretary of the Indiana state board of charities, to succeed E. P. Bicknell, Phi Gamma Delta, who goes to Chicago to be general superintendent of the bureau of associated charities. Indiana's board of charities and its work are among the very best in the country, surpassing in many respects those of the larger states. Prof. D. C. Brown, Indiana Gamma, '79, is a member of the board. Bro. Butler has resided in Brookville, Ind., all his life, being engaged in manufacturing; at the same time, however, he is active in science, literature and sociology, being president of the Indiana Academy of Science and of the Western Association of Writers. He is an authority on ornithology.

Pennsylvania—George Lockhart Darte, '95, has received the appointment of consul to Martinique, West Indies. While in the university he was prominent in athletics, and occasionally pitched for the base ball team. He is the son of L. C. Darte, a prominent business man of Wilkesbarre, and the nephew of Judge Alfred Darte, former commander of the G. A. R. of Pennsylvania. Bro. Darte has literary tastes and decided ability. A short time ago he published a volume of short stories of college life, entitled 'An Odd Eight,' which was well received. He is also a contributor to several monthly magazines. Bro. Darte is one of the numerous descendants of the pilgrims who landed at Plymouth, being the grandson of the sixth generation of the Alden family. The Darte family is one of the oldest families in the Wyoming Valley.

Kansas —Colonel Frederick Funston, '92, son of former Congressman E. H. Funston, of Iola, Kas., has returned from fighting in Cuba. At the time of his departure from the island he held the highest position of any American officer in the Cuban army since the death of Col. Gordon. He went to Cuba on a filibustering expedition in August, 1896. On landing he took command of Gomez's artillery, with the rank of captain. His valiant services in behalf of the insurgents soon brought him to the notice of the higher officials, and he was promoted rapidly until he reached the rank of lieutenant colonel and chief of artillery.

Bro. Funston has been the recipient of numerous attentions since his return to the United States, and his adventures have been much exploited in both newspapers and magazines. He is modest, but the newspaper reporters have managed to obtain several good 'stories' from him, which are thrilling in the extreme.

He was at the siege of Guenaro, where Winchester Osgood, the famous American foot ball player, was killed. Upon the death of Osgood he became chief of artillery with the rank of major. He took part in twenty-two battles in eastern Cuba. He fired the Dudley dynamite gun when it was first used in the insurgent army. In May of last year, at the battle of Sima, he was shot through both lungs, but his wonderful constitution brought him through. Before this he had been shot through the arm. Last August his horse fell upon him, crushing both his legs.

In this condition he started for the United States for medical treatment. He obtained a permit to leave from General Garcia, which stated his rank in the Cuban army. While on his way out of the country he ran into a picket of six Spanish soldiers, who captured him. They were about to shoot him on the spot, but by telling them he was a presentado coming to surrender he persuaded them to hold him prisoner. As he rode along with them he succeeded in compressing his permit, signed by General Garcia, into a little wad, and swallowed it, thus destroying all evidence of his position. If this paper had been found on him he would undoubtedly have been shot, as commissioned officers always are. He was taken before a special board of inquiry at Puerto Principe, where his case was investigated and he was released, after having taken oath never to take up arms against Spain. By thus swearing he saved his life, but may not return to Cuba.

He then proceeded to Havana, where he obtained a pass from Consul General Lee and arrived in New York January 10.

A dinner at the Hotel Normandie, at St. Louis, was given to Bro. Funston, February 6, by Miss Mary Norris Berry. In an article describing the dinner and the military guest of honor the St. Louis *Republic* says:

> The striking characteristics of Col. Funston are his modesty and aversion to discussing his experiences. He would never be taken for a fighting man, but anyone would be justified in mistaking him for a lawyer or physician. His eyes are dark blue and have a most pleasing expression. The hot sun has given his face and hands a tawny color—even his short, pointed beard looks sunburned. Although only 32 years old, he has had experiences that do not come to some men who live a century. Twice he has been on government expeditions to the Arctic regions. He was assistant botanist on the government expedition through Death Valley in the Mojave desert in California. On this trip he suffered hardships from heat and thirst that would have killed others. In 1893 and 1894 he visited the Yukon regions and camped for two weeks on the Klondike river. Gold was then being mined on Forty-Mile Creek, but no big discoveries had been made. He is a regular contributor to the eastern magazines and was at one time a reporter.

He is now at his home in Iola, Kas., recuperating from his military experiences.

The following Phis are instructors in various educational institutions at Nashville: John Daniel, A. M., '84, professor of physics, Vanderbilt University; P. M. Jones, D. Sc., '92, instructor in biology, Vanderbilt University; W. H. Witt, M. D., '94, demonstrator of anatomy, Vanderbilt University; R. A. Barr, M. D., '94, demonstrator of gynecological operations and assistant demonstrator of anatomy, Vanderbilt University; Harrington Marr, M. D., assistant demonstrator of anatomy, Vanderbilt University; Firman Smith, LL. B., '88, lecturer on dental jurisprudence, Vanderbilt University; S. S. Crockett, M. D., '85, professor of obstetrics, University of Nashville; Larkin Smith, M. D., '88, professor of pathology and clinical lecturer on diseases of children, University of Nashville; W G. Frierson, M. D., '97, assistant demonstrator of anatomy, University of Nashville; J. H. DeWitt, LL. B., '97, lecturer on dental jurisprudence, University of Tennessee; J. W. Sewell, '90, instructor in English and German, Nashville High School. Of the above John Daniel is a member of *Alabama*, Firman Smith of *Mississippi*, Larkin Smith of *Sewanee*, and the remainder of *Vanderbilt* chapter. Andrew Sledd, A. M., '92, *Randolph-Macon*, was adjunct professor of Latin at Vanderbilt University last fall, but became professor of Latin at Emory College in January.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

COLLEGES.

There will be no more basket ball at the University of Chicago.

Cochran, of Princeton, has arrived at Berkeley, and commenced his work as coach of the base ball team.

Thirty scholarships have been established in the department of philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania.

At the University of California the recitation periods are to be 50 minutes long henceforth, with 10 minutes intermission.

The total amount of Yale's funds is $1,567,495.49. The city of New Haven is making a determined effort to subject all university property to taxation.

Hanover College has received recently a large endowment providing for an additional chair to be known as the 'Cogley' chair, in honor of Dr. Cogley.

At the annual dinner of the New York alumni association of the University of the South, in January, it was announced that J. Pierpont Morgan had recently donated $50,000 to the university.

The Texas Presbyterian University has been projected, and will be located as soon as $100,000 endowment has been secured. The location will probably be in the northern part of the state.

Prof. George D. Herron, who was announced in the last SCROLL as charged with teaching socialism to his classes at Iowa Wesleyan, has never been connected with Iowa Wesleyan, but is on the faculty of Iowa College, Grinnell, Iowa.

The custom of having the fifteen highest graded students of the Ohio Wesleyan University deliver orations at commencement day has been broken for the first time in fifty-five years. President McKinley has accepted the invitation to become the commencement orator at the university in June.

For the third successive time the golden trophy offered by Baron Pierre de Coubertin has been won by a representative of the University of California over the Stanford champions. In 1896, Martin C. Flaherty, in 1897, Harry Overstreet, and in 1898, Chas. E. Fryer, of the class of '99, have won the Carnot medal.

Fourteen students have been suspended from Lombard University, four of them being seniors. The suspensions grew out of the same old struggle between seniors and 'preps' over class colors. The 'scrap' occurred on the roof of the college tower. Two students who flourished revolvers and a 'prep' who wielded an axe were punished most severely.

The following kindly remarks go to show the way St. Louis people talk about Chicago institutions:

The Chicago University, for the year beginning July 1, next, has arranged to spend $729,000 for educational work, but the president says of the pupils: 'Many are literally starving. The university is turning out men of strong intelligence, but weak-bodied. Some of them are moral and intellectual dyspeptics.' It might be well for the top-heavy institution to invest that odd $29,000 in a soup house for hobos in pursuit of a diploma.—*St. Louis Globe Democrat.*

The American University, at Washington, D. C., is designed to be the leading Methodist institution in the United States. A splendid site of 90 acres has been secured at a cost of $100,000, and the buildings are in process of erection. The first building, the College of History, is nearing completion, and is a beautiful and imposing structure in white marble. It is 176 feet long by 80 feet in width, and when completed will cost $175,000. At the last meeting of the board of trustees it was shown that the present holdings of the university amount to $1,000,000.

Pardee Hall, the splendid four-story stone structure, which was the pride of Lafayette College, was burned December 18, only the east wing being saved from the flames. Among other losses were a valuable museum of minerals and birds, the Ward library of 10,000 books, Dr. T. C. Porter's botanical collection, the result of his life work, and Prof. J. M. Porter's machinery and instruments, valued at $15,000. The original Pardee Hall, completed in 1873, was burned in 1879; rebuilt in 1880, it stood until 1897. Lafayette has the sympathy of all college men in this disaster. The board of trustees, of which the historian of our General Council is a member, has already formed plans for replacing the edifice.

The New York Voice has been devoting itself to an investigation of student life at Harvard, Princeton and Yale. It finds a good deal of conviviality at Princeton, and a condition of general rottenness at Yale, while at Harvard, ten years of prohibition have wonderfully elevated the moral standard. Anthony Comstock, in order to verify the statements of *The Voice*, has sent agents to New Haven, who have found 75 liquor-selling places within a radius of two blocks from the campus and green. *The Voice* has investigated Dartmouth and found the moral standard there unusually high.

The University of North Carolina has this year the largest enrollment of students in its history, the total being over 500. There appears to be a revival of educational interest in this state, especially in higher educational circles, for all of the leading colleges, particularly the highest grade of male colleges, such as Trinity (Methodist), Wake Forest (Baptist), and Davidson (Presbyterian), have the highest number of students they ever had. The increased attendance at the two agricultural and mechanical colleges, also, one for whites (at Raleigh), and one for negroes (at Greensboro), is notable.

Cornell University upper classmen have adopted a few new rules for the guidance of freshmen. Among them are the following:

1. Freshmen shall be prohibited from the smoking of pipes upon streets of Ithaca, nor shall they smoke upon the campus.

2. Freshmen shall not be allowed in the three restaurants known as Connelley's, Calkin's and Theo. Zinck's, after 7 P. M., unless accompanied by upper classmen. This rule shall not apply to the dinners of the freshman banqueting clubs.

3. Freshmen shall not carry canes unless successful in the under class contests, nor in any case shall they carry them on the campus. They shall not wear silk hats in Ithaca.

A freshman shall be considered as one who is spending his first year in the university. Men who have entered from other colleges are excepted.

In a leading article regarding Mrs. Hearst's plan for the University of California, the *London Spectator* pronounces it to be a 'grand scheme, reminding one of those famous competitions in Italy, wherein Brunelleschi and Michael Angelo participated.' 'There is,' the *Spectator* says, 'the making or marring of a magnificent idea in the project.' Apropos the *Spectator* discourses at length on the striking contrasts in America, 'where so many men of wealth, whose money

has been derived from coal, iron or railways, are not governed merely by utilitarian conditions when they endow the public with their surplus wealth,' and adds: 'This is a sign of the idealist, which, as Lowell said, lay hid in the American character.'

At the Princeton dinner, which took place at New York city, in January, President Patton said: 'A great institution of learning should be separate, independent, and governed by laws of its own making. It should be free from political complications, and it should be free from ecclesiastical entanglements. I do not undervalue the moral tone that exists between Princeton and the Presbyterian church, and I am loyal to my church, but I can not consent to have the law of any church imposed on Princeton University (cheers). While I hold my place at the head of your *alma mater*, I will do what in me lies to keep the hand of ecclesiasticism from resting on Princeton University.' (Tremendous cheering.)

FRATERNITIES.

The average membership in Sigma Chi's 50 chapters this year is 10.5.

Γ Φ B has established her eighth chapter at the University of Denver.

K A Θ's new house at Indiana will make four chapter houses there now.

Φ K Σ held her convention this year with the Washington and Jefferson chapter, on January 7 and 8.

Hereafter Michigan will open on the Tuesday before the last Wednesday in September, instead of October 1.

Judge Cooney, congressman from the Seventh district, is a member of the old Missouri Alpha chapter of Phi Kappa Psi.

Herbert B. Moyer, of Norristown, Pa., is at work on a manual for the Σ A E fraternity on the plan of Bro. Palmer's of Φ Δ Θ.

The De Pauw chapter of Phi Gamma Delta has initiated the U. S. officer in charge of the military department of the university.

A local foundling called Pi Rho Beta, at the University of Wisconsin, is waiting for some benevolent old gentleman fraternity to adopt it.

The B Θ Π house at Berkeley has been lost to that fraternity owing to inability to meet payments, although the chapter still occupies it.

At St. Lawrence University last year 73 students out of 89 were Greeks. The societies having chapters there are B Θ Π, A T Ω, K K Γ and Δ Δ Δ.

Several young women at Cornell are paying their way by the manufacture of candies, which they place on sale in stores frequented by the students.

Hon. John Reily Knox, the founder of Beta Theta Pi, and familiarly called 'Pater Knox,' died at his home at Greenville, Ohio, February 7, 1898.

Delta Delta Delta had last year 225 active members; she wishes to be called a 'fraternity' and not a 'sorority' or 'sorosis.' Her total membership is now 565.

Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Gamma have arranged to send their magazines to each other's chapters. Delta Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta have houses at Albion.

Principal Harris, of the Central High School, Cleveland, recently delivered an address before his pupils on 'College Fraternities,' in which he distinctly favored Greek letter organizations. He is a member of Δ K E.

The University of Illinois opened last fall a school of literary instruction, the only one of its kind in the west. The course will cover four years. It is in charge of Miss Katherine Sharp, late president of the K K Γ fraternity. Miss Sharp is a graduate of Chicago, has been giving literary instruction at Armour Institute, and is said to be the most thoroughly equipped woman librarian in the country.

The last convention of Δ T Ω adopted a pledge button, and a fraternity whistle, or rather two whistles, a challenge and a response. Φ Δ Θ adopted a pledge button in 1891, and was the first fraternity to adopt a whistle, in 1894.

Twenty-five students at Yale are correspondents for outside papers. One man recently paid the expenses of his entire college course in this way, earning $2,500 in his senior year. He 'syndicated' his work, particularly in foot ball news and comment.

Hobart reports a 'large increase' in attendance, the total number of students being now 95—13 seniors, 14 juniors, 18 sophomores, 39 freshmen, 11 graduates and special students. Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi, Theta Delta Chi and Sigma Chi have chapters there.

Should the charter of the suspended Stanford chapter of Φ Γ Δ be revived there will probably be a lively war over precedence, as the local society of Σ P H, which was formed by the ex-members of Λ Σ of Φ Γ Δ, was allotted the same order in the Stanford annual of this year which Φ Γ Δ formerly occupied.

Mr. Wm. R. Baird was forced to suspend work on the preparation of a new edition of 'American College Fraternities' on account of professional duties, and also because some of the leading fraternities would not contribute necessary information. He hopes to be able to take up the work again soon, but possibly may not do so.

The rapid growth of the chapter house movement in the south is shown by Δ K E renting a two-story brick house in the rear of the Vanderbilt campus, and Kappa Alpha purchasing the administration building from the centennial exposition grounds. It is said that the report that a lot has been purchased for the house is premature.

The *Shield* says that the Grand Arch Council of Phi Kappa Psi, to be held at Washington next April, will be the most important convention in the annals of the fraternity. The newly-revised constitution and a new ritual will be presented for adoption, and the 'accredited list' of proposed new chapters will be either revised, renewed or abolished.

The Episcopalians will establish dormitories for members of that church at the University of Colorado, will found scholarships and support a lecture course. In general, the church intends to support the university as its recognized institution of higher education within the diocese. The Presbyterians have made similar arrangements, as they have done already at Stanford.

At Boston University five sororities had 117 members last year, while but 61 fraternity men were in attendance. At Northwestern there were 123 women and 112 men in the nine sororities, and eight fraternities represented. The total number of members in all Greek-letter societies was 653 at Michigan, 567 at Cornell, 563 at Pennsylvania, the number of chapters at these three universities being respectively 31, 26 and 22. Michigan's nine sororities enrolled 160 members.

The Psi Upsilon fraternity formally dedicated a new chapter house at Syracuse University, January 30. Among other members of the fraternity representatives of the general council and prominent alumni were present. The dedicatory rites were followed by a banquet in the new house. The toastmaster was chosen from among the institutors of the chapter in 1875. At present there are eighteen men housed in the new building, and there are accommodations for more.

The Beta Omega chapter of Delta Tau Delta was organized at the University of California on February 5. The members were initiated by the Stanford chapter. The new chapter starts out with a membership of fourteen men and with prospects for a successful career. The announcements to the chapters of the other fraternities at Berkeley were engraved and sent as coming from the arch chapter, and were accompanied by a menu and a toast list of the installation dinner. The new chapter has four seniors, five juniors, four sophomores and one freshman. Among the initiates is the 'varsity foot ball captain. They will take no house until next term. The success of the new chapter is largely due to the efforts of K. C. Babcock, instructor in the department of history at Berkeley, who is president of the arch chapter of Delta Tau Delta, and who is very popular at the university. This makes thirteen fraternities now at Berkeley, in addition to two in the dental, two in the medical,

one in the law department, and three women's fraternities. This gives Delta Tau Delta 38 chapters once more, Beta Omega taking the place of the recently deceased Williams chapter.

An article on 'Delta Kappa Epsilon in the South,' in the Δ K E *Quarterly* for June, states that the North Carolina chapter has a house of its own, the Virginia chapter has bought a lot and has almost money enough to build, the Central and Mississippi chapters are accumulating building funds, while the Vanderbilt chapter it seems has done but little in that direction. Δ K E has a total of six Southern chapters. The article referred to above says:

> Our fraternity is conservative, but we should not stagnate. Care should be taken to select progressive institutions where the conditions are favorable to successful careers. We believe there are several such in the South, by entering which our order would be greatly strengthened, and it may not be invidious to say that chief among them are Washington and Lee University, University of the South, University of Georgia, University of Texas and Tulane University.

The December *Shield* contained announcements for the semi-centennial convention of Theta Delta Chi, at the Windsor Hotel, New York city, February 8, 9 and 10. The presence of the two living founders of the fraternity, Abel Beach and Andrew H. Green, was expected. A morning session in the convention hall was to be devoted to the history of the fraternity for fifty years, the first period by Col. Wm. L. Stone, and the second by Prof. Duncan C. Lee. In the afternoon of the same day, President Capen, of Tufts College, was to deliver the semi-centennial oration, and Rev. Cameron Mann recite an original poem, followed, if time permitted, by an informal reception to the founders. One evening the convention was to be entertained by the Theta Delta Chi graduate club of New York, and on the last evening there was to be a banquet. A memorial volume relating to the semi-centennial will be published and sold for $5 a copy, but the history of the fraternity will be published serially in the March, June, September and December issues of the *Shield*, so that when completed it can be separated and bound.

Our New York correspondents, who were watching the papers for notices of the convention, report the following clipping from the *Sun* as the result—and the sole result—of their search:

> The Theta Delta Chi fraternity finished yesterday at the Windsor

Hotel a three-day celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of the society. Altogether about 500 members have attended the anniversary ceremonies. At yesterday's meeting Bishop Gilbert of Minnesota presided. The Rev. Cameron Mann of Kansas City read a poem. Col. William L. Stone told the history of the fraternity's first twenty-five years, and Prof. Duncan Campbell Lee of Cornell of the second twenty-five. One of the founders of the fraternity, Abel Beach of Iowa City, made a speech. President Capen of Tufts College also spoke. Last evening there was a banquet at which there were twenty-nine toasts, to twenty-two of which there were two responses each.

In an account of the B Θ Π chapter at Stanford, the *Beta Theta Pi* gives a description and picture of the handsome chapter house erected there last summer. The adult members formed a corporation under the laws of the state. The mother of one of the members built the house and sold it (secured by mortgage of course) to the corporation, to be paid for according to a schedule of partial payments. The corporation rents the house to the active chapter. Funds obtained by the sale of shares are applied to the partial payments, and the rental from the chapter provides the interest due on the outstanding obligation. It is said that in running the house some profit is made, which is used in reducing the obligation. The B Θ Π chapter house at the University of California also was built according to this financial plan, which is worthy of consideration.

The *New York World* of December 12 contains an article of several columns about students of the University of Cincinnati being branded with nitrate of silver in the course of secret society initiations. A picture is given of the foot of a young lady, on which appears the letters 'V. C. P.,' that being the name of a local sorority. Owing to the evaporation of the water with which the nitrate was prepared, the solution was much stronger than was supposed, and it caused the fair initiate great pain and incapacitated her for three weeks. Pictures are given also of Andrew and Smith Hickenlooper, with 'B Θ Π' branded on the forehead of each. The young men are sons of Gen. Andrew Hickenlooper, president of the Cincinnati Gas Light and Coke Company. It is said that the branding will not be a permanent disfigurement, and also that it was not a part of the regular ritual, but the bright idea of some local Beta. The Beta correspondent from Cincinnati in the February *Beta Theta Pi*, says the reports came from a 'sorehead' non-fraternity student, now out of school, and that the branding was done with iodine.

The Beta Alpha chapter of Kappa Sigma was established at Brown University, February 22. The new chapter has one senior, four juniors, four sophomores and four freshmen. It is a strong chapter and has good men, some of whom have been rushed by other fraternities at Brown. The installation of the chapter took place at the Narragansett, in Providence. Rooms have been secured in the Banigan building. At the installation of the new chapter there were present representatives of the fraternity from the University of Vermont, Bucknell University, University of Maine, Bowdoin College and the alumni association of Boston. Kappa Sigma has at present 45 chapters. The other New England chapters are at Maine, Vermont and Bowdoin. The one at South Carolina suspended last June.

The forthcoming catalogue of Beta Theta Pi will contain the names of members of societies that have united with that fraternity, numbering perhaps a thousand or more. When the union occurred the alumni of such societies were notified of said event, and requested to signify their willingness to be enrolled as members of Beta Theta Pi. The editor of the Beta catalogue says :

> Only those alumni will be omitted who have declined to be identified with Beta Theta Pi. The list includes the Alpha Sigma Chi (Maine, Rutgers, Stevens, Cornell, St. Lawrence and Princeton); Mystical Seven (Wesleyan, Syracuse, Virginia, North Carolina, Davidson, Georgia, Emory, Cumberland and Mississippi); Sigma Delta Pi (Dartmouth); Zeta Phi (Missouri); Torch and Crown (Amherst). Of course also the alumni members of the Phi Kappa Alpha, Adelphi and Independent societies, situated respectively at Brown, Colgate and Dickinson, who have been admitted into Beta Theta Pi, will appear.

The plan of chapters sending circular letters to alumni, an excellent system for keeping alumni and their chapters in touch with one another, was originated by Beta Theta Pi, and in 1886 was adopted by Phi Delta Theta, but instead of issuing such letters semi-annually, as Beta Theta Pi chapters did up to 1892, the chapters of Phi Delta Theta have issued them annually. In 1892 the method in Beta Theta Pi was changed, the semi-annuals were abandoned, and since then a special number of the *Beta Theta Pi* has been issued annually, containing a letter from each chapter. Judging from the reports of general officers, the innovation has not been successful. One disadvantage of the new plan is that the letters, all of which are edited by the general secretary,

have a monotonous sameness, instead of the distinctive characteristics of letters issued by the chapters themselves. The idea was to send the annual or special issue of the magazine to every living alumnus of the fraternity. This makes the cost very considerable, and imposes on the magazine manager enormous labor in mailing copies to say 10,000 members. The result was that the special issue has been sent to magazine subscribers only, so that many thousands of Betas fail to hear from their chapters at all. At a recent convention the editor of the magazine reported :

> It is absolutely impossible to send the annual to all of the alumni, as required by the laws. In the first place, there is no money to pay for a sufficient number of copies; and in the second place, as it is no one's duty to furnish the addresses of the alumni, we are without the means of sending out even those copies which we have.

THE PYX.

E. A. Wright has sent out a number of new monograms and other designs for Phi stationery, some of which are unusually attractive.

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A number of chapters that have issued circular letters have neglected to send copies to the editor of THE SCROLL, as well as to the Fraternity Librarian. There will be further remarks on this subject in the March *Palladium*.

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Our kind friends who have done so much to keep us supplied with personals are especially requested to send us a double portion at once for the April number, which is intended to be of particular interest to the alumni.

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The usual chapter house editorial is omitted this time, and in its stead we invite our readers to turn to the letter from Purdue. The youngest chapter in Indiana is the first to take a house! But then Purdue was a hustler from the very first.

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The editor is under obligations to the reporters at *Alabama*, *Central*, *Hillsdale*, *California* and *Northwestern* for their college papers. The *Crimson-White* is a new bi-weekly, which makes a fine showing in its several departments for Alabama Alpha.

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Of the five seniors chosen in the first drawing for Phi Beta Kappa at Nebraska, three were members of fraternities: one of K A Θ, one of A Θ X (local), and one of Φ Δ Θ. Our man is Bro. Philip W. Russell, who was delegate to the Philadelphia convention.

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Chapters should not delay in remitting to the Treasurer of the General Council for the Fraternity dues that were payable on the first day of February, as well as for all previous arrears. Any delinquency of members this year who will not return next fall will have to be paid by the members then in college. This is not a year when chapters can afford to get behind, for at the convention there must be a settling up of all accounts.

The editor's illness is now completing its ninth week, and THE SCROLL is only four weeks late. Its appearance has been made possible largely through the invaluable aid of Bro. Walter B. Palmer, P. G. C., and Bro. Thomas R. Shipp, *Indianapolis*, '97, of *The Indianapolis News*.

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The Palladium may be expected within about a week or ten days. Letters for the April SCROLL are desired from every chapter not represented in this issue. Send them in by March 15. Reporters of alumni chapters will please be very prompt in sending in their accounts of the celebration of Alumni Day.

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One of the pleasant features of a rather tedious convalescence has been the reception of a box of exquisite flowers from the Beta Zeta chapter of Delta Tau Delta. While this may possibly not have been intended as an inter-fraternity courtesy, we take this occasion to assure Bro. Hughes, of the *Rainbow*, that his chapter at Indianapolis is all right.

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The Indiana state contest in oratory was held January 21, the winner is a Δ K E, from De Pauw. Indiana was represented by a B Θ Π; Franklin by a Σ A E, and Hanover by a Φ Δ Θ. The inter-state contest is to be held at Beloit this year.

The Ohio state contest, held at Athens, February 18, resulted in a victory for Wooster. Ohio Wesleyan and Ohio State are out of the association this year.

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For the tenth year in succession the Phis of Indiana have a majority of the officers in the state inter-collegiate oratorical association. In fact there have been but two years in all the twenty-four since the association was formed that they have not had their share of the spoils. There are seven colleges in the association, one of which is a college in which there are no fraternities. The offices which fell to the six colleges in which Phi Delta Theta has chapters are now held by the following Phis: President, Jesse L. Holman, *Franklin;* vice-president, W. A. Oldfather, *Hanover;* recording secretary, Will H. Hays, *Wabash;* interstate delegate, Carl McGaughey, *Butler;* treasurer, Foster Smith, *De Pauw;* executive committeeman, Glenn Gifford, *Indiana*.

In the same connection we may state that the inter-collegiate athletic association of Indiana has for its president, Bro. T. C. Whallon, *Hanover*, and for its secretary, Bro. Frank Roller, *De Pauw*.

The editor desires to acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to the fifth annual promenade of the Pan-Hellenic Association of Northwestern University, Evanston, Friday evening, February 18. The association is composed of the following fraternities: Β Θ Π, Σ Χ, Φ Κ Σ, Φ Κ Ψ and Φ Δ Θ. Bro. Buntain is president of the association. The promenade ended promptly at midnight this year, in accordance with the new rules of the Northwestern faculty. Dancing began at 6:30, consequently; at eight o'clock Bro. Buntain and Miss Alice Ballinger led the grand march. Among the chaperons we note the names of Bros. Curtis H. Remy, *Indianapolis*, '72, and W. E. O'Kane, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '87.

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The Amherst *Olio* was the first annual to arrive this year, being followed closely by the *Columbian*. We hope reporters will not fail to secure a copy for THE SCROLL in each case before the edition is exhausted. Phi editors of annuals that have not yet appeared will do well to read the remarks on chapter lists in the December SCROLL. The chapter list in the *Columbian* would have to be changed in eight or ten places to be correct. In having chapter cuts made for annuals bear in mind that THE SCROLL will be glad to use them, and that 6x4 is the proper size to appear well, anything larger being difficult to use along with names of the individual members. There is a general desire to have the names all appear with each cut.

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The Phi Delta Theta Fraternity chapter house, near Vanderbilt University, was the scene of a very merry and successful dance last evening. It was probably the largest and most enjoyable affair that has been given this season by this set of young men who are so popular with the fair sex. De Pierri's orchestra furnished the music. Among those present were, Misses Rachel Thomas, May Lindsley, Medora Cheatham, Mary Ready Weaver, Frances Pilcher, Louise Jackson, Fanny Lewis, Eleanor Buford, Elizabeth Howell, Caroline Morris, Louise Bransford, Rachel Overton, Mary Ewing Beard, of Lebanon, and Carter, of Murfreesboro; Messrs. Norman and Louis Farrell, Charles and Allison Buntin, Stuart and Campbell Pilcher, Howard Boogher, Herbert Carr, Hill McAlister, Vaulx Crockett, Battle McLester, W. F. Bradshaw, G. A. Wyeth, F. J. Fuller, D. A. Breard, A. L. Beard, E. M. Underwood, H. V. Jones, H. G. Rice, N. S. Hendrix, G. L. Jackson, J. C. Crizer, A. W Harris, Jr., and C. R. Baskervill.—*Nashville American*, February 10, 1898.

A welcome visitor to our exchange table is the *Daily Californian*, a college newspaper that is thoroughly up to date and of peculiar interest to eastern readers. The editor-in-chief is Bro. Wigginton E. Creed, '98. One of his associates is Bro. Duncan McDuffie, '99, and one of his assistants Bro. C. L. Creed, '01.

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When a chapter elects a new reporter the editor should be explicitly informed of the fact. Reporters who are overwhelmed with work sometimes ask another member of the chapter to write a letter, which is all right and excellent training for a future reporter. But the editor should be informed whether this is the case or not.

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An unusual degree of interest is being manifested at Columbia in the debate to be held with the University of Chicago in March. Twenty-five candidates presented themselves at the preliminary trial to select speakers, ten of whom were chosen to take part in a second trial debate. From these six were selected as team and substitutes. One of the number is Bro. Oscar Weeks Ehrhorn, '98, reporter of New York Delta. The question for debate is: 'Resolved, That the policy of increasing the United States navy is wise, and should be continued.'

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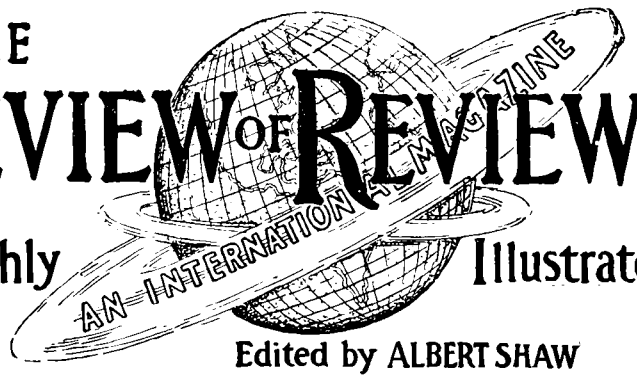

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ARDIVAN WALKER RODGERS.

Embarrassment sometimes comes to a writer from a superabundance of material. His trouble then is to make a judicious selection. My difficulty is from a scarcity of material. That fact, however, does not show a lack of character or merit in the subject. The biography of one of the best men that ever lived on our planet was by divine guidance condensed into a few sentences. That was the life of Enoch, who was the first man that entered heaven without dying.

GENEALOGY.

Victor Hugo is credited with saying that if you would have a model man, you must begin by training his grandmother. Ancestry has much to do with a man's well-being, physical, intellectual and moral. In the case of Mr. Rodgers we are able to trace his pedigree to his great-grandfather, William Rodgers, who was a captain in the Revolutionary war. His grandfather, Matthew Rodgers, lived in what is now Juniata county, Pa., and was the captain of a company that marched to Lake Erie during the war of 1812, at the time of Commodore Perry's victory there.

Thomas Rodgers, his father, was a plain, substantial country farmer, but said to be a man of indomitable will. He was born April 20, 1796, in what is now called Juniata county, Pa.; thence he removed to a farm near Piqua, Ohio, where he lived several years, which was his home when Ardivan went to Oxford. From that place he moved his family to Brighton, Iowa, where he died, March 7, 1866.

Jane Rodgers (*née* Campbell) was born near Carlisle, Pa., May 28, 1791, and died also at Brighton, Iowa, February 13, 1872. Thomas Rodgers and Jane Campbell were married April 8, 1817, and had eight children, of whom Ardivan was the fifth in order; there were five other boys and two girls.

William J., the eldest, was born February 3, 1818, and is still living at Beloit, in Kansas; he has had two sons and three daughters.

Margaret W. was born September 20, 1819; married W. J. Townley, had three children, and died at Brighton, Iowa, December 1, 1851.

Matthew L. was born March 21, 1821; had two children, a son and a daughter; the son is dead, and the father died at Piqua, Ohio, September 18, 1857.

Elizabeth E. was born November 11, 1822, and died December 21, 1828.

Ardivan Walker was born October 20, 1824, near Piqua, Ohio.

John Scott was born April 14, 1827; he had three sons and two daughters. The daughters are dead.

Biram was born January 23, 1829; he died at Brighton, Iowa, November 28, 1856; he had one son, now dead; the widow lives at Piqua, Ohio.

Losado was born April 29, 1832; he attended college at Oxford for a short time and died at Piqua, Ohio, November 20, 1851.

BIOGRAPHY.

Mr. Rodgers was born and reared on a farm. His muscles were made strong by hard work, and his health promoted by active out-door exercise. In the early months of 1846 he taught a public school, and October 7, 1846, he entered Miami University in the sub-freshman class. There and then our acquaintance began, as I had attended the university during the last thirteen weeks of the session ending August 13, 1846. Hence I set into college work on May 11, *not* June 18, 1846, as the college records are said to show.

Mr. Rodgers was six feet, two inches in height, well proportioned, perfectly erect, with black eyes, and a healthy complexion suited in color to such eyes and black hair. He had a winsome face and a pleasant manner, which his eldest brother says was a heritage from his mother. He was just twenty-two years of age, and while large and strong, he was lithe as an athlete. He and Andrew Watts Rogers stood at about the same height in the world. They were classmates in college, and of course much together. They were indeed in appearance and in heart *par nobile fratrum*. The college boys admired them and called them Οἱ Ρόγεροι.

Mr. Rodgers was a professor of religion at home, and when

he went to college he took his religion with him. Though he was, as Andrew Rogers, who knew him well, writes recently of him, 'a Christian through and through,' he did not parade his religion to be seen by men, nor did he hide it under a bushel. He was cheerful, without frivolity; earnest and dignified, but not haughty or repellent either in appearance or in fact.

His most prominent characteristic, however, was his *profound conscientiousness*. This regulated his every act and word. He had no moods nor spells. Those who knew him, always knew where to find him. His conscientiousness gave symmetry, power and beauty to his life. His intellect was not brilliant, but it was well balanced. His scholarship was accurate and careful; it was honest at every point. He was more nearly an all-around man than most men. It was not wonderful that he was a general favorite; nor that, afterwards, when in his sophomore year the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity was being organized, he was wanted. I remember well that, on the night of the organization, when all the original six were present, and on being called on, one by one, all had agreed to enter into such an arrangement, after a pledge of secrecy upon honor had been made by all present, so far as that night's proceedings were concerned, Drake and Rodgers, who were regarded as least likely to unite in such a bond, were called on last. Drake, in a few quiet words, expressed his assent. Then, last of all, the name of Rodgers was called; all of us five waited with some anxiety to hear his answer. However, as our eyes met his, we noticed a merry sparkle, which was followed by his speech: 'Boys, I have always been opposed to secret societies, but as *this* society is not a secret one to me, *I like it.*' From that hour began the life and work of the Fraternity in which Rodgers was interested to the day of his death.

An every-day faithfulness to his obligations marked his course in college, where he was graduated with the degree of A. B. in 1851, and three years later he was honored by his *alma mater* with A. M.

In the fall of 1851 he opened a select school, which he taught with excellent success for three years in Piqua, Ohio. During this interval he was married to Miss Mary Sawyer, of Piqua, July 27 1852. There, too, September 1, 1853, his eldest child, John Sawyer, was born and tarried with his parents until October 6, 1853. A second son was born there September 17, 1854, and lived until October 7, 1855. He was named Walter Lowrie, in honor of a distinguished missionary murdered in China.

In the autumn of 1854 Mr. Rodgers went to St. Mary's, Ohio, to take the superintendence of the Union School of that place, which he held for two years. At St. Mary's was born a third son, Ardivan Walker, Jr., March 8, 1856.

On June 4, 1856, Mr. Rodgers left Ohio with his wife and surviving child, on a visit to his father at Brighton, Iowa, expecting while there to get a position as teacher, but being stricken with typhoid fever, he lingered long and died December 11, 1856.*

Thus passed away in the morning of life, in the flush and prime of his days, the first of the six founders of the Φ Δ Θ.

It was an early call, but he was ready. God never makes mistakes. He never dismisses one of his witnesses until his testimony is finished. The quality rather than the quantity decides its value. Abel was most likely young when he finished his brief testimony, but his voice has been sounding as the years go by more widely than while he was living, for 'he being dead yet speaketh.' So, too, with other youthful witnesses, and if so, why not with the subject of this paper?

What his particular words or thoughts were as he neared the great dark river, towards which we are all rapidly hastening, we know not, but we do know the character of his life. That is more valuable testimony than words could be, if not endorsed by consistent and continuous acts. His service to the Great Master was not a secret one, or an unknown quantity.

We have another illustration of his conscientiousness and good sense, in this fact. He waited long and worked hard in order to be thoroughly prepared for the high calling that was his aim, the ministry of the United Presbyterian Church. He tried to be useful while he was teaching, but that was also a means to an end; to obtain money to attend a theological seminary, and to further aid in obtaining that high qualification he desired, he read and studied as best he could, in the five years of his teaching, after his college life was over. It was not his ambition to eagerly rush in where angels might fear to tread, as so many unfledged callow youths are hastening now to do.

He was not satisfied with any but the best preparation possible, for any work into which he felt it a duty to go. He had constantly in view the direction to another young preacher: 'Study to show thyself approved unto God, a

* Mr. Wm. J. Rodgers, brother of Ardivan Walker Rodgers, writes that he died December 11, 1856, and that that is the date inscribed on his tombstone at Brighton, Iowa. It is also the date in the general catalogue of Miami. The widow of the deceased, however, writes that he died December 10, 1856, that being the date recorded in the family Bible.

workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

The old Hebrews thought that of all parts of speech, God liked *adverbs* best. Their view was, that, while many things may be done in hatred, or to be seen of men, or because they have to be done, yet they may appear to men all right, though not so to the All-seeing One. The service may be lovingly, thoughtfully and faithfully rendered to receive the welcome plaudit from the righteous Judge: 'Well done, good and faithful servant!' That award we are confident has been passed on our brother beloved, whose life-story has been briefly told above.

Ardivan Rodgers and Biram, his brother, died within two weeks of each other. Their bodies were laid side by side, and the same monument tells the life story of each. And a verse of the Holy Word, graven in the marble, refers to them jointly: 'They were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in death they were not divided.'

After the death of Mr. Rodgers, his widow married the Rev. Thomas Henderson, of the Methodist Church. He is now deceased, and his widow lives at Fairfield, Iowa.

Ardivan Walker Rodgers, Jr., died at Birmingham, Iowa, August 21, 1865.

The writer is indebted for the details of the foregoing paper to our indefatigable and patient historian, Bro. Walter B. Palmer. They were mostly obtained from Mr. William J. Rodgers, Beloit, Kansas; from Mrs. Mary Henderson and Mr. T. B. Rodgers, Topeka, Kansas, a cousin of Ardivan Walker, who is now preparing a history of the Rodgers family for publication. The portrait accompanying this sketch is from a photograph of a daguerreotype in the possession of Mr. William J. Rodgers. This photograph, together with one of a daguerreotype in the possession of Mrs. Henderson, have been forwarded to the Fraternity Librarian.

This completes the biographical sketches of the six founders of Phi Delta Theta that have appeared in THE SCROLL. The issue for December, 1886, contained a sketch of John McMillan Wilson, '49, by his brother, Archibald Wilson; the issue for April, 1887, a sketch of Robert Thompson Drake, '50, by Robert Morrison; the issue for April, 1897, an autobiographical sketch of Robert Morrison, '49; the issue for June, 1897, a sketch of Andrew Watts Rogers, '51, by Royall H. Switzler; the issue for October, 1897, a sketch of John Wolfe Lindley, '50, by S. Emerson Findley.

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A PRACTICABLE FRATERNITY CATALOGUE.

Six editions of the catalogue of Phi Delta Theta have been issued, published in the years 1860, 1870, 1872, 1878, 1883 and 1894. The sixth (1894) edition contains no names of members initiated since 1892, and in the lists of the older chapters in the first part of the book there are no names of members initiated since 1890. It seems, therefore, that it is time for us to begin to make provisions for a new edition. As the last edition was a very severe tax upon the resources of the Fraternity, it behooves us, before entering upon another such enterprise, to consider carefully and mature plans for bringing out a book that will be practical and useful, and the expense of which will not be too great for a college organization to undertake.

It takes time to produce a book of this character. Our 1878 catalogue was four years in preparation, our 1883 edition five years, our last (1894) edition six years. At this rate it would require, say seven or eight years, to get out the next edition, if it should be as comprehensive as the last. The whole number of names in the last edition was 7,286, but the membership of the Fraternity in 1894 was several hundreds in excess of this. 'The Manual of Phi Delta Theta' gives the total membership on February 1, 1897, as 9,134. Taking the average number of initiations for several years, Phi Delta Theta is increasing at the rate of 435 per annum. Under even the most favorable circumstances, a new edition could hardly be prepared before the year 1901, and then the enumeration of the Fraternity will approximate the enormous total of 11,000.

My object in writing this article is (*a*) to show that, increasing in membership so rapidly, we can never afford to issue another catalogue on the plan of the 1883 and 1894 editions; (*b*) to indicate what details should be omitted to bring the book within reasonable limits, and (*c*) to urge the establishment of the permanent office of catalogue compiler, to collect and systematically arrange catalogue materials, so that when a new edition is decided upon, it can be issued within a much shorter time than heretofore, and without involving such an enormous expenditure of labor and money, even though our membership is becoming so large.

THE FATHER OF MODERN CATALOGUES.

This title might be awarded to Mr. Charles W Smiley, editor of the 1879 catalogue of Psi Upsilon. Up to that time the editors of catalogues had been content to furnish more or less complete lists of members, their occupations and addresses. Mr. Smiley set the example of giving a full biographical record for each member. Of course a great deal of labor was necessary to collect such detailed information, and the book in which it was printed was much more voluminous and handsome than any college fraternity catalogue that had ever previously been published. The fraternity world was struck with wonder and admiration. The praises of Mr. Smiley were loudly sung, and every other fraternity became ambitious to equal the effort of Psi Upsilon. Elaborate works were projected along the same lines. It was hardly thought that any improvement could be made. At least two fraternities within a few years issued catalogues slavishly imitating Mr. Smiley's model, even in typography, while all others tried to equal it in fullness of detail. In fact all fraternities went wild on the subject of catalogue-making, and, as a result, most of them have learned severe lessons.

The 1879 Psi Upsilon catalogue is a book of 468 pages, containing 4,928 names. Alpha Delta Phi appeared in the field in 1882 with the semi-centennial (twelfth) edition of her catalogue, a book of 782 pages, containing 5,452 names. Psi Upsilon broke the record again in 1888 by issuing a volume of 1,038 pages (pages one-fourth larger than those of the 1879 edition), containing 6,778 names. There were an editor-in-chief and an associate editor, and the preface acknowledges the clerical labors of seven men in the summers of 1886 and 1887. In 1891 Delta Kappa Epsilon capped the climax by publishing a tome of 1,750 pages (counting preliminary pages and unnumbered insets), containing elaborate records of 10,584 members. When one looks at this huge volume one wonders how such a book was compiled. Here is the explanation given by the *D. K. E. Quarterly*, October, 1890:

> To these gentlemen then the credit of the present catalogue is due. On every working day during the past three years at least one, and often two of them, has spent from five to fourteen hours on work of the same kind, which sends so many insane from the United States statistical bureaus, and all during this time from three to six clerks have been steadily employed on purely clerical work. No one unfamiliar with this class of work can form any idea, from the completed volume, of the labor necessary to produce it. About 50,000 letters and

circulars have been sent out, in some cases as many as eight autograph letters to a single individual, and an average of five communications to every man in the fraternity.

From this statement it appears that the Delta Kappa Epsilon catalogue was compiled by from four to seven men, who worked at it continuously for three years, from 1887 to 1890. But this catalogue was begun in 1883. In 1887 a hundred and fifty pages that had gone through the press were abandoned because, during a long suspension of work, the printed information had become largely obsolete. Though the preface is dated December, 1890, the book was not issued until late in 1891, eight years after it had been begun.

Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Chi Psi, Delta Upsilon and other fraternities emulated Psi Upsilon's example, each trying to get out as big a book as possible. Phi Kappa Psi began the preparation of a new catalogue in 1887 or earlier. After a hundred or more pages had been printed, a long suspension of work occurred, as in the case with Delta Kappa Epsilon, and the delay necessitated so many changes that the printed pages were abandoned and the printers began at the first again. When about half the book had gone through the press, the printed portion and some of the copy were destroyed by the fire in Spahr & Glenn's establishment at Columbus, Ohio, which burned out THE SCROLL in January, 1892. The book was finally issued in 1894.

Up to about this time it seemed to be the prevalent idea that a fraternity which could not exhibit a big catalogue, expensively printed, illustrated and bound would drop to the rear ranks. I confess that I was infatuated with this hallucination myself. The 1879 Psi Upsilon catalogue was the inspiration to me to get out a book that might be compared with it, and taking up work which others had begun, I became co-editor of our 1883 edition. It is a book of 230 pages, containing 3,460 names. I still have a vivid recollection of the months and years of toil that I spent on that work, with no monetary recompense whatever. This book, of which Brother A. Gwyn Foster and I were editors (Brother George Banta being associated with us for a time), was the first attempt to give complete names of all members of the fraternity, biographical data concerning each, a table of consanguinity and a residence directory. Besides, after each chapter's list there appeared college and fraternity honors, a feature included in the catalogue of no other fraternity.

The drudgery of accumulating information about thousands of widely scattered persons can be comprehended only by those who have had experience with such work. To begin with, the addresses of many persons are unknown, and many others, through sheer neglect, fail to respond to repeated communications. When all the materials have been collected, the weary editors must enter upon the second part of their herculean task, that is the preparation of copy, and the greatest painstaking is necessary to bring all the details into uniform and systematic arrangement. On account of proper names, Greek letters, abbreviations and other peculiarities, the editors must most closely and carefully read the proof several times. Then the arrangement of thousands of names in exact order for the residence directory and alphabetical index is most tedious work.

But our 1883 catalogue, being a new departure for Phi Delta Theta, was imperfect in many ways. The utmost efforts of the editors failed to obtain information about some members from either their chapters or themselves. Brothers Eugene H. L. Randolph and Frank D. Swope became actuated with a laudable desire to issue a catalogue that would measure up in every way to the standard of the times. The work of gathering data began in March, 1888, and thereafter was prosecuted assiduously and continuously, in spite of the precarious health of both of the editors. About three years later, or to be exact, in January, 1891, the first copy was sent to the printers. For lack of money, the work became embarrassed, and printing was practically suspended during the summer of 1891. At the convention in October, it was reported that 116 pages had been set in type, of which 96 pages were printed. The convention made provisions for continuing the work, but these provisions were not carried into effect. Arrangements having been finally perfected, the printers were put to work again in June, 1892. With such incidental delays as are liable to happen in most printing houses, amounting in this case to three or four months, the mechanical work proceeded until April, 1894, when the book was completed—full six years after its inception. A more extended account of the difficulties encountered in getting out this book appears in THE SCROLL for February, 1894.

We may with profit examine into the experience of Beta Theta Pi in catalogue-making, which has been similar to that of Phi Delta Theta. A Beta catalogue was issued in 1881, which was an attempt, like our 1883 edition, to be as

full and thorough as that of Psi Upsilon in 1879. But Beta Theta Pi, like Phi Delta Theta, was not content with this effort. A supplement to the Beta catalogue of 1881 was issued in 1886. A circular, dated November 15, 1888, and signed by Mr. J. Cal. Hanna, a prominent official in his Fraternity, begins thus:

The forty-ninth annual convention of our fraternity, held at Wooglin-on-Chautauqua, July 24–31, 1888, ordered the publication of a catalogue of the fraternity that should suitably mark the semi-centennial of the foundation of our order, occurring next year. The undersigned was appointed catalogue editor, and is working in the hope of publishing the most complete and accurate fraternity catalogue ever put forth. . . . It is earnestly desired that the catalogue be issued from the press in the early part of 1889.

In the *Beta Theta Pi* for May, 1892, three and a half years later, appeared the following announcement by Mr. Hanna:

The catalogue editor has decided to go to press with the semi-centennial catalogue without further delay, and to push the work by printing and binding rapidly to completion. . . . Copy, according to our present plans, will begin to go to the printer about the 15th of June.

This was very positive, but the same magazine for October, 1893, contained the following editorial:

The report of the catalogue editor, J. Cal. Hanna, to be found in the convention minutes, should be read with unusual interest by every member of the fraternity. The work connected with preparing the new catalogue has been nothing short of collossal. Hanna has done this work to his own detriment. He has done no grumbling, but has tried by all honorable means to elicit the interest of every Beta, in the hope that the work, when completed, would contain all the information the most exacting individual might desire. Owing to the utter lack of sympathy exhibited by some, data will be found wanting in some instances. This fault rests with these individuals themselves, and should not be laid at the feet of the catalogue editor.

This work must be done speedily if at all. Arrangements have been made to send the catalogue to press, and the day is not far distant when it will be ready for distribution. When it does appear we will have a catalogue which should be the constant companion of every Beta who really wants to know the actual status of the fraternity. Considerable comment has been made on the delay in getting out the new volume. To those who are growing restive we commend for perusal the golden rule. Fraternity catalogues are not made in a day, as those who have produced them will bear evidence.

Owing to difficulties, both editorial and financial, Mr. Hanna did not begin sending copy to the printers until 1894. Following are interesting extracts from his report to the convention held in July, printed in the *Beta Theta Pi* for September, 1894:

This catalogue is like the last catalogue—it has been on hand for several years. Everybody is extremely weary on account of the delay. Nobody is or can be as weary as the writer of this paper. It

has been a most depressing and harassing burden for years. The patience of the chapters and alumni in waiting so long for the book which they needed is duly appreciated by the editor. There have been many kind expressions of appreciation and sympathy. Without these the burden would have been unbearable. There have been many jokes, but these were kindly, and hurt nobody. There have been a very few demands for the book or money refunded, coming in nearly every instance from men who evidently were in very great ignorance of the facts in regard to the catalogue and its publication, and thoughtlessly looked upon the affair at first just as they would if they had paid in advance to a publisher for 'Through Darkest Africa,' or for the 'International Comprehensive Cyclopedia,' forgetting that this business enterprise had no capital.

A start has been made on the reading of the proof. The remainder of this summer and probably all of September will be very full of the work of printing and proof-reading. It is my confident expectation that the bound volume can be placed in the hands of subscribers during the fall term. Of course, the question has arisen in the minds of many, 'Why has there been so long a delay?' There are many reasons. I will refer to a few of them:

When the publication of the catalogue was put in my hands it had been declined by almost every man in the fraternity who was supposed to be specially fitted for it by knowledge and experience. It was only a year until the semi-centennial anniversary of the founding of the fraternity, when everybody thought a catalogue ought to appear. There was great perplexity as to what should be done. Everybody seemed to think that we must have a very large and complete catalogue, with data as full as or fuller than any other ever published. We must beat the Psi Upsilon and the Alpha Delta Phi—that was the cry.

No doubt many presume, as the writer did, that four-fifths of the living membership would respond promptly in furnishing data, and that cash subscriptions would roll in rapidly enough to meet the expenses, and that the book could be gotten out within the year and a half before 1889 should close. These hopes were all blasted. Not one-fourth of the membership supplied data within the year; only a comparatively few cash subscriptions came in promptly, and discouragement began to creep in. It would be hard to convince you that thousands of alumni utterly ignored the blanks sent to them; that hundreds of men did so on whom their own chapters rely as most loyal Betas; that scores of men did so whose names are very familiar to you as prominent and loyal silver greys; that men did so who had been general officers of the fraternity for years. Yet, such was the fact.

These men did not intend to be negligent and troublesome. They merely procrastinated, and so the burden of responsibility for the delay rests on a good many shoulders. I have had men criticise me for tardiness in this matter who themselves at the time had never put pen to paper to supply their own data for the catalogue, and had never advanced a cent toward the heavy preliminary expenses of publication. This seems incredible, but it is true. I refer to it merely to show something of the difficulty of the task. Repeated appeals were made to the alumni by circular letters, through the chapter semi-annuals, through the convention minutes, through the magazine Much time and money and toil was spent in these efforts.

I have had no vacation since 1888, except convention week, and

that, as you may surmise, is not exactly a time for rest. I had learned to look upon catalogue work as something which could be taken up whenever I was too tired to do anything else. At our house 'that catalogue' was like 'the poor'—it was 'always with us.' The children learned the word and its oppressive meaning very early in their lives. But here was a change, a chance, a hope, a ray of light. We held a jubilee forthwith. Fortune, long delayed and fickle fortune, favored the enterprise in another way. The best I could do, it seemed impossible to find enough hours in a day to accomplish what was absolutely necessary before going to press. Moreover, there was much of it that could be done better by two working together.

Mr. Ralph K. Jones (Maine State, '86), the alumni secretary of the fraternity, who had lived in Findlay, Ohio, for several years, I knew to be in many particulars specially fitted to assist in this work, and to be deeply interested in it. January last found him otherwise unoccupied for a time. At my earnest request, he consented to give his time, and it is done at a mere nominal salary, only partially paid, to helping me get the catalogue out. He removed to Columbus, and remained there for just eight months, giving his whole time to the work. I worked with him every spare hour. The latter half of my afternoons and all of my evenings have mainly been occupied in that way. Ten o'clock was 'quitting time,' but more frequently the typewriter clicked until eleven.

When vacation came, about the middle of June, we were able to do more. To the pedagogue a long vacation comes—a time of rest and recreation and—no income, unless he avails himself of institutes and private pupils, etc. The rest and recreation and the private pupils, with the accompanying collateral, have been strictly ruled out of court for many years, but Brother Jones and I found that this close application, and this complete sacrifice of other interests, were absolutely necessary, under present conditions, to getting the catalogue out—and naturally we want it to come out, want it very much. And it is coming out—really, this time—if fire don't burn it all up, as it did the last Phi Kappa Psi catalogue when just ready for the binder.

The *Beta Theta Pi*, at intervals since 1894, has published explanations of the unavoidable delays in issuing the catalogue. In the number for October, 1897, Mr. Hanna announced that 732 pages had been set in type, but there remained to be set many chapter lists, as well as all of the residence directory, alphabetical index, consanguinity chart and other tables. The total membership of Beta Theta Pi to September, 1897, was estimated at 10,520, or probably about 1,300 more than Phi Delta Theta had at that time. The *Beta Theta Pi* for last February announced that the catalogue probably would be ready for the convention which is to meet in July of this year.

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES.

After all, the vital trouble about getting out a catalogue is the difficulty of financiering the project. Doubtless the long delays in publishing the last catalogues of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta

and other fraternities were due to this reason. I know this was true with regard to Phi Delta Theta at least. There is no question that these great catalogue projects are too much for the resources of a college organization. The Delta Kappa Espilon catalogue is said to have cost $16,000, and, with some knowledge of catalogue-making and the printing business, I do not consider that an over estimate. Another fraternity is reported to have had internal dissensions which threatened its disbandonment because an assessment of $11 per capita was levied to pay for an edition of its catalogue. It has been rumored that another fraternity repudiated a large debt incurred in publishing its catalogue, throwing the obligation on the alumni who had made the contract with the printers. It should be remembered that in such enterprises somebody of good financial standing must make a contract with the printers, binding himself personally, because the printers will not deal with a fraternity whose treasury is empty, in a matter involving many thousands of dollars.

The cost of printing, postage and other expenses of collecting materials before the book goes to press is enormous. For such expenses the Beta Theta Pi catalogue cost about $1,750, before the first copy was sent to the printers four years ago, when Mr. Junius E. Beal, of that fraternity, assumed the risk connected with printing and binding the book, counting on future sales to make him financially whole. What was the preliminary cost of our last catalogue I can not now say, but it was a very large amount, though scarcely anything was paid for clerical work, the editors doing nearly all of it themselves. Neither am I able to give the total cost of the publication, not having all the accounts before me, but, from the report of the editors to our 1891 convention, I see that the cost per 16-page form was $112* for composition, paper and presswork, or $7 per page.† As there are 475 pages, the cost, on this basis, was $3,325, not including binding or expense of collecting data. We very

*Included in this was $20, the average cost per form for corrections. The editors had adopted the excellent but laborious plan of sending to each member a proof of his entry in the catalogue. Returns were received from about 90 per cent. of the members, and many were thus induced to furnish data who had been requested repeatedly before to furnish it, but without compliance. This plan was not followed with the more recently established chapters, but it should be adopted by the editors of the next edition. The corrections necessary to be made in the type with this process are expensive, but add immensely to the accuracy of the book.

†This was on an edition of 3,500 copies, which was too many, but it was then believed that half the members of the fraternity would purchase the book, which proved to be a greatly mistaken estimate. The paper was needlessly heavy and costly, but the aim of all fraternities then was to produce as big and showy a book as possible.

well know that we did not get through paying for the book until 1897—three years after it came from the press. Indeed the subject is such a painful one that I dislike to bring it up again.

PROPER SCOPE FOR A CATALOGUE.

It seems that all fraternities have made mistakes in getting out too big catalogues. As we have seen, it took Phi Delta Theta six years to issue its last edition, Delta Kappa Epsilon eight years, while Beta Theta Pi has been at work ten years. In 1879 it was said that Mr. Smiley had spent two years in preparing the catalogue of Psi Upsilon. I remember that I then marveled at this great personal sacrifice, yet we see how much greater sacrifices have been made since by editors of catalogues of several fraternities. Considering the vast expenditure of time, labor and money required to produce one of these huge books, it is folly—worse, it is insanity—to imagine that this thing can keep on. If a fraternity's membership were a fixed quantity it might devise some practical plan for issuing a large catalogue every ten years, but Phi Delta Theta, for instance, is increasing at the rate of 435 a year, and, should we publish a catalogue in 1901, it will contain 11,000 names, or 50 per cent. more than our edition of 1894.

We have reached the limit in the size of such publications. The last Delta Kappa Epsilon catalogue is bigger than any ordinary state report, and nearly as large as any department report issued by the government at Washington. With regard to the census, the federal government itself has reached a point that college fraternities have reached with regard to catalogues. The government, with all its resources, can not publish the voluminous mass of statistical information gathered by enumerators and special agents until it is about time to begin on a new census, and when the information is so old that it has little value. The last census cost something like $11,000,000, and there are many strong demands that the census of 1900 be greatly abbreviated.

The scope of fraternity catalogues must be largely curtailed or it will become impossible to get persons to assume the giant task of editing such publications; or, if this were possible, the fraternities will surely bankrupt themselves in issuing such expensive works. It has dawned on the minds of some of us that Mr. Smiley's catalogue is not the proper model after all. As Psi Upsilon in 1879 had less than 5,000 members, this was not evident then as it is now, nearly

twenty years later. He should be highly commended for his thoroughness and accuracy, but his plan includes too many personal details for a fraternity with twice the membership Psi Upsilon then had. He is an original man, and I believe that if he were editing a new edition now he would change his plan. Really there is no sufficient reason why a fraternity should try to issue a catalogue that amounts to being a biographical encyclopædia. The catalogue of the future will be boiled down—boiled, *boiled*, BOILED.

Several years ago the Century dictionary was published, defining 225,000 English words in six volumes. The rapid growth of the language was strikingly illustrated by the publication later of the Standard dictionary, defining 300,000 words, but all included within only two volumes, and some people consider it a better dictionary in every way. The same principle of condensation and elimination of unessential things must be pursued by the fraternities in getting out their catalogues.

In a paper on 'Fraternity Catalogue-Making,' read before the Congress of Fraternities, World's Fair Institute, Chicago, 1893, Brother Frank D. Swope was the first person to call attention to the fact that fraternity catalogues were too big and expensive, and that their contents should be restricted. The paper was printed in THE SCROLL for December, 1893, and excerpts are below quoted. It should be read by future catalogue editors:

> Up to the present time the scope of the fraternity catalogue has been constantly widening. For this reason a catalogue editor could not much rely upon earlier editions. It was necessary for him to decide for himself the scope of his book. This is a much more important matter than at first glance would appear, and is of necessity the first thing to be decided upon. All the work of accumulating materials must be predicated directly upon the scope of the book. It will not do to begin at random to collect material, for one of two things would result: Either some important data will be found to have been omitted after it is too late to obtain them, or, as is most likely to be the case, a great mass of useless information will be collected, greatly adding to the difficulties of compilation, and having a tendency to creep in where it is not wanted.
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> It is, of course, only a matter of time until the catalogues must be contracted in their scope. Already they are beginning to be enormous in size, and in some cases they contain a great deal that is not only useless, but also lacks the merit of being interesting. The rate of increase in the fraternities is very much greater now than ever before. The number of initiates each year ranges from 200 to 400, making an increase of 2,000 to 4,000 names every decade, and at this rate it would not take long to make a book too large and unwieldy for a single volume.
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> It is certain that in the future catalogues must be carefully pruned

down to bring them within reasonable limits as to size. A wide field for this is presented in the matter of biographies. It is not a matter of interest to the owner of a catalogue to know that a man unknown to him is married or to whom he is married. Most men marry sooner or later, just as most men eat three meals a day. Likewise the fraternity at large is not interested in knowing that one of its members is a minister and has preached at fifteen different places during his life, and sometimes filled three pulpits in the same year. In the same way, no one cares to know that a man was a clerk from '70 to '72, a bookkeeper from '72 to '76, a traveling salesman from '76 to '79, and a hardware merchant since '79.

In other words, the biography should not attempt to present a chronological account in detail of each man's life. If a man's life has been uneventful his present occupation should be sufficient; if his life has been devoted to the preaching of the gospel, mention of the important and notable charges which he has held is sufficient. Besides, it is impossible to compile a catalogue containing all exact chronological biography in detail of each member. Frequently some members will be found to have been engaged in no less than ten or fifteen occupations, and the catalogue editor is forced to prune his biography to a reasonable shape. Other members can not possibly be induced to give a complete chronological biography, and the book must necessarily be incomplete to that extent.

The true aim of the catalogue should be to show with the utmost fairness what the members of the fraternity have accomplished in the world. To this end it should give the most credit and the most space to the biographies of those who have been the most successful and achieved the most. If one member has been successful in business life, let the catalogue show briefly his occupation; if another has served the country or the public, let the catalogue give him the same credit which the public accords to a public man. This is a safe guide, and will assist materially in reducing the bulk of the book.

The history of a modern catalogue is a long story of trials, disappointments, delays and hard work. The difficulties encountered are enormous. Until recently catalogues have been compiled by the men who edited them, with such voluntary assistance as they might be able to secure from the local chapters. Sometimes this assistance would be very valuable, sometimes it would amount to nothing. The catalogue, in consequence, dragged along until the editors were able to complete it largely by their own efforts. This imposed upon them an enormous amount of purely clerical work, and delayed the publication until a great deal of the matter accumulated had become stale. This condition of affairs was brought about by inadequate financial provisions which were scarcely sufficient to meet the bare cost of publication.

The catalogue editor of the future should be required only to supervise the work. He should have at his command a competent corps of clerks and stenographers who would perform all the clerical work under his direction. Those who hereafter attempt to publish a catalogue without paid clerical assistance will find before their tasks are finished that they have acted foolishly. The catalogue editor should have at his command all the clerical force that he can use. This should be a condition precedent and absolute.

Unfortunately both for the fraternities and the editors of catalogues it is impossible to get men with business experience to undertake the making of a catalogue. It is usually delegated to those who have

just finished their college course, and whose knowledge of business methods is very slight. Consequently they make many mistakes, the work is protracted, much of it must be done over again, and the editors get a valuable experience after it is practically too late to be of service to them.

A great many of these difficulties due to inexperience would be obviated by the appointment of a board of catalogue managers, not to exceed five in number, composed of older members, who have had some editorial experience, some connection with the publishing business, or some knowledge of statistical work—men of sound judgment and permanent interest in fraternity affairs. They should hold office from the beginning to the completion of the catalogue. They should be entrusted with absolute authority concerning the catalogue, from the selection of its editors to the sale of the printed volume, and the editors should be responsible solely to this board of managers. All preliminary plans, and the limits set upon the scope of the book, should receive the approval of this board, and the catalogue editors would greatly profit by the experience and suggestions of its members.

In conclusion, it may be said that such experienced advice, coupled with a sound financial policy, if inaugurated in time would reduce the difficulties of catalogue making to a minimum. It would result in better books, produced with less cost of labor and money and in a much shorter time. It must be remembered that past efforts are but the primers of catalogue-making, and the heretofore slip-shod management will not suffice for the real books which are to follow. The present decade will witness the culmination of growth of fraternity catalogues, and, unless they are begun on a basis of careful planning and thoughtful management, it will contain the record of many failures.

In this paper Brother Swope advocated the accumulation of a catalogue publishing fund by a tax imposed on members at initiation. The last convention of Phi Delta Theta, however, adopted a provision for setting aside a certain per cent. of the annual fraternity dues to make a book publishing fund, to be kept separate and distinct for that purpose. Editorials in various journals show that other fraternities are awakening to the fact pointed out by Brother Swope, that the limits of catalogues should be more restricted. The following appeared in the *D. K. E. Quarterly* for November, 1896:

It has become the unwritten law of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity to issue a new catalogue every ten years. The last one issued was in 1890, and the time is rapidly approaching when a new one should be undertaken. The year 1900 should see a new catalogue. It should be small in size, neatly bound, convenient to handle, and it should contain only catalogue matter, strictly speaking—the name, address and profession or business of each member. With the aid of the last catalogue such a work could be gotten out quickly and at a comparatively small expense.

In March, 1897 the editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*, in explanation of the delay in issuing the Beta catalogue, said :

The condition of the enterprise is in reality due to the scope of the publication. In our opinion the day of elaborate catalogues passed when the fraternity's membership passed the 8,000 mark. A simple name-list is amply sufficient for general purposes. The name, address, occupation and most prominent fact concerning each member is all that should be published at the expense of the fraternity. All else should be left to the enterprise of the individual chapters. This name-list could be published once in four years, or at the utmost in five years, and it is to be desired that our future catalogues will be in that form.

Mr. William R. Baird, editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*, and author of 'American College Fraternities,' once told me he could print a good enough Beta catalogue in two numbers of his magazine, and I believe he was not far wrong in his calculation. As an illustration of the unnecessary and unimportant details that are crowded into fraternity catalogues, it may be mentioned that one of the editors of the last (1888) Psi Upsilon catalogue entered the following about himself: 'Vice-President of the Alumni Association of the Cornell University, 1876-77;' and the other made the following note about himself: 'Life Trustee of the Norman Williams Public Library of Woodstock, Vt.' Such minutiæ abound in the later catalogues of all of the larger fraternities. They are utterly out of place, for but very few persons take any interest whatever in them. In the 1891 Delta Kappa Epsilon catalogue, the date and place of a man's marriage is given, together with his wife's maiden name; and not only are fathers, sons and brothers in the fraternity mentioned, but also uncles, nephews and cousins. In some catalogues business partners, who are also fraternity associates, are recorded. In the forthcoming Beta Theta Pi catalogue there are to be both 'major data' and minor data.

ABSOLUTE NECESSITY FOR CONDENSATION.

The difficulties that all fraternities have encountered in issuing catalogues during the last twenty years teach us, not that no more catalogues should be published, but that there should be a radical reform in their contents. The practical catalogue should more nearly approach a simple name list than a biographical encyclopædia. Outside of name, address and occupation of each member, only the most notable facts regarding him should be entered.

I have given this matter careful study, and I shall now explain what I think our next catalogue should include. In doing so, I shall refer particularly to our sixth (1894) edition, but I do not wish to be understood as criticising its editors. As co-editor of our fifth (1883) edition, I was mis-

led by the apparent attractiveness of Mr. Smiley's elaborate catalogue plan, and I adopted many of its features. The editors of our 1894 edition paid me the compliment of taking the 1883 edition as a pattern, changing the scope and typographical style very little, and throughout their work they evinced a willingness to receive my suggestions with favor. But the 1894 edition contains more than twice as many names as the 1883 edition, and it was not until the 1894 edition had gone to press, and difficulties, financial and otherwise, were experienced, that any of us realized that a serious mistake had been made in planning the book on too big a scale.

The style of typography in our 1894 edition is cheaper than that of any other catalogue. According to size, the book contains more condensed matter than any similar work ever published. The chapter lists in most catalogues are set in two sizes of type, the name, degrees, etc., in a larger size and the biographical notes in a small size,* but in our 1894 edition all chapter lists are set in brevier only. Where two sizes are used printers charge for composition on the basis of the price for setting the smaller size. Printers are very fond of what is called 'fat' work—that is, lines widely leaded, deep side indentations and many paragraphs, as the blank spaces can be filled with leads and quads much more quickly than with small types, while the price is the same for open composition as for solid matter. In a book of such enormous cost every economy should be consulted; therefore, there should be but few leads, little side indentation and as few paragraphs as possible—not over one to each name entry.

What I consider the essentials that should appear in a chapter list are the full name, occupation, address and college degrees. In addition should be mentioned one or two of the most prominent facts in a man's life, if he has really become prominent, but all notice of little 2 by 4 offices should be omitted. A rule I would establish would be to include concerning each member only what would interest the Fraternity at large, not merely his own chapter or his comparatively few intimate friends. The Fraternity simply can not afford to print a mass of data about each member for the benefit of himself, his family, or even of his own chapter. The facts presented must be of general interest and importance, and superfluous details must be rigidly

*This was the style of our 1883 edition, but the editors of the 1894 edition adopted my recommendation to have only one size of type for chapter lists.

eliminated. In my opinion no attempt should be made to give dates with greater exactness than simply years. Even in recording the time of a man's death, I think it is sufficient to state the year only. The month and day are of interest to nobody except his surviving family and personal friends, and they, of course, are informed. For similar reasons I do not regard it necessary to mention the place or cause of death unless in exceptional instances. These omissions, besides saving some type-space, would save the editors a world of trouble, for the facts about deceased members are obtained with unusual difficulty. My idea of a chapter list would look something like this:

CLASS OF 1851.

X. Allen Augustus Barrett, A. B.; A. M. '54. Phys., Jerseyville, Ill.
1. Joseph Minter Gregory. Atty., 43½ Madison st., Memphis, Tenn.
2. Andrew Jackson Reynoldst, A. B., Woodward Col., '51; A. M., Miami, 60. Grad. Princeton Theo. Sem., '55. Presb. min., Cincinnati, Ohio.

CLASS OF 1852.

Φ. John Knox Boude, A. B.; A. M., '56; M. D., U. of Pa., '57. U. S. A., 118th Ill. Inf., '62; Asst. Surg., '62–5. Phys., Pension Office, Washington, D. C.
Ψ. Benjamin Harrison, A. B.; A. M., '55; LL. D., Hanover, '84; do., Princeton, '89. U. S. A., 2d Lt. Co. A, 70th Ind. Inf., '62; Capt. do., '62; Col. do., '62–5; Brev. Brig.-Gen., 1st Brig., Army of Cumb., '65. Rep. cand. Gov. Ind., '76. U. S. Sen. from Ind., '81–7. Pres. U. S., '89–93. Atty., 694 N. Delaware st., Indianapolis, Ind.
X. Isaac Stanley Lane, A. B.; A. M., '55. Atty., Xenia, Ohio. *'59.
X. Lewis Williams Ross, A. B.; A. M. '55. Mem. Ia. Sen., '64–8. Chan. Law dept., U. of Ia., '81–7. Atty., Council Bluffs, Ia.
Φ. David Swing, A. B.; A. M., '60. Independ. min., Chicago, Ill.* '94.

CLASS OF 1860.

Ψ. George Baber. Ed. Ky. *Law Journal*, '81–4. Atty., Washington, D. C.
X. James Bell Bullitt, A. B. C. S. A., 2d Ky. Cav., '63. Louisville, Ky. *Killed while bearing a flag of truce, near Lebanon, Ky., '63.
X. Fleming Faris. Atty., Burlington, Ky.
Φ. Edward Owings Guerrant, A. B.; M. D., Bellevue, '67; D. D., Austin, '80. C. S. A., Capt. and Asst. Adj.-Gen., 1st Brig. Ky. Cav., '62–5. Presb. min., Wilmore, Ky.
Ψ. Robert Miller, A. B.; A. M., '65; M. D., Jefferson, '64. Phys., Louisville, Ky. *'67.
Ψ. John Newton Rankin, A. B. Presb. min., Edgerton, Ky.
Φ. Adlai Ewing Stevenson. U. S. Ho. of Rep. from Ill., '77–81. Asst. P.-M.-Gen., '85–9. V.-Pres. U. S., '93–7. Atty., Bloomington, Ill.

The foregoing names are taken from the Miami classes of '51 and '52 and the Centre class of '60. The names are set according to length of lines in THE SCROLL, but there is more economy of space in a narrower measure, as the two

columns to the page in the 1894 catalogue. The names are put in lower case characters instead of small capitals, for the latter being larger take up more room, enough often to make a line run over. The matter is set solid, except a lead above and below class of 1851, etc. This is close setting, but it should be understood that the book is not intended for a work of art or an *edition de luxe*, but for practical use as a reference book, which should be printed as cheaply as possible. The dagger following A. J. Reynold's name indicates that he never attended the institution where his chapter is located, and its significance should be explained in the preface of the book. It is shown that he received his A. M. from Miami, as he was not a student there. In all other cases where no institution is named after a degree, it was conferred where the chapter is located. The asterisk of course signifies death. I would use only one symbol, the one representing the branch of a tree, but as THE SCROLL printers have no type for this symbol it is omitted here. If all but this symbol be omitted, it may be inquired why not omit the Greek letters also? Because they look well in the catalogue of a Greek-letter-fraternity, and they excite the curious interest of the uninitiated freshmen. They take up little room, and in this arrangement they are a catch for the eye, showing the beginning of a name.

By comparing the entries here with those in the 1894 catalogue, the reader can see how much space may be saved by eliminating comparatively unimportant data. It should be remembered that what is of greatest importance in one man's life would be of minor importance in another's, hence facts about ex-President Harrison which are omitted might be included in the entry of a less distinguished personage. No entry in the whole book should be longer than his, and most entries should be as short as those of Barrett, Gregory, etc. The army records of the soldiers in the war are retained, as the Fraternity is proud of them.

Abbreviations for occupations, etc., should be used as far as is consistent with clearness. At the outset a list of abbreviations should be adopted so as to secure absolute uniformity in this respect. There is a good list of this kind in the Delta Kappa Epsilon catalogue, also in Bradstreet's annual business report. In Dun's annual report there is a system of signs for occupations which saves space, and which it might be well to adopt. A catalogue editor should examine these reports to see how compactly they are printed, no

space being wasted. As to occupations, I should say that it is enough to state that a man is a merchant, without defining what kind of a merchant.

Of late years a peculiar habit has become prevalent of a man who has only one given name adopting a letter which, in his signature, looks like a middle initial, and in such cases our catalogue says 'letter only.' It would be better to print these middle letters without periods; then, to save confusion of such names with those of members whose full names are unknown, the names of the latter should be specially mentioned in the preface to the book. Of the 7,288 names in our 1894 catalogue full names are given in all but twenty-one cases,* which proves the wonderful thoroughness and the conscientious and painstaking effort of the editors to make their work complete.

After long consideration I have reached the conclusion that where members go from one college where there is a chapter to another where there is a chapter, their membership should not be transferred on the rolls of the Fraternity. This was suggested by Brother William O. Morgan in THE SCROLL for April, 1897. In our 1883 and 1894 catalogues, transfers are listed only with the last chapters with which they were connected. By this system many chapters lose large numbers of members from their lists, and almost all suffer some loss. The names of even charter members are omitted from the lists of some chapters. Virginia, Alpha, Gamma, Delta, Epsilon and Zeta are decimated to furnish recruits to the Beta at the University. The men who affiliate with other chapters are generally among the members who reflect most credit on the chapters that initiated them, and it is an injustice to the original chapters to entirely remove such members from their lists. When this is done, what a chapter has accomplished during its career can not be properly estimated from the catalogue record. When the revision of the constitution is under consideration at the next convention, an amendment will be offered providing that a transfer may affiliate at the second college he attends, but only for the time of his attendance there, during which time he shall be under the jurisdiction of both his first and second chapters, paying dues to the latter, and after which time he shall be under the jurisdiction solely of his first

*It took 23 letters to a certain Phi to fetch his middle name. More than one hundred communications were sent out to find trace of Ervy L. Goodrich, Michigan Alpha, '70. Since the catalogue was published in 1894, full names have been learned of four more members, reducing the number of incomplete names in the book to 17. See THE SCROLL, February, 1894, page 221; June, 1897, page 684, October, 1897, page 91.

chapter, with whose members he shall always be catalogued. If this amendment be adopted, it will save future catalogue editors much trouble. I do not deem it necessary to mention all the educational institutions a man has attended; if he has been graduated at one of them it is enough in most cases to mention that fact. However, if he has attended another institution where there is a Phi Delta Theta chapter, and especially if he has been affiliated with the chapter, his attendance there, or the fact of his affiliation, should be brought out some way.

As to honorary members, at least three-fourths of them should be dropped. The election of such members was prohibited years ago, and only a few chapters, mostly the older chapters, have any. All should be discarded except the few who have had some active connection with the Fraternity. The chapters that elected them may continue to claim them if desired, but they should not longer appear on the rolls of the Fraternity. In most cases there was an honorary election, a written acceptance as a matter of form, and thereafter the honoré forgot all about the incident. The names of those that are retained should be grouped together at the end of the chapter lists, so that outsiders, as well as Phis, in examining the catalogue, could not mistake the fact that they are honorary members. In the catalogue of Delta Upsilon such members are thus grouped, while in the Alpha Delta Phi catalogue their names are italicized. Other fraternity catalogues fail to distinguish unmistakably between regular members and honorary members. Of course persons who were initiated a year or two after graduation, while they were tutors in college, or who have had active relations with their chapters, should not be classed as honorary members.

In the 1894 catalogue members of Tennessee Beta are arranged according to years of initiation, but there is no good reason why the arrangement should be different from that of all other chapters. The University of the South has the elective course system, like most institutions in Virginia. Where there are no classes, the most practical plan is to divide a chapter's list by the years the members were graduated or withdrew from college. The years for members of Tennessee Beta could be obtained from a file of the university catalogues in the university library. Annual reports to the H. G. C. also show years of withdrawal.

Where the name of a college or the location of a college has been changed, the change, with the year it was made,

should be noted at the head of the chapter list. This is done in one instance in the sixth edition, a note being made under Texas Alpha Prime* that Austin College was removed from Huntsville, Texas, to Sherman, Texas, in 1876. When a chapter after a suspension has been rechartered, the names of the new charter members, as well as the date of the new charter, should be given.

All college and fraternity notes should be omitted. There is no room for such matter. Such omission would have saved fifty pages in the 1894 edition. Every college has its own peculiar system of honors, the value of which is not understood anywhere else, as no two systems are alike. The chapters can keep these items in their own record books, but they should not encumber the fraternity catalogue. The important fraternity honors will appear in the history of Phi Delta Theta, now in preparation. Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Chi, Southern Kappa Alpha and some other fraternities publish a large amount of historical matter in connection with their catalogues, but a combined history and catalogue make too bulky and costly a book for any of the larger fraternities to undertake hereafter.

I do not think much improvement can be made in the table of consanguinity, which should be restricted to grandfathers, fathers, sons and brothers. This table will be found very useful hereafter in tracing many members whose addresses are unknown. If the address of one member of a family be known, the whereabouts of his relatives who are Phis may be ascertained from him. The residence directory and alphabetical arrangement are about as condensed as they can be made, but considerable space might be saved by eliminating the foot-note references to the pages of chapter lists and pasting such references inside both covers of the book, where they could be turned to readily. I suggest the word 'pagination' for the sentence: 'The paging of college chapters is as follows.' The alphabetical arrangement (which cumbersome phrase I think should be changed to the fraternity roll) should follow, not precede the resi-

*Unfortunately our chapter nomenclature has become mixed, as a result of giving the titles of short-lived chapters to active chapters, hence in some cases live chapters and dead chapters have the same titles. Where confusion might arise, the editors of the 1894 catalogue inserted the word 'Prime' after the title of a dead chapter. This was done on my advice, but I now think that it is awkward, and should be omitted hereafter, even at the risk of some confusion. This addition to chapter titles has never been sanctioned by the National Convention. I should be very glad to see our chapter titles rearranged according to the Greek alphabet and the natural chronological order, but understand that some of the interested chapters object, perhaps on the ground that they consider the letters at the top of the alphabet more desirable. See THE SCROLL, October, 1895, page 39.

dence directory. The surnames in the alphabetical arrangement should be set in minion, which is a size larger than nonpareil, in which the initials, chapter and class are set, so that the surnames would be plainer to the eye in looking over a page. A surname which appears near the bottom of a column should not be repeated at the top of the next column. Under each town in the residence directory the names should be arranged not alphabetically, but according to chapters and classes, oldest first, so that all the members of the same chapter would appear together. There is no use in keeping the names of deceased members in the residence directory, and their omission would save considerable space. Regarding alumni chapters, I suggest that 'fraternity notes' be omitted and that the entry of each chapter be made thus:

INDIANA BETA ALUMNI, INDIANAPOLIS, IND. Charter granted Sept., 17, 1879, to B. Harrison, Ohio Alpha, '52; B. K. Elliott, Ohio Alpha '55; J. B. Elam, Ohio Alpha, '70; W. H. Ripley, Indiana Beta, '73; C. D. Whitehead, Indiana Beta, '73; A. C. Harris, Indiana Gamma, '62, and C. Byfield, Indiana Delta, '60.

In the catalogues of some fraternities, especially that of Delta Kappa Epsilon, there are more statistical tables than are useful or even interesting. Besides tabular work is very expensive, costing two to three times as much as straight composition. It might be well, as in the Psi Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi and Chi Phi catalogues, to have condensed summaries of occupations, civil honors and distribution of members by states, and in cities containing 25 or more Phis, each summary not to exceed a page, but these summaries are not really essential, being matters of only curious interest, and scarcely justify the enormous labor which the editors must expend in their compilation. However, I think the catalogue should contain a summary of the membership of the fraternity by chapters, as shown in each of the preceding editions, like that which appeared in THE SCROLL for October, 1895, and that in the Alpha Delta Phi catalogue.

The last pages of our 1883 catalogue contained additions and corrections received during the time the book was in press. This feature was omitted from the 1894 edition, in order to lessen the cost of publication, but it was unwise economy, for these additions and corrections may be lost or destroyed before they are incorporated in the next edition, and most of them could not be obtained again without much trouble. In fact, all such information received by Brother Randolph during the course of publication, and all the circu-

lars and other materials used in compiling his portion of the 1894 edition, were destroyed by the fire which burned his dwelling at Plainfield, N. J., in 1896.

In an edition of several thousand copies of a book of several hundred pages, a great saving in cost would be made by using thinner paper than that on which our 1894 catalogue was printed. The paper should be clear, strong and well finished, but of lighter weight, and hence less expensive. The margins also need not be so broad as in the last edition. This would make a book of much more convenient size. The paper used in the Alpha Delta Phi catalogue is thin but of good quality. A handsome and appropriate addition to the book would be a steel engraving of the coat-of-arms for a frontispiece, as in the Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon and other catalogues.

A PERMANENT CATALOGUE COMPILER.

In explaining my plan for a condensed catalogue, I have consumed so much of THE SCROLL'S valuable space, that I must be comparatively brief in writing about the importance of having a permanent officer, called a catalogue compiler or editor, whose duty it should be to collect such information as would be useful in getting out a new edition of the catalogue. This officer should be gathering catalogue material all the time, and he should receive all the assistance that can be given to him by the Historian of the General Council, the Editor of THE SCROLL, the Fraternity Librarian and other officers. He should obtain from every institution where there is a Phi Delta Theta chapter a copy of each issue of its annual catalogue and each issue of its alumni catalogue. The information concerning members derived from these sources, from THE SCROLL and *The Palladium*, from annual circular letters and the annual reports of chapters, and from other reliable sources, should be promptly and systematically recorded by him, so that at any time a new edition of the fraternity catalogue may be issued with the least possible delay. The National Convention, when it considers a new edition desirable, should make provision for the publication, and the catalogue editor, with the approval of the General Council, should be empowered to choose an assistant or assistants.

Unless an office like this is established I predict more trouble about issuing a catalogue. Should we delay longer it will not be easy to find a man who will be willing to assume the task of preparing a new edition for the press. He

would have to hunt up many old records, widely scattered and incomplete. Every year the work of keeping informed about the changes of members becomes greater, as the membership increases so rapidly. Therefore, it would certainly be wise for the Fraternity to have an officer whose special business it would be to collect data against the time it will be needed for a new catalogue. If this is done a new edition could be published with little annoyance, short delay, and really a considerable saving in the cost of the preliminary work.

Before concluding, I wish to urge that chapters should be supplied with roll-books of uniform design. Our National Convention in 1891 adopted a resolution directing that such books should be printed and a copy furnished each chapter. On account of the expense, the General Council has not carried this resolution into effect. The object of the book is to provide a place for entering every important fact concerning a member. Much of the data needed to perfect a member's record can be recorded during his stay at college, and a number of the more important facts should be entered on the night of his initiation. Most chapters have very incomplete lists of members, in some cases only the signatures to the Bond, which usually are not full names. Years after a man has left college it may be very hard to ascertain his full name. The chapter minutes must be referred to for dates of initiation. Often the minutes are imperfectly kept, and sometimes they are lost. I opine that the reason the Historian of the General Council has so much trouble in getting chapter historians to fill the annual statistical reports every year is that the historians have to hunt for the facts in so many places. But if each chapter had a properly ruled book, with a space for every necessary personal entry, the historian doubtless would take some degree of pride in following the instructions to record promptly important information about members as soon as received; and, with this book at hand, it would be a very easy matter for him to make out a statistical report for the H. G. C. A pattern for such a book will be presented to the next convention, and, if copies are furnished to all chapters, they will do much to systematize the keeping of chapter records and to lighten the labors of future catalogue editors.

WALTER B. PALMER.

GEN. ALEXANDER P. STEWART, OHIO ALPHA, '52.

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General A. P. Stewart is a Tennesseean, born at Rogersville and reared near Winchester. He entered the class of 1838 at West Point and was graduated in 1842. Gen. John Pope, Gen. Wm. S. Rosecrans, Gen. Abner Doubleday, Gen. James Longstreet and others were graduates in his class. In the last two years of his cadetship, Gen. Stewart, Gen. John Pope and Longstreet roomed together.

In 1843 he was sent back to the military academy as an assistant to the professor of mathematics. He resigned in

1845 on account of bad health, and went to Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn. It was while here that he became a member of Phi Delta Theta, Robert Morrison having interested him and R. P. Decherd in the project of establishing a chapter at Cumberland.

At the outbreak of the war he was major of a regiment of artillery formed by the state for her own defense, but transferred to the Confederate service when Tennessee seceded. Soon after the battle of Belmont he was made brigadier-general and commanded a brigade at Shiloh, Perryville and Murfreesboro. In 1863 he became lieutenant-general, after having fought Gen. Hooker at New Hope Church.

General Stewart's promotions came rapidly. He won his spurs by satisfying his commanders that he was deserving. Quiet, modest, but withal a positive soldier of high moral character, his command was properly managed, yet scarcely did he give an order. At Resaca he had three horses shot under him. He was wounded at Chickamauga and at Atlanta. His counsels were so much looked up to that the soldiers nicknamed him 'Old Straight,' as significant of their respect. He is now one of the Chickamauga commissioners, and is absorbed in arranging the national military park there.

OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

COLLECTED AND EDITED BY WALTER B. PALMER.*

[Continued from the February SCROLL.]

I organized the chapter at Emory College, Oxford, Ga. In the early spring of 1871 I received a letter from the secretary of Georgia Alpha, asking me to aid in establishing a secret order at Emory. After some correspondence, I agreed to set about the undertaking. Georgia Alpha was then at Oglethorpe University, Atlanta, Ga. It had been founded by Charles B. Gaskill. Georgia Beta was at the University of Georgia, so our chapter was to be the Gamma. I shall never forget the caution used in selecting the first half a dozen members for a beginning. Chapters of Chi Phi and Kappa

*I request chapters and individual Phis to examine their old fraternity papers, and to loan me those that may be of interest, or to send me copies of same, or of such portions as are of importance. The materials for a history prior to 1878 (when THE SCROLL was permanently established), are meager, and almost any letter relating to Phi Delta Theta before that time would be of value in filling out gaps in the record. This notice does not apply to the chapters at Miami, Indiana, Wabash, Centre, Wisconsin, Lafayette and Wooster, whose archives I have examined. WALTER B. PALMER, Editor of the History of Phi Delta Theta, 511 South Spruce street, Nashville, Tenn.

Alpha had been established at Emory, but the board of trustees and some members of the faculty were opposed to secret societies, as they had a tendency to form rings in the literary societies. So at the beginning no possible publicity could be allowed, or we would put ourselves in a position to be asked to desist by the faculty. Now to approach a person without arousing suspicion, and should I find him unfavorably inclined, to retreat without having him suspect my real motive, was the point I handled with great care. Eventually I secured six fine fellows, and wrote Clinton R. Gaskill to come down at night, which he did. Every applicant left his boarding-house alone that night, and all collected at a deserted house in an old field half a mile from the station. I met Mr. Gaskill at the station and conducted him to this place. With matches and candles we soon were inside the house and to business. In a short while we were on our way back to college and Gaskill on his return to Atlanta. We exercised great care in keeping our existence a secret until the board of trustees met. Should we fail to secure their approval we would be fit subjects for jeers from the student body. Besides we felt that we would be more successful before the board by keeping them absolutely in the dark until they were in session. The chapter met at unseasonable hours at all sorts of places for about six weeks, succeeding in keeping down all suspicion until commencement. We took Rev. Alexander Means, D. D., a member of the board and a resident of Oxford, into our confidence, initiated him into the order, and secured his services in championing our cause before the board. This grand old man made a gallant fight for us, and had us indorsed by the board, over some very vigorous protests on the part of several of the trustees. We had a rally the night after we were given the privilege of becoming a lawful adjunct of the college, and all the members pledged themselves to make a record worthy of commendation, and while I was in college we kept that pledge. I have written purely from memory. I have kept no records and can not give any exact dates. Your letter reminds me that I am older now than I was in 1871. My then raven locks are streaked with gray. —T. E. Means, Atlanta, Ga., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 12, 1898.

1872.

Mr. Bradford reported that at last the catalogues had come. Mem. from Indiana Alpha minutes, Jan. 8, 1872.

We now have ten members. We are trying to organize a chapter in Georgetown, Kentucky, and I think we will succeed.—Clifton R. Anderson, Centre College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Jan. 12, 1872.

The Phi Delta Thetas are doing very well here now. We have initiated three boys since I last wrote to you, and there are plenty of boys we could get, but our maxim is 'quality rather than quantity.' The resident members in the city have started an alumni chapter and have about forty members, among whom are several judges, prominent lawyers, physicians, etc.—Allen B. Thrasher, Northwestern Christian University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Jan. 22, 1872.

We have been fortunate in procuring a room that is nearer and more retired than the one we occupied last term, and what is another great item, the person from whom we obtained it will charge us nothing for it. There is a brother from Oxford in the junior class here. His name is Slayton and he appears to be quite a smart boy. Do you still intend going to the convention? As you know, we have elected Mason to represent us; he is truly a noble fellow.—Ed. Smith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Jan. 23, 1872.

We received a letter from our brother, Mr. Chenault, and he said that we could not organize in Georgetown; that the best boys in college belonged to another society.—Clifton R. Anderson, Centre College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Jan. 27, 1872.

When I last wrote to you our chapter was in a very dilapidated condition, but it has been revived since then, and we have six noble boys here now, who will not see the cause trailed in the dust.—Beverly Gregory, Indiana University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Jan. 27, 1872.

I heard the other day, indirectly, that you had established another chapter—at Macon, I believe. We are doing finely now; have increased our number to seven good fellows, with a good prospect of getting a few others yet. We have been doing our very best to re-establish ourselves upon a firm basis again. The chapter at our last meeting determined, by a unanimous vote, to hold a correspondence with at least as many chapters as we have members of our own. I took your chapter, besides I correspond with several others. The Fraternity seems to be on the increase; several new chapters have been established. We endeavored to plant a chapter

in the University of West Virginia, where one of our men is in attendance, but the laws of the institution forbid secret societies in connection with it.—D. B. Floyd, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 5, 1872.

We have ten active members, and probably some of the old members will return next term. We have had the pleasure of adding another chapter in this state, at Delaware, Ohio, with prospects of another or two.—V C. Stiers, Ohio University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 7, 1872.

I suppose you are aware of the fact that we had a considerable split in our chapter last session; we had to expel two of our oldest members, Smeltzer and Natter, who were bringing reproach upon our chapter by their profanity and intemperance, and in consequence of which the following members withdrew from us, viz.: F. H. Chalmers, S. Crockett, H. A. Nickell, B. L. Rex. I give the names that none of our boys may write to them. Notwithstanding our last year's troubles, we now have a flourishing chapter, and are on gaining ground. We number nine active members, and will initiate another Saturday night; also we have two others elected, but don't know whether they will join us or not. We commenced this session with only three members, myself, Brothers Hargrave and Floyd, and had to work against four other fraternities, the Α Τ Ω, Φ Γ Δ, Σ Χ and Black Badge; therefore you see we have been 'up and doing,' and furthermore we take none but good students and such as sustain a high moral character. You will wonder how I got in, but you know I am a sharp fellow. Phis will take most of the honors and some of the medals this session. Brother Hargrave will take first honor, and will also contest for the medal in metaphysics. He took the medal in metaphysics last year. Brother Floyd, I think, will take the second honor. I say so because they are considered the best in their class; they are the only seniors we have. I don't expect to win any prizes myself.—W. Miller, Roanoke College, to 'Bro. Rev.,' Centre College, Feb. 13, 1872.

We have but little opportunity for increasing our membership just now. The Eta chapter is young, and I believe in no college from Boston to San Francisco, or from the lakes to the gulf could a young chapter meet with as much opposition. The seven or eight fraternities now in Asbury have worked until every man in the senior class, all but two

in the junior, and all but two or three in the sophomore and freshman classes, wear some kind of badges. Franklin College in this state suspended a few days ago. I understand that the Delta boys went to Bloomington, which I trust will strengthen our forces there. We have still six chapters in this state.—C. A. Murray, Indiana Asbury University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 16, 1872.

We are every now and then granting new charters, and although we have no chapters in the east, we hope to be the great western and southern Fraternity. We can attend to the west, but must depend upon you for furtherance of our order in the south. Be particular in your selections, and make your standard that of quality rather than quantity, both in your choice of colleges for chapters and your choice of men for Phis. We are in fine condition here, our chapter having some eighteen men, and we still maintain the reputation of being the hardest workers in college.—H. R. Buckingham, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 18, 1872.

At present there are but five of us, three juniors and two sophomores. You asked our strength in comparison with the Sigma Alpha Epsilons and Chi Phis. We stand second, and when this senior class graduates, I think we will have a fair showing for first place. It seemed quite strange to the boys how we could spring up so suddenly, yet so strong. There seems to be a greater degree of respect entertained by the 'antis' for the Φ Δ Θ than for any other society.—Alexis A. Marshall, Mercer University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 18, 1872.

I assure you it would afford the boys of Indiana Alpha great pleasure to welcome the convention here, and grasp the hands of worthy brothers from far away, but there are many reasons for not meeting here. Before we had our trouble we did not intend for the convention to meet here if we could have it removed, as we have no hall suitable to meet in, and we have a very poor band here; besides we were afraid we could not get up as good a supper as we would like. For these reasons we want the convention removed, and not because some of the boys flew to pieces as they did. We would rather have it here to show them we could do something without them. The chapter at Terre Haute is in fine condition; the members pride themselves on being the best chapter in the state, but I do not agree with them altogether, for our Beta is the best chapter

we have, and I think the Gamma is next. The Delta is not doing anything now. The college ran out of money and had to suspend, but it will reopen next year. We had a very good chapter there; the boys say they will set it up again. The Illinois Alpha is dead. We have three boys there who went from Franklin, but they think they can not do anything as they are all three seniors and will not have long to stay there. I have received a splendid letter from brother J. W. Homer, who says that the Missouri Alpha is in a very flourishing condition. Oh! yes, the Phi colors are floating in the breeze here again.—Beverly Gregory, Indiana University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 20, 1872.

My good brother, I well remember the birth of your noble chapter. Bro. Terrill was then our secretary, and all of us with his indomitable energy worked for your success. I well remember the good report we got from your president, to whom we wrote making inquiries into your characters, class standing, etc., because, you see, we knew nothing of you. After his account of you, also of Mr. McDowell, we worked hard for you, wrote immediately to the Grand Alpha, and, sir, to-day the Georgia chapters—three of them established by your chapter—are ornaments to the Φ Δ Θ. I know of no four chapters that have done and will do more honor to the cause than the Georgia chapters. You wanted the origin and history of the Virginia Alpha. I suppose I can tell you as well as any one in the chapter, because I was the first man in it. I came here in 1868–9. I belonged to the Indiana Eta chapter, established at Indiana Asbury University. The latter part of the session here I concluded to pry into things. Though I had an offer to be initiated into the best established fraternity in this college at that time, I refused because I belonged to the Φ Δ Θ and was determined to belong to no other. I got my most beloved friend, F. H. Terrill, to join with me, then Smeltzer (whom we have since expelled) and O. D. Miller and W. F Dyer. After obtaining the consent of these four, I sent to the Grand Alpha, then located at Chicago, in order to get the Bond and Constitution, which I obtained chiefly through the influence of the secretary, F A. Smith, as noble a man as ever lived. Then I initiated the four specified. In a few days afterward we got the Virginia Alpha charter, signed by Smith, as president. This is the origin of the chapter. We have worked on manfully and I think will have no more trouble. The Virginia Alpha has now eleven members, and they are

as thorough going Phis as you ever saw. We stand as strong intellectually, morally, and with as much popularity now as any other fraternity in college. Bro. Will Fisher of the Ohio Alpha—Grand Alpha—wrote me the other day that the Executive Committee, of which I am a member, intended to change the place of the next convention, and that the Ohio Alpha wanted to be invested with the authority to locate the place of meeting—it being too near the time of meeting and too inconvenient for the Executive Committee to come together—so he asked me for my vote for Crawfordsville, which I gave him.—D. B. Floyd, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 23, 1872.

We received a letter from Brother D. E. Platter, Chairman of the Executive Committee, desiring that the convention should be held in Danville. We have accepted it, and so I suppose it will be held here. We now have thirteen members and prospects for one or two more.—Clifton R. Anderson, Centre College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 23, 1872.

I can not tell you where the next convention will meet, for I can't find out anything from the Grand Alpha. There are several reasons why the Bloomington boys don't want the convention; such as their inability to accommodate the delegates, no good hall to meet in or hotel to prepare the banquet, but the main thing is that they lack confidence in themselves. I have at length succeeded in getting the Cornell boys on the road to a chapter. Four of them have sent a petition to the Grand Alpha. We have elected one of the boys a member of this chapter, and if you would write to him you would hear directly how they are progressing. Address Wm. E. Lucas, Ithaca, N. Y. He is all right. Wm. O. Bates, $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, is my room mate.—Allen B. Thrasher, Northwestern Christian University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 25, 1872.

Since my last letter, a matter of some considerable importance having arisen, I am forced to write you again. The Bloomington chapter having gone almost to nothing, it has been thought expedient not to have the convention there, and the Executive Committee, of which you are a member, seem divided between two places: Danville, Ky., and Crawfordsville, Ind. Both places hold out inducements, and each chapter is very anxious to have it held at its place, but the facts are just these: If we have it at Danville we must have

it by the 24th of April. Now, as a member of the committee on publishing catalogue, I wish to remind you of the fact that the reports are slow always, but this year some of them seem not to be forthcoming at all, so that the catalogue can not be published by that time; and under these conditions, others being equal, I would ask your vote in favor of Crawfordsville, as all the others save one are voting for it. Our chapter is getting along finely. Our fellows are the most popular among those whom we call independents, and hence our never-failing success on election days. We have taken more honors in the last four or five years than any two other societies in our college. I would again urge you to be up and doing in the cause, and wherever you find a college standing well—graduating men you would not feel ashamed to extend friendly greetings to in all circumstances of life—try to carry the loadstone of our brotherly policy there. You do not know how much I should like to see our Fraternity established in every good college all over the south—much more than in the north, I mean the east.—Holly R. Buckingham, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 28, 1872.

Since writing to you last the Delta has increased. The name of our new member is J. C. Hinton, of Macon. We met last Friday but did little business. We have no hall, but it will not be long before we have a proper place of meeting. All the secret societies seem to be in trouble as to halls. It will be impossible for the Delta to be represented in the convention.—Alexis A. Marshall, Mercer University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, Feb. 29, 1872.

Our hall is a neat little room nicely papered and curtained, but not yet finished, although we are making some progress toward it. We have a custom, which I think is a very good one, of having each class taken in a group, the same framed and hung in our hall. Here we gather every two weeks. We are noisy, and all talk at once until some one sings out 'I move the Prex takes the chair!' We quiet down, and after the invoking of Providence by some of those who profess (we have several such), the roll is called and trouble begins.—Holly R. Buckingham, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, March 2, 1872.

Our chapter, Indiana Theta, is connected with the State Normal School. At present we have six members, Brothers H. Sandison, W. W Parsons, A. Sheets, B. V Marshall,

H. G. Thompson and C. H. Gordon. I graduated in 1870. We who have left school make it our object to attend all chapter meetings possible, and do all we can to further the interests of the order.—George W. Wade, Terre Haute, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, March 4, 1872.

Being a new member, of course I know personally only those of the Φ Δ Θ who are here. As yet there are only four of us: Lucas, Washburne, Carpenter and myself. As soon as we get our charter we will begin our meetings in earnest.—Nelson W Cady, Cornell University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, March 9, 1872.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 10, 1872.—Mr. D. S. White, Danville, Ky., Dear Brother: I am indeed glad that your chapter has come forward to the rescue, for during a month or so past the prospects looked very dark for a convention. The Bloomington boys could not take it, and the Terre Haute chapter would not, so the convention was almost obliged to take the character of 'Pussy' in the somewhat celebrated game of 'Pussy wants a corner.' But now your chapter comes forward with genuine Kentucky hospitality, without previous preparation, and says, 'we will take it at the appointed time.' Such promptness will not be forgotten by the Fraternity. You will find that it is quite an undertaking, requiring considerable previous preparation. You will have to watch the financial part, or you may have trouble, as we have had. Do you correspond with the Grand Alpha? We have written them several times, and have received but one letter, and if I am not mistaken this is the experience of most of the chapters. They should remember that it is not an impossibility to change the Grand Alpha to some other location. How do you like the pins manufactured here? Our boys here are well satisfied with them. Some of the boys here and elsewhere have been talking of shirt studs consisting of three small shields with Φ on one, Δ on another, and Θ on the third, the letters to be carved very heavy and perhaps black enameled. I spoke to our jeweler about it, and he said he could get them up in heavy gold for from $5 to $6, after he was ready for it. He did not want to do it though unless he could have some assurance that he would continue to receive the patronage of the Fraternity. What do you think about it? The convention will have power to change it if they see fit. We are prosperous, and as a Fraternity happy. Do you often

hear from the Georgia boys? I like them. We get letters from them often. We are establishing a chapter in Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. Yours Φ Δ Θ etically, W. O. Bates.

Lucas and I are from Indiana, Carpenter from Ohio and Washburne from this state. We are at present all the members. Our charter has been granted but has not yet arrived. When that shall be in our possession we shall begin regular meetings, and we have strong hopes of becoming firmly established. There is quite a strong anti-secret society feeling here, and of course this makes plenty of excitement in elections of class officers and *Era* editors. The barbarians have organized and dubbed themselves the Independents.—Nelson W. Cady, Cornell University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, March 23, 1872.

There are now eight of us in college, two or three of our boys are out for this term. Our chapter is in good working order; we are going to initiate three or four before the term closes. I am glad you have chosen the fairest damsel in your city for me at the entertainment; please accept my thanks. I am the delegate from the Eta chapter. We elected Rev. J. W Green as honorary member. I suppose you know that Franklin College has 'busted up. You can write to T. C. Potter, Hanover; G. R. Crafts, Terre Haute; H. G. Bradford, Bloomington; F. J. Stanley or W. H. Ripley, Crawfordsville. If you want to write to the New York Alpha you can address C. E. Washburne or W E. Lucas, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. If you have not an Ohio name I refer you to R. H. McClelland, Wooster, Ohio.—H. Clay Darnall, Indiana Asbury University, to L. M. Rue, Centre College, April 5, 1872.

Two different chapters claim the honor of founding this chapter, the Indiana Epsilon at Hanover, and the Indiana Gamma at Indianapolis. Bro. Lucas was a Phi before he came here, and Bro. Carpenter was pledged. Each knew about the other, but they failed to find each other because they did not know each other's name. At last they met and began to work as soon as their initiation was completed, and founded our present chapter.—Nelson W Cady, Cornell University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, April 11, 1872.

I am sorry to say that at this time ours is the only chapter in the state, but hope it will not be the case long. We intend planting our order at every respectable institution in

the state where such organizations are allowed if it be possible. I can not say now for certain whether we will send a delegate to the convention or not. Several of the boys are anxious that I shall go, and I guess if we send a delegate it will fall to my lot, but the great obstacle in the way is this: the convention will take place just at the time when we are reviewing, and I am afraid that if I should lose much time I should not be able to pass the examinations.—Wm. Miller, Roanoke College, to L. M. Rue, Centre College, April 13, 1872.

I suppose you are fully aware by this time of the location of the convention at Danville, Ky. Our delegate is S. J. Tomlinson. I had thought of attending the convention if held in this state, but it is so far away that I will hardly be there now, although I should like to see all of the boys very much. Our boys at Cornell are getting along very nicely, and I have great hopes for their future success. We have three boys at Yale, and I don't see why they can't start a chapter there. I should like to see a chapter of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ in every good college in the country. But we have one chapter in this state which is doing us a positive injury, not because there are not good boys connected with it, but because of the school in which it is located. I refer to the Terre Haute chapter. I can't understand how the chapter got its charter in the first place, nor how it holds it now. I hope that matter will be attended to at the convention. I understand that the catalogue has gone to press with 925 names. We ought to have had 1,000 I think, although that is a large increase over last year.—Allen B. Thrasher, Northwestern Christian University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University. April 14, 1872.

There will be a proposition before the convention to move our Grand Alpha farther west. We all can see the impropriety of such a change, so be on your guard and put other chapters on guard. This has only been hinted at to some extent. I have considered the matter from all standpoints, and think it best for the Fraternity for our headquarters to remain where they are. First, the origin. Second, the Ohio Alpha is our strongest chapter, and being strong the members are more able to do the work there is to do by the head chapter. I think they are pretty punctual in the discharge of their duties. Third, Miami is more central. These are some reasons why I think the Grand Alpha ought not to be changed—let well enough alone. I can not go to the

convention, but one of my classmates will be there. I have three subjects to lay before the convention. First, I think we should have a second degree, making pretty high qualifications for advanced standing. Many students try very hard until they get into a fraternity, and afterwards become very careless. Here I think is the secret of success of other secret orders. It would unite us more closely. Second, start a monthly paper at headquarters expressly for the good of the fraternity, every issue to contain a report from every chapter. Third, organize the chapters in each state for the purchase of books. For example, the chapters of our state would combine and say to some of the Cincinnati book dealers, 'If you will furnish us books at a proper rate, we will patronize you; if not we will try some other store.' This would also benefit our alumni, who would take more interest in the Fraternity after leaving college. These things are some of my own originating. Investigate for yourself, and if you think they are worth trying I hope you will assist our delegate who will lay them before the convention.—V C. Stiers, Ohio University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, April 15, 1872.

You say you can not account for our chapter being the Theta. We have an undoubted right to that, as it was our name given to us by our charter in 1869. The Asbury chapter is the Eta. You have been led astray by the last catalogue, which was very badly printed in regard to our chapter.—George W. Wade, Terre Haute, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, April 15, 1872.

In my opinion we should have a series of secret Greek letters, such as are used in the catalogues of Δ K E, B Θ Π, Φ Γ Δ, etc. I believe we lack something of the kind very much. Of course it should be entirely different from theirs, and known only to Phis. What are your views as to publishing a Φ Δ Θ magazine, and also a history of the rise and progress of our order, as a Fraternity, and by chapters, in pamphlet form? I have been brooding over this subject for a long time. I want our Fraternity to be first to issue a magazine. The Indiana Gammas have been talking to us about a history for some time, and I would be in favor of putting both publications in charge of that chapter.—Charles T. Jamieson, Hanover College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, April 22, 1872.

Many circumstances prevented me from answering sooner your last favor, among which I might mention the getting

out of the catalogue, which I am happy to inform you is now in press, and will contain some nine hundred and twenty-five names and twenty-three chapters. The convention will be held at Danville, Ky., May 8. We have not yet chosen delegates, but will the first of this week. Make an effort to send or have sent a delegate from every Georgia chapter; choose your best men, and come with business heads, empty stomachs and light feet—these are the requisites. In the election just held we came out victorious as usual.—Holly R. Buckingham, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, April 29, 1872.

The official Republican paper of the state, the *Indianapolis Journal*, came out yesterday with a flaming editorial on the brilliant prospects of the 'National Phi Delta Theta convention,' which created quite a stir in Greek circles here. The Φ Γ Δs are in session at Indianapolis this week. A movement will probably be made in the convention to remove the charter from the Zeta chapter, located at Terre Haute. I don't know why it was ever granted in the first place, but I do know that it injures our cause in this state very materially. We have instructed our delegate to work for its removal, in spite of our feelings for it, being so near. I ask you as one who I know has the true interests of the Fraternity in view, to use your influence for the same end.—C. A. Murray, Indiana Asbury University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, May 2, 1872.

We all regretted very much indeed that Mason could not accompany you to the convention. He was willing to go without permission from the faculty, but the club knew what the consequences would be, and unanimously vetoed the proposition.—Ed. Smith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethrope University, May 17, 1872.

We have appeared in our pins and they have made quite an impression.—Nelson W Cady, Cornell University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, May 18, 1872.

Brother Rankin's account of the convention, read before our chapter at the last meeting, discovered to us the many good steps taken, as well as the hospitality of Kentucky Alpha. I expect to be at Athens if in college next year; indeed about half our chapter will go. Our catalogue will be out next week or the week after. We want to get in the tax so as to distribute copies before commencement, four weeks hence. I need hardly show you the necessity of sending on your tax immediately. It will be $8.25.—Holly R.

Buckingham, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, May 21, 1872.

An application for a charter for Ohio Epsilon at Granville, Ohio, has been made. The founder is from the Indiana Delta, and he says he has some of the best men in the college. I have received from the Illinois Gamma a catalogue of Knox College, and from it I report the following statistics: ΦΔΘ, 21; ΦΓΔ, 10; BΘΠ, 6.—Charles T. Jamieson, Hanover College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, May 27, 1872.

Brothers Tingley and Tomlinson speak very highly of you and express themselves much pleased with your acquaintance. I can shake hands with you over the demolishing of the Terre Haute chapter, but I believe you have had my sentiments on that question. In regard to the minutes of the convention, it is the business of the Grand Alpha to send a copy to the Alpha of each state, and for each Alpha to send a copy to every other chapter in the state. At least that was the way it was done last year, and I think it the proper way. What reason have you to fear that you will not receive the minutes? Your trip to the convention was quite long and must have involved considerable expense. Now I don't think it right for one chapter to be compelled to pay more for a representation in the convention than another. It seems to me that the whole fraternity should be taxed per capita for defraying the total expenses of the convention, including the expenses of one delegate from each chapter. This would divide the burden, so that it would not fall heavily on any chapter, and then every chapter in the Fraternity would be certain to be represented, for if not of course it would forfeit the money due it for defraying the expenses of its delegate. You will remember that Bro. C. O. Perry was one of the committee on raising a Permanent Fund. He has collected near $500 in this place alone, which is now drawing from 10 to 12 per cent. interest for the ΦΔΘ Fraternity. I consider this one of the best things which you did. The fund should be raised to $2,000 this year, and three times that next, which will make a sufficient sum to defray all the expenses of the Fraternity and place us above any other Greek fraternity.—Allen B. Thrasher, Northwestern Christian University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 2, 1872.

The Delta still retains her number, six, but next term we will have more members. Bro. S. R. Stevens, of the Gamma,

will be with us next October. One of the Delta, Bro. Jackson, will join the Beta next term. We hate very much to give him up for he is a good member. All the rest of our boys will be back.—Alexis A. Marshall, Mercer University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 14, 1872.

I can give you no news of our chapter here, for we have none. It was murdered (no other word will express it) in convention, May 9, 1872. The convention declared our charter illegal, and in the same breath declared us legal members of the Indiana Alpha. All archives, records and papers of the Theta chapter have been committed to the flames.—George W Wade, Terre Haute, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Oglethorpe University, June 17, 1872.

I suppose you have heard of our grand success at Indiana University. I am informed that we have the best chapter there now we ever have had, and that is saying a great deal. I think much praise is due those four loyal ones who obeyed the mandates of our Bond with such fidelity. They have shown not only pluck and bravery, but tact and wisdom. They have also carried off second honor, the Latin salutatory. My Indiana Alpha correspondent, E. A. Hamilton, is the recipient. At the close of the year Φ Δ Θ had 10 members, Β Θ Π 15, Σ Χ 20, Φ Κ Ψ 16, Φ Γ Δ 14 and Δ Τ Δ 13.—Charles T. Jamieson, Batavia, Ohio, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., July 2, 1872.

Our term ended very pleasantly; we had a class of twenty-five to graduate. On class day the orator was a Phi; he also took the second honors of the class and delivered the Latin salutatory. The Phis had a lively time during commencement; quite a number in town and we made a big show. When college closed we had nine members in the chapter; we will have eight to start with next fall. I would not go back the first term if it were not that I am so strongly attached to my Fraternity and chapter. You know we had a hard time this year, but I think we have our chapter on a foundation on which it can stand. We will soon, as we have in the past, take our place at the head of fraternities in Indiana University, and I think we will remain there. We expect two that were with us last year to be back next; they were here during commencement and were very enthusiastic. . . . I suppose you have heard of the Grand Alpha refusing a charter to Moncrief at Granville, Ohio. It caused quite a sensation here, as Moncrief was from the Indiana Delta, and we all knew him to be a man of talent and good judg-

ment. We felt sure that he would establish a chapter that would reflect credit upon the Fraternity, and we did not like to see him treated thus. I do not know that the Grand Alpha had any good reason for refusing a charter. The excuse was that it was too late in the year; that was the only reason given. Moncrief had eight good men and they had ordered badges. Granville has a first-class college. We think the matter will be fixed up this fall.—Beverly Gregory, Brooklyn, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., July 11, 1872.

I got acquainted with H. R. Buckingham of Ohio Alpha last Friday; he is a fine man. He brought the new catalogue over. It is a far better one than that of 1871.
I tell you there will be fun in these parts if a charter is refused to the Granville boys. It *must* be granted.—Charles T. Jamieson, Batavia, Ohio, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 6, 1872.

You will remember that I was elected treasurer of the society, and that as such all funds and assessments paid to me will be properly receipted for. You can remit to me the amount of your assessments and your subscription to the Permanent Fund, and, upon presentation to me of any of the outstanding accounts against the society, properly vouched for, I will pay them, and be responsible to the society. The Permanent Fund is doing well; we have over $500 subscribed, and most of it paid in. You will please remit the amount of your subscription and make an effort to send us a good large list from your state.—Charles O. Perry, Treasurer Φ Δ Θ, Indianapolis, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 2, 1872.

We have started very fairly this term. My brother Jed has become a Phi, and W O. Bates, from the Indiana Gamma, is with us, so that we now number six.—Nelson W Cady, Cornell University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 12, 1872.

Our chapter is in a flourishing condition, numbering twelve active members, with the prospect of two or three more. Our college met with quite a severe shock in the resignation of our president and three professors. We had a loss of five members from our chapter, but we are once more on a good footing. . . The Beta chapter was formerly at Monmouth, but it has become the Alpha, the Alpha at Chicago having become defunct. . Please acknowledge the greeting of the Illinois Beta to the Georgia Alpha.—J. D. Miller Hamilton, Knox College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 14, 1872.

Our chapter has not done anything so far, but I will wake it up immediately. We have five of the pick of the college to start with, and I have no fears as to the result. My old room-mate, W. O. Bates, has gone to Cornell University; he was warmly welcomed by the New York Alpha. He writes me that the Phi prospects there are good. He was elected secretary of the class of '75, and Lucas lacked only three votes of getting the presidency; the one who did get it leans rather toward the Phis, and they are working for him. Nelson Cady's address is Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. I have heard from Hanover, Bloomington, Wabash and Greencastle. With the latter exception they are doing better than ever before. Darnell has left the Greencastle chapter from some cause. I will have the particulars shortly, and will then advise you of them.—Allen B. Thrasher, Northwestern Christian University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 15, 1872.

We are at last ready to distribute the catalogues of Φ Δ Θ. Perhaps a word of explanation is due, in view of this delay. The committee appointed to prepare the last catalogue was composed of Messrs. Fisher, Rankin and Buckingham. The two first were members of last year's Senior class, and consequently are not in college this year. Mr. Buckingham did not return to college until a few days ago. No other member of the chapter was well enough informed to attend to the business, hence nothing could be done until Buckingham returned. The committee were promised the catalogues by the publishers before the close of last year, and hoped to distribute them before last vacation, but they did not arrive in time. Send the number of catalogues your chapter desires and the address, and we will forward them at once. We have just come out of an election with honor to Φ Δ Θ. We took in four new members last meeting.—George F. O'Byrne, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 16, 1872.

Our chapter is doing finely. We have eleven members, as follows: Juniors, three; Sophomores, five; Freshman, one; Preparatory, two. Although most of our boys are new members, they are taking hold in earnest. This chapter is now known as the Illinois Alpha. For some cause unknown to us the Chicago chapter, which was the Alpha of this state, gave up its charter, and our Beta became the Alpha. The Gamma chapter (now the Beta) is established at Galesburg, Ill. At present there are only two chapters in this state,

and they are but sixteen miles apart. Thus you see Φ Δ Θ includes but a small portion of places of education in Illinois. There are three fraternities in Monmouth College, but the Φ Δ Θ has the best hold.—John H. Mason, Monmouth College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 2, 1872.

The Alpha is in a very flourishing condition at this time. We have eight men and some more on the road, and we are getting along very well in every way.—Beverly Gregory, Indiana University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 7, 1872.

To-day I forwarded to your address per express fifteen catalogues marked C. O. D. $12. That was the tax assessed on your chapter. The reason of this high tax is the publishers charged us $195, instead of $125 as we expected; but they got us up a magnificent catalogue and we are not sorry. The tax was distributed in proportion to the number of members in each chapter. We thought it best to reserve one hundred copies. Should the Georgia Alpha or any individual member desire a catalogue we will forward it upon application free of charge.—George F. O'Byrne, Miami University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 9, 1872.

It is sad about Old Oglethorpe. What do the boys generally think of its suspension? Let her go for the present at least. Do any of the Georgia Alpha boys intend entering other colleges? If so, see if they can't do something where they go. You should keep the books of the Alpha, and not permit them to be scattered about; there is no other place where they will be as safe as where they are.—Clinton R. Gaskill, Chattanooga, Tenn., to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 25, 1872.

I will give you a short history of our chapter since I joined it. Last April we had five members, and at the close of the session we had fourteen. At the beginning of this session ten of the old members returned, and we have taken in three, and two are going to join at our next meeting. I think that is rapid progress. Last year we received more honors than any other fraternity in college. We had a called meeting last night to take into consideration the propriety and the manner of establishing a chapter at Randolph-Macon College. I do not think there is any doubt about our establishing it. We have been corresponding with a young man there who is preparing himself for the ministry, and he says he has succeeded in getting two other splendid young men to promise to join if we would establish a chapter there,

which I think is sufficient encouragement for a beginning. I received a letter from a member of the Missouri chapter last week. They are just carrying things right along; have twenty members, and expect to take in several more at their next meeting.—J. H. Bear, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 26, 1872.

The membership of the societies is as follows: Chi Phi, five; Phi Delta Theta, eleven; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, fourteen. The Chi Phis will give us their votes, as they are too weak to do anything.—Alexis A. Marshall, Mercer University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 30, 1872.

Our present number is eight, with a prospect of three more before the term closes. We have engaged a hall and are having it fitted up. The committee to secure a hall did a great deal of work, for halls are scarce in this town. However, we have secured a good one, size 24 x 20, with four windows, in the third story of a new building.—Nelson W Cady, Cornell University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 2, 1872.

Brother Murrell expects to go to Randolph-Macon College Christmas to initiate those who are about to become our fraters in the organization of a chapter at that place.—J. H. Bear, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 6, 1872.

I see by the papers that Oglethorpe University has suspended for a time. I regret that exceedingly. We had a fine chapter there, and the loss will not be small. Do you think the boys will come to Athens? Try to influence them to that end. We of the Beta need some men, and we would be most happy to welcome them to our chapter.—Charles M. Beckwith, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 13, 1872.

Brothers Murrell and Whitehurst are going to start to Randolph-Macon College Thursday to establish the chapter there which I spoke of in my last letter. We succeeded in making the requisite arrangements for the establishment of that chapter sooner than I had any idea of when it was first mentioned among the members here. We intend to try the University of Virginia soon; if we do not succeed this year I have no doubt that we will next, as several of our members expect to go there.—J. H. Bear, Roanoke College, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 15, 1872.

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General H. V. N. Boynton was born July 22, 1835, at West Stockbridge, Mass.; removed to Cincinnati in 1846; was graduated at Woodward College, in that city, and subsequently attended and was graduated from Kentucky Military Institute. While here he was initiated into Phi Delta Theta. After graduation he entered the faculty as professor of mechanics and astronomy, and received the degree of civil engineer.

He entered the Union army in 1861 as major of the Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry; was lieutenant-colonel in command of the regiment in July, 1862, and commanded it to the end of its service, except when disabled by wounds. He was mus-

tered out in September, 1864, because of disability from wounds received at Missionary Ridge. He was brevetted brigadier-general for his part in that battle, and has been given the congressional medal of honor for it.

Gen. Boynton has been engaged in journalism in Washington since December, 1865. He originated the plan of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga national military park, and drew the bill establishing it, which incorporated his plans. He is the chairman and historian of the national park commission. The plan for the dedication of the park, as incorporated in the law providing for it, was also his.

A Confederate officer, writing in the Chattanooga *Times*, says of this work of Gen. Boynton's:

> It was an inspiration, born of a noble mind, whose patriotic breadth overlapped the extensive battle-fields and reached from ocean to ocean, comprehending in its scope all the noble attributes that belong to the very highest American manhood.
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> It was Gen. Boynton's aspiration to memorialize perpetually and permanently in bronze, marble, and steel the heroism of both armies, causing our children and grandchildren and posterity through all coming time to realize the height, breadth, and depth of American valor.

THE FRATERNITY LIBRARY.

At the National Convention at Philadelphia, in 1896, the Fraternity saw fit to create the office of librarian, and elected the undersigned to that position. He had just closed the term of seven years service as editor of THE SCROLL, and therefore had in his possession a great many things of fraternity interest that it would have taken a long time to have otherwise accumulated. Notwithstanding this, however, his ideas as to the duties entailed by such an office and the possibilities of the library to the Fraternity were decidedly vague. Now, after something more than a year's time has elapsed since the library was founded, there is dawning a better conception of the purposes which it can serve, and what things it may gather together that will enrich its history and archives to our successors. Where at first a few shelves in a store-room were expected to accommodate amply, it is now found that three large book cases in the officer's library are already filled, while the store-room is already crowed with the material which it is not essential should be kept on accessible shelves.

The statutes of the Fraternity specify the various materials which it is desired shall be treasured up in the library. Of these it now may be said that we have a fair representation. The file of THE SCROLL is complete from Volume I.,

No. 1, to the latest issue, while duplicate copies of all the early and less readily obtained issues are at hand. It is expected to make complete a duplicate file, and then after that all other copies can be made to serve chapters and others who are desiring to complete their files of this publication. So, too, there are complete files of the Fraternity's catalogues and song books. The department in which the library is most incomplete is that of the books, monographs and papers of which members of the Fraternity are the authors. As yet but few such have been collected. It is to be hoped that the library will be given the cordial support of all members, so that whenever such a work shall come to their knowledge a copy of it shall be placed in the fraternity collection. Outside of the librarian's personal collection of fraternity photographs, which includes quite a large list, there are practically no contributions in this line. This is an important department, and one that should be no longer neglected. Every chapter should deposit a copy of its annual photograph in the library, which photograph should be accompanied with a key and index showing the names of the members in the group. The value of such collection in a few years would be inestimable. It is hoped that every chapter will make note of this suggestion, and see that proper action is taken which will insure such contributions each year. Individual photographs in the case of undergraduates are not so important, but those of prominent alumni are desired equally with chapter groups. All photographs thus sent in are properly indexed and preserved. The collection of college annuals embraces about 300 copies covering a period of eleven years. It is hoped that with the assistance of the editor of THE SCROLL this collection can be enlarged from year to year.

Coming to the publication of other fraternities there is in the library at least one edition of the catalogue of practically every general college fraternity. The list for each fraternity is in no wise complete, and in a great many cases the copy is not that of the last edition published. Here, again, it is hoped that in the course of the next few years this collection may be made complete by securing copies that will represent practically all the editions issued; especially must this be made complete with reference to late publications. The files of Greek-letter fraternity periodicals is no limited one, although not as complete as it promises to be in the near future. Efforts are now being made to fill up gaps in files, and run the same back to an early period. These files run back to the college years of 1883–84, the time that

Brother W B. Palmer assumed the editorship of THE SCROLL. Brother Palmer made a very complete collection during his term of editorship, and has endeavored to add to it as he could from year to year.

The files are more or less broken from 1885 to 1888. In the last named year the undersigned became exchange editor of THE SCROLL, and from that on there are no more breaks than those occasioned by the changes in management of the exchange journals. The periodicals of which we have the most complete files are those of Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Kappa Alpha and Phi Kappa Psi.

Besides these there are numerous miscellaneous books and pamphlets issued by various societies. It is perfectly safe to estimate that the library now contains 500 bound volumes, and not less than 1,200 pamphlets and magazines.

In this connection it is desired to acknowledge the generous contributions which have been made by three well-known Phis. At the beginning of the year Brother Walter B. Palmer turned over to the library his magnificent collection of fraternity publications. From this collection our file of fraternity periodicals has been made more complete. From it came our entire collection of fraternity catalogues and the great majority of the miscellaneous publications of Greek-letter societies. Brother Palmer's collection deserves to rank as one of the valuable ones among college men, and was no doubt the most complete in the possession of any member of Phi Delta Theta. To Brother George Banta we are indebted for a very complete file of THE SCROLL from the beginning, several editions of the early catalogues of the Fraternity and other pamphlet publications. This collection donated by Brother Banta was that of his deceased brother, Charles, a member of the Fraternity who died but a year ago, and who had also taken a marked interest in all Phi Delta Theta affairs. The other collection was from a source very similar. Brother A. G. Foster, El Paso, Texas, was an associate of Brother Banta in fraternity work. He, too, had a brother, a member of Phi Delta Theta, Samuel Foster, formerly of Villa Vista, Louisiana. At his death his collection of fraternity periodicals was turned over to his brother, A. G. Foster, and these, with his own, Brother Foster has now donated to the library.

All contributions to the library are properly labeled, showing the name of the member giving them, and the time that they were received. It is hoped this resume of the contents of the library will bring it more particularly to the attention of the Fraternity, and be the means of bringing in other contributions.

J. E. BROWN.

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COL. FREDERICK FUNSTON, KANSAS ALPHA, '92,
LATE CHIEF OF ARTILLERY IN THE CUBAN ARMY.

The accompanying portrait of Colonel Funston appeared in *Harper's Weekly* for March 5, 1898, along with a biographical notice of him. To this issue he contributed a spirited sketch of the battle of Desmayo, 'The Cuban Balaklava,' in which he took part. Here 479 Cuban cavalry were sent by General Gomez against 2,500 Spanish infantry, losing 250 of their number killed and wounded, while half the survivors had their horses shot under them.

Bro. Funston, to whose romantic adventures THE SCROLL referred at length in April, 1897, and February, 1898, is now speaking in Kansas in behalf of the Cubans.

'A MISUNDERSTANDING.'

The 'Manual of Phi Delta Theta,' issued as a supplement to THE SCROLL for October, 1897, contains a sketch of Φ Δ Θ, in which is the following paragraph:

In 1885 the active members of the W. W. W., or Rainbow chapter, at the University of Texas were initiated into the chapter of Φ Δ Θ, and the Southwestern chapter of Φ Δ Θ was formed by initiating the Southwestern chapter of W. W. W. Both of these Rainbow chapters had refused to accept the conditions which had been accepted by the other chapters of their fraternity in uniting with Δ T Δ.

Under the heading 'A Misunderstanding,' the editor of the *Rainbow* of Δ T Δ says in the issue for January, 1898:

We do not think this statement covers the whole case, nor did Mr. Palmer intend probably that it should. It does, however, admit the *one* point supposed to be in controversy, which is that the Rainbow fraternity, as a fraternity, accepted the conditions and *united* with Δ T Δ. It is only fair to state that our fraternity hoped to have the University of Texas chapter of W. W. W.; at any rate that institution was not in the list of those from which we requested the Rainbow fraternity to withdraw before the union took place. *The chapter at the Southwestern University, however, was deprived of its charter by the Rainbow fraternity. This was done at the request of our committee.* Southwestern University was in the list of four institutions from which the Rainbow fraternity withdrew as one of our conditions of uniting. There remained, therefore, three chapters of W. W. W. The fraternity, *as a fraternity*, came to Δ T Δ; the University of Texas chapter, through circumstances that we do not care to discuss, joined Φ Δ Θ.

The statement quoted from the 'Manual of Phi Delta Theta' is exactly true, and the statement that the W W W. chapter at Southwestern was forced out of the Δ T Δ Rainbow coalition is not true, as can be proven by Δ T Δ as well as Φ Δ Θ publications. First, however, as to the University of Texas chapter. In THE SCROLL for January, 1886, Constance Pressels gives the following account of members of W. W. W. joining the University of Texas chapter of Φ Δ Θ:

Those readers of THE SCROLL who have kept abreast of fraternity news are aware that, for the last year or more, rumors of the consolidation of W. W. W. (Rainbow) and Δ T Δ have been circulated. Several chapters of W. W. W. refused to enter Δ T Δ. Among these was the D. V. chapter of the University of Texas. The members of the D. V. chapter surrendered their charter, and being no longer Romans, were anxious to become Greeks. They solicited admission into Φ Δ Θ, and as they numbered some of the best and most prominent students of the university, were duly admitted and initiated.

As to the Southwestern chapter, it was established by W W. W. in 1882. The following account of how it became a

chapter of Φ Δ Θ was written by Robert A. John, and appeared in THE SCROLL for May, 1886:

Sometime in May, 1885, we were informed that negotiations had been opened between Δ T Δ and our fraternity (W. W. W.) with a view to consolidation. At the opening of the college session in the fall of 1885, our head chapter (at Vanderbilt University) informed us that the hybrid would be called the 'Δ T Δ-Rainbow,' with an union constitution, an union badge, and an union ritual—in other words, a new fraternity, half Greek and half Roman, would be built on the wreck of both. Internally the W. W. W. was a weak organization; it lacked ritual; it taught doctrines that the war had settled, and was distasteful to true republican spirit. Hoping to better and strengthen our organization, our L. S. chapter of the Southwestern University telegraphed the I. P. chapter at Vanderbilt that we would accept those conditions of consolidation. Upon the heels of this we received from Nashville the following official communication:

NASHVILLE, TENN., Oct. 13, 1885.

L. S. CHAPTER, RAINBOW FRATERNITY.

Brothers in the Rainbow Fraternity:

DEAR SIRS: Find within terms of consolidation between the W. W. W.s and the Delta Tau Deltas, all of which articles have been ratified by the Delta Tau Delta except the last one, which will undoubtedly be ratified by them very soon, as we were informed by their committee. These articles have been agreed to by the I. P. chapter of Vanderbilt University; and, in behalf of the I. P., I ask you to take action upon them as soon as possible and let us hear the result. By doing so you will greatly oblige, Your brother in W. W. W.,

PRESTON VAUGHAN, D. V.

The terms of consolidation were as follows, to wit:

Terms of consolidation of the Rainbow and Delta Tau Delta fraternities:

ARTICLE 1. The names of the consolidated fraternities shall be Delta Tau Delta.

ARTICLE 2. The fraternity shall be divided into four grand divisions, the first of which shall be known as the Rainbow division, and this shall be perpetual *and shall include all the original chapters of the Rainbow fraternity.*

ARTICLE 3. The grand chapter of the Rainbow division shall be located with the Vanderbilt University chapter, unless ordered elsewhere by a vote of said Rainbow division, and then shall go only to an old Rainbow chapter.

ARTICLE 4. The original Rainbow chapters shall always have at least one representative in the executive council.

ARTICLE 5. The name of the Delta Tau Delta journal shall be changed from the *Crescent* to the *Rainbow*. This is to take effect upon the consolidation of the two fraternities, and to be perpetual.

These terms were diametrically opposed to those we had been led to expect would be made, and of such humiliating nature that our chapter determined that it could with more credit to itself 'swap' our Romanism to better advantage, and treat with a Grecian order more congenial to Texas soil than the Δ T Δ. If we were to surrender the old obsolete order of W. W. W. unconditionally, we claimed the right to say to whom of the conquering host it should be. About this time we learned that the Rainbow members at Vanderbilt wore Δ T Δ badges and colors.

Our Austin chapter came to our rescue and suggested the Φ Δ Θ. This fraternity was the largest in Texas; two of our faculty were loyal Phis, and we had been told it was second to none in the United States. On the other hand, the Δ T Δ was unknown to us, there being no chapter in the state and very few in the south. Our decision was unanimous. We wrote to the I. P. chapter to withdraw our charter; this they treated with silence. We then bundled charter and paraphernalia up in a little brown package, and mailed it to Nashville, and sent in our petition to the Φ Δ Θ for a charter.

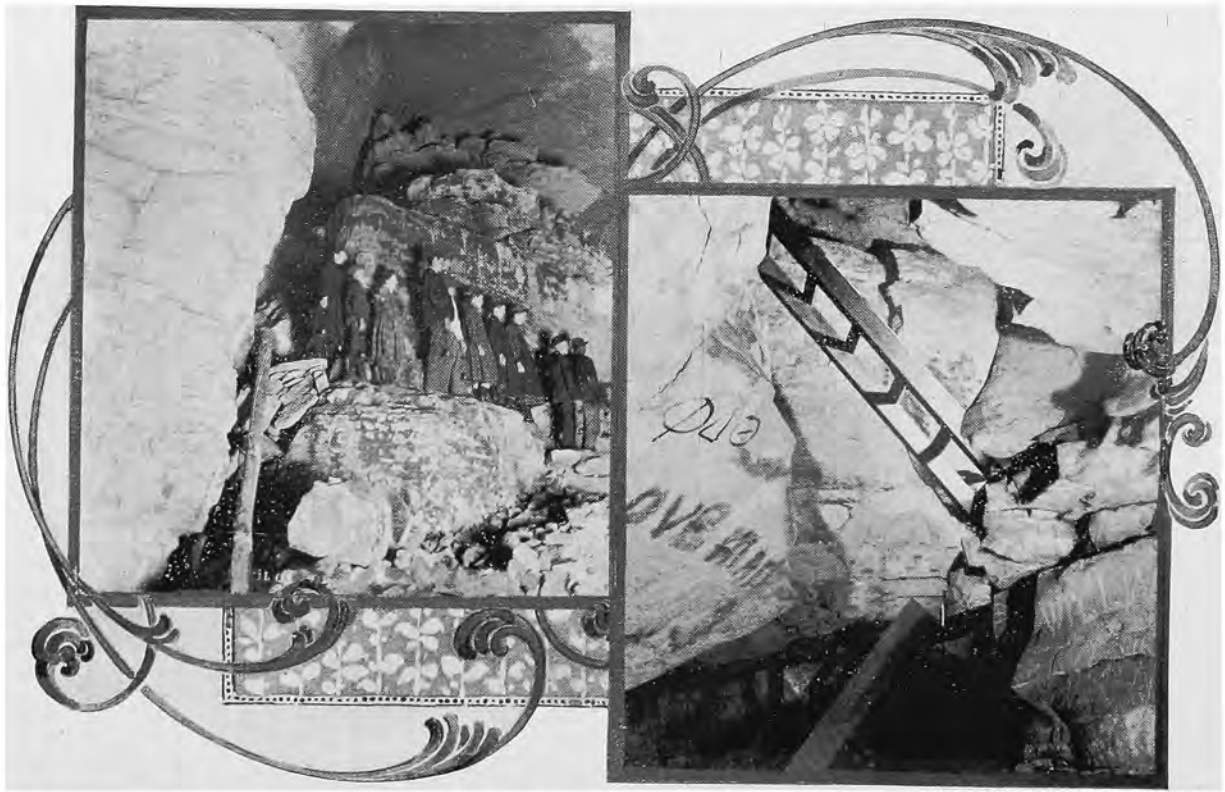
Our reason for joining the Φ Δ Θ is plainly this: we preferred it to

any other. We meant no discourtesy to Δ T Δs; their merits were unknown to us—this may argue ourselves unknown. But as it was a choice of Greek letters, we chose the Φ Δ Θ, and since joining her, have been signally converted to the precepts and practices of our present order. We wish success to all the Δ T Δs, whether old Rainbows or not; we will try to win success for ourselves as Φ Δ Θs.

These statements have been unchallenged for nearly twelve years. The letter from the head Rainbow chapter at Vanderbilt, to the Southwestern chapter, as well as the third article of agreement that '*all the original chapters of the Rainbow fraternity*' should be included in the new Southern or Rainbow division, is sufficient contradiction of the assertion of the present editor of the *Rainbow* that the Southwestern chapter of W W. W. was excluded from joining in the union with Δ T Δ. The present editor of the *Rainbow* seems to seek to discredit Southwestern University, as if it were not up to the Δ T Δ standard. Yet Δ T Δ did not stick at Emory and Henry College, a little Virginia institution, not nearly so well equipped or attended as Southwestern, and where the chapter died very soon after the consolidation. And it appears that Δ T Δ was willing then to swallow even more insignificant schools.

The consolidation was consummated on March 27, 1886, that being the date when the Vanderbilt Rainbows were initiated by the Sewanee Δ T Δs. An editorial account of 'the consolidation of the Δ T Δ and Rainbow' was published in the *Crescent* of Δ T Δ for March, 1886. In this account nothing whatever is said about withdrawal from Southwestern University. Three years later, in March, 1889, the *Rainbow* of Δ T Δ published a similar article by a former member of W. W. W., who said that W. W. W. ratified the articles of agreement in March, 1885, 'and the general secretary of Δ T Δ, estimating the votes of a few of their chapters not heard from, declared the consolidation consummated.' The matter becoming known was commented on in the Greek press, THE SCROLL giving first information. The writer continues:

The result was a premature explosion on the part of some of the Δ T Δ chapters. This had the effect of undoing the work done, and by reason of the delay incident to going through the work anew, the chapters of Rainbow of the University of Texas, University of Tennessee, *Chamberlain-Hunt Institute, and Southwestern University, were lost.* One of the causes of the delay in negotiations was the unwise selection of name for the conjoint body by the committee, it being a mixed Greek and Roman name, Δ T Δ—Rainbow. The consolidation was finally effected during the winter of 1886, but the Emory and Henry chapter was weak, died and has never been re-



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ON THE RIVER ROUTE, MAMMOTH CAVE.

THE EXIT OF THE CORKSCREW.

THE CORKSCREW.

vived. Although the society had at different times established fourteen chapters and two alumni associations, and although seven of the active chapters were in existence at the time of the consolidation with Δ T Δ, yet the University of Mississippi and Vanderbilt University chapters, as Pi and Lambda of Δ T Δ, now represent to the fraternity world all that remains of Rainbow as a college society.

From the foregoing it is evident that the Southwestern chapter of W. W W was lost to Δ T Δ, and unwillingly lost. The documents quoted are still in existence and they beyond question establish the fact that has heretofore been unquestioned, viz., that the Southwestern chapter of W W W. refused to enter the Δ T Δ—Rainbow combine, though urged to do so. It should be noticed that Φ Δ Θ did not interfere with the negotiations between W. W W. and Δ T Δ and did not treat with the two Rainbow chapters in Texas until after they had resigned their W. W W. charters.

WALTER B. PALMER.

A GREEK VANDAL.

The return trip from the Atlanta convention was memorable for many reasons. Most of the adventures of the party, whose constantly decreasing numbers were characterized by even more rapidly rising hilarity, have been referred to in the pages of THE SCROLL. The party has since had two delightful reunions, the first with Mrs. John Edwin Brown and Miss Swope as hostesses, at Indianapolis, in 1894, and the second with Mrs. Brown, at Philadelphia, in 1896. One of the best remembered portions of this journey was the part that lay through Mammoth Cave. Walter B. Palmer and Eugene H. L. Randolph, some years before had laid the foundation of the Φ Δ Θ cairn, and at the time their visits were made the guides were already careful to enjoin abstinence from smoking or scratching the walls with names and dates; so that the three familiar letters standing out so prominently on the rock photographed on the opposite page, must have been placed there in early times. Who did it?

The pictures are from 'The Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, an Illustrated Manual,' by H. C. Hovey, D. D., and R. C. Call, Ph. D. The book is published by John P. Morton and Co., of Louisville, Ky., whose courtesy we acknowledge in the loan of the accompanying cut.

EDITORIAL.

THE reports from our alumni chapters show that the tendency toward a more general and more regular celebration of Alumni day is to be noted this year as in 1897. Indeed, now we should be as much surprised to hear of the suspension or decay of one of our strongest college chapters as we should be to find that Boston or San Francisco, to take two extreme examples, had failed to report an annual meeting. This year Los Angeles becomes wide-awake again, and bids fair to play an active part henceforth in Phi Delta Theta's history on the coast. Cincinnati and Detroit seem about to return to our original plan of monthly meetings. The alumnus as reporter is very much like his undergraduate brother, however, and we have been unable to secure accounts of two or three successful meetings, of which hints came to us from outside sources. There are still a few chapters that have suffered the loss of their organizer or his successor, but the general officers will endeavor to reduce further the number of the dormant before the next convention meets. It seems that the Columbus Phis are in a fair way to be chartered, and we have rumors of like tenor from Providence and Syracuse and Buffalo. It is evident that Phi Delta Theta's alumni members have retained to a large degree the undergraduate loyalty and enthusiasm to which our chapter letters bear witness from issue to issue of THE SCROLL.

ONE thing a few of our alumni chapters have yet to learn is how to adapt oneself to circumstances. If a city is given to formal banquets, and its professional and business men find time to dress elaborately and eat nine-course dinners, celebrate in this way, by all means. But if, as is more often the case, time is the scarcest article on the market, and formality rather dreaded than reverenced, why not lunch

informally at noon at some well-known restaurant or hotel, or dine at six in business dress? Among Phis why should an engraved announcement and three weeks' warning be required? One very successful meeting was held recently, where the members were all notified by telephone from the reporter's office two hours before, and mine host consulted after this had been done. If the object is to meet and to enjoy the meeting there is no valid excuse for either failure or postponement.

THE charters of Michigan Beta and Michigan Gamma have been withdrawn, this action taking effect on commencement day, 1898. The General Council was instructed by the Philadelphia convention to investigate the condition and standing of the two institutions at which these chapters are located, and to act as circumstances demanded. After a careful investigation and a visit of a member of the General Council at Hillsdale and Lansing, the action indicated above was decided upon, and it has been approved by the chapters of Delta province.

The charter of Michigan Beta is withdrawn because of the low standard of the school. When the chapter was established there, a quarter of a century ago, the requirements for admission were not materially lower than those of many western institutions, and the understanding and expectation were that they would be raised. It was thought that at Lansing the state of Michigan would build up a great school of technology, and at Ann Arbor a college of liberal arts. The school has never been permitted, however, by the legislature of Michigan to raise its requirements for admission, and though the work done in the class room is of excellent quality and the equipment fairly complete, the amount of work offered and required in the literary departments is not what it should be. The chapter occupies a handsome suite of rooms and has an excellent record for loyalty and promptness. It has graduated many men who are known through the whole Fraternity and the college world generally. For these reasons, action was long delayed and only taken with

great regret. We shall not lose these alumni, however, nor our interest and pride in them, and we shall realize that we have done our duty. Phi Delta Theta was the last general fraternity at Lansing, if we except the engineering fraternity of Tau Beta Pi. There are several literary societies which are practically local fraternities, however.

Michigan Gamma's charter is withdrawn on account of the decrease in attendance at Hillsdale and lack of suitable fraternity material. When the charter was granted, sixteen years ago, the attendance was between 700 and 800 in the whole school, and 176 were enrolled in the four college classes. Δ T Δ was the only men's fraternity there. Last year the attendance in all departments was 363 and the number in the four college classes barely 90. This gives fifty male students for three fraternities to select from. The requirements for admission and for graduation at Hillsdale are high. The work done is good. The chapter, though weak in numbers because of its constant determination to initiate none but good men, has been faithful in all its duties. It has sent out many prominent alumni, several of whom are not now credited to Michigan Gamma, as they should be, because they affiliated later with other chapters. The chapter had a house last year and occupies part of one at the present time. Delta Tau Delta and Alpha Tau Omega have chapters there, as have Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi.

Phi Delta Theta, after June 17, will have sixty-three chapters on her roll, and it is voicing the sentiment of the Fraternity, though the editor makes the statement on his own responsibility, to say that we have no fears now for the future of any of these or of the institutions in which they are located. In the last two and a half years eight charters have been withdrawn or surrendered: Richmond, Roanoke, Southern, Buchtel, Illinois Wesleyan, Wooster, Michigan State and Hillsdale. Of these Wooster and Buchtel are suspended until the next convention, when they will be definitely withdrawn, unless conditions have so far improved as to justify their revival.

READERS of THE SCROLL who live in those benighted regions where Chicago newspapers are not read, have doubtless been curious to know the details of a matter referred to in the last paragraph of Illinois Alpha's chapter letter in the February issue. Inasmuch as this affair seems to have consisted more largely of comments than of facts, it is perhaps more proper to mention it here than among our news items.

The Chicago *Post* of January 29 contained an article gotten up in the sensational style so familiar of late, in which it was stated with much elaboration of detail that Illinois Alpha of Phi Deta Theta had tried unsuccessfully to lift the Northwestern chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, whose membership had become reduced to five men. The article in question bore so many Σ A E ear-marks; the position of Phi Delta Theta in regard to lifting and the record of Illinois Alpha as an honorable chapter were so well known, that the General Council saw no occasion for serious concern. In view, however, of the gravity of the charge and the publicity given it, Illinois Alpha was asked for all the facts in the case, so far as known to her, for presentation to the members of the Fraternity through THE SCROLL and for reference to the next convention.

Some days after the publication of this article in the *Post* the chief executive officer of Σ A E, known in that fraternity as the Eminent Supreme Archon, wrote to the President of the General Council of Φ Δ Θ, 'requesting' him to 'seek out and punish' all Phis who 'took part in this act.' The Secretary of the General Council informed the Eminent Supreme Archon that it is not the business of Phi Delta Theta's executive officers to 'punish' individual members, but that the matter would certainly be sifted, and the facts reported to the next convention.

Meanwhile, the March number of the Σ A E *Record* was delayed some time (how long we can not tell, as THE SCROLL was not favored with a copy until the editor wrote for it, having met quotations therefrom in other exchanges) in order to permit the preparation of eight pages of matter on this subject, a portion of which, consisting of the Θ Δ X

Shield's account of a recent lifting by K A, had been given in the February SCROLL with comments which should have left no doubts in the mind of the average reader as to Φ Δ Θ's views on lifting. The *Record* gives an account of the alleged attempt as furnished by the Evanston Σ A Es, together with the other developments we have noted, and proceeds to place before Φ Δ Θ a dilemma, with which the traditional devil and deep sea or frying pan and fire are weak and watery comparisons. The editor sees no escape for us except an acknowledgment that the Fraternity authorizes or allows lifting, or that Illinois Alpha is a dishonorable and disgraced chapter. He generously forbears to condemn absolutely either Φ Δ Θ or Illinois Alpha, though he has 'lost what respect he had for the prosperity and influence of the Phi Delta Theta and her members.' This self-restraint seems to be a marked characteristic of Σ A E, for the same editor, though 'urged to write a stinging article of rebuke for the benefit of the fraternity world,' is disposed to give Φ Δ Θ 'a chance to explain.' The Northwestern Σ A E chapter, too, after, according to its story, having waited twenty-four hours to give an oral answer to Φ Δ Θ, decided to follow this up with a written one. Their 'first impulse was to take advantage of the chance to write some communication expressive of their contempt,' but on deliberation they restrained themselves and drew up a dignified document.

If the editor of the *Record* is really curious to know the attitude of Φ Δ Θ toward lifting, let him ask some of his brother editors who are more familiar with the fraternity history of the last decade what THE SCROLL had to say about lifting *à propos* of Ψ Υ at Wisconsin or of Δ K E at Minnesota, for example, to ignore the Θ Δ X–K A matter discussed in the last issue. We are pleased to know that Σ A E now has laws which would not allow her to form a chapter, as she did at Mt. Union, in 1885, from former members of another existing general fraternity. We trust she may soon have laws forbidding the initiation of honorary members, and thus make further progress.

As for Illinois Alpha, that chapter also has a record and

convictions against lifting. The first letter that came to the editor was from its president, who said that no attempt to lift the Σ A E chapter had been either acted upon or considered, and that he knew nothing of this affair until after it was reported to have occurred, and however 'honorable' and 'splendid' the history and record of Σ A E may be at Northwestern, to use the adjectives employed by the Σ A E correspondent of the *Post*, we think Illinois Alpha's history and record entitle her to equal respect and her official statements to equal credence, to say the least.

The member of the chapter who is alleged to have been concerned in an attempt to lift tells us that the Σ A E chapter of five had been twice reported to be about to send in its charter and seek other fraternity affiliations. They claim to have had bids from two or three leading Northwestern chapters before Φ Δ Θ's alleged offer. Their one pledged man resigned and was taken into Φ K Σ. So, in a purely informal and personal conversation a Σ A E was asked as to the truth of these rumors of dissolution, and he replied in the same spirit, not denying the reports but intimating that the matter was still under advisement. He further said that the chapter had found itself seriously handicapped by the rumors afloat and that he was glad to be asked openly about them, as it gave Σ A E a chance to answer without making her position worse. Our correspondent believes that it was simply a desire on the part of Σ A E to improve her position in Northwestern fraternity circles that led to the writing and publication of that after-thought letter. As to what the Chicago *Post* printed, we trust the *Record* and our exchanges will not regard too seriously the productions of a man, an alumnus of Σ A E, who was last year forced by the Northwestern faculty to retract false and scandalous reports he had published about the university, and who thus alone saved himself from expulsion.

We can hardly blame the *Record* for its inclination to believe Σ A E witnesses. Possibly we may be allowed the same confidence in our own. We are perfectly willing to let the

rest of the fraternity world choose between them, taking into consideration what we have just set forth.

We trust that we have at least made it clear that Φ Δ Θ is not among the fraternities that still tolerate lifting, and that Illinois Alpha is in full accord with the Fraternity on the question. We do believe that it was very indiscreet for any Northwestern Phi to have discussed with a member of another fraternity the subject of surrendering a charter, as such conversations are only too likely to be misrepresented and used for advertising purposes. We think, too, that fraternity men anywhere are unjust in circulating damaging rumors about weak chapters. If there was internal dissension, as was alleged in this case, it would work out its own penalty very soon; if not, such gossip was cruelly unfair. We can not see, however, that the weak chapter betters its position by seeking to climb back to importance through means best known to yellow journalism.

BEFORE the rush of commencement comes, there are two or three important matters that should claim the attention of every chapter. We take it for granted that the publication in this issue of the names of those delinquent with historian's reports will result in this matter being cleared up at once. The numbers of circular letters received is now considerably above what it was last year, and we shall expect to hear from most of the remaining chapters during April and May. The chapter's finances, however, must be looked after immediately. All local bills which fall due between now and October 1 should be provided for this month, and a receipt in full secured from the Treasurer of the General Council. It is so well known to every college man that collections can scarcely ever be made the last few weeks of the college year, or from men who have left college, that we wonder why we repeat it here, but chapters and their treasurers go on making this mistake from year to year, none the less. Be business like. Save yourselves trouble and expense next fall, for you who return will have to settle every one of these accounts. Now is the best time to do it.

ANOTHER thing that should receive attention this term is the training of the freshmen. They will be your best rushers next fall, with a little direction from the class of 1900, and this is the time to see that they know the history of Phi Delta Theta, her purposes and achievements, her geography and biography, her position among her rivals. A careful study of the Manual will secure this, and every chapter should provide itself with copies enough to supply every rusher and every man rushed.

THIS is the time, too, to make definite chapter house plans for next fall. We have had enough 'discussion' and 'enthusiasm' and 'movements' from some, and talk of 'local conditions' and 'impracticability' from others. We have chapters enough housed now to know how the thing can be done. Write to Wisconsin, to Union, to Vanderbilt, and find how they managed it, if your own plans do not satisfy you. But have definite plans, and keep at work in accordance with them. One man who pushes a chapter house scheme steadily for two years can make it a success anywhere. The trouble is there is too much talk and too little work, and what work is done is too spasmodic. Perfect your chapter house plans *now*.

THE chapters of Epsilon province will meet on May 12, 13 and 14 with Nebraska Alpha, at Lincoln. All the chapters in the province were notified early in March, so that no official announcement is considered necessary at this time. Bro. J. G. Wallace, president of the province, authorizes THE SCROLL, however, to extend a cordial invitation to all western Phis, undergraduates and alumni, to attend the sessions of the convention. Every chapter, save the two in California, is confidently expected to send a delegate, and we trust there will not be one delinquent. We may be doing the California and Stanford chapters injustice, however, and if they want to learn what a rousing welcome is, let them be represented.

THE SCROLL is inclined to think that there has been too much passing of war resolutions by colleges and fraternities, too free tenders of military service. If these resolutions and offers were not to be given to the daily papers, and if they were sure to be taken literally and accepted by the government, they would not be so numerous. Cuba must be freed, but it is pitiful to see political parties and newspapers and colleges and fraternities trying to help themselves along while ostensibly trying to help Cuba. The same tendency was manifested during the war of Greece with Turkey last year. If fraternities and colleges wish to contribute to relieve distress among Greek refugees or starving Cubans, or to help build a monument to the men who perished on the Maine, or if individuals enlist, well and good. But the true American does his duty where circumstances place him, and in a war with Spain is as potent a factor, though perhaps silent, in his shop or office or class room, as on the deck of a battleship. It is no proof of patriotism to burn men in effigy or call them names at a safe distance.

Φ K Σ at Evanston is gaining an unenviable reputation for her lifting. The recent offense against Σ X was by no means her first. The fact that the two men lifted were soon afterward expelled from the university shows what sort of men are most likely to disregard their initiation oath. No chapter loses in having a man lifted; it is well rid of him. But the man himself aud the guilty chapter lose a great deal from their connection with such a disgraceful performance.

A LETTER FROM ROBERT MORRISON.

FULTON, MISSOURI, March 19, 1898.

My Dear Brother: The fifteenth of this month was indeed a red-letter day to me!

The morning's mail brought a letter from Bro. J. E. Brown stating that there had just been sent by express a package containing what is hoped will be a most pleasant reminder of your birthday and what it means to the members of the Phi Delta Theta. It carries with it the warm love and es-

teem of the hundreds and thousands of the brothers in the Bond who have followed you in the faith of Phi Delta Theta.'

The express office was promptly visited, and behold a book! a beautiful, magnificent and unique volume! *unique* for it is hardly probable that on earth there are many like it, but superb, as it is, what it *means* is a thing of greater interest and value, as it is a symposium of testimonials of regard and kind feeling from

The Chapters, Officers and Members
of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity,

embracing in their ranks many of the choicest men in America.

I accept this elegant souvenir, waiving its extravagant words of eulogy, knowing as I do that they were not uttered by triflers or men of double tongues.

While I do so, however, with the deepest gratitude of my heart, I know well that I do not deserve such a royal tribute. I have done a little, very little, for the advancement of the Order, certainly not more than my duty, and doing that, though only in a small degree, I was rewarded at the time by the approbation of a good conscience, and that is no slight pleasure. I do not deserve more than that; and I dare not be satisfied with less.

Such a fraternity, so grand and so honored in so many ways, deserves to have such a founder as they who have never seen or known me fancy that I am, because, in their imaginations, I *ought* so to be,—a founder much greater and wiser than the poor, plain, matter-of-fact man that I happen to be.

I, however, feel thankful to God that he has permitted me to have any place of usefulness in such a noble brotherhood; though alas! my work, all the time, has been very imperfect.

To the chapters of undergraduates and alumni, to the General Council and to all the individual members of ΦΔΘ I to-day, through THE SCROLL, with uncovered head, make a thrice profound bow for such a birthday gift.

And that the Grand Pilot of the universe, who has brought our good ship Phi Delta Theta safely through stormy waters and dangerous quicksands for half a hundred years may continue at the helm to guide us until we all reach the haven of eternal rest and blessedness, is the sincere, ardent prayer of

ROBERT MORRISON, Ohio Alpha, '49.

To the Editor of THE SCROLL.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

The realization of the sum of sixty thousand dollars, for which Colby has been making vigorous efforts, brings the university to what seems to be the beginning of an era of prosperity. It is expected that as soon as the present plans for improvement are completed a new effort will be made to add a much larger sum to the established fund of the university. Already plans are being prepared for the new chemical and biological laboratory, and as soon as the season permits the foundations will be laid for one of the finest scientific buildings in Maine. The ladies' dormitory is soon to follow.

The recent death of Prof. W. A. Rogers has cast a feeling of sadness over the entire college. Prof. Rogers was called to the chair of physics and astronomy in 1886, having already made an enviable reputation as a teacher and original investigator. From that time until his recent illness he gave himself to the duties of his department and to his favorite lines of investigation in such a manner as to add much to the fame of the university. He was peculiarly beloved by the students and by all who associated with him. His successor in the department will be Prof. Gordon E. Hull, of Chicago University.

The Colby glee club, under the management of Bro. H. S. Brown, has just returned from an extended trip through the northern part of the state. Not only have good audiences and popularity met them at every point, but an unusual degree of pecuniary success has been the result of the trip. Several shorter trips will be taken during the coming term.

The debating contest between Bates and Colby was one of the finest that has taken place here for a long time. A turn of the argument obliged the final speaker on the Colby team to abandon half what he had prepared and speak extemporaneously. This was done in a manner which won the compliments of many who did not know the difficulty in which he was placed. The debate was won, and well won, by Colby.

In the senior class elections for 1898 Bro. Foye was made chaplain, Bro. Cook, prophet, and Bro. Fuller, marshal; in the junior class Bro. Chase was chosen historian, Bro. Waldron, marshal, and Bro. Brown, chairman of the executive committee. Bro. Cook was one of the speakers in the senior prize contest in composition, and Bro. Chase has received an appointment as one of the junior prize debaters.

With best wishes for the success of every chapter and Phi, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Waterville, March 21, 1898. W. B. CHASE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The winter term closes at Dartmouth on April 7. The only events of particular interest during the winter have been the lectures by Robert Harper and Colonel Watterson, and the indoor meets in Boston during February, to which Dartmouth sent relay teams to compete with Brown and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

During the past week the last vestige of four feet of snow has disappeared from the campus, and every afternoon the place is alive with candidates for the base ball and track athletic teams. It is too early to make any forecast of our prospects, but every effort is being made to put winning teams into the field, and with the loss of but few strong men by graduation, Dartmouth has hopes of winning her usual share of athletic laurels.

Since our last letters we have initiated seventeen new members, and we take pride in presenting to the Fraternity: Carl Maynard Owen, Jacksonville, Ill., and Channing Tewksbury Sanborn, Concord, N. H., of the class of 1900; and Bernard Quincy Bond, Littleton, N. H.; Selwyn Kenson Dearborn, Clinton, Mass.; Edgar Hayes Hunter, Somerville, Mass.; Homer Chandler Ladd, Brookfield, Mass.; Richard Edwards Leach, Denver, Colo.; James Edward McCarten, Lancaster, N. H.; Edward Neil McMillan, Hyde Park, Mass.; Leon Orlando Merrill, Gilmanton, N. H.; Guy Clifton Ricker, Croton, Me.; Daniel Ashton Rollins, Washington, D. C.; Simon Henry Salomon, Groveton, N. H.; Leon Alfred Salinger, Rochester, N. H.; Royal Bradford Thayer, So. Braintree, Mass.; Harry Orbert Washburne, Hartford, Vt.; Theodore Newton Wood, Middleboro, Mass., all of the class of 1901.

All of our new brothers are entering with great zest into fraternity and college work. Several are accomplished pianists, and Bro. Thayer sang first tenor in the glee club this winter. Bro. Hunter led his class in scholarship for the first term. Bro. Ladd played on his class foot ball team last fall, and Bros. Washburne and McCarten on their class base ball team. The last two and Bro. Fairfield, 1900, are promising candidates for the 'varsity nine. Bro. Leach is one of our most genial assistants in the college library, having had considerable experience in library work in the Denver public library before entering Dartmouth. Bros. Merrill and Ricker received the first and third prizes at our annual fraternity prize speaking last week, Bro. Sawin, '98, receiving second prize.

At the annual 'class of '66 and Rollins' prize speaking held this month, Bro. Chase, '99, took the first prize in original orations, and Bro. Sawin, '98, secured a place in the extemporaneous debate for the seniors. Bro. Barney Musgrove, '99, and Tirrell, 1900, have parts in the play to be presented by the Buskin next week. Bro. Barney represented Dartmouth at the third international convention of the student volunteer movement at Cleveland, Ohio, February 23-27. He returned reporting a most cordial reception and entertainment by our brothers of the Case School. Bro. Musgrove was elected assistant editor of *The Dartmouth* early in the month, and will be editor-in-chief next year.

We greatly miss Bros. H. H. Lewis, '99, and Balkam, 1900. Bro. Lewis has just left us to accept an excellent position in the engineering department of the New England Railroad Company at Boston. He expects to return next year and enter the Thayer School of Civil Engineering. Bro. Lewis was one of our best athletes and will be missed at the meet in Worcester next May. He practically won the meet for us last year. Bro. Balkam was obliged to leave us at Christmas time on account of his eyes, and does not know yet whether he can return next year. Bro. Tirrell, 1900, is leader of the Dartmouth orchestra.

Our meetings have been very enthusiastic the past winter. The furnishings of our rooms have been renewed, and every afternoon and evening find a jolly crowd of Phis gathered there to chat, play games

and discuss general college and fraternity questions. We have been greatly pleased to receive visits this winter from a number of our alumni, and from several who are now in the medical college at Hanover. Bro. Bates, of Colby, is among the latter number.

With best wishes, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Hanover, March 26, 1898. B. C. RODGERS.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The mid-year examinations, one of the most critical periods in the student's life at the University of Vermont, were held on February 1–21, inclusive, and in a few cases, as usual, they worked disastrous results. For the most part our new honor system proved efficient, much less cribbing than formerly being observed. But to insure a complete abolition of this evil, more anti-cribbing resolutions were adopted by the student body on February 28, in addition to those respecting the honor system adopted on January 20. Henceforth any student reported to be a cribber shall be tried by the student members of the conference committee; if he is convicted by an unanimous vote of this jury, his name shall be published, and he shall be deprived of the right to participate in class or college affairs. Bro. Blair, '99, represents us on the conference committee.

The annual junior prom., the leading event of the winter in society circles in Burlington, took place Friday evening, February 18, at the armory, and was the splendid success that former events of the kind have led those who attend to expect.

The musical clubs have had a very successful season during the past winter. Fifteen concerts have been given throughout the state, including a joint concert in Burlington with the McGill University clubs of Montreal. Vermont Alpha has four members on the clubs.

January 27 was observed as the day of prayer for colleges. Bro. G. L. Richardson, *Williams*, '88, rector of the Episcopal church at Bennington, Vt., was the speaker on this occasion. Bro. Ufford, '01, was Y. M. C. A. delegate to the student volunteer convention at Cleveland, Ohio, February 25–27.

Our base ball team has a bright outlook for the season. Bro. Forbes, as manager, has arranged for two extended trips and for fourteen games on the home grounds with the strongest college teams. Vermont will be weaker than usual in the box, but coach Abbey, formerly of the Chicago league team, is coaching the team especially in batting and fielding. Bro. Murray, '00, who played on last year's team, and Bro. Lincoln, '00, are among the candidates.

Alumni day was observed March 15 by the undergraduates and several alumni of Vermont Alpha: Bros. Sinclair, '82; Mower, '94; Doten, '95; Sabin, '96; and Jackson, Doten, and Farrington, '97. A musical and literary programme was rendered, and remarks from the alumni were listened to with much interest. Light refreshments were served on this occasion, and a highly appreciated gift was received by the chapter from Bro. C. E. Briggs, '94. It was a sword and shield carved most artistically from wood.

Expecting enthusiastic reports in the next SCROLL from every stronghold of Phidoni, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Burlington, March 21, 1898. C. F. BLAIR.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst is shortly to have a new observatory. With the $15,000 bequest of Chas. T. Wilder, land has already been bought for its site, near Blake field. By the will of Amos R. Eno, which has been admitted to probate recently, Amherst will perhaps receive $50,000 more, though the disposal of it has not yet been decided. The college has been permitted this term to listen to two lectures in the course on 'College Thought and Public Interest'; one by Albert Shaw on 'Greater New York under the New Charter,' and the other by H. E. Krehbiel, on 'How to Listen to Music.'

The students' interests during the winter term seem to center around social attractions. The junior promenade on February 18 was unusually successful and enjoyable. Nearly all of the various fraternities have held dances and receptions at their chapter houses. Massachusetts Beta gave a very pleasant informal reception on the afternoon of March 9, at which young ladies were present from Smith and Mt. Holyoke Colleges. The house was tastefully decorated and refreshments served. It is the custom in our chapter to relieve the monotony of the term somewhat by holding what we call 'Saturday night set-ups,' tendered in turn by each delegation to the rest of the chapter. At the junior 'set-up' we enjoyed the presence of Bros. Leach, '92, Andrews, '95, Moses, '97, and Crary, '97.

The college has participated in two indoor athletic meets, under the auspices of the Boston athletic association and Boston College. The interest centered in both meets around the relay races between Amherst and Williams. Bros. Strong, '98, and Gladwin, '01, were members of the Amherst team. Basket-ball games have called forth quite a little class spirit and rivalry, and the freshmen have proved to have the strongest team. On the '98 team we were represented by Bros. Trefethen, Porter and Strong; on the '99 team by Bros. Brooks and Whitney; while Bro. Ennever was a substitute on the '01 team.

The musical associations and senior dramatics cast are preparing for their Easter vacation trips through the principal cities of southern New England. Bro. Strong is property manager, and has been assigned a rôle in the dramatics.

The chapter's goat-meetings have been very interesting and helpful. On the evening of February 15 we had the privilege of listening to a talk by Prof. Sterrett, our brother *in facultate*, who gave us an account of his personal experiences and observations during the recent war in Greece. The term will close with the presentation of a farce entitled 'Freezing a Mother-in-Law,' by the Phi Delta Theta troupe.

Bro. Bliss, '98, represented Massachusetts Beta at the annual banquet of the Rhode Island Alpha, and reported a very hospitable reception and fine banquet. Bro. Porter, '98, will be our delegate to the Massachusetts Alpha Alumni banquet, March 18. Our own Alumni day exercises were in every way interesting and helpful. There were three addresses by the active members. Bro. Porter, '98, spoke in review of the fifty years of the Fraternity, emphasizing the peculiar qualities which have enabled it to outstrip so many older rivals. Bro. Whitney's remarks were also retrospective, but confined to the past ten years of Massachusetts Beta, its progress, and its debt to its alumni. Bro. Bliss, '98, outlined clearly our standing to-day, our advantages and our weaknesses, and our duty and hope for the future. Bro. Leach, '92, was present. Bro. Leach's proximity to Amherst has enabled him to know personally every member but two of Massachu-

setts Beta's roll call since its founding in 1888; so that his remarks were particularly well received. He traced the efforts of the early members to place the chapter upon a secure footing, and related some interesting experiences of their struggle which were new to us. The speeches were interspersed with well-rendered selections by the chapter's quartette. The inspiring fraternity yell, given in the open air, rounded out the exercises of the evening.

With best wishes for continued prosperity of all the chapters, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Amherst, March 12, 1898. CHESTER M. GROVER.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

On February 25, Rhode Island Alpha held her ninth annual banquet. While not so largely attended as some of its predecessors, it was an enjoyable and hearty meeting of Phis. Several of the alumni, as is usual, were with us to renew former acquaintances and to meet the younger members. The literary program was as follows:

Toastmaster, Bro. Multer. 'What Are We Here For,' Bro. Greene; Oration, Bro. White; History, Bro. Wilcox; Toast, Bro. Hapgood; Poem, Bro. Putney; Prophecy, Bro. Stillman; 'Wheels as I Have Studied Them,' Bro. Phetteplace; responses by delegates; impromptus by the alumni.

For some time the foundation of an alumni chapter in Providence has been agitated, and on March 1, a meeting of alumni was held to consider what should be done. We hope soon to be able to report a strong alumni chapter, which shall not only give aid and encouragement to the local chapter but also advance materially the interests of Phi Delta Theta in Providence and vicinity.

The spring term opened March 29. The base ball squad, consisting of about twenty men, was called together for outdoor practice during the spring recess, and the prospects are bright for a strong, reliable team, of which Brown may justly be proud, and which will uphold the enviable position won by the teams of the past two years.

Yours in the Bond,

Providence, April 1, 1898. H. G. WILCOX.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter the membership list of New York Alpha has been swelled by the addition of the following names: William H. Morrison, 1901, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Charles E. Stevens, 1901, of Hornellsville, N. Y.; Clarence H. Fay, 1901, of Bath, N. Y.; William Waldo Pellet, 1900, of Watkins, N. Y.; Archie E. MacBride, 1901, of Deckertown, N. J.; and Eugene A. Kinsey, 1901, of La Salle, N. Y. Bro. Morrison, who heads the list, has already distinguished himself, having in spite of lively competition secured a position on the 'Masque,' Cornell's dramatic club.

In college affairs, athletic and social, Phi Delta Theta occupies a prominent place. Bros. A. E. Whiting, Hackett and Dempsey were members of last fall's foot ball team, Bros. Thomson and Zeller are on the track team (Bro. Thomson captained the relay runners), Bros. Starbuck and Coit were the half backs of the 1900 foot ball eleven, Bro. Short was full back of the second team, and Bros. Bassford and Hackett won the heavy weight and middle weight championships respectively at the university boxing meet held in March. Bros. Has-

kell and Bassford, members of last season's base ball team, are again trying for their positions, and a number of our freshmen are hard at work, under the eye of Charlie Courtney, with the intention of rowing on the freshman crew. On the glee club we are represented by Bro. Wynne (leader) and Bro. A. E. Whiting. The banjo club is led by Bro. Bassford. Bro. Coit was a member of the sophomore cotillion committee; Bro. Wynne is a member of the 'Mermaid,' the senior banqueting club; Bros. Haskell and Whiting, of the 'Round Table;' Bro. Young, of the 'Monastery;' Bro. Short, of the 'Mummy,' and Bros. Pellet and Andrews, of the 'Elf.'

During 'junior week,' into which are crowded most of the social events of the college year, our lodge was filled with a merry party of guests. On the evening preceding the sophomore cotillion we entertained with a dancing party for which about two hundred invitations were issued. It was a pronounced success.

On the evening of March 11 we held our twenty-seventh annual banquet at the Oriental café. After the dinner was disposed of, Bro. Whiting, acting as toastmaster, introduced the following toasts and speakers:

The Fraternity, C. F. Hackett, '98; The Faculty, Prof. L. H. Bailey; Our Chapter, S. E. Whiting, '98; Reminiscences, Prof. W. F. Durand; My College Days, A. E. Whiting, '98; Cornell Music, J. H. Wynne, '98; Society as I Have Found It, A. Bassford, Jr., '98; Cornell Politics, W. H. H. Miller, 1901; Life of a Non-Graduate Resident, W. B. Newton, ex-'97; The Future, R. F. Andrews, 1900; The Eccentricities of a Philosopher, H. H. Haskell, '98; Nocturnal Ramblings, J. W. Young, '99.

Like our dance, the banquet was a pronounced success.

Altogether the year has thus far been exceedingly pleasant and successful for New York Alpha.

Hoping that all our other chapters have enjoyed equal prosperity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Ithaca, April 3, 1898. ROLAND FRANKLYN ANDREWS.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

We celebrated Alumni day with the same old-time spirit. Several alumni were in the city. All day long a feeling of pride seemed to be present among the fellows, and with anticipation we all awaited the gathering of Phis in the evening. Every one wore the fraternity colors during the day. At eight o'clock in the evening Bro. Fisher, our worthy president, called us to order, and after the regular order of Alumni day ceremonies was over some very interesting speeches were listened to. Brother Shelley favored us with a tenor solo, which was highly appreciated. Bro. Griffith read a very timely paper on the cause for which $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ stood and the circumstances that led to its organization. Bro. Gambee, who has just been elected assistant base ball manager, spoke on the chapter's history since he knew it. Bro. Lawton, '94, spoke of our chapter's alumni and its history for the past ten years. Bro. Cullen, with his vivid imagination, gave us visions of the chapter's future. Bro. Grout, '01, told of his first impressions in $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. Bro. Waygood, pastor of the East Avenue Presbyterian church, spoke on the benefits of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ after graduation, and said, among other things, that a feeling of pride is one of the greatest benefits, for the individual pride of a Phi is of an exalted kind, and ever impels him

to keep his best side forward and his beloved Fraternity untarnished. Bro. Van Gelder, *Brown*, '97, told us about his chapter and said he hoped it would entertain all Phis who visited Providence as well as he had been treated by New York Beta since he had been in Schenectady. Bro. Ripley, '00, in his jovial way, instilled into us great anticipations of the proposed Φ Δ Θ camp on Otsego Lake next August. (In regard to this camp and the more definite arrangements, I would say to all Phis, do not forget to read about it in the June SCROLL.)

Bro. Ingram, *Ohio State*, and Bro. Blessing, *Union*, '94, added their presence to the jolly company. At the close of the exercises all renewed the inner man with refreshments, which were prepared in the dining hall. During the evening New York Beta sent greetings to the New York City Φ Δ Θ club, which was being organized that evening at New York Delta's chapter house.

Bro. Bain, of Michigan Beta, has left his position in the Edison works and accepted a higher one in Oil City, Pa. Bro. Conover, *Union*, '89, at the law firm of Conover & Fisher, of Amsterdam, N. Y., has been appointed corporation counsel for his city.

Bro. G. M. Scofield, *Union*, '97, formerly with the Youngstown (O.) Bridge Co., has gone to New York to take charge of the eastern office of the same company at 150 Nassau street.

Bro. Gillespie, *Union*, '93, now physician in the Binghamton Hospital, gave us all a hearty hand-shake the other day. Bro. Gayetty, *Union*, '98, has accepted a position on the state survey of the Erie canal at Syracuse and has left college.

Yours in the Bond,

Schenectady, April 4, 1898. D. J. HOYT.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

In this letter we take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity two new acquisitions to New York Delta: Bros. Richard Gordon Simpson, '99, and Clarence Francis Bell, '99, both of whom are not unknown in Columbia life, the latter especially as now being substitute catcher on the 'varsity nine with promise of great development.

Bro. Hailey, '99, medical, who has been constantly ailing during the year, was subjected to an operation in January, which was fortunately successful, but he had lost so much in his studies, further prosecution of which was forbidden him by his physician, that he returned to his home in Indian Territory, whence several letters have been received informing us of his continuing convalescence.

On the evening of the fourth of March the chapter was entertained by Bro. Edward A. Darling, *Cornell*, '90, superintendent of buildings of Columbia University, and Mrs. Darling in their charming home on the southeast corner of the university grounds. Bro. Fred A. Goetze, Jr., '97, assistant superintendent of buildings, was also present, and in instrumental music, songs and stories the hours flitted by. At half past ten we repaired to the dining-room, where a tempting supper of a most substantial character was served. 'Liberty Hall,' Bro. Darling bade us consider it, and we complied. Over the cigars which we puffed, some in the library and others in the music room, Phis in and about Columbia were discussed until, midnight having arrived, we took our leave with a final Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi-kei-a!—which broke the stilly morn, reverberating along the shores of the Hudson and amid its fringing hills unhindered and unchallenged.

In the Bond,

New York, April 1, 1898. OSCAR WEEKS EHRHORN.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

The second term is about drawing to a close, and the boys are eagerly looking forward to vacation, which extends from the first to the twelfth of April. During this time the glee, mandolin and guitar clubs expect to take their annual trip. In these Φ Δ Θ is represented by Bros. Ott and Krafft.

The new cage has just been completed, and the candidates for the base ball team are hard at work preparing for the coming season. We hope to have a strong team this year, though we were very sorry to lose Burns, '01, who has signed with the New York league team. The season opens on April 13, with Syracuse University at Gettysburg

At the recent inter-collegiate oratorical contest at Lafayette, Gettysburg succeeded in capturing second honor, the first having been taken by Lafayette.

On Wednesday evening, March 16, we celebrated Alumni day with appropriate exercises. Afterward we adjourned to a neighboring restaurant, where we had a very informal banquet. All of us, together with a number of alumni who were present, spent a very pleasant evening.

Our interest in securing our chapter house seems to be on the increase, and we are putting forth all our efforts to have the building started as soon as possible.

We were very much pleased to have Bro. J. Clark Moore spend a short time with us lately.

Wishing all Phis a pleasant vacation, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Gettysburg, March 28, 1898. J. CLYDE MARKEL.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

The winter term at Washington and Jefferson closed on March 30, and the spring term will open April 6. Commencement will be held on June 22. This will be the 97th commencement of Washington and Jefferson College. The past term was an unusually successful one. Athletic work was kept up in the gymnasium throughout the term, the track and base ball teams training regularly. The inter-class basket ball series was won by '99. Brother Eicher was a member of the winning team. Ninety-nine also won the inter-class gymnasium drill contest after one of the prettiest exhibitions in the history of the college. Base ball work is progressing finely, and the team has indulged in much outdoor practice. The schedule this year is the largest ever made out and includes twenty-eight games. The team will take two trips away from home, one through eastern Pennsylvania and another through eastern Ohio. The track team is in good shape. E. M. Powers was sent to the National Guard games at New Haven, Conn., in February and took third in the mile run. He holds the western Pennsylvania record for the mile and half-mile. A team of four men will be sent to the relay races at U. of P. The western Pennsylvania intercollegiate athletic association meet will be held in Pittsburgh the last of May, and W. and J.'s team will show up well.

The regular meeting of the board of trustees was held on March 30, and reports showed the college to be in a good condition. A bequest of $5,600 made by the late W. R. Murphy, of Allegheny, Pa., was reported and will be applied to a memorial of some sort in honor of the donor. The new library building project is progressing finely, and the plan to double the endowment fund of the college by an addition

of $250,000 by the centennial year, 1902, is meeting with favor, nearly one-half the amount being already subscribed. It is thought the fund will exceed the amount asked for. The college is progressing along every line, and the curriculum is already of as high a standard as that of any eastern college.

Since our last letter we have initiated William Wallace Hamilton, 1901, of Beaver, Pa., whom it gives us pleasure to introduce.

Your reporter was a delegate to the student volunteer convention in Cleveland. While there it was his privilege and pleasure to meet a number of Phis from other colleges. The brothers of Ohio Eta were typical Phis and did everything in their power to make our visit a pleasant one. The Case boys are nicely located in a fine chapter house and have a right royal welcome for any Phi who may visit them. The baby chapter of our Fraternity is about the liveliest, most loyal and progressive of all our chapters, and we older ones can learn much from the Phis of Ohio Eta.

We did not celebrate Alumni day by any special observance beyond wearing the colors. We always observe the anniversary of the founding of our chapter by special exercises and a banquet. Brothers Rule and Logan attended the banquet of the Pittsburgh alumni association.

Pennsylvania Gamma is pleased to see so many colleges knocking at our doors. We are in favor of chapters at at least two of the institutions named in the March *Palladium*.

The members of the chapter join with the reporter in wishing Bro. Miller a complete and speedy recovery from his prolonged illness.

We would esteem it a favor if Phis on base ball teams that are to play W. and J. this season would inform the reporter. Brother Eicher is a member of the W. and J. team.

Senior examinations begin on May 23 and end on May 25, when grades will be announced. We lose four men by the graduation of '98, including the reporter. Brother Arthur Kerr Brown, formerly of '98, who has been out of college two years, will enter 1900 next term.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Washington, March 31, 1898. DAVID GLENN MOORE.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

During the early part of this term, Dickinson College met with a sad loss in the death of M. J. Cramer, S. T. D., who was temporarily filling the chair of philosophy in the absence of Prof. Dare. He died suddenly of *angina pectoris* on the morning of January 23. A memorial service was held in the Allison M. E. church, and his body was then taken to his home in East Orange, N. J., for burial. Bro. Kriebel, '98, was selected to represent the student body at the funeral. The Doctor's short stay among the students had endeared him to the hearts of all. The work in philosophy is now being conducted by George A. Wilson, Ph. D., a graduate of Boston University, and a fellow of Jena.

The anniversaries of the two literary societies this year maintained their usual degree of excellence, the programs being most interesting. Bro. Guttshall, '00, was one of the speakers in debate. Washington's birthday was fittingly celebrated by an assembly meeting of the literary societies, at which E. L. Hubbard, Ph. D., of Baltimore, gave an address on 'Washington Squared.' The societies will soon conduct the inter-society debate, and the discussion promises to be of an unusual

warmth. The subject will be, '*Resolved*, That Congress should establish a national university.' Bros. Kriebel, '98, and Hubler, '98, will represent Phi Delta Theta from Belles Lettres society. Arrangements have just been completed for a three years' contract in inter-collegiate debate with Pennsylvania State College. Bro. Kriebel will serve as a representative from Dickinson in this year's debate.

The college has recently added the Revs. J. P. Wright and R. H. Gilbert to its lecture course, and our president, Dr. Reed, has obtained a promise from President McKinley to be present at our commencement exercises.

The annual mid-winter sports, held in the gymnasium, attracted a large audience and were extremely interesting. The class of '99, by scoring the greatest number of points, secured the cup, the gift of Bro. Stephens, '92. In the outdoor sports, base ball promises an excellent season. The team is as yet not selected, but several Phis are trying hard to make it. In the Union Philosophical society election, Bro. Stonesifer, '98, was elected president, Bro. Mallalieu, '99, vice-president, and Dorey, '00, was chosen as elected editor to the *Dickinsonian* board. Bro. Sterrett, '00, was made assistant librarian.

We have been favored recently with visits from Bros. Wintersteen, ex-'99, Weidenhamer, '96, and Cleaver, '94. In the elections might be mentioned that of Bro. Guttshall, '00, to the editorship-in-chief of the '00 *Microcosm*.

Alumni day promises to be an exceptionally pleasant event in that we will be honored with the presence of Bro. J. Clark Moore, the president of Alpha province. The banquet will be served at Hartzell's Café.

With best wishes, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Carlisle, March 15, 1898. WILBUR V. MALLALIEU.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL there has been so little news of interest to the Fraternity at large that no letter from us appeared in the February issue. But it should not be judged from this that Virginia Beta is inactive or is a dead letter. On the contrary, internal improvement has been the characteristic feature of the chapter for the past few months.

Plans have been formulated and are nearing completion by which the chapter expects within a reasonably short time to accomplish what only two other fraternities (Z Ψ and Δ Ψ) have already done here, and that is to secure a chapter house. At the beginning of next session we hope to announce the culmination of these plans and the further progress of the movement now afoot to build a lodge.

The chapter has recently been made politically prominent by the nomination of Bro. Davis for president of the general athletic association. The election is held on the last Saturday in May, and the office is the highest gift within the power of the students. The result, which will be closely contested by an opposition ticket, will probably be in our favor. And if we do win, it will be the first time in the history of Virginia Beta that a Phi has been thus honored.

Last week, Bro. Peyton B. Bethel, Centre, '97, spent a day and night with us, and the chapter was glad to entertain the chairman of

the grievance committee of the last convention. And yesterday and to-day the chapter had the honor to have with it two of the Lafayette base ball team, Bros. E. J. Bray and W. W. Hubley.

The new physical laboratory has recently received from Charles Broadway Rouss, the blind millionaire of New York, an additional gift of $10,000. This laboratory, which bears his name, is said to be the most complete of its kind in the south. The new academic buildings and the Rotunda have been completed, and the former are now being used, while the latter is in all readiness to receive the library. The buildings will be formally dedicated at commencement in June. Virginia Beta hopes that all Phis passing through Charlottesville at that time will arrange to stop over for these ceremonies.

With best wishes for all chapters and for THE SCROLL'S success, I am

Yours in the Bond,

University of Virginia, April 3, 1898. JOHN P. LEA.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

It was our intention at the beginning of the session to have Virginia Gamma represented in each issue of THE SCROLL, but owing to circumstances which we could not alter, we have been unable to do so. We find, however, that very few things have taken place recently which would be of interest to the Phi world.

The Randolph-Macon system consists of six institutions with about eight hundred students. Chancellor W. W. Smith has decided to have a joint commencement at Lynchburg, Va., in June. This will be a great event in the history of our college. The different railroads will give reduced rates, and everything will be made attractive in order to draw a large number of the friends of our college there. Our chancellor is an energetic, progressive man, and we are sure that he will make it a great success. The Phis on that occasion will be well represented. Bros. Clements and Kern will take a prominent part in the graduating class exercises. Bro. Lavinder will be on the rostrum representing Frank Hall, of our institution. Bro. Janney will be one of the contestants for the Southerland medal for oratory.

Our base ball team is in good trim, made up of men of good fast records, and we expect great things of them. Bros. Kern, Dolley and Lavinder are holding down the right field, center field and third base, respectively.

Bros. Ray Carpenter and 'Ike' Zimmerman paid us a flying visit some time ago. These brothers bring sunshine and joy with them, and we are always glad to have them.

On the third of March we led through the mystic portals Bro. P. Rucker, whom it gives us great pleasure to be able to introduce. He is a good man, and we did well to get him.

Our chapter is in a good condition in every way.

With best wishes for Φ Δ Θ's success and prosperity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Ashland, April 4, 1898. S. M. JANNEY.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

During the past month a province convention of Σ X was held here, and it was a complete success.

Although the attendance at W. and L. is low this year it is believed by every one that there will be a great increase in the number for the

session of '98–'99. Several changes have been introduced by President Wilson. Attendance at chapel every Wednesday morning has been made compulsory. At these meetings of the student body addresses are delivered either by some member of the faculty or (usually) by Mr. Wilson upon some current topic of general interest; as, 'the Zola trial and the government of France as compared with that of the United States.' or 'the mode of conducting government business at Washington.' These addresses are reported in most of the leading papers, thus bringing W. and L. into notice more than it has been her good fortune to be in past years.

The library of the university has been renovated and fitted for individual work in political science. Several of the class rooms have been remodeled and furnished with modern appliances. Contributions for the Tucker Memorial Hall are flowing in rapidly, and the erection of the building seems to be an assured fact.

In athletics improvements may also be noticed. An athletic association has been formed on a new plan, which will put athletics on a firmer financial basis in the future. The new base ball field has been further improved by the addition of a grand stand. Great things are expected from the base ball team of 1898, upon which Virginia Zeta is represented by Campbell at short stop. Thus far only two games have been played: At Lexington, W. and L. 8—V. M. I. 6; at Lynchburg, W. and L. 1—Boston league team 6. The last game was called on account of rain after the seventh inning.

On the whole, things are moving along more progressive lines, and there is every reason to hope that the university is entering an era of prosperity.

Yours in the Bond,

Lexington, April 6, 1898. R. G. CAMPBELL.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

It is the regret of your reporter that he can not give a glowing account of the observance of Alumni day. We were in the midst of examinations and had not at the time our new hall furnished. These circumstances, with others, made it impossible for the chapter to prepare a program that could be successfully carried out. Yet we were not wholly unmindful of the day, and our hearts were filled to overflowing with the spirit of fraternal love and reunion.

After our recent misfortune we feel we are especially blest in being able to refurnish a new hall. Our new quarters have just undergone considerable improvement, being newly papered and painted throughout. We appreciate the result of our efforts very much. We also have a fund raised to defray the expense of putting down a hard wood floor. So in the future we hope to be able to fulfill our obligations to the Fraternity and will be ever ready to celebrate all occasions. We give each year a number of receptions and dances, which prove a social success in every way. Though the past few months have been somewhat gloomy, we have pulled through all right and expect smoother sailing in the future.

Since examinations college matters have resumed once more their normal state. Most of the chapter came through this trying ordeal in a highly creditable manner, so far as we can hear. But of late there have been some organized cuts that we fear will go hard with the whole student body.

In college circles base ball is the all-absorbing topic, and great enthusiasm now exists in regard to C. U.'s prospects for the year. We

have very fine material and under the efficient coaching of Cunningham, the clever twirler of the Colonels, we hope to present a team which will much surpass any one of former years. Bro. Speed was recently elected captain, and the fine condition of the team is due largely to his efforts and enthusiasm as a base ball man. Games are now scheduled with the five leading colleges of Kentucky, which constitute the state league, and the team will also make a southern tour if dates can be arranged.

Our state oratorical contest, held in Lexington, April 1, was the most successful in the history of the association. G. W. Hunter, C.U.'s orator, carried off the honors.

We have lost a strong supporter in Bro. W. Fritz Booker. He recently accepted an important position with the Louisville Varnish Co. This was a severe blow to us, as Bro. Booker was unquestionably one of the strongest men of his class intellectually, and the interest which he always manifested in this chapter was such that he can not be replaced.

Our annual for '98 bids fair to be one of the best ever issued by a Kentucky institution, or any other in the south. We are represented on the editorial staff by Bro. Huffaker, of the academic department, and Bro. Smith, of the law department.

Bro. Frank Kenney, '89, now secretary of the Louisville trotting association, recently spent a few days with us, visiting Phi friends and renewing old acquaintances. We cordially invite every Phi who may come this way to meet with us. We will be delighted to have you as our special guests.

With warmest regards for all Phis, I have the pleasure to be

Yours in the Bond,

Richmond, April 5, 1898. H. A. DOUGLAS.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

The University of the South opened March 17, with brighter prospects than ever before, both in regard to quality and number of students. The medical department, which opens in May, already is sure of three times as many students as were enrolled last year; in fact every department of the university has a larger number enrolled than at any period of last session.

Work has been begun on a new dormitory for the academic students. The cost of this building will be $40,000, which amount was left for this purpose by the late Dr. Hoffman, of New York.

We have every reason to predict for this year a great success in athletics. Of last year's strong base ball team we have with us again six of the old men, and never before have we had as many good new players, some of whom, it is said, will make the veterans work for their places of last season.

Since the opening our chapter has been very busy rushing. As a result of this work we have so far welcomed Bros. Chas. E. Buntin, of Nashville, Tenn., and Douglas W. Nash, of Paducah, Ky., both of whom we are confident will greatly strengthen Tennessee Beta. The good material has not yet been exhausted. Of this we have good prospects of getting our full share.

This year we are very fortunate in having an unusually large proportion of the old men with us again. These, with our new material, insure us, with our university, a brighter future than ever.

With best wishes for the Fraternity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Sewanee, March 28, 1898. ROBERT S. JEMISON.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL Georgia Beta has received into her fold two worthy brothers. I take pleasure in introducing to the Phi world Howard P. Park, '99, and Edward Lovett, '02 (pledged). They make a valuable acquisition to the chapter.

In the base ball season, which has opened here, the Phis are well represented on the class teams. Bros. Bradley and Tilley are on the senior nine; Bros. Smith, Griffin and the reporter belong to the ninety-nine nine; Bro. Branham holds the big mit for the sophomores, and Bros. Underwood and Ininney are on the freshman team.

Of the orators who are to speak at the approaching commencement, Bro. Tilley is champion debater from Few literary society and also one of the senior speakers. In the junior class, of the twelve speakers appointed, five are Phis, viz.: Bros. Campbell, Little, Fort, Smith and Jorman. The contest for sophomore and freshman speakers' places will occur shortly, and in conformity with our precedent established ten years ago, we expect to lead the van in this department of the college.

I wish to express Georgia Beta's sympathy to the editor of THE SCROLL, and the trust that he may early be restored to health and his work.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Fraternally yours,

Oxford, March 31, 1898. FRANK S. PALMER.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

On account of Bro. Ledbetter's unavoidable absence from college for awhile, it has been necessary to elect a reporter in his place.

It is with real pleasure that we announce a valuable accession to the Fraternity since our last letter in Bro. Feagin, of Wellston, Ga., whom we gladly introduce to all Phis.

Our boys have been chosen to quite a number of college offices recently. Bro. Turner was made manager of the track team; Bro. Burney, orator of the senior class and an editor of the college annual; Bro. Whitney, manager of the base ball team; Bro. Pearson, a contestant for the ready speaker's medal; Bro. Callaway, an editor of the annual. We will also be well represented in the field sports and on the diamond.

These honors, however, were entirely unsought, and are pleasing indications of the confidence which the students have in our boys' ability to fill such positions. But our highest aim has been to maintain a true fraternal spirit. We realize that our success outside depends largely upon our work within the chapter.

Mercer is now, under the leadership of Bro. Turner, zealously preparing for a field day with the Georgia School of Technology and the State University. Our prospect for success is splendid. Our base ball team, too, which is even stronger than before, bids fair to sustain its former reputation, having lost only one game within the past several years.

To THE SCROLL and all our sister chapters Georgia Gamma extends her very best wishes for their future success.

Fraternally yours,

Macon, March 28, 1898. T. U. CONNER, JR.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Quite a number of changes are being made in the appearance of our campus. Trees are being set out, walks laid off; and a track one-third of a mile in length is being constructed on the east side. Improvement is also being made on the university avenue.

The examinations have at last been passed, and a feeling of relief has settled upon the student body. The faculty allowed only one week for examinations this session instead of two as heretofore. We have learned that it takes hard study during the term to make the required mark.

I fear that our prospects in athletics are not as encouraging this year as they should be. The authorities still say that the team shall not travel. That interest and enthusiasm which has every year before characterized the approach of the base ball season seems to be entirely absent. And I predict that unless these restrictions are removed one more such year will wipe out athletics entirely.

But notwithstanding these drawbacks, we are going to have a base ball team this year. Bro. Black is manager, and surely the business affairs could not be in better hands.

I am glad to report that our two literary societies are now in a most flourishing condition. We intend soon to have a public debate. There is nothing more inspiring to society work than these debates. At a recent meeting of the Philomathic society your correspondent was elected president and Bro. Burns secretary and treasurer. Bro. Bestor is one of the orators for commencement day.

Bro. White is business manager of our college annual, *The Corolla*.

We are beginning to look forward with a great deal of pleasure to the social events at commencement. The Phis are going to give a morning german in the city hall.

Yours in the Bond,

Tuskaloosa, April 5, 1898. FRANK C. OWEN.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The fraternity world here has been considerably excited over college politics for some time past, and ill feeling existed for awhile, but the breaches are now healed and everything is once more moving smoothly.

Bro. Hardy was elected captain of the '98 base ball team, and Bro. Henry manager of the '99 team. Bro. Hardy, at first base, represents us on the 'varsity team. Bro. Weatherby is vice-president of the junior law class. Bro. Hardy is the business manager of *Ole Miss* for '98.

Bro. McCain, ex-'95, won the appointment over thirteen competitors for the West Point cadetship. He will enter next June.

The numerical standing of the fraternities in the order of their establishment is: Δ Τ Δ, 20; Δ Κ Ε, 27; Δ Ψ, 20; Σ Χ, 26; Φ Κ Ψ, 14; Φ Δ Θ, 15; Σ Α Ε, 11. The sororities, Τ Δ Θ and Σ Τ, have 16 and 11, respectively. There is a chapter of Theta Nu Epsilon here. Bros. Henry, Ray, Hardy, Weatherby and Witherspoon are members.

We have recently received visits from Bros. Henderson, Missouri Beta, and Grear, Georgia Beta. They are both fine fellows, and it is indeed a pleasure to be with such true and loyal Phis.

With best wishes for the continued prosperity of the Fraternity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Oxford, March 16, 1898. GEORGE LATHAM RAY.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The examinations of the winter term are just over, and only one other remains to decide who shall receive diplomas and whether or not he that is a freshman shall be a freshman still. Our Phis were very successful, several receiving the highest grades given.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL Bro. Lomax, who was pursuing graduate work, has withdrawn from the university. However, he still holds the position of registrar and to all intents and purposes continues an active member of the Fraternity.

Two weeks ago work was begun on the east wing of the university, and within six months the proposed structure will be ready for use. The whole of the first floor of the east wing will be assigned to the law department, while the rest of the building will be divided between the academic and engineering departments. The erection of the new wing will fill a long-felt want, as the institution has been hampered on account of lack of room for several years.

The university is to have a summer school this year which promises to be very successful. Not only will instruction be given in regular university courses, but special attention will be paid to pedagogy and school management. In this way it is sought to bring a great number of teachers from all parts of the state to the summer school and in this manner to interest them in the university and its work.

Work on *Cactus* of '98 has about been completed, and it will be sent to the printer in a few days. Our annual promises to be exceptionally fine this year, both as to engravings and literary matter.

Base ball is more popular here this year than for several seasons. A good team has been organized, and thorough training has brought it up to a high standard of excellence. In a few days the nine will leave for northern Texas, where several games will be played with college teams.

In a recent contest in which those who should be allowed to contest for the honor of representing Texas in the southern inter-collegiate oratorical association were selected, out of five successful contestants two were Phis.

With best wishes for the success of Phi Delta Theta and all Phis individually, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Austin, March 28, 1898. TOM T. CONNALLY.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO BETA, WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have added to our number two initiates, whom we introduce with pleasure: Louis Britton Bowker, '01, Bryan, O., and Arthur J. Curren, '01, Delaware, O. On March 11, a banquet was held in our hall in honor of Brother Britton Bowker, who has left us to teach school at his home. Bro. Bowker had hardly appreciated the amount of respect and love that he had instilled into our hearts, until he became the subject of inspiring impromptu toasts from all of the boys. We enjoyed the evening very much. In Bro. Bowker's departure the chapter has lost one of the best of men and truest of brothers.

The inter-collegiate debating league of Ohio is now in effect and is proving a very strong organization. On March 4, we met Western Reserve University at Delaware. Though we lost the decision, we

are unwilling to acknowledge defeat. Our opponents handled the question from an entirely different standpoint, and refuted none of our arguments.

Our alumni banquet on March 15, was a brilliant success. Seventeen of the brothers were present and enjoyed to the full extent the feast and the toasts which followed. Bro. Jack Edwards, '95, and Bro. Walter Clark, '96, represented our alumni. Several letters were read from the boys who were unable to be present, expressing regrets. The program was as follows:

Phi Delta Theta, Bro. Morgan, '00; Our Chapter, Bro. Pauly, '99; Our Alumni, Bro. Clark, '96; Our Seniors, Bro. Cherington, '99; Response, Bro. Kohl, '98; Our Girls, Bro. McAnally, '01; Anticipations of a Prep., William R. Bayes, '02. Ohio Beta Yell:

'Beta! Beta! Beta!
Phi Delta Theta!
Blue and White—they're all right!
Phi Delta Theta!'

Not being able to have 'our girls' with us, we sent them a feast at the 'sem.' They had an enthusiastic Phi banquet and joined us loyally in our celebration.

We have enjoyed very much a visit from Bro. F. S. Brockman, Tennessee Alpha, '91. Bro. Brockman is secretary of the student volunteer movement. He has done a great deal of good at Ohio Wesleyan, having stirred up the students to an appreciation of their duty.

Professor Conner of Oberlin College was also with us at the time of the debate.

Base ball is on the boom at Wesleyan now. While we lost last year some of the best men the school has known, a quality of new material is at hand which bids fair to be a strong rival to the old team. Bro. Gales is captain of the team and is one of the strongest players in the school. This is the fifth successive year that Phi Delta Theta has held the captaincy. Bros. Whitney, Brown and Morgan are on the diamond trying for the team. A strong list of dates has been made, and to sustain our reputation, the boys will have to work hard. Our track team promises this year to be the strongest that we have had for some time. Much enthusiasm has been shown, and the boys seem determined to bring this branch of college athletics up to its proper position. We are, however, sadly in need of a new gymnasium, and hope that the school may be so fortunate as to secure one soon. The state track meet will be held at Dayton this year.

Ohio Beta extends to all her sister chapters the best of wishes.

Yours in the Bond,

Delaware, March 22, 1898. CHARLES MORGAN.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

On February 15 Professor Barnard, the astronomer, lectured to the students and friends of college, and in the evening he gave a similar lecture to the faculty and their friends. One seldom has the opportunity of hearing a lecture such as the professor gave.

The chapter gave a card party on February 25, at which there were fifty-four Phis and ladies present.

The student volunteer movement held its convention in Cleveland during the last week of February. Many Phis were sent as delegates from the various colleges, and Phi Delta Theta may justly be proud of the representation that she had at this convention, for besides the

delegates present, four of the most prominent officers of the movement are Phis. Our chapter had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of the following delegates: Bros. H. B. Reddick and C. T. Bates, of Syracuse University; Edmund D. Soper and Chas. S. Davison, of Dickinson College; Paul Weyand, of Allegheny College; D. G. Moore, of Washington and Jefferson College; and F. S. Brockman, of Vanderbilt University.

This chapter and its friends were entertained at the home of Senator Alexander, at Akron, on March 5.

Since the last letter Bro. Gleason, '99, has been elected chairman of the junior prom. committee; Bro. Jones, manager of the base ball team; Bro. Clyne, assistant manager of the eleven.

Bro. Ward, our province president, Bro. Brockman, *Vanderbilt*, '*91*, Bro. Mansfield, *Amherst*, '*97*, and Bro. Banks, *Wabash*, '*99*, have been the recent visitors at our regular meetings. The chapter always derives much benefit and pleasure from these visits.

Alumni day was celebrated jointly by the Ohio Gamma Alumni and Ohio Eta in our chapter house. The house was filled with Phis—forty-three of them, representing twelve chapters of the Fraternity—and we can report an unusually good time. The new Alumni day ceremony was used for the first time.

In conclusion we wish to invite all Phis who may come to Cleveland, whether on business or pleasure, to come and stay with us.

In the Bond,

Cleveland, March 17, 1898. FRANK HULETT.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Owing to the recent floods, many of the students were very late in returning to college this term. We are disappointed in not having Brothers Paskins and Guthrie with us. Both of them, however, intend to return next year.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Phi world Bro. Omer Covert, 1900, of Hopewell, Indiana, whom we initiated into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta on April 2.

At Franklin, as at most colleges, this is the term of athletics and spring love affairs, in both of which Indiana Delta will have her usual strong representation. At the last election of the college athletic association Bro. Paskins received the vice-presidency, while Bro. Wilson was elected secretary and Bro. Lacy manager for the annual field day. The base ball team under the management of Bro. Lacy is progressing. The positions on the college team have not yet been assigned, but several Phis will, without doubt, occupy places. The track team is hard at work, and we hope to have several good men ready for state field day.

The juniors are extremely busy preparing their annual, which promises to be the best issued from Franklin for several years.

Bro. Lacy holds a place on the Periclesian debating team for the annual inter-society entertainment, and Bro. Holman represents the college as president of the state oratorical association.

It is with great anxiety that we have heard of the continued illness of Bro. Miller, and we rejoice, with all Phis, in his convalescence and hope for an early recovery.

With best wishes, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Franklin, April 2, 1898. JESSE L. HOLMAN.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The second term of the college year was one of comparative quiet and of hard work at De Pauw. During this term the glee and mandolin clubs made a tour of central Indiana, which was attended with great success. Class spirit has been higher than for several years, thus giving rise to increased rivalry in the different departments of college life. To stimulate interest in oratory, the oratorical association has arranged for annual contests in the freshman and sophomore classes.

The outlook for another championship base ball team this spring is very encouraging. Three positions are to be filled from last year's subs and from the new material. The schedule includes games with Chicago, Notre Dame, Wabash, Purdue, Rose Polytechnic and others.

Bro. Collings, '99, will be in school again this term. Owing to the sickness of his mother, Bro. E. B. Parker, '01, has been compelled to leave college. Since our last letter we have pledged Mr. S. A. Dove, '02, of Tower Hill, Ill., and Mr. J. Elmer Thomas, '00, of Vevalia, Ind.

Yours in Φι-κεία,

Greencastle, March 28, 1898. CHAS. B. CAMPBELL.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Fraternity circles were given a decided sensation two weeks ago when Chester C. Sloane, '00, and Floyd Condict, '01, left Sigma Chi and joined Phi Kappa Sigma. Sloane had been full back on the university foot ball team and had won prominence in college. He said that he had been dissatisfied with Sigma Chi for some time. The Sigs claimed that he and Condict had broken their fraternity vows, and that they had been expelled from Sigma Chi at a special meeting held an hour before they were initiated into Phi Kappa Sigma.

An added sensation was furnished a few days later when the faculty investigated Sloane and Condict, and expelled them from the university for immorality. This alleged immoral conduct was known to Phi Kappa Sigma before it initiated Sloane and Condict. The faculty followed its action with an investigation of both Sigma Chi and Phi Kappa Sigma. Several members from each of these fraternities were summoned before the faculty. They are both under close surveillance at present.

Brother Clay Buntain has a leading part in the annual junior play to be given April 16.

Bro. Trego and Bro. Washburn, both of Lombard University, were recent visitors. We have received calls from a number of brothers from the University of Chicago. Among the alumni who have visited the chapter recently are Robert Noble, F. W. Gillette, T. M. Fowler, F. W. McCasky, J. W. R. Conner, F. J. R. Mitchell, W. R. Kay, J. Arthur Dixon. We have a number of young alumni in town who take an active interest in the chapter and attend all our gatherings.

Bro. W. E. O'Kane, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '87, and Mrs. O'Kane entertained the members of the chapter and their friends March 19. We have had several social gatherings during the term.

Bro. Francis J. Webb has been compelled on account of sickness to go to his home at Lancaster, Wis., for a few weeks.

Yours in the Bond,

Evanston, April 1, 1898. GEO. E. MOORE.

ILLINOIS BETA, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Our quarterly initiation was held at the fraternity rooms last Friday evening Two men were received, Bros. L. Case, '01, and B. G. Lake, '01, whom we take pride in introducing to the world of Phis. Both are members of the university track team, and Bro. Lake has already won honors for himself and the university in athletics. Bros. Smith, Gallup, Caldwell and Harsh assisted in the initiation, and Bro. Harsh pledged himself that evening to affiliate with us.

Illinois Beta now has an active membership of ten. Bros. Flanders and Stockey have just received their degrees, but may continue with us during the spring quarter. Bro. Flanders is taking work in architectural drawing at the art institute, and will probably enter the Boston Tech. next fall. Bro. Sawyer is doing literary work in Springfield, Ill. Bro. Garrey, '99, left this quarter to accept a position in the Aurora high schools. He will return in October, as will also Bro. Hales, '99, who has spent the past year in teaching. Bro. Mosser, leader of the glee club, will remain with us this summer as university correspondent for the Chicago *Record*, Bro. Wilson, '97, who has lived with us since receiving his degree, is pledged to Φ Δ Φ (law). Bro. Ickes, '97, is still with us, and is now commercial editor for the Chicago *Tribune*. Most of our men will remain with us during the summer, and we expect many visiting Phis who will take the special summer courses. We shall occupy our present quarters until June and then give them up, hoping to secure better accommodations next fall.

A secret society bearing the name of the Black Dragon has just been organized here with a membership of ten. It is rumored that they contemplate securing a charter of Δ T Δ, but the rumor can not be verified.

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Chicago, April 11, 1898. C. F. STOCKEY.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

In past years there has been a disagreeable and unwholesome feeling between the fraternities in Lombard University, but this year we are glad to say that only a proper and healthy rivalry exists. This change of spirit was especially noticeable at a reception given on the evening of April 8th by the Pi Beta Phi and Alpha Xi Delta sororities to the Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu boys. The occasion was a very happy one. This year we have in attendance a member of Alpha Tau Omega.

By graduation we will lose one man, Bro. M. W. Allen, who is our president for this year.

Not long since the Phis gave an informal hop in the chapter house. Such occasions have not been very numerous at Lombard this year, and this last dance seemed to be especially enjoyed.

Lombard is making large preparations for commencement. A number of noted men are to be invited to attend the exercises, and it is hoped that 1898 will be a red letter year in the history of the university. Governor Grout, once a student at Lombard, will be present, and it is expected that his brother, General Grout, will also come. Invitations have also been extended to Senator Mason and Governor Tanner.

A joint field meet has been arranged for between Knox College and Lombard, in which Phi Delta Theta's chapters at each college will be strongly represented.

Bro. Fred L. Washburn recently went to Chicago to live. He is employed by the Swift Packing Co.

With best wishes, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Galesburg, April 9, 1898. FAY A. BULLUCK.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Wisconsin Alpha duly celebrated Alumni day with a spread. Appropriate toasts were responded to by the brothers, and the evening was very pleasantly spent.

On March 25 the chapter gave an informal party at Dary's Hall, and a very enjoyable evening was passed by all.

The fine weather of the past few days has enabled the base ball team to practice on the lower campus. Mr. Humphreys, who caught for Princeton in 1893, has been secured as coach.

The preliminary competitive drill of the battalions occurs next week, and the final competitive drill takes place early in April. The crack company will then be chosen.

The U. W. minstrels commence their trip the first week after the Easter vacation. Bro. Bacon, '01, has been assigned a solo.

An invitation has been extended the crew to compete in the annual races at Poughkeepsie by Cornell, Pennsylvania and Columbia. The invitation includes both the freshman and 'varsity crews. The races will be held about June 30, 1898.

The '99 *Badger* will soon be completed and will be put on sale shortly after Easter. Brother Pardee, '01, was awarded first prize by the *Badger* board for the best story of university life.

Wisconsin Alpha wishes to extend her sympathy to the brothers of Kentucky Delta in the loss of their chapter hall.

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Madison, March 26, 1898. BERNARD C. DORSET.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The college year drawing to a close has brought to Minnesota Alpha all the success and prosperity so confidently predicted last fall. We have nothing to report but steady progress. Our chapter is stronger than it has been in years in both personality and influence.

The student body of our university, as well as all interested in college affairs, has for several years been dissatisfied with the manner in which athletics in general and foot ball in particular have been managed. The particularly inefficient and perhaps dishonest manner in which these affairs were carried on last fall roused all to action at last, and the old system of close association, combine elections, ring management and spoils system of settlement was overthrown. The association was entirely reconstructed and business principles adopted. And when the time came for the election of officers the university knew where to look for its men. Bro. Harding was unanimously elected president of the association and president of the board of control. Bro. L. L. Twitchell was elected foot ball manager, the most important office in the gift of the students, and Bro. W. C. Leary, 'Old Sport' of foot ball fame, he of the red whiskers and fog-horn voice,—by the way, he and Harding are the fastest team of whist players that the East Side boasts,—was elected by the alumni association to represent them on the board of control. Years ago, before my

time, when Leary, Madigan, 'Southy' and Harding used to insure success in every foot ball game, and Minnesota was undisputed champion of the west, when brains and generalship won the game, I understand that Minnesota Alpha was called the 'foot ball frat., and it seems from the hold that we have on the game now as though that name might still apply.

The banquet with the Twin City alumni association on Alumni day was thoroughly enjoyed and was a great inspiration to all who heard the addresses.

The boys are planning for what they are sure will be the most enjoyable event of the college year, to occur in the near future. On April 15 Minnesota Alpha will give a reception and ball at the West Hotel. All efforts are being made and no pains spared on the part of the committee to make this, the first social affair after Lent, the most successful and longest to linger among the pleasant memories of those who are present.

Since the last letter we have initiated Alexander Victor Ostrom, of Minneapolis, law, 1900, who completes the best freshman delegation secured by any fraternity in the University of Minnesota.

We have pledged one man who will enter from Minneapolis next year, and also have a number of prospective freshmen on our visiting list. As most of our old men will return next year, Minnesota Alpha's success and prosperity bid fair to continue.

Bro. Frank A. Ball, who was compelled to leave college during the spring term last year on account of illness, is with us again, having returned since our last letter. He looks well enough now, so healthy, in fact, that I should like to tell you what we call him, but he might object to seeing it in THE SCROLL.

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Minneapolis, March 29, 1898. H. N. T. ALLEN.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Student interest at the University of Missouri is at present centered upon inter-collegiate debate. The more important debates are those with the universities of Kansas and Nebraska. The debate with the former was to have occurred in Lawrence, March 25, but was postponed on account of the unfortunate accident at the University of Kansas, which resulted in the temporary suspension of university work. The M. S. U. representatives in this contest represent the M. S. U. debating club only, and are not fraternity men, few if any members of the club being members of fraternities. The debate with Nebraska will occur in Columbia some time in May. The Missouri representatives in this debate represent the whole university, having been chosen by a series of trial debates open to all students. Bro. English represents us, having been awarded first place in the final trial. The other two representatives are Highley, Σ X, and Coppedge, non-frat.

A most interesting event in university circles was the lecture of President Schurman, of Cornell University, in the chapel on March 18. In recent years Dr. Schurman has been especially friendly to the University of Missouri, and it was desired by students and faculty to give him a cordial welcome and to make his appearance here the event of the college year. Accordingly he was greeted by the banner audience of the season. Each academic class attended in a body, the seniors making it the occasion of their initial appearance in cap and gown, and the other departments being represented by large delegations.

After the lecture Dr. Schurman was tendered a large reception in the university parlors and was otherwise entertained during his stay.

The base ball season is about to open, and M. S. U. will be represented by a fairly good team. Bro. Broderick, captain, will be the mainstay of the team in the pitching department. The most important games are those with Nebraska here, and with Kansas at Lawrence. Base ball at M. S. U. has not been on the same plane with foot ball for years. It is hoped that the season this year will be successful, and will thereby permanently strengthen our base ball interests. Inter-fraternity base ball matches are promised. [Φ Δ Θ won from Σ X, 23-17, and now has challenges galore from other chapters, from classes and departments. ED.] The annual field day for track and field events is set for May 2. Bro. White, gymnasium director, and Captain Perry, of the track team, have the affair in charge. A proposition from Washington University to hold a joint field day meet will likely be declined, owing to unfavorable circumstances. Interest in basket ball is being developed among the young women and a successful team has been organized.

In the recent trouble resulting from an attempt on the part of upper classmen to interfere with a freshman reception, Missouri Alpha received a considerable share of the punishment. We trust that the previous record of the brother implicated will result in his complete reinstatement.

The Pipe club, a social organization, has sprung into existence here, with a membership of twenty-five. It is composed mainly of fraternity men. Brothers Williams, Brent and Edmunds are members, the latter being president.

Our rival chapters maintain their same relative standing: Σ N has 19 men; Σ A E has 20; K A is next with 15; B Θ Π with 13 is not so strong as formerly; Σ X, the youngest chapter here, has 15; K K Γ has 10 members, her usual number; Φ Δ Φ (law) has 18, and Θ N E, 16. Missouri Alpha has 19, besides 3 alumni in the professional schools. Π Π B is a social organization, whose members are freshmen and sophomores. Bro. Dunlop is one of its six members. It is rumored that a number of lower-class men are petitioning K Σ, and that their efforts will soon be crowned with success.

Missouri Alpha's representation in the battalion of cadets was recently strengthened by the promotion of Bro. Tiedeman to be sergeant-major, an office almost never reached by a first year man, as in this case. The offices of major, first lieutenant and adjutant, first lieutenant, sergeant-major and sergeant are now held by members of Φ Δ Θ.

A feature of Missouri Alpha's social life this year was an 'At Home' given to the chapter at the delightful home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Lawson, of Columbia, complimentary to Bro. H. W. Smith, on the evening of January 29. It was decidedly a pleasant affair and was highly enjoyable to the members of the chapter.

Alumni day was appropriately celebrated by the chapter on the evening of March 14, with a reunion and smoker in the chapter-rooms. The feature of the evening that is pleasantest to record is the material addition to the chapter house fund and the taking of steps to further our chapter house plans.

Missouri Alpha had the great pleasure recently of meeting Father Morrison and of having him present at one of our regular meetings. We wish that all the chapters could have this privilege and could enjoy one of Bro. Morrison's interesting talks on the founding of Φ Δ Θ.

We have not yet selected our delegate to the Epsilon province con-

vention, to be held with Nebraska Alpha, May 12–14, but is safe to say Missouri Alpha will be represented.

Our representation in Θ N E has been increased to three by the recent initiation of Bro. White.

We had the pleasure of seeing Bro. Helphrey, of Iowa Alpha, during his recent brief visit to Columbia.

In the Bond,

Columbia, March 27, 1898. ROYALL H. SWITZLER.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

The second term began January 31, with no change in our membership. Since our last letter we have initiated, and take pleasure in introducing, Eugene Towner Senseney, '01, college.

The new university catalogue shows an enrollment of 1,687 students in all departments, against 1,669 last year, an increase of 18.

Allen P. Whittemore, '96, is to be married next month to Miss Louise Wyman of this city. Joseph Dickson, Jr., '98, who left college in the fall of 1896 to attend the Harvard law school, has returned to this city, and has entered the law department of this university. Bro. M. L. Seward, *Cornell*, '97, is now practicing law in St. Louis. We have been very glad to have him with us several times.

The annual banquet of the alumni chapter, held Saturday, March 26, at the Southern Hotel, proved a very enjoyable event. A full account of it will be found elsewhere in this number.

We are well represented on *Student Life*. The editor, an assistant editor, and one of the local editors are Phis.

We expect to have a delegate at the Epsilon province convention at Lincoln.

Yours in the Bond,

St. Louis, March 28, 1898. CHAS. P. PETTUS.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Preparations are being made for our spring party. We expect to make it the best given here this year.

The university, through the exertions of Professor Penny, dean of the music school, has become the owner of a $3,000 pipe organ. The money was raised by means of entertainments of various kinds. A series of recitals is being given by the faculty and students of the school of music to complete the required sum. The proceeds of a lecture on Cuba by Brother Funston went to swell the fund.

The indoor meet was held March 12, at the armory. Brother Lee, for the third successive year, took first place on the horizontal bar. Brother Hudson received second place in the middle-weight wrestling, and Brother Hazen second place in the standing high kick. The glee club concert, March 18, promises to be a social as well as a financial success.

At the initiation of Brother Melvin H. Taylor, on the evening of March 5, we brought into use for the first time some new paraphernalia which added materially to the effectiveness of the ceremony.

During the past few weeks we have had the pleasure of becoming quite well acquainted with Brother Addison, Pennsylvania Beta, '92, of U. S. S. Bennington, who has been spending a short leave of absence with his parents, who reside here. He has been ordered to Pensacola, Fla., and has gone to that place.

Yours in the Bond,

Lawrence, March 14, 1898. H. W. MCLAUGHLIN.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Since the last letter to THE SCROLL several changes have taken place in the chapter. Brothers Davenport and Russell, of '98, having completed their required work at the end of the first semester, have left college but will return for their degrees in June. Brother Hayward, of '99, a law of '97, has also left us. Brother Hayward expects to go to Yale next fall, and Brother Russell has decided to enter the Columbia law school. Brother Davenport is in business in Omaha. Much as we shall miss them we feel in some degree compensated by the addition of two active members on the fifteenth of February. Brothers Thomas F. Roddy, '98, of Nebraska City, and John D. Hastie, '99, of Red Oak, Iowa, became Greeks on this occasion. Brother Roddy is a captain in the cadet regiment, and brother Hastie is a sergeant major.

Ground has been broken for, and some work done upon, the new building for the school of mechanic arts. The work has been somewhat delayed on account of a difficulty with a contractor. By the end of the school year, however, we expect to see the building completed.

Last evening Nebraska Alpha celebrated the most successful alumni banquet in her history. Thirty-seven Phis assembled to do honor to the occasion. The chapter at present has seventeen active members, so it is readily seen that our alumni are loyal—fourteen correspondent members being present. As guests we were glad to welcome Brothers G. M. Lambertson, Indiana Delta; O. F. Lambertson, Indiana Delta; A. F. Newell, Massachusetts Beta; J. S. Snoddy, Missouri Alpha; Robt. H. Wolcott, Michigan Alpha; Frank Capell, Iowa Beta, and J. R. Webster, Indiana Beta. The following is a list of the toasts, Brother Oury acting as toast master:

The Alumni, Thos. Creigh; The Old Hall, C. H. Von Mansfelde; The House, A. C. Welshans; Phi Delta Theta, R. S. Mueller; 'Phoebe,' K. C. Randall; Girls, Philip W. Russell; The Phi Pedagogue, H. C. Parmelee; The Faculty, Dr. Wolcott; 'A Hunting We Will Go,' R. W. Haggard; 'Psyche,' H. A. Tukey; 'Me and Hastie,' T. F. Roddy; My College Days, Gen. J. R. Webster; Phis in Public Life, Hon. G. M. Lamberston. Congratulatory letters and telegrams were received from Brothers Wing, Churchill, McMillan and Blaisdell.

In a social way we have lately instituted a series of informal parties given to the various sororities. Three weeks ago the chapter entertained the members of Delta Gamma. The following week we welcomed those of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Delta Delta. Next Saturday we expect to entertain Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi. The success of these informal gatherings is probably due to the novel program. Visitors to Nebraska Alpha must not fail to ask for Bros. Mueller and Welshans in their celebrated imitation of 'The Wizard of the Nile.'

On March eleventh the annual oratorical contest took place. Mr. J. D. Dennison took first place, his subject was 'The Evolution of Government.' He is a non-fraternity man.

Prospects for a good base ball team are excellent. Work in the cage was taken up very early, though now the boys have begun to practice outdoors. Several trips are contemplated. Mr. Barnes, a member of one of last year's league teams, has been coaching the pitchers, and Nebraska expects to be strong in the box. Mr. Benedict, a member of the '97 team, is now coach.

On charter day an indoor athletic meet was held in the gymnasium.

Several university records were broken. On March 4, the girls' basket ball team defeated the Council Bluffs team, 15 to 7. Considerable interest, particularly among the co-eds. was manifested.

Tau Delta Omicron established a chapter here on February 15. The chapter has secured a house.

The sympathy of the chapter is extended to Brother Miller in his illness.

Fraternally,

Lincoln, March 15, 1898. CHAS. H. TRUE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The commencement exercises of the University of California will be held on May 18. Unlike the practice of former years, all of the exercises will be observed on the campus in Berkeley. The board of regents and the alumni association have just completed arrangements for seating two thousand five hundred people, a feat which can only be accomplished by the erection of a mammoth tent, owing to the lack of a large assembly hall. The alumni banquet, which has annually been held in San Francisco, will this year take place in Harmon Gymnasium on commencement day. The other events of commencement week are announced as follows: May 12, senior ball, Harmon Gymnasium; May 13, President's reception at the residence of President Martin Kellogg; May 14, class day celebration, campus C, Weed's amphitheatre. In addition Mrs. Phœbe A. Hearst, the new regent of the university, who is standing as sponsor for the architectural plans for California, has invited the members of the senior class to a garden party at her palatial home in Pleasanton. It will occur on May 16.

The present graduating class will be the largest on record. The following is a summary issued from the recorder's office (not including the candidates for graduation in the professional colleges, who would materially increase the possible number of graduates) showing the size of the class after its revision by the study lists committee; 'candidates for the bachelor's degree, May, 1898, 189; candidates for higher degrees, May, 1898, 20; degrees already conferred this year, 22; probable total of degrees, Berkeley colleges, this year, 1897-98, 231. Total conferred last year, 1896-97, 157. Total conferred two years ago, 1895-96, 129.' The class of '98 graduates about 47 per cent. of its regular freshman membership. To make up for its losses, it has had accessions from other classes and institutions, and from students in special and limited status, amounting to forty members. The class of '97 graduated about 60 per cent. of its freshman members, and '94, '95 and '96 each about 70 per cent., so that there seems to have been a falling off for the past two years.

Charter day will be celebrated at the university on Wednesday, March 23. It will be California's thirtieth anniversary.

As previous letters this term have indicated, the movement toward a chapter house owned by a fraternity stock company has received a new impetus. The last annual meeting of the corporation—Phi Delta Theta of Berkeley—was held in Berkeley on February 8. A new board of directors was elected, consisting of Bros. D. Edward Collins, president of the California Bank, Oakland; C. O. Perry, president of the Columbian Banking Co., San Francisco; Everett F. Goodyear, The Macmillan Company's representative on the coast; C. E. Holmes, of Renton, Holmes & Co., San Francisco; George W. Rodolph, dentist, Oakland; Louis Titus, attorney-at-law, San Francisco; and Albert J.

Brown, of the active chapter. Both the alumni and undergraduate members are subscribing liberally, and we confidently expect to occupy our own house at the opening of the next college year in August.

The alumni banquet was held in San Francisco on the evening of March 12. Nearly all the active chapter was present.

The athletic activities of the university are fully under way. California has already won the Carnot debate with Stanford, the honor falling to Charles E. Fryer, '99, a member of Delta Upsilon and a son of Professor John Fryer of the university. The remaining inter-collegiate contests are the field day on April 23, which is conceded to California, the inter-collegiate debate on the evening of the same day, which is doubtful, and the base ball games on April 9 and 23 and May 7, concerning which there is even more doubt. Garrett Cochran, of Princeton, is the California coach. He has been entertained at a dinner by our chapter.

California Alpha continues her activity, and it is a conservative statement to say that she is held in as great esteem as any chapter in the university. We will graduate only one man this year, Bro. W. E. Creed. Bro. Creed is editor-in-chief of the *Daily Californian* and chairman of the class day committee. Brothers Moulthrop, Henderson, Hanna, Spencer, Seyler and Taft have all been advanced in the military department. Bro. Brown has been added to the athletic association's executive committee, giving us two members on a committee of ten; Bro. McDuffie is a member of the '99 *Blue and Gold* staff; Bro. Henderson has been appointed to a prominent place on the *Daily Californian*. These are honors the chapter has received since the last letter. We have been offered representation on the '00 *Blue and Gold*, but we have taken no action yet.

It is a pleasure to announce that Fielding J. Stilson, '01, of Los Angeles, has joined Phi Delta Theta. Bro. C. L. Creed, '01, has taken out a leave of absence for six months, but will return in August.

Fraternally yours,

Berkeley, March 21, 1898. J. R. MOULTHROP.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

This week is the spring vacation at Stanford, and it is very welcome after the ten weeks of study since the beginning of the present semester.

The alumni of California Beta seem to be taking a great interest in the prosperity of their chapter. Since our annual letter was sent, we have received very encouraging answers from many old members, for which we thank them heartily.

On March 12 the alumni of California Alpha and Beta held their annual banquet in the Palace Hotel, San Francisco. Covers were laid for forty, and many of the active members of the two chapters were present.

On March 16 we received the sad news of the death of Louis Allen, '95. Bro. Allen died of consumption in Los Angeles and leaves a wife. He was thought a great deal of while at Stanford. He had the ability to make a superior physician, had his life been spared.

Since our last letter we have initiated two new men, Ralph Edson Gilman and Royall Charles Victor.

Yours in the Bond,

Stanford University, March 27, 1898. BENJAMIN E. PAGE.

ALUMNI.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA ALUMNI, BOSTON.

An alumni chapter that can not draw upon an active chapter in the same city or neighborhood can not expect to have a large number present at the annual dinner. The need of an active chapter in this vicinity was never felt more than last evening when this alumni chapter had its annual dinner. What we lacked in numbers, however, was made up in the loyalty and enthusiasm of those faithful members who permit only two things—sickness and death—to keep them away from a Phi meeting.

The following officers were elected: President, G. H. G. McGrew, *Indianapolis*, '74; Vice-President, B. F. Hurd, *Cornell*, '91; Treasurer, F. H. Clapp, *Vermont*, '86; Secretary, Emerson Rice, *Dartmouth*, '87; Historian, H. O. Spaulding, *Williams*, '94; Warden, H. L. Warren, *Amherst*, '95; Reporter, W. W. Case, *Allegheny*, '84.

Massachusetts Beta, as is her usual custom, sent a delegate, Bro. H. H. Wright, '98, whose presence added much to the pleasure and interest of the occasion.

Bro. W. S. Lewis, *Tulane*, '94, introduced the speakers of the evening in his usual happy manner, and we drank to the health of all Phis everywhere. Besides toasts by the officers and delegates, remarks were made by A. C. Griffin, *Amherst*, '87; E. D. Chadwick, *Williams*, '90; E. L. Shinn, *Lombard*, '96, and F. P. McNutt, *Wabash*, '91.

Bro. Gallert was greatly missed. This was his first 'miss' since the chapter was started. Bro. Marble came in over the long distance wire from Pittsburgh. Bro. Hurd made a strong plea for a chapter at Harvard. He believes that we ought to overcome our prejudices against it at once and make a beginning, not with graduates from other chapters but from undergraduates in the university.

Phi Delta Theta's progress in the next fifty years will depend greatly on the interest taken by the alumni. Here's to that interest, with apologies to an unknown poet:

Alumni are wise
Who advertise
Phi Delta in the fall,
But wiser yet
Are they, you bet,
Who never let up at all!

Yours in the Bond,

Boston, March 19, 1898. WALTER W. CASE.

NEW YORK ALPHA ALUMNI, NEW YORK.

Alumni day was duly celebrated in true Phi form in New York, and the joint annual banquet of New York Alpha Alumni, New York Delta and the Phi Delta Theta Club of New York, held at the Hotel Marie Antoinette, was well attended. Seven o'clock was the hour scheduled for the dinner, and from that time on the Phis came in, until a goodly number were congregated in the luxuriously appointed main reception room of the popular hostelry, which was given up to our exclusive use. Little groups of ever-varying composition were formed, and almost an hour was pleasantly spent in renewing old ties, exchanging information and 'swapping' stories. When the clock struck eight, all repaired to the dining-room adjacent, where, on an artistically decorated table, was served a delicious repast.

Flowers were in profusion, and the main or center piece was a handsome bed of artistic fragrance, filled with groups of incandescent lights, which served to enhance its beauty and to bring into strong relief the many colors of the roses, carnations and violets which composed it. From either side of this *pièce de résistance* down the entire length of the table in a continuous line, other flowers had been arranged by a master hand.

After adjusting the carnation boutonnières, which had been provided for each guest, a nine course dinner was served, the market having been ransacked for delicacies to tempt the palate. Champagne and water touched elbows for an hour and a half, and with the cigars the chairman, Bro. D. R. Horton, called the meeting to order, that members of the Phi Delta Theta Club present might elect their directors and officers. This proceeded with expedition, and then President Drummond, of the alumni chapter, declared the election of that body as the next item on the program. All of these offices were filled by unanimous vote, save that of chorister, for which a spirited contest was waged by Bros. Young and Baskerville. The smoke in the atmosphere prevented a practical test being made of the candidates' qualifications, but resort to secondary evidence being had, Bro. Young was successful, he having a slight preponderance of qualified expert testimony as to former achievements.

The officers for the ensuing year are: President, L. E. A. Drummond, *C. C. N. Y.*, '88; vice-president, F. A. Southworth, *Columbia*, '95; reporter, Chas. A. Winter, *Ohio State*, '87; secretary, Elias G. Brown, M. D., *Columbia*, '95; treasurer, E. Emerson, Jr., *Miami*, '89; chorister, Wm. W. Young, *Wisconsin*, '92. These preliminaries having been attended to, the diners settled themselves to listen to the toasts, which were printed on the menu card as follows: Our Fraternity, Julius Marshall Mayer, *C. C. N. Y.*, '84; Phi Delta Theta's Progress in Fifty Years and Her Prospects for Years to Come, Lewis E. A. Drummond, *C. C. N. Y.*, '88; New York Delta, Oscar Weeks Ehrhorn, *Columbia*, '98; The Phi Delta Theta Club of New York City, Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D. D., *Lafayette*, '85. Bro. Shaw having but lately recovered from a rather severe illness, the order of delivery was changed, and the last was made first. In a twelve minute speech, which was the undoubted hit of the evening, Bro. Shaw regaled those present with anecdotes and witticisms which added point to an address, a model of Phi spirit. He was succeeded by Bro. Mayer, who spoke in his usual felicitous manner. Bro. Ehrhorn then spoke on behalf of the undergraduate chapter, the last of the formal toasts being rendered by Bro. Drummond. In clear, concise and convincing language Bro. Drummond described the founding of the Fraternity, traced its remarkable growth and development through half a hundred years, until on its golden jubilee it looked back upon a record second to none, and one marked with names that stand out, the nation over, in statesmanship, politics, letters and the sciences.

After short speeches by Bros. Baskerville, Winslow, Hackett and Emerson, the meeting broke up. The following were among those present: *Columbia*—T. H. Baskerville, '86, J. M. Mayer, '86, E. P. Callender, '87, C. A. Bechstein, '88, Dr. J. T. Simonson, '90, D. J. Greene, '94, E. W. Lebaire, '94, Dr. E. G. Brown, '95, Herbert Pinkham, '95, F. A. Southworth, '95, C. S. Boardman, '96, Harry Hewitt, '96, Wm. S. Thyng, '96, A. P. Van Gelder, '96, G. W. Reppold, '97, H. W. Egner, Jr., '98, O. W. Ehrhorn, '98, Stallo Vinton, '98, F. S. Hackett, '99, O. H. Hinck, '99, Fred Hinrichs, Jr., '99. *C. C. N. Y.*—

F. A. Winslow, '87, L. E. A. Drummond, '88, F. I. Brown, '89, Geo. L. Walker, '90, L. E. Van Norman, '91. *Cornell*—D. R. Horton, '75, G. A. Blauvelt, '90. *Lafayette*—Rev. Dr. J. B. Shaw, '85, L. H. Allen, '94. *Miami*—Edwin Emerson, Jr., '89, W. C. Harris, '91. *Colby*—D. J. Gallert, '93. *Williams*—R. F. Denison, '97. *Brown*—W. H. Hopkins, '91. *Washington and Jefferson*—J. A. Matthews, '93. *Ohio State*—C. A. Winter, '87. *Michigan*—R. M. Hardy, '98. *Wisconsin*—W. W. Young, '92. *Missouri*—Burton M. Thompson, '92.

OSCAR WEEKS EHRHORN.

New York, April 11, 1898.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA ALUMNI, PITTSBURGH.

The loyal members of Pennsylvania Alpha alumni to the number of thirty-six held their annual meeting and dinner at the Lincoln Hotel on the evening of March 15. The officers were re-elected. They include Arthur E. Linhart, president, E. C. Chalfant, secretary-treasurer, and E. P. Couse, reporter. A committee was arranged for, to prepare a catalogue of Phis living in Pittsburgh and vicinity.

There were no formal toasts, but a number of bright, timely talks were called out by the subjects announced for discussion. Some topics related to Phi Delta Theta extension matters and were fully treated. Several Phis reported the condition of chapters in their various colleges. Bro. Dwight N. Marble, former historian of the General Council, was instructed to forward chapter greetings to the Boston chapter, whose dinner invitation had been received by several Pittsburghers.

Rev. S. Edward Young, Westminster, '86, and Princeton, '87, was one of the honored guests of the evening. He was recently called to the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian church here, succeeding Rev. Frank Tallmage. Bro. Young came here from New Jersey, and though young has a wide reputation as an orator and organizer. His evangelistic meetings have resulted in large accessions to the church membership. He is a man of scholarly attainment and as modest and pious as he is profound.

The boys were especially glad to have among their number Lieutenant J. B. Patton, of the U. S. navy. He was a member of the class of '87, University of South Carolina, and later went to Annapolis. He was on his first cruise abroad during the Chinese war and saw some of the noted battles. Now Bro. Patton is inspector of light armor for the government at the Carnegie steel works at Homestead. He is an engineer officer who thoroughly knows his business, and in case of hostilities with any foreign nation would give a good account of himself.

The general discussion of the fiftieth fraternity year favored a continuance of the conservative extension policy of the present national officers.

The Phis present were: Rev. S. Edward Young, Westminster, class of '86 and Princeton, '87; J. A. Langfitt, W. & J., '79; J. Robert Wright, W. & J., '88; T. C. Blaisdell, Syracuse, '88; E. H. Beazell, Lehigh, '90; Lieutenant J. B. Patton, South Carolina, '87, and Annapolis; H. R. Blickle, Lehigh, '93; Rev. George Grant, Allegheny, '97; R. B. Flather, Purdue, '95; C. E. Howe, of Wabash, Ind., Purdue, '96; J. N. Rule, of Colorado Springs, W. & J., '98; J. Clarke Logan, W. & J., '99; J. F. Bell, W. & J., '98; J. Merrill Wright, Allegheny, '95; C. L. Goodwin, of Dunlo, Pa., Indiana University, '83; Prof. A. S. Hunter, W. & J., '80; D. S. Dille, W. & J., '89; S. H. McKee, Monmouth, '72; W. K. Foster, Lafayette, '96; William Kirker, Lafayette, '99; W. C.

Fishburn, Allegheny, ex-'87; E. P. Couse, Allegheny, '89; J. R. Bell, W. & J., '87; R. T. McCready, Allegheny, ex-'87; E. H. Pond, Allegheny, '83; J. A. Guignon, Allegheny, '83; Frank T. Hogg, Lafayette, '84; Dwight N. Marble, Center, '82; Prof. Rufus Darr, of Rochester, Pa., Lafayette, '77; George Lehner, Lafayette, '93; E. C. Chalfant, Lafayette, '95; A. E. Linhart, W. & J., '90; W. P. Beazell, Allegheny, '97, and F. Hartung, of Harmony, Pa., Allegheny College.

Yours fraternally,

Pittsburgh, March 17, 1898. E. P. COUSE.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA ALUMNI, PHILADELPHIA.

The annual dinner of the Pennsylvania Beta Alumni and Zeta chapters was held at the Hotel Stenton on Tuesday evening, March 15, 1898. Covers were laid for thirty-five. The following toasts were responded to: Our New House, Clifton Maloney; Pennsylvania Zeta, Henry C. Burr; Pennsylvania Zeta, Frank Craig; The Junior Order, Edward B. Wilford. The committee consisted of Clifton Maloney, chairman, Edward B. Wilford, Harry S. McKinley, Wm. Acker, H. S. Reade, and J. Chas. Ziegler.

I. W. HOLLINGSHEAD.

Philadelphia, April 8, 1898.

TENNESSEE ALPHA ALUMNI, NASHVILLE.

For several years the alumni of Nashville had omitted to celebrate Alumni day, until a few of them met with the boys of Tennessee Alpha on the evening of March 15. We were sorry to miss many who had been urgently invited, but who were prevented from being present. Nevertheless, there was an abundance of the true Phi spirit. The active members of the chapter had prepared well to refresh both body and spirit, and it is very certain that the alumni who were present had their enthusiasm for Phi Delta Theta strongly intensified. A few earnest, loyal speeches were made as a prelude to the happy chats and reminiscences which formed the principal feature of the evening. It seemed a great pleasure to the chapter to entertain their senior Phis, and such an enjoyable affair to the latter that they will doubtless attend in even greater numbers and gladness when the occasion returns again.

Yours in the Bond,

Nashville, March 19, 1898. JOHN H. DE WITT.

LOUISIANA ALPHA ALUMNI, NEW ORLEANS.

Bro. Grantland L. Tebault, reporter of the chapter, writes that the Phis of New Orleans were so stirred up on March 15 over the war news and prospects that they postponed their celebration of Alumni day, feeling, doubtless, that this might seem somewhat excusable, in view of the recent meeting of the chapter reported in the February SCROLL. Now that the battleship purchased from Brazil has been named the New Orleans, and since Bro. W. T. Cluverius, *Tulane*, '95, one of the survivors among the junior officers of the Maine, has come home for a brief stay, the war spirit seems to be more rampant than ever in this chapter.

Bro. Tebault, however, and Bro. Cluverius claim to represent another feeling very strong among New Orleans Phis, when they urge their city as the proper place to hold our national convention in 1900.

To quote from Bro. Tebault: 'All Phis should see the quaintest city in the United States before the old Spanish and French landmarks disappear entirely. We have a battle-ground of the war of 1812, *Mardi Gras* and other interesting sights without number.' Rival candidates for the honor of convention city in 1900 will have to bestir themselves, evidently. The Phis of the delta are very much in earnest. Alpha Tau Omega is to convene in New Orleans this year, by the way.

OHIO ALPHA ALUMNI, CINCINNATI.

Twenty-six notices were sent to as many Phis living in Cincinnati and vicinity, requesting them to meet at the Grand Hotel café on the fifteenth of March, at 12:30 P. M., to celebrate Alumni day and the seventy-sixth birthday of Father Morrison.

There might have been a more generous response to the call, but it was all that could be expected for the first meeting in years, and on such short notice, too. There was, however, enough loyalty and enthusiasm to make up for the lack in numbers, and many of the absent ones have since expressed their intention of being at the next meeting, which will be held at the same place on the second Tuesday in April, at 12:30 P. M.

Those present enjoyed a very pleasant and profitable hour. A delicious luncheon was served, and while it was being dispatched many topics of interest were discussed, among them the question of establishing a chapter at the institution named in the March *Palladium*. It was the unanimous opinion of the meeting that a charter should be granted and a chapter installed as soon as possible.

We hope to be able to report another meeting for the June SCROLL.

Yours in the Bond,

Cincinnati, March 26, 1898. J. G. BLOOM.

OHIO BETA ALUMNI, AKRON.

On Alumni day, Ohio Beta Alumni performed what has come to be her double duty, now that Ohio Epsilon can no longer join in the festivities. We feel that the task was well done and not grudgingly.

The Phis of Akron assembled in the parlors of the Hotel Buchtel and spent the early part of the evening recalling old college days. Those old days seem to grow dearer as time wrests year after year from our store of life. Later in the evening the partaking of a banquet heightened, if possible, the whole-souled good-fellowship which is so characteristic of Phi gatherings. Bro. H. H. Henry, *Buchtel, '87*, of Cleveland, presided as toast-master in the same happy manner which has always characterized him when acting in this capacity.

The reading of letters from old boys of Ohio Epsilon was a most enjoyable part of our evening's pleasure. These letters told us that distance could not lessen the love of the boys for the old Phi home. The responses of the evening brought out the cheering fact that Buchtel College is enjoying a most prosperous year and that surely there is a rift in the clouds. Not only has the number of students increased, but a great deal of enthusiasm has characterized the work of the faculty and the student-body. This is indeed cheering, for to many of us Buchtel and our fraternity life are inseparable. May the good work go on steadily and with certain step, was the wish of each one gathered about our banquet board.

The announcement that the next national convention will be held in Ohio was most welcome, and we hope that every Phi in Delta province will make it his business to be present and help Ohio Zeta extend a royal welcome to the whole Phi world.

We had with us for the first time two new Akronians, Brothers Shlesinger and Morley, from Ohio Eta. May she send us more of the same kind!

It was a very late hour when we drank the cold water toast to the health of Robert Morrison and reluctantly gave each other a farewell grasp of the hand.

Yours in the Bond,

Akron, March 16, 1898. L. R. C. EBERHARD.

OHIO GAMMA ALUMNI, CLEVELAND.

On the evening of Alumni day the Ohio Gamma Alumni met with Ohio Eta at the chapter house of the latter for the annual reunion. Our reunions have heretofore been held at one of the hotels, but the committee having the matter in charge chose the house this year, and I am sure all present felt that the change was a very agreeable one. It also seemed to act as an incentive to get the men out, for there was a larger attendance of alumni than ever before. With the members of the active chapter, almost fifty were present, and it is unnecessary to say that every man felt glad to be there.

Following the dinner, a number of toasts were given, with Prof. Lynch of the Central high school as toast-master. The responses were as varied in nature as the men from whom they came, from sage advice to the undergraduate members to the genial humor of some of our clergymen, which always gives an added enjoyment to our annual gatherings. Bro. F. S. Brockman, *Vanderbilt*, '91, one of the active workers in the student volunteer movement, was present and gave some very interesting remarks in regard to the work in which he is interested.

Following the toasts came the annual election of officers, resulting as follows: Howard O. Couse, president; W. H. Merriam, vice-president and reporter; Wilson A. Carter, secretary and treasurer; Rev. Carl F. Henry, chaplain; Prof. C. P. Lynch, warden.

After songs and general good fellowship the assemblage gradually broke up about 2 A. M. The alumni have the active men to thank for having made possible so pleasant a place in which to meet. It was a meeting of good fellows, such as our Fraternity always has. May there be many more like it!

Yours in the Bond,

Cleveland, March 28, 1898. W. H. MERRIAM.

CENTRAL OHIO ALUMNI, COLUMBUS.

The seventy-sixth birthday of Robert Morrison was appropriately celebrated by the Phis of central Ohio by a dinner at the Hotel Chittenden on the evening of March 15. While a semi-official organization has existed here for several years, and we have usually celebrated Alumni day, this dinner was the first since 1896, the event for last year having been overlooked among the many things that demanded the attention of those who had charge of the arrangements. At the dinner two years ago a resolution was adopted organizing the Central Ohio alumni association and putting its affairs in the hands of a com-

mittee composed of Marcus G. Evans, *Wooster*, Woodbury T. Morris, *Williams*, and John Edwin Brown, *Ohio Wesleyan*. This committee had in charge the arrangements for the dinner this year in which the alumni were joined by the members of the Ohio Zeta at the State University. To their co-operation we owe not a little of the success of the dinner, their membership turning out to a man.

At 6:30 thirty members of the Fraternity sat down at the handsomely decorated table in ordinary G of the Hotel Chittenden, each member finding at his place the fraternity flower and the menu card bearing the legend, 'Alumni Dinner of the Phis of Central Ohio, celebrating the Alumni Day of the Fraternity,' and the well appointed menu which began with 'blue points' and ended with 'Roquefort and coffee.'

At the conclusion of the dinner Dr. J. E. Brown, of the committee, offered the following as the basis of organization for the association:

'*Name.* This association shall be known as the Central Ohio Association of Phi Delta Theta Alumni.

'*Membership.* Members of the Fraternity who have been graduated or who have withdrawn from college, living in Columbus or its vicinity, shall be eligible to membership in this association.

'*Constitution.* The constitution of this association shall be that of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity for Alumni chapters.

'BY-LAWS.

'*Officers.* The association shall appoint an executive committee of three (3) members, a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary-treasurer, elected or appointed at the annual meeting of the association. The members of this committee shall serve until their successors are elected. This committee shall perform such duties as are assigned by the association.

'*Meetings.* The annual meeting and dinner of the association shall be held on March 15. If for any reason it is not feasible to hold this meeting on that date, the nearest feasible date thereto shall be chosen instead. Other meetings shall be at the call of the executive committee.

'*Dues.* The annual dues of the association shall be the price of the plate at the annual dinner, such price including the expense of notifying the members in regard to the meeting.'

The proposed constitution and by-laws were unanimously adopted. In order to be recognized in the roster of Alumni chapters of the Fraternity, a regular application for an alumni charter was filled out and has been since forwarded to the General Council. It is signed by twenty members of the Fraternity.

The executive committee for the coming year, which will have in charge the arrangements for the semi-centennial convention to be held in Columbus, is composed of John Edwin Brown, *Ohio Wesleyan*, Hon. Emmett Tompkins, *Ohio*, and Woodbury T. Morris, *Williams*. The announcement that the next convention was to be held in Columbus created no little enthusiasm, and everything indicated that the Phis of central Ohio will spare no pains to make the occasion a memorable one in the Fraternity. In this effort they will be joined by the Phis of Ohio State, Ohio Wesleyan and Ohio Universities.

After dinner impromptu speeches were made by Brothers Tompkins, J. E. Brown, Morris, A. V. Evans, J. F. Hays, Fred L. Rosemond, J. H. Puntenney, T. L. Chadbourne and I. M. Foster. Brother M. G. Evans acted as toast-master.

The presence and remarks of Brother Rosemond at the dinner added greatly to its enjoyment, he being an old Phi of Ohio Wesleyan, class of 1882, and having come all the way from Cambridge to be present at the dinner. Another speaker whose remarks were particularly enjoyed was Brother Puntenney of the old Miami chapter, who told of its successes there in 1869 and 1870.

Letters of regret were read from Hons. D. D. Woodmansee and Scott Bonham, of Cincinnati, Hon. C. E. McBride, Mansfield, and others who regretted their inability to be present. Among these was our founder, J. W. Lindley, of Fredericktown, who even now is counting on the pleasure of being present at the semi-centennial in November.

In the Bond,

Columbus, March 18, 1898. J. E. BROWN.

INDIANA BETA ALUMNI, INDIANAPOLIS.

The Phis of Indianapolis, to the number of five and twenty, lunched together informally on Alumni day at the Commercial Club. R. Frank Davidson, as reporter of Indiana Beta Alumni, presided over the feast. Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*, '52, was re-elected president; Paul H. White, *Stanford*, '95, was made treasurer; W. A. Bastian, *De Pauw*, '91, reporter; James L. Mitchell, *Indiana*, '89, warden; John M. Wall, *Indiana*, '92, historian; Frank Martin, *Franklin*, '96, chaplain. The reporter has no complete list of those present, but remembers the following: F. A. Preston, *De Pauw*, '94; Robt. Moorhead, *Indianapolis*, '96; C. T. Switzler, *Missouri*, '94; W. W. Buchanan, *Indianapolis*, '88; Frank Martin, *Franklin*, '96; W. S. Garber, *Hanover*, '72; F. R. Kautz, *Indianapolis*, '87; I. Feibleman, *Indiana*, '93; W. A. Bastian, *De Pauw*, '91; H. U. Brown, *Indianapolis*, '80; John M. Wall, *Indiana*, '92; Robert S. Foster, *Indianapolis*, '97; Eman L. Beck, *Franklin*, '97; R. F. Davidson, *Indianapolis*, '92; Paul H. White, *Stanford*, '95; F. P. Robinson, *Indianapolis*, '95; James L. Mitchell, *Indiana*, '89; A. B. Clarke, *Indianapolis*, '97.

W. A. BASTIAN.

Indianapolis, April 4, 1898.

MICHIGAN ALPHA ALUMNI, DETROIT.

On the evening of February 3 seven Phis of the Michigan Alpha Alumni chapter gathered around the festive board at Hotel Ste. Claire. This was the first successful attempt to get a gathering for a dinner. Those present were Bros. Kessler, Preston, McCollister, Stringer, Steele, Searle and Putnam. The affair was a very pleasant one and the beginning of a series to be held from time to time as the spirit moves us. Our next local dinner will be held April 26.

At the meeting on February 3 plans were discussed for the regular alumni banquet for March 15. The banquet committee was instructed to make suitable arrangements and to invite all neighboring Phis and the chapters of the state. Our chapter at Ann Arbor being so near, we had counted confidently on the boys from Michigan Alpha. The committee saw fit, after looking the ground over thoroughly, to change the plans materially. The boys from Michigan Alpha thought that they could not be with us on the fifteenth, but cordially invited the Detroit Phis to banquet with them on the eleventh. Accordingly the committee attempted to change the previously conceived plans and

proceed in a body to Ann Arbor. Unfortunately the plan did not work. But two of our members made the trip. Previous engagements and a general confusion as to the local banquet made our delegation so small that we are a little ashamed to confess its minuteness.

Nevertheless, nothing daunted, we intend to hold our next local dinner on April 26, and hope to make it as much of a success as our first.

Sending greeting to our sister chapters and our honored founder, I am,

In Phi Delta Theta,

Detroit, March 22, 1898. W. P. PUTNAM.

MINNESOTA ALPHA ALUMNI, MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL.

Alumni day of this, the semi-centennial year of our fraternity, was appropriately celebrated by the Twin City alumni association in union with the local chapter, by a banquet at the Commercial Club in Minneapolis. All of the 'Old Guard,' whose faces—and stories—are always in evidence, were of course on hand, and signs of growing interest on the part of Phis long since out of college were shown by the large number of alumni who have hitherto not identified themselves with the association. The local chapter turned out to a man. Before dinner was served an informal reception was held in the club parlors; the new comers became acquainted and old friends exchanged greetings.

Bro. L. A. Straight presided at the feast, and served as toast-master in his characteristic manner. The speeches by alumni and active members were filled more than usually with an intense spirit of fraternity enthusiasm. No more enjoyable or beneficial gathering of Phis has taken place in the memory of any who participated. The alumni went away imbued with a renewed interest, and an increased loyalty to Phi Delta Theta. The younger members, still active workers in the college world, learned what it meant to be a Phi, and carried away inspiration to make renewed efforts for their Fraternity.

The speeches were very pleasantly interspersed with songs by Bro. Smith, '01, and music by the chapter mandolin and guitar club of eight pieces.

In the course of the evening the alumni association elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: L. A. Straight, president; J. M. Anderson, vice-president; Wm. C. Covert, reporter, and W. H. Sherburne, secretary and treasurer.

Yours in the Bond,

St. Paul, March 29, 1898. WM. C. COVERT.

MISSOURI BETA ALUMNI, ST. LOUIS.

The annual banquet of the St. Louis alumni occurred at the Southern Hotel on March twenty-sixth. In spite of a stormy night over thirty Phis assembled to celebrate the semi-centennial of the Fraternity. The following were present: Wm. Graham, *Virginia*, '81; Richard McCulloch, *Washington*, '91; D. W. Roper, *Washington* and *Cornell*, '93; E. C. Renaud, *Tulane*, '93; Sherman Leavitt, *Washington*, '00; H. W. Eliot, Jr., *Washington*, '00; E. T. Senseney, *Washington*, '01; Geo. H. Boeck, *Washington*, '97; Albert B. Lawver, *Washington*, '96; P. R. Flitcraft, *Michigan*, '71; Thurston Wright, *Washington*, '01; Samuel M. Piper, *De Pauw*, '85; Wm. Simpson, Jr.,

Washington, '00; S. B. Phillips, *Washington*, '00; Thomas G. Rutledge, Jr., *Washington*, '91; A. C. Caldwell, *Washington*, '97; J. L. Stuart, *Washington*, '98; R. Munroe Wilson, *Washington*, '97; James Harrison, *Washington*, '95; Chas. P. Pettus, *Washington*, '99; J. B. Pitman, *Vanderbilt*, '97; T. H. Wright, *Washington*, '98; H. R. Hall, *Washington*, '92; Chas. F. Krone, *Missouri*, '84; Martin A. Seward, *Cornell*, '97; T. F. Chaplin, *Washington*, '96.

Brother Rutledge, the president of the alumni chapter, was in the chair, and the following toasts were made: 'Miami, the Birthplace of Phi Delta Theta,' Edward L. Jacobs, *Miami*, '93; 'Missouri Gamma and Washington University,' Trescott F. Chaplin, *Washington*, '96; 'The Greeks and the Barbarians,' John W. Nute, *Lafayette*, '86; 'Fifty Years of Phi Delta Theta,' P. R. Flitcraft, *Michigan*, '71; 'The Phi Girls,' Harry R. Hall, *Washington*, '92.

At the close of the evening the officers for the ensuing year were elected: H. R. Hall, *Washington*, '92, president; Martin A. Seward, *Cornell*, '97, historian and vice-president, and T. F. Chaplin, *Washington*, '96, secretary.

Yours in the Bond,

St. Louis, March 26, 1898. T. F. CHAPLIN.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA ALUMNI, SAN FRANCISCO.

The annual Phi banquet in this city necessarily is for the most part simply a reunion of members, old and young, of California Alpha. That happens to have been particularly the case this time, although, especially since the birth of her charming sister down at Palo Alto, it is becoming more and more possible each year to make it a gathering of more general character. The last meeting was delightful in every way, and was called to order in the maple room annex at the Palace Hotel, Saturday evening, March 12, at 7 P. M by toastmaster, Geo. E. DeGolia, '77. A roll-call would have disclosed an even thirty present. The following were features of the menu: Huitres de l'est à la Shell Mound; soupe à la tortue d'Allardt; caviar grillarde à la Phikeia; paupiette de bass à la Berkeley Band; filet de boeuf au lard à la Cardinal; riz de veau, petits pois, à la Great Scott; punch à la Perry de Belvedere; salade de chicore à la Rodolph; gateaux à la Grizzly Peak.

The speeches throughout were of a superior order, so that the banquet of another fraternity going at the same time across the hall, and where the members were evidently having an awfully good time, could scarcely have proved the feast of reason that ours did. Several pleasant messages were exchanged with our friendly rivals, however. The toasts were: 'Building the Temple,' D. Edw. Collins; 'The Legal Militia,' W. H. Anderson; 'The Dream of My Youth,' Ebenezer Scott; 'When I Was a Freshman.' C. O. Perry; 'Azure and Argent,' Frank Otis; 'In Behalf of my Proxy,' Louis Titus; 'Cardinal Victories,' Caspar W. Hodgson; 'Some Things Worth Knowing,' F. M. Parcells; 'Blue and Gold Triumphs,' W. E. Creed. The splendid peroration on the building of character was an appropriate climax to the discourse on the long anticipated Φ Δ Θ temple in Berkeley, and deserves more than the passing notice we are permitted to give it. The place of J. B. Reinstin, absent on account of illness, was acceptably filled by a classmate of '73, who doubtless had some knowledge during college days of the aerial castles of our regent brother now soon to be realized in the greater University of California, largely under his inspiration and supervision. A message of regret was received from him and one

from Dr. Geo. W. Rodolph, who was at that time endeavoring to obey the injunction 'Physician, heal thyself.' The vacant chair of Professor Wm. Carey Jones, another victim of *la grippe*, was occupied by an ex-general officer of the Fraternity, somewhat farther removed, to be sure, from the freshman days of which he spoke.

Together with the speakers the following completed the festive circle: W. N. Friend, M. S. Blanchard, Chas. Seyler, Jr., E. F. Goodyear (which four brothers constituted the committee of which the reporter was an honorary member), C. F. Allardt, C. Edw. Holmes, E. I. Powell, G. J. McChesney, J. E. McDowell, F. S. Fox, H. P. Hill, A. J. Brown, E. W. Garrison, Duncan McDuffie, J. Robert Moulthrop, V. H. Henderson, D. Spencer, Homer Boushey, Fielding Stilson, J. Maxwell Taft. The chapters represented were DePauw, Southwestern, Stanford and California.

The reporter desires to acknowledge the thoughtfulness of each of the following chapters in sending him a copy of its circular letter: Case, Dartmouth, Sewanee, DePauw, Allegheny, Missouri, Texas, Westminster, Dickinson, Michigan, Stanford, California.

Yours in the Bond,

San Francisco, March 30, 1898. WILLIAM O. MORGAN.

CALIFORNIA BETA ALUMNI, LOS ANGELES.

The alumni of Los Angeles held their banquet on Alumni day at the *Maison Dorée*, at 6:30, to perfect the organization of the alumni chapter in this city. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent.

Bro. Conger, our unanimous choice for president, opened the meeting with an invocation, after which he introduced our affable and able toast-master, Bro. Hewitt. The toasts, which were heartily responded to, were directed to what may be termed the 'good of the Order,' and it was finally declared to be the sense of the meeting that our alumni chapters should endeavor to be efficient aids to the active chapters in every possible way, and that, particularly, we should assist them by calling their attention to new men who would be desirable Phis.

Those present were: Everett L. Conger, *Lombard*, president; Leslie R. Hewitt, *California*, vice-president; Edward W. Holmes, *Stanford*, secretary and treasurer; Robert J. Adcock, *Illinois;* Thomas L. Neal, *Virginia;* Frazier M. Sallee, *Westminster;* S. F. Conley, *Missouri;* John H. Simms, *Wooster;* Edward W. Forgy, *Wooster;* F. E. Engstrum, *California;* R. D. Emery, *Vermont;* Homer Laughlin, Jr., *Stanford;* Russ Avery, *California;* R. P. Rice, *Stanford;* Clark W. Hetherington, *Stanford;* Darwin Gish, *California;* G. Curtis De Garmo, *California;* Edw. F. Wehrle, *Iowa* and *Iowa Wesleyan*.

Wishing all the chapters of our good old Fraternity a very prosperous year, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Los Angeles, March 18, 1898. EDWARD W. HOLMES.

PERSONALS.

Emory—John Lovejoy, '73, is at Newnan, Ga.

Emory—Rev. Clayton P. Miller, '71, is in Atlanta.

Wooster—Rev. Robert Ballagh, '76, is at Plano, Cal.

Hillsdale—W. D. Gurlough, '92, is in business in Stanford, Illinois.

Ohio Wesleyan—L. A. Busby, '94, is practicing law in Chicago.

Emory—Addison F. Barnett, '74, a charter member, is in New Orleans.

Wisconsin—A. G. Paul, '96, is in the lumber business at Lake City, Fla.

Kansas—J. E. Dyche, '92, is superintendent of schools at Horton, Kansas.

Ohio Wesleyan—Rev. R. D. Hollington, '91, is preaching at Montpelier, O.

South Carolina—George Walker, '86, is practicing medicine in Baltimore.

Ohio Wesleyan—J. W. Magruder, '93, is practicing medicine at Peru, Ind.

Ohio Wesleyan—W. I. Hadley, '91, is engaged in business at Waldron, Mich.

Nebraska—Karl C. Randall, '97, was elected to Sigma Xi at the last drawing.

Iowa Wesleyan—John W Palm, '76, is now postmaster at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

South Carolina—M. H. Sandifer, '86, is in the drug business at Rock Hill, S. C.

Nebraska—Wm. L. Stephens, '89, is superintendent of schools at Fairbury, Neb.

Iowa Wesleyan—Ira Lute, '97, is now Y M. C. A. secretary at Independence, Iowa.

South Carolina—M. L. Copeland, '84, is a cotton buyer and planter at Clinton, S. C.

Nebraska—Thos. Creigh, law, '97, is in the law firm of Clarkson & Creigh at Omaha.

Miami—Rev. S. C. Baldridge, '49, died at his home in Hanover, Ind., April 15, 1898.

Nebraska—Clarence W Rhodes, '76, is editing the *Rocky Mountain News* at Denver, Colo.

Kansas—J. E. Smith, '97, has a position with the Union National Bank, Kansas City, Mo.

Lafayette—Robert W Givin, '82, died on January 5, 1898, at Roxborough, Philadelphia, Pa.

Vermont—Rev. S. H. Wheeler, '83, a charter member of the chapter, is at Chehalis, Wash.

Colby—David Smith, '89, is with the State Mutual Life Association, in their Boston office.

South Carolina—H. A. Brunson, '89, is editor of the Florence (S. C.) *Times-Messenger*.

Kansas—Galen Nichols, '91, is located at Topeka, Kansas. He is deputy county attorney.

Washington—John R. Fordyce, '92, is to be married soon to a young lady of Little Rock, Ark.

Amherst—Arthur W. Stone, '94, was admitted to the Maine bar at the recent examinations.

Hillsdale—Edward L. Powers, '90, is teaching the piano in the Judson Institute, at Marion, Ala.

Missouri—W E. Moore, '96, is doing newspaper work in Chicago. His address is 321 Ogden Ave.

Ohio Wesleyan—T. T. Shaw, '94, O. W U.'s favorite shortstop, is practicing law at Defiance, O.

Alabama—E. D. Smith, '96, is president of the graduating law class at Georgetown University this year.

Gettysburg—D. M. Addison, '92, of U. S. S. Bennington, who has been spending a few weeks with his parents in Lawrence, Kansas, has been ordered to Pensacola, Fla.

Hanover—W. T. Williamson, '87, is one of the faculty of the Episcopal Male Academy, at Houston, Va.

Washington and Lee—R. J. McBryde, Jr., '93, is principal of the Episcopal Male Academy, at Houston, Va.

Ohio Wesleyan—H. W. Pond, '93, is in the real estate business in the Blackstone building, Cleveland, O.

Mississippi —Edmund Ball Williams, '92, is now engaged in the practice of law in the city of Meridian, Miss.

Richmond—Horace Morland Whaling, '76, has charge of St. John's (Presbyterian) church in Baltimore, Md.

Nebraska—Thos. E. Wing, '93, is in the law office of Goodrich, Whitney & Hagen, Wall St., New York.

Hillsdale—Charles E. Mark, '90, is a civil engineer with the Ohio Central railroad, and lives at Kenton, Ohio.

Nebraska—David A. Haggard, '91, has recently taken a place with the West Publishing Co., Washington, D. C.

Syracuse—T. S. Bell, '92, delegate to the Atlanta convention, is superintendent of schools at Salamanca, N. Y.

Washington and Jefferson—Rev. Geo. M. Ryall, '95, has accepted a call to the Allentown (Pa.) Presbyterian church.

Vanderbilt—Prof. R. W. Deering, '85, has been made dean of the graduate department of Western Reserve University.

Nebraska—R. M. Welch, '93, will shortly leave Lincoln to engage in the manufacture of barrels at So. Omaha, Neb.

Colby—George E. Googins, '86, is rapidly coming to the front as one of the leaders of the Democratic party in Maine.

Kansas—Fred. H. Kellogg, '91, is practicing law at South McAlister, I. T. His partner is a Phi, J. F. Craig, *Kansas*, '91.

Iowa Wesleyan—W. O. Rogers, '97, is taking a theological course in Chicago, in preparation for the Congregational ministry.

De Pauw—R. S. Henderson, '96, is a member of the junior class in the civil engineering course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His address is 101 Appleton St., Boston.

Missouri—Gail D. Allee, '96, was graduated second in his class from the Beaumont Medical College at St. Louis on March 25.

Emory—T. E. Means, '72, a charter member, is principal of the Walker Street grammar school, Atlanta, which has 800 pupils.

Union—Walter L. Terry, '96, is now Captain Terry and professor of English in the Kentucky Military Institute at Lyndon, Ky.

Washington—N. Henry Emmons, '93, has been appointed superintendent of some important mines in Parral, Chihuahua, Mexico.

Washington—James Harrison, '95, has returned from Pittsburgh, and is in the employment of the Kinloch Telephone Co., St. Louis.

Amherst—Edward J. Danforth, '97, died in Chicago, February 1, 1898. He was studying at the University of Chicago theological seminary.

C. C. N. Y.—Louis E. Van Norman, '91, late editor of *The Voice*, has now connected himself with *The Literary Digest* in a similar capacity.

Lombard—R. E. Olmstead, '94, is at the University of Chicago, doing special work in sociology. His address is 5412 Jackson avenue, Chicago.

Mississippi—Monroe McClurg, '78, formerly a member of the legislature of Mississippi, has been elected alumni orator for commencement, 1898.

Illinois—F. C. Beem, '97, has removed from Ottawa, Ill., to Kansas City, Mo., where he expects to follow his chosen profession—that of an architect.

Chicago—Harold L. Ickes, '97, has left the Chicago *Record*, with which he was formerly identified, to become commercial editor on the *Tribune's* staff.

Texas—Prof. J. R. S. Sterrett, '72, has recently refused an offer of the directorship of the American School at Athens for a term of five years, at an increased salary. Amherst is very fortunate in being able to retain Prof. Sterrett, who will continue to be the head of the Greek department there.

Ohio State—Wm. F. Hunt, '87, is head of the law firm of Hunt, Prendergast and Griggs, at St. Paul, Minn. Their offices are in the New York Life building.

Iowa Wesleyan, '94—W. F. Gilmore and W H. Perdew are at Boston University; the former preaches at East Templeton, Mass., and the latter at Worcester.

Missouri—Robert T. Haines, '89, is leading man in 'The Cherry Pickers,' August Pitou's play, which is now in the west after an extended tour of eastern cities.

Missouri.—James S. Snoddy, '83, the editor of a volume of poems, 'A Little Book of Missouri Verse,' is teaching fellow in English at the University of Nebraska.

Missouri—Clifford T. Switzler, '94, is connected with the Samuel Cupples Woodenware Company of St. Louis, and represents that company in Indiana and Kentucky.

Missouri—Charles G. Haines, '93, is now captain and commissary on the staff of Col. Geo. P. Gross, commanding the third regiment, N. G. M., at Kansas City, Mo.

Hillsdale—E. D. Palmer, '89, who received the degree of A. M. from the University of Michigan last commencement, is commissioner of the schools of Clare county, Mich.

Iowa Wesleyan—Ed. W Hearn, '94, was recently chosen state college secretary of the Y. M. C. A. He still superintends the work of the local association at Oskaloosa.

Missouri—Jouett H. Shouse, ex-'99, is now managing editor of the *Press-Transcript* at Lexington, Ky. He is also a member of the staff of the Lexington *Daily Herald.*

Nebraska—Lawrence B. Pillsbury, '95, is attending the Denver Medical College; Chas. A. Elliott, '95, the Northwestern Medical; A. B. Lindquest, '97, the Omaha Medical.

Colby—H. L. Pierce, '92, principal of the high school at Upton, Mass., has forsworn his bachelor vows, as has Robert N. Millett, '93, who is superintendent of schools at Rockport, Me.

Franklin—Dr. Roscoe W Payne, '93, has gone to Washington in answer to a telegram instructing him to report for duty as an assistant surgeon for the infantry. He will have the rank of first lieutenant, and will receive a salary of $1,800.

Mississippi.—Wm. Alexander McCain, '95, won the West Point cadetship in the fourth congressional district of Mississippi, over thirteen other applicants. He will enter in June, 1898.

Union—Harlow McMillen, '87, has removed from Albany to West New Brighton, Staten Island, N. Y., where he has taken charge of the department of mathematics in the Westerleigh Collegiate Institute.

Vermont—Robert E. Lewis, '92, has sailed for China to take charge of work there as a secretary of the student volunteer movement. He was accompanied by his co-worker, Robert R. Gailey, the great Princeton center rush.

Vanderbilt—John Marshall Smedes, '79, was chairman of the executive committee of the Episcopal Church club, in charge of the arrangements for the annual national conference of church clubs, held in Cincinnati last month.

Iowa Wesleyan—During the latter part of October four Phis, formerly members of Iowa Alpha, took upon themselves the vows of wedded life. They are Bruce Young, '95, W. S. Shearer, '95, Ed. J. Smith, '93, and W. N. Groome, '74.

Northwestern—Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., '88, has removed to Washington, D. C., because of Mrs. Hitt's continued ill health in Evanston. Bro. Hitt has a rapidly increasing law practice before the departments. His address is 1419 Q St., N. W.

Syracuse—Olin W. Wood, '92, who will be remembered by all who attended the Atlanta convention, is principal of the Olean (N. Y.) high school. He is still enthusiastic in his memories of Atlanta and of the Nashville girls who came to the convention.

Indiana—Thad. W. Rodecker, law, '97, who is taking a graduate course in the Chicago Law School, was one of the speakers at a banquet given by the Eureka College alumni association of Chicago, at the Great Northern Hotel, on the evening of March 5.

Columbia—David J. Greene, '95, was recently confirmed by the Columbia board of trustees as an assistant in mechanical engineering, but a more lucrative and generally desirable position with a commercial house being offered him, he concluded to accept the latter.

K. M. I.—Biscoe Hindman, '83, is an enthusiastic member of the order of Sons of Confederate Veterans at Louisville. At a meeting of the camp on April 14, he introduced a resolution which was carried, offering the services of the organization to President McKinley in case of war.

Wabash—Will E. Willis, '89, who had been at Spokane, Wash., several years, and who was one of the charter members of the alumni chapter there, as well as its reporter, is now living in Ventura, Cal., where he is joint proprietor and sole editor of the *Free Press* and *Venturian*, weekly and daily.

Missouri—Burton M. Thompson, '92, has quit the real estate business in St. Louis and has gone to New York as eastern manager for the *Medical Brief*, a leading medical publication. His headquarters are at 150 Nassau St., New York, and his time is spent in that city, Philadelphia and Boston.

Ohio—Col. W. E. Bundy, '86, is slated for appointment as United States district attorney at Cincinnati. He is related by marriage to Senator Foraker, and is a leader among the Foraker Republicans of Hamilton county, as is Bro. D. D. Woodmansee, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '81, among the McKinley Republicans.

Iowa Wesleyan, '96—C. P. Frantz is in the medical department of Northwestern University; W. E. Creath is in the Keokuk Medical College; Roy Corley is in the dental department of the University of Pennsylvania; K. C. Corley is a life insurance agent at Grinnell, Iowa; J. W Potter is preaching at Milton, Iowa.

Missouri—The wedding of Clarence Child, ex-'97, is reported as follows by the Richmond *Conservator:*

Mr. Clarence C. Child and Miss Bertha Ringo, two of Richmond's popular young society people, were married at the home of the bride's cousin, Mr. E. C. Bullock, in Kansas City, Kansas, last Thursday evening, March 17, 1898, at 7 o'clock, Rev. Wells, of that city, performing the ceremony in the presence of only a few immediate relatives and friends.

The groom is the son of Col. Jacob T. Child, the present United States consul at Hankow, China, and is a popular young man.

The bride is the daughter of our worthy fellow-townsman, Wm. E. Ringo, and is beloved by all who know her.

The young couple remained in Kansas City until Friday evening, when they returned to Richmond and will make their home at the residence of the groom's father on North Main street.

Colby—D. J. Gallert, '93, who was graduated from Harvard in 1894, *magna cum laude*, and who took his degree from the law school there last June as an honor man, is with Root, Howard, Winthrop and Stimson, in the Mutual Life building, at 32 Liberty St., New York. He will be remembered by many as Maine Alpha's delegate to the Atlanta convention.

Washington and Jefferson—Rev. J. L. Ewing, '90, who for almost five years has served the Presbyterian churches of Hoboken and Aspinwall, Pa., has been unanimously called to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of Jamesberg, N. J. This is a large and important church. A comfortable salary with a handsome parsonage is promised. It is likely Mr. Ewing will accept the call.

Ohio Wesleyan—Professor Aquilla Webb, '90, is meeting with great success in his work at Albion College. When he went there as professor of elocution and oratory, he found many obstacles in his way, but by untiring efforts he has established that department on a broad and permanent basis. He, together with Prof. Ingraham, has organized the Michigan oratorical league, composed of seven colleges of that state.

Westminster—Rev. S. Edward Young, '87, recently of Newark, N. J., has removed to take charge of the Second Presbyterian church of Pittsburgh, Pa. At the first communion thereafter, February 13, 1898, five weeks after his arrival, he received, without any ministerial help, one hundred and one new members. The church has been in existence one hundred years, and this is the largest accession at any one time in its history.

Tulane—Wat Tyler Cluverius, '95, was aboard the Maine when she was blown up in Havana harbor. The New Orleans *Picayune* of March 30 contains his portrait and a three column interview. He finished his work at Annapolis in 1896, and in May takes the final examinations required after two years service at sea. He will then receive his commission. On the night of the explosion he had gone down to the junior officers' mess room, and was about to retire when the shock came. Rushing aft, he escaped to the deck through a hatchway. During the investigation of the wreck he represented Lieutenant Commander Wainright on the divers' boat, remaining in Havana over a month. He has been at his home in New Orleans during the past fort-

night. His first voyage was on the Columbia, and about a year ago he was assigned to the Maine. Bro. Cluverius's father is still remembered as one of the most dashing officers of the Confederacy.

De Pauw—W A. Bastian, '91, as secretary of the committee on organization of the proposed university club at Indianapolis, has done a large share of the work of securing subscriptions for shares in the corporation. The forty thousand dollars required for incorporation are now in sight, and the club is an assured fact. Besides Bro. Bastian the following Phis are members of the committee on organization: Hugh H. Hanna, *Wabash*, '69; Addison C. Harris, *Indianapolis*, '62, and Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*, '52.

Indiana—Gen. John W. Foster, '55, is to give a series of lectures this spring on international law at Indiana University. As Gen. Foster is considered the leading international lawyer of the country, the announcement of the course has aroused much interest in Indiana. One of the Chicago papers last fall paid this dignified editorial tribute to Bro. Foster's success:

> Although the seal conference has apparently failed of accomplishing anything, it is gratifying to know that John W. Foster has received his usual rake-off as adviser in chief to all parties.

Indiana—When George Banta, '76, went to Wisconsin fifteen years ago, the insurance company of whose interests he took charge had on its books $42,000 in premiums per annum, a dozen other companies having double that amount of business in the state then. Two years ago his company had $232,000 of premiums, just $60,000 more than any other company. Bro. Banta was the first president of the general council under the present administrative system, from 1878 to 1880. He has already signified his intention of attending the semi-centennial convention at Columbus.

Wabash—Hugh H. Hanna, '69, who has gained a national reputation in the past year as chairman of the executive committee of the Indianapolis monetary conference, has been urged by his friends, including the Indiana congressmen, to become a candidate for United States senator. He refuses positively, however, to place himself in a position where he may be charged with having taken an active part in the sound money campaign to further a political ambition. His friends would have made him the Republican candidate for mayor of Indianapolis last year but for this same reason.

Wisconsin, '61—W. E. Spencer, journal clerk of the United States senate, died at Washington, D. C., on the morning of March 12. Bro. Spencer was a bachelor and was alone in his rooms when he expired. He was one of the oldest employes of the senate, having first entered the service in 1862. He was regarded as one of the ablest parliamentarians in the United States. He was constantly consulted on parliamentary questions by all recent occupants of the vice-presidential chair, and not infrequently by speakers of the house. He was a native of Wisconsin and was about fifty-eight years old. Bro. Spencer was on his way from Wisconsin to Washington in November, 1896, when the western delegates started to Phi Delta Theta s last convention. Many of them will remember meeting him on the train as it left Pittsburgh and will remember how quickly he made known the fact that he was a Phi.

Missouri, '72—The St. Louis *Republic* of March 11, 1898, has an interview with a member of the board of curators of the University of Missouri, who tells a story in which Eugene Field cut quite a figure. It was during the time that Dr. Reed was at the head of the university and Eugene Field was a student there. For some reason the students did not like the doctor, and the latter, it seems, reciprocated their feelings. Every night the young men would raise a racket of some kind on the campus grounds, and Dr. Reed would come out of his house, and, in military terms, order them to disperse. He would always walk from his house across to the front of the university, and survey the situation from the large portico. Mr. Field concluded that it was time for the doctor to change his line of usual nightly promenade. He conceived the idea of giving the doctor a valuable hint on this score, and, with the assistance of others, secured a quantity of gunpowder and made windrows of it over the portico. The weather was warm at the time, and some one climbed to the tower and attached a cord to the bell, and about midnight it commenced clanging so loudly that the doctor, as he awoke, thought there was a fire, and hastened out dressed in nothing but his nightshirt and slippers. Once outside he realized what was the matter, and, in threatening tones, ordered all the students to their beds instantly. In place of retiring himself, force of habit led him to the university and to promenade the long portico. As he got fairly within the circle of gunpowder it was ignited. There was a flash, a yell, a dense fog of smoke and a smell

of burnt gunpowder, and in a second the doctor emerged, looking like a singed rat, and hastened home. And strange to say he never mentioned the incident, but he ceased visiting the old portico at night.

Wabash—Gen. John C. Black, '62, is to retain his office of United States district attorney at Chicago until the expiration of his term, in December, 1898. It is even predicted that he will be his own successor. The Washington correspondent of the *Chicago Post* said of him some time since:

As a sound-money Democrat who had the courage of his convictions, General Black's attitude during the campaign of 1896 is fully appreciated by the administration. It is not forgotten that he declined to accept the nomination for governor of Illinois from the sound-money Democrats because he was averse to becoming a stalking horse for Altgeld. He knew that thousands of votes would be cast for him that would otherwise go to the Republican nominee, thus making possible the election of the free-silver candidate. His popularity among the old soldiers of Illinois, regardless of their politics, is also understood and appreciated. Financially General Black is not well off, except in the sense of having many loyal friends, and the statement that he is to be retained in the office that he so ably fills will be welcome news. Crippled in body by honorable wounds received in gallant service for the Union cause, the retention of this brave veteran is an act of peculiar grace on the part of the administration, when it is considered how great the pressure has been to appoint a Republican in his stead.

Vanderbilt, '91—The following notice is taken from a late number of *Men*, the national organ of the Y. M. C. A.:

Fletcher S. Brockman is one of the very few secretaries of the international committee who were born in the south. A native Virginian, he has the pleasant qualities of a typical southerner. His life as a student in Vanderbilt University was marked by leadership in the class-room and Christian work. He was one of the students at the first deputation conference held in the south. Mr. Ober and Mr. Mott thought they saw in him a future leader for the college work of the southern states. He went the following summer—1891—to the students' conference at Northfield. Here he made a plea for work among the students of his section of the country. In an informal way, as a result of his appeal, enough money was provided in a special fund to put a secretary in that field. Mr. Moody, in a dedicatory prayer, set Mr. Brockman aside for this large service. The results of the work have shown that he has, indeed, been the leader of the southern college men. * * * *

The college department of the international committee loses one of the most efficient secretaries ever connected with it, as Mr. Brockman begins some special work as one of the traveling secretaries of the student volunteer movement. That he does not sever his connection with college life and work for the short time he remains in this country will be a great joy to the college men of the continent and of permanent good to the college work.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

COLLEGES.

Washington and Lee University will celebrate her sesquicentennial next year.

Purdue has given Racine's *Athalie*, and Franklin is preparing a Greek play.

Vanderbilt has 800 students this year, more than ever before, and 126 more than last year. There will be 138 graduates.

In the high schools of California there are this year 580 pupils studying Greek, whereas there were but 189 three years ago.

The number of colored students in American colleges is constantly increasing. Some are said to be planning to organize a national fraternity.

Out of 1,790 students in Cornell at the close of the first term, 50 were dropped for 'insufficient scholarship.' But 10 of these came from the 610 enrolled in the department of arts.

Hon. C. W Kingsley, of Cambridge, Mass., has recently given $25,000 to Colby University. This, added to the $60,000 before raised, brings much encouragement to the friends of the institution.

The Teachers' College of New York city has become a department of Columbia University. The college was founded in 1887, and its buildings represent gifts amounting to $1,000,000.

Oberlin is seriously crippled financially, and the charge for tuition has been increased; the college has been without a president for some time, and the daily press has several times declared that its doors will soon be closed.

The University of West Virginia is to be surrounded by a system of church halls. Episcopal Hall was established by Bishop Peterkin some time ago, as was also Baptist Hall by prominent workers of that denomination. The Methodists and Presbyterians are actively working toward the same end.

In the senior election of class-day officers at Harvard this year the Australian ballot system proved its efficiency by polling 397 out of a possible 420 votes, over 100 more than in any previous vote for class-day officers.

The total enrollment at Ohio University in 1896 was 362. In 1897 it was 437, divided as follows: graduates, 19; graduate students, 8; Seniors, 12; juniors, 21; Sophomores, 36; freshmen, 51; irregular, 17; preparatory, 265.

The southern inter collegiate athletic association will hold its first spring track meet at Atlanta, May 20–21. All the large southern colleges will be represented, and it is looked upon as a bright feature for future college athletics in the south.

Berkeley physicans have been criticising Prof. W. E. McGee, physical director at the University of California, because he binds up the wounds of his students who are injured in the gymnasium or on the field, instead of calling in 'regular practicioners.

Brown University has 860 students this year; graduates, 101; seniors, 112; juniors, 149; sophomores, 138; freshmen, 168; irregulars, 43; women, 149. Of these, 449 are from Rhode Island, and 277 from other New England states. But 19 come from the west and 13 from the south.

Of 193 fraternity men at California 107 live in the chapter houses. The cost of living in the houses varies from $22.50 to $32 per month. Of the 1,565 students at Berkeley 76 live in boarding clubs and 444 in boarding houses; 100 keep house, and the rest live at home or in the chapter houses.

President Harper, of Chicago, is said to have asked John D. Rockefeller for $5,000,000 in addition to the $6,000,000 he has already given, this sum being necessary to complete an endowment that will yield $750,000 income annually, which Chicago requires. At present expenses exceed receipts by $200,000 each year.

Ever since Stanford first opened, its students have come largely from eastern states. The students from the east were once asked to give the reasons that led them to come to Palo Alto. The main attractions proved to be the elective system, the Stanford faculty and California. One man had heard the university called a 'godless institution,' and had come as a missionary.

This fall Yale plays Princeton at foot ball in Princeton on November 12 and Harvard at New Haven on November 19. It will be the first time that the Yale eleven has played at Princeton. These arrangements are in accord with faculty rules against playing games on other than college grounds, as was done each year at Springfield and New York.

William J. Bryan has given to the University of Alabama a fund of $250, the interest on which shall be expended for the purchase of gold and silver medals to be awarded annually as prizes to the students writing the best essay on 'The Science of Government.' He has offered to give a like sum for the same purpose to Ohio State University.

The students of the medical department of the Western University of Pennsylvania raised pandemonium at the commencement exercises of the dental department of that institution till they were expelled by the police. President Raymond, of the University of West Virginia, was interrupted and insulted until he had to cease reading his address to the graduates.

California commenced training for the track team with sixty-five candidates. The captain of the eleven, however, complained that but ten men turned out the first afternoon the new coach was on the field. The defeat by Stanford, 28–0, last Thanksgiving has something to do with this loss of interest, doubtless. California, however, continues to win all the debating laurels, has recently been victor in the inter-collegiate chess match and has just won the first base ball game of the series.

The young women at the University of Nebraska have given a minstrel show for the benefit of the base ball team, and are now planning a girls' field day for the benefit of the cinder track. A local minister, on the Sunday following the minstrel show, preached a sermon against state univerties, using as his arguments the boat race, the college yell and foot ball, his climax being the performance by the girls already referred to. Nebraska girls are not new comers at athletics, for they sent out some time since a champion at tennis. The university is not entirely given up to athletics, however, and is arranging for three intercollegiate debates, with Kansas, Colorado and Missouri. The board of regents has just established a school of domestic science, or cooking school. The total attendance at the university this year is 1,901, 200 being in the affiliated schools.

At the University of Oxford the progress of Dr. Murray's dictionary has been lately celebrated in true academic fashion—that is, by a dinner, which is said to have been most successful. There is reason to hope that unless the English language should multiply words abnormally, the work may be finished in 1910. For an Oxford *magnum opus*, this seems almost indecently precipitate.

The bills appropriating to the Miami, Ohio, Wilberforce and Ohio State Universities the money coming into the state treasury for these institutions, under the special levies for each of them, have been passed by the Ohio legislature. They are drawn so as to apply to both this year and next year. Ohio University gets $33,000 each year, Miami gets $24,000 each year, Wilberforce gets $19,000 each year, and the State University gets $180,000 this year and $185,000 next year.

The New York *Voice* continues its investigation of student life in the large universities. Chicago is given a clean bill of moral health; but Cornell is accused of about all the crimes in the calendar. California is said to be prospering under prohibition influences, save as she is 'debaucht' by the 'saddling' of the state wine-growers' commission upon the university. Yale and Princeton still receive much attention, and scores of letters are printed from parents who declare they will not or would not send their boys to such schools. The *Voice* professes to feel no concern on the score of libel suits threatened by certain hotel keepers at Cornell.

Johns Hopkins University received from Johns Hopkins by will the Clifton estate, 330 acres; Baltimore and Ohio common stock, 14,636 shares; Baltimore and Ohio preferred stock, 125 shares; other stocks, bonds, etc., valued at $780,947. The dividends from the Baltimore and Ohio common stock were at first 10 per cent., and the university laid by out of income more than a million dollars. In 1877 the dividends were first reduced, then became irregular, then finally stopped. In 1890 the chief part of the common stock was converted into preferred stock in the same road, selling at 100 and buying at 125. The amount of this preferred stock now held is $1,000,000, from which no dividend has been received since January, 1896. The university is now seeking an annual appropriation from the state of Maryland of $100,000.

Joseph F. Loubat has given $1,100,000 to Columbia University as a permanent endowment for the library. The gift is chargeable with an annuity of $60,000 per annum during the remainder of Mr. Loubat's life. The following is a list of important gifts which have come to the university since the accession of President Seth Low in 1890: Joseph F Loubat, $1,100,000; President Seth Low, $1,100,000; Vanderbilt and Sloan families, $750,000; Havemeyer family, $450,000; W. C. Schermerhorn, $350,000; J. Pierpont Morgan, $200,000; Fayerweather estate, $190,000; W. C. Schermerhorn, $100,000; Cornelius Vanderbilt, $100,000; D. Willis James, $100,000; Robert Center fund, $100,000; Joseph Pulitzer fund, $100,000; Hamilton Fish estate, $50,000; total, $4,690,000. Columbia's net property, as shown by the last report of the state commissioner of education, is valued at $27,905,277.

The eight largest universities of the world are in Europe in the following order: Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Madrid, Naples, Moscow, Budapest and Munich. Harvard, in America, takes the ninth place. The following table shows the relative position of ten leading American universities during the last five years:

1892–'93	1893–'94.	1894–'95.	1895–'96.	1896–'97.
1. Harvard	Harvard	Harvard	Harvard	Harvard
2. Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Northwest'rn
3. Yale	Yale	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Michigan
4. Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Yale	Minnesota	Pennsylvania
5. Cornell	Columbia	Minnesota	Yale	Minnesota
6. Columbia	Cornell	Columbia	California	Yale
7. New York	Wisconsin	California	Columbia	California
8. Minnesota	Minnesota	Cornell	Chicago	Chicago
9. Wisconsin	California	Chicago	Cornell	Columbia
10. California	Boston	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Cornell.

It will be noticed that, though Harvard and Pennsylvania hold their positions, first and fourth respectively, other eastern institutions take lower rank in the scale, Yale having dropped from third to sixth place, Columbia from sixth to ninth, and Cornell from fifth to tenth, while New York and Boston no longer appear among the first ten. Among western institutions, the sudden jump of Northwestern, which was not among the first ten before 1896–'97, to second place in that year, is rather surprising. This puts Michigan in third place. Wisconsin, ninth in 1892–'93, spurted to seventh place in 1893–'94, fell back to tenth place in 1894–'95 and '96, and disappeared below the line in 1896–'97. Minnesota, eighth at first, finished fifth, having once been

fourth. California, tenth at first, finished seventh, having once been sixth. Chicago did not get in the list until 1894–'95, when it was ninth, the next two years being eighth. Though the relative positions of these institutions, according to attendance, have changed, none of them probably have fewer students than in 1892–'93; on the contrary, most of them undoubtedly have a considerably larger attendance now than then.

At the last annual banquet of Cornell freshmen the date and place of the event were publicly announced. It had been the custom to affect the most pronounced secrecy as to both. Upon the advice of President Schurman the committee decided to hold the banquet openly and to make every effort to insure that it should be a credit to the university. For the first time in the history of Cornell members of the faculty sat with the freshmen at their feast, and afterward took part in the speeches. The plan resulted in the suspension of certain convivialities and hostilities which have characterized such events in the past. Speakers of well-known ability delivered addresses, and a hypnotist provided amusement. The students agreed that the new plan was a pleasant substitute for the objectionable features of former times.

In March Dr. A. S. Draper, president since 1894 of the University of Illinois, was tendered the position of superintendent of the public schools of Greater New York, but, fortunately for Illinois, he, without hesitation, decided to decline this very high honor and to remain with the great university at Champaign, whose phenomenal growth has been due, in large measure, to his forceful individuality. The trustees paid a deserved tribute to his ability and worth in adopting resolutions, in which they say:

> We fully approve and appreciate the decision of the president of the university to remain with us and lead to still higher ground and a more triumphant future the grand advance which has already been made under his wise and efficient leadership.

Through a typographical error the February SCROLL made the astounding statement that the school of 'literary instruction' at the University of Illinois was the only one in the west. This should have read school of 'library instruction.' The law department, opened last fall, has done wonderfully well for its first year.

FRATERNITIES.

Α Τ Ω is reported to be dead at Stanford.

Rumor tells us Φ Γ Δ may soon enter Nebraska.

Β Θ Π now has a rival at Bethany—Π Θ (local).

Δ Κ Ε may be expected to enter Tulane before long.

The editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* is in favor of instituting an 'alumni day' in that fraternity.

Φ Κ Σ has withdrawn from Toronto, which was said to be too remote from her other chapters.

Σ Α Ε has had an application from Kenyon, according to a correspondent of the *Beta Theta Pi*.

Φ Κ Ψ is to build soon at Stanford. The fraternity now owns 9 houses and rents 11—an excellent showing.

Δ Τ Δ and Β Θ Π have taken houses at Adelbert this year. The other fraternities there are Α Δ Φ, Δ Υ and Δ Κ Ε.

Τ Δ Ο is a local organization of recent origin at the University of Nebraska. It is said to have designs on Δ Υ.

At Northwestern, Σ Χ owns a house and Β Θ Π rents one. Four chapters rent parts of houses, and three are houseless.

Χ Ψ held her 'fifty-seventh' annual convention at Philadelphia, April 11–13. The next one goes to Washington, D. C.

The Δ Τ Δ chapters at Washington and Jefferson and Pennsylvania are working hard for houses. Δ Τ Δ has a house at Georgia.

Δ Τ Δ has chosen an official stationer, who advertises in *The Rainbow*, and is to turn over to the fraternity a per cent. of all receipts above a certain sum.

Φ Κ Ψ and Χ Ψ own houses at Minnesota. Δ Τ Δ has just moved from a flat into a house. Θ Δ Χ has 'announced her intention' of building next year, and Δ Υ may try it.

The *Beta Theta Pi's* correspondent from Miami says that the distribution of offices there 'is worked by a combine composed principally of the Δ Κ Ε and Σ Χ chapters, with the Φ Δ Θ dancing attendance, after the manner of El Capitan's chamberlain.'

Φ Δ Φ is considering a petition from the Dwight law club of the New York Law School. Ten of the thirteen applicants are Greeks, and they are backed by several neighboring Φ Δ Φ chapters.

Φ B K will not charter an institution that does not confer the degree of A. B., but has recently declared that it is inexpedient to confine the members in every chapter to A. B. graduates.

Δ Δ Δ has just established her sixteenth chapter at Wisconsin. The fraternity was founded ten years ago, and but eight of its members are dead. The next convention meets in Cincinnati in 1900.

Wm. Raimond Baird's 'American College Fraternities' will probably appear before commencement. He has made rapid progress on it of late, and the manuscript is now in the printer's hands.

For over a year the fraternity correspondents and news columns have been declaring that Θ Δ X is dead at Kenyon. The *Shield* cheerfully continues to include the Kenyon charge in its directory all the while, however.

The only chapter house owned at Brown belongs to Ψ Y, and it is small and has no living rooms. The fact that the university is surrounded by expensive and mostly occupied property is given as the reason for the scarcity of houses.

Δ T Δ now has two petitions which seem to meet with favor. She expects two more soon from two of the 'renowned' institutions of the country. With these granted the editor of the *Rainbow* says that but one institution would remain where the fraternity would *seek* to enter.

Alpha chapter of Phi Gamma Delta at Washington and Jefferson has just moved into a rented chapter house. The active members are looking forward to the semi-centennial of the founding of the fraternity, which is to be celebrated when the national convention meets at Washington this fall.

The Bucknell faculty has passed laws forbidding the initiation or pledging of any student by a fraternity until after the student has been in college classes one year, and placing class secret societies under a ban. Chapters violating the law will be forced to become inactive, and the initiate must leave college. This applies to sororities and to local societies, as well.

At a meeting of the inter-state oratorical association in May, to be held at Beloit, the orators from Illinois and Ohio will be members of Β Θ Π ; from Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri, non-fraternity men ; the Indiana orator being a Δ Κ Ε. The president of the association is a Φ Δ Θ, as are the chairmen of the delegations from Iowa and Indiana.

Out at the University of Kansas there is a rumor at large to the effect that our friends of Δ Τ Δ will have a chapter installed by the beginning of the fall term. There are three Delta Taus now in the university. This would be quite in line with the *Rainbow's* remarks on westward extension. Chicago also reports a local organization supposed to be in interest of Δ Τ Δ.

General Stewart L. Woodford, minister to Spain, is a member of Δ Ψ and of Δ Κ Ε. Senator Proctor, of Vermont, who was President McKinley's special envoy to Cuba, is claimed by Δ Υ. Speaker Reed is a Χ Ψ. Chairman Hitt, of the House committee on foreign relations, is a Β Θ Π. Congressman J. R. Mann, of Chicago, one of the leading 'insurgent' Republicans, is a Δ Τ Δ.

For twelve or fifteen years the *Kappa Alpha Journal* has been published at Nashville, Tenn., the last issue being dated November, 1897. Since then the fraternity has held a special convention at Washington, D. C., where a new editor was elected, Mr. S. M. Wilson, Centre, '92. Hereafter the *Journal* will be published at Lexington, Ky., the next number appearing in May.

The correspondent of the *Rainbow* from Ohio University writes:

> The fraternities represented by local chapters are all on good footing at Ohio, although fraternity timber has not been as good as it might have been the present year. The Phi Delta Theta number sixteen men and four pledged; Beta Theta Pi, eight men and two pledged; Delta Tau Delta, eight men and five pledged. In athletics, literary [society work], and scholarship Beta chapter holds her own. In society, Beta Theta Pi have the advantage. The Phi Delta Theta are pushing us all.

Kappa Alpha has taken possession of its chapter house, which has been moved from the Tennessee Centennial grounds, where it was used by some of the exposition officers, to a corner lot one square from Vanderbilt University. It contains four rooms, and like the Phi Delta Theta house, will be used for meetings and entertainments. The Dekes at Vanderbilt rent a two-story brick house, in which they live.

The Rainbow says that 'two eastern institutions, in which good fraternities have had chapters for years past, have been refused charters within the year. It now seems that the old-line fraternities move westward far more eagerly than the new-line fraternities plant their standards in the east.' This is *à propos* of the new Δ Τ Δ chapter at the University of California. Δ Τ Δ has lost 12 chapters since 1890 and gained 12.

Σ Α Ε had three applications for charter at her recent Beta province convention, held with the Bucknell chapter. They were from Cornell, Gettysburg and Franklin and Marshall. Chapters of the fraternity existed formerly at Cornell and at Gettysburg. Σ Α Ε has the only chapter house at Bucknell. The other fraternities there are Σ Χ, Φ Κ Ψ, Φ Γ Δ, and Κ Σ. Five men from each of the rival chapters were invited to the convention ball.

We are glad to learn that the Beta Theta Pi house at California has not been lost to that fraternity, as was reported in the February SCROLL. Like the item in regard to Phi Kappa Psi's house at Wittenberg, quoted so freely by the Greek press from a correspondent of the *Beta Theta Pi*, this report dissolved into mere town gossip when examined closely. In justice to our California chapter, however, we wish to state that they did not furnish the original item.

Several fraternities are unable to determine from their records the exact dates when they were founded. The 'Recollections of 1839,' by John Reily Knox, published in the *Beta Theta Pi* for April, shows that the idea of establishing Β Θ Π first occurred to him in January, 1839. Meetings were held during the spring and summer up to commencement in August. Some years ago the fraternity decided to take July 4, 1839, as being as near the date when the organization was perfected as could be ascertained. The paragraph published in the Θ Δ Χ *Shield* for December, 1896 (republished in THE SCROLL for April, 1897), shows that Θ Δ Χ is uncertain whether it was founded in 1847 or 1848. The Φ Κ Ψ *Shield* for January shows that Φ Κ Ψ is uncertain whether it was founded on February 8, February 19, or February 20, 1852. Referring to this, the Δ Τ Δ *Rainbow* for March says: 'Φ Κ Ψ is not sure about the date of her birth. Δ Τ Δ gives her companionship in that doubt.' It seems that Δ Τ Δ has adopted the date of January 1, 1860, though it is uncertain whether the fraternity was established late in 1859 or early in 1860.

Φ K Ψ held her 'twentieth' biennial convention at Philadelphia, April 13–15. Though the fraternity claims 500 alumni in the city, this was the first national convention held there. All the 39 chapters were represented save Mississippi and Kansas. Six alumni chapters had delegates. An effort was made to modify the 'unit rule,' which requires the consent of every chapter to grant a new charter, but this failed. A rule was passed forbidding members to loan their pins to non-members. An attendance of 260 at the banquet is reported. No other items of general interest were given to the press.

The March *Rainbow* continues to take A T Ω to task for defending the initiation of honorary members, and tells of a distinguished man initiated by that society, who had forgotten the name of the fraternity that had initiated him. The editor very justly says:

> The custom of honorary initiations, which has been more or less observed by many of our fraternities, has been largely outgrown. As the ideal of the college fraternities has emerged into clearer light the Greek world has very generally obeyed its call. It will be heeded more and more. The journals of the fraternities and the sentiments of fraternity men are now almost unanimous on this question.

The same thing may be said of the initiation of preparatory students and of lifting. The Δ K E *Quarterly* for February touches upon this same subject of honorary initiations:

> To take men in after they have gone out of college is only one step from taking men who were never in college. It is not only a ridiculous, absurd practice—and it has actually become a practice with some societies—but a dangerous one.

Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta were incorporated in Ohio, the state of their birth, the former about 1879 and the latter in 1881. The other Miami fraternity, Sigma Chi, is being incorporated in Illinois, headquarters being at Chicago. The *Sigma Chi Quarterly* for February says:

> While the constitution adopted by the last grand chapter covers admirably the present needs of the fraternity in a general way, experience has nevertheless already revealed a number of points which call for amendment and revision at once. When the grand triumvirs took up the question of incorporation, after investigating the matter carefully, it became apparent that the fraternity as such could not be incorporated to advantage under the laws of any state, and in order to carry out the intent of the legislation enacted at Nashville, a change was accordingly recommended by the triumvirs looking toward the incorporation of the grand council, instead of the fraternity, in order to thoroughly overcome every possible objection to incorporation under the statutes of Illinois. . The grand council consists of exactly fourteen members, each having the right to vote on all questions.
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> Under the new plan, 'the grand council shall be a body corporate, under the laws of the state of Illinois, known as the grand

council of the Sigma Chi fraternity. As such body corporate it shall adopt and enforce by-laws in accordance with the constitution, statutes and ritual of the fraternity and the statutes of Illinois.' Another section provides that the grand council shall be a trustee to collect, hold and disburse all moneys coming to the endowment fund. It is further provided that the grand triumvirs shall constitute a board of directors, with the grand quaestor acting as treasurer.

It is explained that the 'alumni endowment fund' is 'for the purpose of building chapter houses and carrying on other schemes of general importance.'

Σ N chartered two new chapters recently; one on January 21, at Northwestern University, and one on March 5, at the University of Vermont. The Vermont chapter was initiated at New York by the alumni there. This gives Vermont five chapters, besides two local and three medical societies and two sororities. It is worthy of note that three of the five chapters are of fraternities of southern origin. The new chapter is the former local society of A Φ, mentioned in the review of annuals in the December SCROLL. It starts off with twenty-one members, and our correspondent at Vermont says that it bids fair to enjoy a successful career. Sigma Nu has but two other chapters in the east, those at Lehigh and at Pennsylvania. At Northwestern, Sigma Nu is the ninth fraternity chronologically. The date given in the *Delta* for the founding of the chapter is that of the local society, Γ Σ Δ, which was initiated. In this same list the editor of the *Delta* gives the date of Φ Δ Θ's establishment as 1886, instead of 1859, as it should be. Fifteen men compose the new chapter, one of them being Siberts, Northwestern's famous end rusher. They have a house at the start.

The editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* says in the April issue:

The question of chapter houses seems to us to be the most important practical question before the fraternity. We own 10 houses and rent 21. The total of 31 seems to exceed that of any other fraternity. But conditions are changing. The following is apparently the number of houses owned by the stronger fraternities: Ψ Υ, 13; Δ K E, 10; A Δ Φ, 10; Δ Υ, 10; Φ K Ψ, 9; X Ψ, 8; Σ X, 7; Δ Ψ and Φ Δ Θ, 6; X Φ, K A (s) and Σ Φ, 5, and the remainder less; and the following to the number rented: Φ Δ Θ, 18; A T Ω, 17; Σ A E, 16; Φ Γ Δ and Δ T Δ, 12; Σ N and Φ K Ψ, 11; Δ Υ and Δ K E, 10; Θ Δ X and K Σ, 9; K A (s), 8; X Ψ and Δ Φ, 5, and the remainder less. . It is fair to infer that it will not be long before the chapters who are renting to-day will become freeholders. If we would not be left in this race it behooves us to bestir ourselves.

Many of our chapters who do not rent houses say that it is impossible or inexpedient for them so to do. Other fraternities own or rent houses at *Dartmouth*, Harvard, *Brown*, Yale, Union, Columbia, Wit-

tenberg, Hanover, *Indiana*, *North Carolina*, Vanderbilt and *Texas*. [Italics ours, for the benefit of Phi chapters.]

Also the chapters at *Knox*, *Iowa*, *Wabash*, *Iowa-Wesleyan*, *Westminster*, *Dickinson*, Hampden-Sidney, Davidson, Cumberland and *Centre* would all seem to be located at places where house-holding could be successfully practiced.

Gentlemen and brothers, get under cover quickly. The chapter house has come to stay. Its value has been demonstrated. The best is good enough for us. Get the best!

K Σ has already established four new chapters during the present college year. Last year she established four, but the editor of the *Caduceus* closed the season with an editorial in favor of conservatism in extension, which he will probably need to explain even more fully in the May *Caduceus* than he did in the last number.

After the Beta-Alpha chapter at Brown, whose installation was noted in the February SCROLL, came the establishment of the Beta-Beta chapter at Richmond College; and while THE SCROLL was being printed the two latest comers were announced from Washington and Jefferson College and the University of Missouri, respectively. A 'scoop' in fraternity news is a subject of pardonable pride to the editor, but he must, in this case, as in many others, give the whole credit to his wide-awake correspondents, Bros. D. Glenn Moore and Royall H. Switzler.

The Beta-Delta chapter at W and J. was established on Friday evening, April 15. Eight men were initiated by a K Σ student, who came there from Wabash College. He was not assisted by any of the general officers or visiting delegates. The initiation took place in a suite of rooms the chapter has rented. The new chapter has four juniors, three freshmen and two preparatory students. These are said to be good men, especially the juniors, though they have always been considered radical anti-fraternity men. They stand well in their classes and are particularly active in Y. M. C. A. work, being what W. and J. students call 'Y. M. C. A. men.' The chapters at W. and J., as a rule, were not in favor of any addition to their numbers, thinking the school to be already well supplied. Efforts have been made in past years to establish chapters of Σ A E and Σ X, but both failed. There were last year six chapters at W and J., enrolling 68 men out of 228 in the four college classes. K Σ now has five chapters in Pennsylvania: Swarthmore, Pennsylvania State, Pennsylvania, Bucknell (established last year) and Washington and Jefferson.

The Beta-Gamma chapter was installed at the University

of Missouri on April 16. Ten men were initiated. George Vaughan, of Little Rock, Ark., of the University of Arkansas chapter, catalogue editor of K Σ, had the installation ceremonies in charge. He was assisted by A. J. Myar, of the Arkansas chapter, and B. S. J. Green, of the Sewanee chapter, both of St. Louis. Five of the men initiated are in the engineering school, two seniors, two juniors and one freshman; the rest are academics, two juniors and three freshmen. All things considered, the chapter has made an auspicious start. Some of the positions held by its members are: representative on *Savitar* board, '98; business manager *Savitar*, '97; class president, '99; captain and second lieutenant, battalion of cadets; two members tennis committee, '98; winners tennis doubles, '96. The new chapter was warmly welcomed by the other fraternities at Missouri, and the installation ceremonies were conducted in the rooms of Missouri Alpha of Φ Δ Θ. Beta-Gamma is the second chapter of Kappa Sigma to be established in Missouri, the first being Alpha-Omega at William Jewell College, Liberty, founded about a year ago, and is the forty-ninth on K Σ's roll of active chapters. There were already six fraternities at Missouri, besides a sorority and a law society. All these enrolled last year 103 students out of 701 in attendance.

THE PYX.

The date of the semi-centennial convention, as now fixed, is November 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, 1898. The session on Thursday may be partly or wholly omitted. Committees on local arrangements, program, railroad rates and special features have been appointed and are now at work. Further announcements may be expected in the June SCROLL.

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We are indebted to the courtesy of *The Confederate Veteran*, of Nashville, Tenn., for the loan of cuts of Gen. A. P. Stewart and Gen. H. V N. Boynton which appear in this issue.

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The editor is pleased to acknowledge an invitation from Minnesota Alpha to a dancing party at the West Hotel on April 15. If the invitation may be used as a criterion, this was a social event to which our much abused phrase, 'the swellest affair of the year,' will apply with perfect propriety.

The Phis of New York, of Columbus and of Indianapolis have our thanks for certain pressing invitations, and we express here our regret that on March 15 the writing of long and enthusiastic letters was yet a physical impossibility. Otherwise they should have heard from the editor a month ago.

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Among honors won by Phis recently but not reported in chapter correspondence we may mention two: Bro. T. H. Jenkins won the freshman-sophomore oratorical contest at Hanover, March 4. Bro. C. N. Pace took second honors and was consequently made chairman of the inter-state delegation at the Iowa state oratorical contest, March 24. Drake University took first honors.

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The following chapters are reported as delinquent with their annual reports by the Historian of the General Council: *Virginia*, *Vanderbilt*, *Georgia*, *Tulane*, *Indiana*, *Michigan State*, *Lombard* and *Westminster*. Members of these chapters should ascertain why their historian has not attended to his duties, and should see that he does do so forthwith.

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Student Life, from Washington, *The Nebraskan* and the Sewanee *Purple* are new-comers we are very glad to welcome. Bro. Pettus is editor-in-chief of *Student Life*, with three other Phis on his staff.

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The program for Alumni day at Wisconsin was headed with a neat double medallion of the Phi of 1848 and his brother of 1898. We are under obligations to Bro. C. F Geilfuss for a copy.

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Bro. C. A. Gleason, *Case*, '99, has our thanks for an invitation from the junior prom. committee, of which he is a member. We had just received Minnesota's cards for the same evening, however, and must regretfully decline.

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The Dickinsonian informs us that Alumni day was celebrated by Pennsylvania Epsilon at Hartzell's cafe on the evening of March 18.

The gathering was honored with the presence of Mr. J. Clark Moore, Esq., of Philadelphia, president of Alpha province. The event will long be remembered as an exceptionally pleasant one. Prof. H. M. Stephens was the toastmaster, and the following program was carried out: Impressions of a Freshman, M. J. Presby; Our Billy Goat, Robt.

S. Loose; The General Fraternity, F. L. Kriebel; Song, Mahlon F. Ivins; Athletics, Ira B. McNeal; Why I am a Phi, M. H. Gottschall; The Outlook, W. G. Souders; Address, J. Clark Moore, Esq.

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April 1 is the date on which to remit one dollar for a bound volume of THE SCROLL for the chapter library.

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The *Phi-kcia* annual, mentioned in Wisconsin Alpha's letter in the February SCROLL, was issued two, not ten, years ago. It was a written chronicle, and there was but one copy. The plan of printing the second edition this year was considered, but it will probably be issued in manuscript form only.

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New York Beta promises an announcement in June which concerns a summer camp. It would be well if our Ohio and Indiana and Iowa Phis, and all others who have established camps, would furnish some announcement for the next SCROLL. The Omaha Phis request all visitors to the Trans-Mississippi exposition this summer to register at the Merchants' Hotel and to indicate the fact that they are members of the Fraternity.

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Chapters that have received more copies of THE SCROLL than they have active members would do well to return the extra numbers at once, as they will be charged with them. On the other hand reporters should write at once if additional copies are required for new men.

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The typographical error referred to elsewhere is almost as bad as another one that was made this winter at the expense of a member of this same University of Illinois. The Φ Γ Δ *Quarterly*, in trying to tell us that Bro. Rufus Walker, Jr., responded to a toast at the installation of the new Phi Gam chapter, mentioned him as 'Reefers Walked.'

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The Phi Delta Theta boys have positively saved the debutantes and debutantes-to-be from weeping their pretty eyes out this season, for want of something better to do, by frequently entertaining in their cozy chapter house. A dance in the afternoon in street garb is so informal and enjoyable, and is ever so much more fun—if those pretty girls only knew it—than the big balls of which they dream when the lights are flashed on and the chaperon's watchful eye is counting the turn with this or that eligible young man.

So it was very jolly yesterday when the Phis entertained. Everybody was happy, and when Charlie's band stopped playing 'I Love You, I Adore You,' he was requested to play it some more. The windows were up, and the music and the laughter echoed even into the stately university and mockingly re-echoed down the empty halls. Howard Boogher was host of the occasion, assisted by Mrs. Alfred E. Howell. The guests were Misses May Lindsley, Mary Ready Weaver, Frances Pilcher, Eleanor Buford, Elizabeth Thomas, Louise Jackson, Mary Louise Bransford, Clara Morris, Eunice Fite, Tommie Wrenne, Rebecca Ward, Bessie Baker, Atkins, Warren and Tigert, and Messrs. Allison Buntin, S. C. Pilcher, A. W. Harris, Jr., W. F. Bradshaw, W. W Brockman, C. R. Baskervill, Hill McAlister, Battle McLester, E. M. Underwood, Campbell Pilcher, Moses Bonner, N. S. Hendricks, D. Breard, J. H. Dewitt, T. R. Foster, George Wyeth, Howard Boogher, Fred Fuller, J. C. Crider and Herbert Carr.—*Nashville American*, March 12, 1898.

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We trust our friend, the reporter, will remember to secure a copy of his college annual for THE SCROLL so soon as it appears. In one case already the edition was exhausted before this was thought of, and we shall be compelled to borrow and return a copy instead of having one to deposit with the fraternity librarian.

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The following comes to us indirectly from a Phi at Emory:

At a recent contest for commencement places we led, taking twelve; next to us were the Kappa Alphas, with eight. In this feature of college life we have led for the past fifteen years.

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There is a radical difference in the use of the word 'lodge' among college men when applied to a chapter house. In many western and southern institutions it means a hall for meeting in which none of the members live. In many other places it means exactly the opposite. Our Wisconsin, Chicago, Cornell and Williams chapters call the houses in which they live 'lodges.' There is good authority for each use of the word, but uniformity would seem to be desirable.

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The Phis seem to be on hand, whatever is taking place. While the Cuban insurgents were active, Bro. Funston directed the artillery; Bro. Cluverius is one of the survivors of the wreck of the Maine; Bros. Howard, Brantley and Griggs were a goodly fraction of the nineteen members of the house of representatives who voted for peace; Bro.

Boynton has charge of the disposition of the troops now being massed at Chickamauga, and the camp was named in his honor.

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Kentucky Alpha is maintaining the prominence in athletics which it has had for several years. Four members of the college base ball team are Phis, including A. G. Sulser, '99, law, who is manager. G. W. Welsh, Jr., '99, law, has been elected manager of the foot ball team for next year.

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Some of our reporters have been misled by the lateness of the last issue into expecting equal tardiness this time. They will please send new letters on or before May 5 for the June number.

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The class of Gen. A. P. Stewart is not '52, as given under his portrait. He was graduated from West Point in 1842 and was initiated at Cumberland in 1853, according to the sixth edition of the catalogue.

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The editor wishes to thank all his friends for their solicitude and good wishes. He is still unable to resume college work and has been compelled to make his editorial labors intermittent, but this is to be expected for a while, at least.

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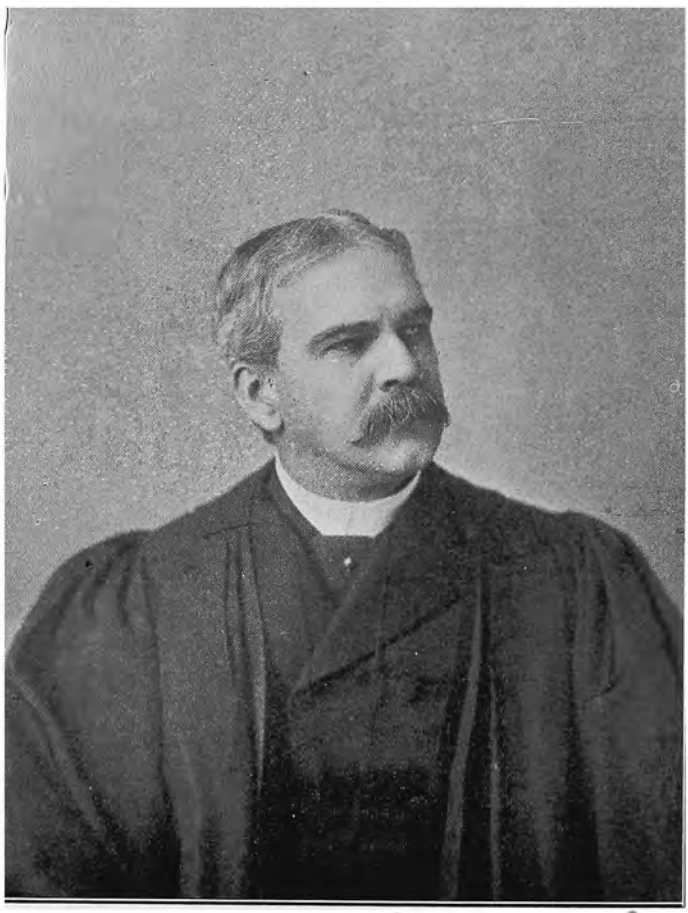

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DICKINSON COLLEGE.

One of the distinctive characteristics of this age is the importance placed upon college education ; a classical training is now thought to be a good thing *per se*. It is not only a good preparation for those who intend to enter the learned professions, but in its direct effect upon the individual enables him to appreciate and enjoy life more. A large share of credit and praise belongs to those colleges which were the pioneers in the movement for higher education. Dickinson justly claims and receives a part of this honor ; it is the tenth oldest college in the United States, being founded on September 8, 1783.

Neither the time nor the place were propitious for the success of any extensive educational project. The colonies had just finished a 'long and arduous struggle for liberty;' they were impoverished and without any assurance that a permanent government would be established. The town of Carlisle was very 'west' in those days, and could be reached only by stage coach from Philadelphia or Baltimore. Chief Justice Taney devotes some space in his memoirs to the recital of his very exciting journey from Baltimore to the town. And yet many leading men urged the legislature of Pennsylvania to grant a charter for 'the erection of a college in the borough of Carlisle * * * for the education of youth in the learned and foreign languages, the useful arts, science and literature.'

The establishment of a college west of the Susquehanna was not a new idea. Many prominent men had agitated the matter before the Revolutionary war, plans had been made and some steps taken. These were necessarily interrupted during the period of struggle, when all energies were bent toward obtaining freedom and many educational institutions closed their doors. Naturally, at the close of the war the matter was again taken up and the college founded.

The college owes its origin in large part to Dr. Benjamin Rush, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, whose efforts for the success of the college have never been fully appreciated; and to Hon. John Dickinson, one of the most distinguished and respected Americans of his time, from whom it derived its name. The gifts of the latter made possible the starting of the college, and it was thought his name would 'give character to the young institution.' Dr. Rush, however, was more intimately connected with the college during its first years. He was continually active in its interest, at one time urging care that a sufficiently healthful location be selected, suggesting the kind of apparatus that should be secured for the various departments; at another time recommending men for the different professorships whom he thought would take a lively interest in the college and who would do good service. Indeed, it is very doubtful whether the college would have successfully passed through these first years, when everything was unfavorable, had it not been for the constant solicitude and unbounded confidence and labor of Dr. Rush.

While these two men, Dickinson and Rush, were most directly interested in the establishment of the college, all the public men and educators of the time had a deep concern for the success of the project. Among those who contributed funds were Hamilton and Jefferson, the French ambassador to this government, Comte de la Luzere, and seventeen members of congress. Even from England contributions were received. Being founded at the same time as the establishment of the national government, it was thought to make it in a peculiar manner the guardian of our liberties. In the seals of Brown and Harvard is seen that education was regarded as the supporter of religion; in the seal of Dickinson is first seen what we now regard as the fundamental principle of our existence as a nation, that the safety of liberty depends upon the intelligence and education of the people. The seal of the college is an open Bible, a telescope, and a liberty cap, thus typifying the connection between religion, culture, and liberty. We have the same sentiment expressed in the motto, '*Pietate et Doctrina Tuta Libertas.*'

The first president of the college was Rev. Charles Nesbit, D. D., of Montrose, Scotland. He had been an earnest sympathizer with the colonies in their struggle, and when approached with the offer of the principalship of an institution of learning in the new country, he was willing to accept, thinking that his work in a country where the 'minds of its

THE PRESIDENT'S HOUSE—DICKINSON.

citizens free from the shackles of authority yield more easily to reason' might do much for them. It was a great sacrifice to accept the position,—it meant that he must separate himself from his friends by whom he was highly esteemed and take up his home in a foreign country and among strangers. In Europe he was regarded as a very able Greek scholar, and, indeed, his attainments in all intellectual lines were very distinguished. He was just the man to take charge of a college; he had the right idea of culture and was a good disciplinarian. On July 4, 1785, Dr. Nesbit arrived in Carlisle. Five miles from town he was met by a company of citizens and conducted to the barracks, which were for some time used for the purposes of the college. He at once entered upon his work and continued as president till his death in 1804. For the first nineteen years of Dickinson's life this man was associated with her as president. He taught moral science and systematic theology and was in close personal contact with the students. With him in the faculty were James Ross, professor of Greek and Latin, Robert Davidson, professor of history and geography, and Mr. Tate, instructor in English. Soon after his arrival, Dr. Nesbit was taken sick with a fever. During this illness he was very much discouraged and regretted that he had ever left Scotland for such a 'fever stricken country.' He resigned his position and thought of returning to the old country. However, he regained his health and was persuaded to again take up his work as the head of the college. During his term of president he had to meet many discouragements; the professors who were associated with him at the start one by one resigned their positions and new men took their places; money was hard to get, and it was very difficult to keep the college running; yet Dr. Nesbit never gave up, and his administration may be said to have been very successful.

In 1787 the first class was graduated from the college, the degree of Bachelor of Arts being conferred on nine young men. About this time an appropriation for the college was made by the state, and the erection of a building was begun on the lot which is now the beautiful campus of the college. This land was purchased directly from the Penn family and has some historic interest connected with it. The hopes of the college began to rise. It was now the object of care of the great state of Pennsylvania, and began to take a prominent place among the institutions of learning of this country. But after Dr. Nesbit's death the college began to experience

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trouble. The faculty and trustees were joint administrators of discipline and, as might naturally be expected, they did not always agree. This went on till in 1832 the authorities began to think of suspending operations. During this time, however, several distinguished men filled positions as professors in the college. Dr. Atwaler, president of Middlebury College, Vermont, resigned his position to take the presidency of Dickinson. Dr. Thomas Cooper, one of the most distinguished men of the early part of this century, who had been an able presiding judge for eight years, when he was impeached and removed from office, was elected to the chair of mineralogy and chemistry. He was born in England, graduated at Oxford, and was on intimate terms with Pitt and Burke. His opinion on legal questions was regarded as authority by Madison and other Americans of that day. Among his legal writings is a translation of the Institutes of Justinian with notes. As a scientist he was the friend of Priestley and had the use of his laboratory in Northumberland. There was much opposition to his election to a professorship in the college on account of the strong public sentiment against him. His first lecture was attended by the board of trustees in a body. It was ordered to be printed by the board and with the notes filled an octavo volume of 236 pages. He revived and for a number of years edited the *Emporium of Arts and Sciences*, a bi-monthly magazine which had a subscription price of seven dollars per year.

In June, 1815, President Atwaler, Dr. Cooper and Professor Shaw resigned because of what they considered unjust interference on the part of the trustees. John B. Mason, D. D., of New York, was elected president and accepted. He was a graduate of Columbia, and had been provost of that institution. For the first few years after Dr. Mason's taking office the college prospered, but then, owing largely to his declining health and the jealousy between faculty and trustees, it began to lose ground. In 1824 Dr. Mason resigned. Between this time and 1832, when the college came into the hands of the Methodists, there were three presidents and two complete changes in the faculty, all the professors resigning in each case.

In 1832 committees of the Baltimore and Philadelphia conferences of the Methodist church entered into negotiations by which the control of the college came into their hands. Up to this time Dickinson had not been a denominational school, though it is generally supposed to have

JACOB TOME SCIENTIFIC BUILDING.

been Presbyterian. It was specially stipulated in the charter that at no time should two-thirds of the trustees be of any one denomination. The state had made appropriations from time to time amounting to over $40,000, and when it was supposed that the college was being controlled by the Presbyterians, it was made the subject of legislative investigation. So Dickinson begins her history as a church college with the year 1833, when the Methodists secured control.

Dr. John Price Durbin was elected president and made a most excellent one. He surrounded himself with an able faculty, composed of distinguished men. An endowment fund was raised, and the number of students began to increase. Strong discipline was enforced, the charter having been changed, placing this matter entirely in the hands of the faculty. The administration of Dr. Durbin was the most successful the college had yet seen. The number of students was larger than at any previous time in its history, and reached in 1849 two hundred and forty-four. The character of work done in the college was high, and many of the graduates of those days have since become distinguished. The history of colleges repeats itself as well as the history of nations, and the story of Dickinson from the time of Durbin to Reed contains the usual periods of success, financial embarrassment and lack of students which are common to institutions of learning. Perhaps the most discouraging period was that of the Civil war, but all other colleges experienced the same troubles as did Dickinson. Since the war Dickinson has been constantly growing and improving. A scientific building, the gift of Jacob Tome, now accommodates the scientific departments, which were but ill provided for in former days. Bosler Hall, the gift of James W. Bosler, now affords room for the libraries of college and literary societies, and has also a large chapel room. Some years ago ladies were admitted to the college, and within the past two years a hall has been secured for them. The last addition in the way of buildings is Denny Hall, given up entirely to recitation purposes. The material equipment of the college is thus complete. Within a few years several of the chairs have been endowed, so the college seems to be at the beginning of a prosperous period.

The first Greek letter fraternity to establish a chapter in Dickinson was Φ K Σ, in 1854. At that time it was against the rules of the college for a student to belong to any such secret society, and the members had to be exceedingly care-

JAMES W. BOSLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY HALL.

ful not to make their fraternity affiliations known. Everything is changed now, and Dickinson is distinctively a fraternity college, Φ K Σ, Φ K Ψ, B Θ Π, Φ Δ Θ, Σ A E, Θ N E and Δ X being represented by good chapters; X Φ, Θ Δ X and Σ X had chapters until recently, when their charters were withdrawn because of small membership. The existence of these Greek-letter fraternities has not interfered with the working of the literary societies at Dickinson, as has been the case in so many colleges. In fact the Belles-Lettres and Union Philosophical societies are getting stronger and assuming a more important place in college life each year. The inter-society debate is next to commencement the largest attended of any of the college exercises. Nor does fraternity spirit suffer. The men in fraternities are loyal Greeks, and at present several of the chapters are considering plans for the erection of lodges. Because of the rule of the trustees compelling students to room in the dormitories, if there are any vacant rooms, it is practically impossible for any fraternity to erect a house to live in.

The college has increased the enrollment of students very materially since the presidency of Dr. Reed, and has now 420 students in attendance. This is the largest number in its history. The work of the college has been completely reorganized, and at present there are five distinct courses of study offered, the classical, Latin-scientific, Greek-scientific, modern language and scientific. During the freshman and sophomore years the work is prescribed, but in the junior and senior years it is largely elective. The faculty numbers 20 men and with a material equipment sufficient for all needs, Dickinson claims rank with the best of American colleges.

FREDERICK L. KRIEBEL, *Dickinson, '98.*

PHI DELTA THETA MUSIC.

The following pieces of sheet music inscribed to Phi Delta Theta have been published.

'The Phi Delta Theta March'; by J. N. E. Wilson, California Alpha, '76; pp. 7; price 75 cents; published by M. Gray, San Francisco, Cal.; 1874.

'Phi Delta Theta March'; dedicated to Indiana Epsilon; by Mrs. Wells; pp. 4; price 40 cents; published by John Church & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; 1874.

'Phi Delta Theta March'; by A. M. Shuey, Ohio Alpha,

'66 ; pp. 3 ; price 20 cents (originally 40 cents) ; published by A. M. Shuey, Minneapolis, Minn.; 1875.

'The Onondaga Waltz' ; dedicated to Phi Delta Theta ; by P. W. Search, Ohio Delta, '76 ; pp. 4 ; price 40 cents ; published by P. W Search, Marion, Ohio; 1875.

'Grand March of a Hundred Years' ; dedicated to Phi Delta Theta ; by P. W. Search, Ohio Delta, '76 ; pp. 4 ; price 50 cents ; published by P. W. Search, Marion, Ohio ; 1876.

'Phi Delta Theta Waltz' ; dedicated to Michigan Alpha chapter ; by R. D. Ewing, Michigan Alpha ; pp. 5 ; price 50 cents ; published by R. D. Ewing, Ishpeming, Mich. ; 1895.

'Phi Delta Theta Two-Step' ; dedicated to Phi Delta Theta, Bloomington, Ill.; by Alfred Murray, —— —— ; pp. 5 ; price 40 cents ; published by Clark E. Stewart, Bloomington, Ill.; 1896.

'Phi Delta Theta Two-Step' ; dedicated to the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity of Vanderbilt University ; by Miss Odielein McCarthy ; pp. 5 ; price 50 cents ; published by H. A. French, Nashville, Tenn.; 1896.

Brother P. W Search, author of 'The Onondaga Waltz,' and the 'Grand March of a Hundred Years,' is now in Holyoke, Mass., but the music is published at Marion, Ohio, and orders for it may be addressed to him there.

M. Gray, publisher of 'The Phi Delta Theta March,' by Brother J. N. E. Wilson, is now out of business. Oliver-Ditson Company, Boston, have a few copies of the piece for sale.

So far as known the above are all the pieces of sheet music dedicated to Phi Delta Theta that have been published. If any reader of the SCROLL knows of other pieces he will confer a favor on the undersigned by informing him.

In addition to the waltz by Brother R. D. Ewing, a two-step was written by him but never published. It was called the 'Palladium Two-Step,' and was played by the University of Michigan Banjo Club in 1895–96.

In the chapter letter of Indiana Theta to the SCROLL for February, 1895, it was stated that Brother C. Muller of Pennsylvania Beta, a resident of Lafayette, Ind., had dedicated two of his compositions, a waltz and a schottische, to Indiana Theta. These pieces, however, have never been published.

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THE BADGE.

Not long after the organization of the Fraternity was completed, the badge question came in for consideration. Indeed before the formal organization, it was a matter of some reflection, so as to have motto and badge to harmonize. It was in my business to be often in the city of Cincinnati, where I made most of my book and stationery purchases. A few months after December 26, 1848, I made arrangements with I. P. Beggs, of the firm of Beggs & Smith, a prominent jewelry house of that city, to make a badge according to a plan and design I furnished him. In June, 1849, it was completed, and I showed it to those concerned in Oxford and explained its significance.

The *body* of the pin was of solid gold, indicating that as that was the most precious of metals, we wished to have nothing in our work or lives but the very best, and that not in tinsel or appearance, but in reality.

It was to be *shield-shaped*, somewhat ornamental in the upper part, not because any such form for such an object had ever been seen by any of the founders. The key of the Φ B K was not our model, nor the crescent of the Α Δ Φ, nor yet the then sharp-cornered rectangle of the B Θ Π fraternity. These were the only badges known at Miami. It was shield-shaped because it was meant that the order should be a shield to each man who wore it, but only when such brother was being and doing what would stand the test of the All-seeing eye that is central in the upper part of the shield.

The *scroll* (partly the thought of Mr. J. M. Wilson) partially unfolded refers to the roll containing the names of our royal brotherhood, each man's name written with his own hand.

The *border* was ornamented with a handsome chasing to show that with all the solidity of character, mental, moral and social, that we aimed at, we still desired to have these qualities associated with things elegant and beautiful.

After some examination 'the boys' were pleased with it

and ordered another made like it. This they kept in their sacred box under lock and key along with the Bond and minutes.

The original I retained and wore occasionally when away from the university, and where no rival fraternity eyes would be disturbed by the sight.

It was the badge I wore when I had my first picture taken, more than a year before the general badging out of the class of '52.

Thus testifieth
ROBERT MORRISON, *Ohio Alpha*, '49.

'AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITIES.'*

The new edition of Mr. Baird's invaluable work, so long and anxiously awaited, has appeared at last, and the fraternity enthusiast can now fairly revel in its pages, which are filled with the most interesting and authentic information concerning the secret society system.

This is the fifth edition of the book, the previous editions having been published in 1879, 1880, 1883 and 1890. Old fraternity men like myself can recall with what pleasure we read the first edition nearly twenty years ago. Previous to that time, very few men knew much about any fraternities except their own, and most of them had a great deal to learn about their own even. Mr. Baird's excellent work was the means of a general dissemination of information about college societies, and that work more than anything else gave a new impetus to fraternity development, which has been so marked during the last two decades. Each succeeding edition was an improvement on its predecessor, and the last edition is far in advance of previous issues. It can not be criticised except in comparison with the earlier editions, for this book occupies a field of its own—no other like it ever having been published.

The general arrangement of the work remains unchanged, and indeed it would be difficult to suggest an improvement on its admirably convenient plan. But all the divisions of the book have been rewritten, and they embody the latest information given with all desirable fullness. The comprehensiveness of the work and the completeness of the details

*AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITIES: A Descriptive Analysis of the Fraternity System in the Colleges of the United States, with a Detailed Account of each Fraternity; by William Raimond Baird. Fifth Edition, 1898. Published by the Author, 271 Broadway, New York City. Square 12 mo.; pp. 438, cloth; illustrated; price, $2, postpaid.

furnished are astonishing, when one considers how much labor was required to collect all the facts from many different sources.

The opening pages present a general survey of the origin and growth of college fraternities, their characteristics, customs, insignia, publications, etc. Following come sketches of the various fraternities, taken in alphabetical order. Each sketch contains the facts about the organization of a fraternity, and gives the location and year of establishment of each chapter, the membership of each chapter, and the year of its suspension if inactive. The locations of alumni chapters also are given. Notes tell of the vicissitudes of chapters whose careers have been out of the ordinary. Changes in the form of the government of each fraternity are recorded, also years and places where conventions have been held. The periodical publications and the various editions of the fraternity's catalogue and song book are noticed. The badge and flag are described, and a cut of the badge heads the sketch of each fraternity. Each chapter which owns a house or rents a house is mentioned.

Appended to each sketch is a list of the fraternity's prominent men, such as national and state officers, and noted clergymen, lawyers, college professors and literary men. These lists are much longer than those in previous editions. The sketches of fraternities include men's, women's, professional, class and local fraternities, and are followed by a directory of colleges and chapters, various statistical tables, a discussion of fraternities in general, showing the benefits derived from them, and a treatise on the legal status of college societies.

The great merit of the book is its absolute impartiality. There seems to be no ground for complaint on this score. The author I know endeavored to secure the most reliable data regarding each fraternity from official sources, and I am convinced that this edition will be received with general satisfaction, and that members of all fraternities will agree that it is fair and accurate in essential particulars. Doubtless the best method of conveying to SCROLL readers some idea as to the entertaining features and instructive character of this book is by the use of quotations therefrom.

The first society of American origin bearing a Greek-letter name was Φ B K, founded in 1776, at the College of William and Mary, in Virginia. It was secret in its character, and its objects were social enjoyment and literary training. A branch was established at Yale in 1780, another at Harvard

in 1781, and a third at Dartmouth in 1787. Subsequently the society entered a number of other important educational institutions. In 1831 it gave up its secrets, revealing the motto, which is the Greek for 'Philosophy is the Guide of Life.' Thereafter the activity of the society ceased, and it became a purely honorary organization, membership being conferred as a reward for high scholarship. It now has forty chapters. The following quotations (some of which have been abbreviated) show how fraternities originated at Union and spread thence to Miami:

The K A society is the oldest secret brotherhood of a social and literary character which has had a continuous existence in American colleges, and, as the parent of the present vast system of American college fraternities, a special interest attaches to the circumstances of its foundation. In the autumn of 1825, K A was formed at Union by John Hart Hunter and other members of the class of '26. This first group of K A men at Union stamped a character upon the society which it has never lost. The founders possessed an aptitude for their work amounting to genius, and but slight additions have been made in seventy years to the ceremonial features of the order. . . K A was, in its external features, at least, an imitation of Φ B K, which had been established at Union in 1817. It was secret, it had a Greek name, it confined its membership to upper classmen, it displayed a key badge, and it named its chapters on the same system. The new society met with much opposition, but was secretly popular with the students, who paid it the sincere compliment of imitation by the foundation in the same college of Σ Φ, March 4, 1827, by ten seniors, and of Δ Φ, November 18, 1827, by nine seniors.

The A Δ Φ fraternity was founded at Hamilton College in 1832. A chapter of Σ Φ had been established at Hamilton in 1831, and in all probability suggested the formation of a new society. Its founder was Samuel Eels, of the class of '32. . In 1835, three years after A Δ Φ was founded, its Miami chapter was established by the personal efforts of Mr. Eels, and was the first western chapter of any fraternity.

It may not be inappropriate to notice the extent of the fraternity system at this time. K A, the pioneer of the system, had two chapters, viz., at Union and Williams. Δ Φ and Ψ Υ were still local societies at Union, while Σ Φ had three chapters, viz., at Union, Hamilton and Williams, and an anti-secret society had arisen at Williams. In other words, the system was confined to two states, New York and Massachusetts, and to three colleges, Union, Hamilton and Williams, when the founder of A Δ Φ boldly planted its second chapter beyond the Alleghanies, in what was then emphatically the 'west.' Ohio was therefore the third state and Miami the fourth institution to serve as a home to the fraternities.* The act of A Δ Φ in establishing its second chapter at Miami was important in its results, as it led to the foundation of the three national fraternities of B Θ Π, Φ Δ Θ and Σ X, forming a 'Miami triad.'

The B Θ Π fraternity was founded at Miami in 1839. The idea was first suggested by John Reily Knox, '40. A Δ Φ was then the only college society with a chapter so far west as Ohio. The plan of the

*These facts were presented in THE SCROLL for November, 1885, by Dr. J. E. Brown, who was first to use the term 'Miami triad,' in THE SCROLL for February, 1886.

association was, doubtless, suggested by that of Δ Δ Φ, and opposition to this organization was undoubtedly the chief cause which led to the formation of the new fraternity.

As Β Θ Π was the first of the western fraternities, it is interesting to see how far the society system had then developed. Κ Α was at Union and Williams, where anti-secret local societies also existed. Σ Φ was at Union, Williams, New York University and Hamilton. Ψ Υ was at Union, New York University and Brown. Δ Φ was at Union and Brown, and Δ Δ Φ was at Hamilton, New York University and Brown, where rival chapters existed, and was without rivals as yet at Columbia, Yale, Amherst, Harvard and the law school in Cincinnati. The Mystical Seven had also originated at Wesleyan. The fraternity system, therefore, when Β Θ Π was founded, existed in New York, New England and Ohio only.

It is unnecessary in this review to narrate the circumstances of the foundation of Φ Δ Θ at Miami in 1848, as they are related in the 'Manual,' issued as a supplement to THE SCROLL for October, 1897.

The movement which resulted in the foundation of Δ Κ Ε at Yale in 1844 was purely local, and it was not intended that chapters should be established elsewhere. The men who founded the society had together expected to become members of the junior society of Ψ Υ, and some of them being chosen and others not securing elections, none of them joined Ψ Υ, but all determined to found a new society of their own. Δ Κ Ε has always been a 'junior' society at Yale, but it rapidly extended to other colleges, where it has invariably been established as a general fraternity, though at Harvard it did not remain so.

Δ Κ Ε established a chapter at Miami in 1852. Mr. Baird makes a slight mistake in the following item:

The Miami chapter of Δ Κ Ε was formed by six members of the chapter of Φ Δ Θ who could not agree with their fellow members, and it in turn, in 1855, gave birth to the parent chapter of Σ Χ under somewhat similar conditions.

The facts are that in October, 1851, the Miami chapter of Φ Δ Θ, which then numbered *twelve*, expelled two members, for reasons which had nothing to do with their subsequent fraternity connections. Benjamin Harrison, since President of the United States, presided at the trial. In consequence of the expulsion of these *two* members, *three* of their most particular friends in the chapter presented their resignations, which were accepted. *Seven* members remained in the chapter. Of the *five* men whose connection with Φ Δ Θ thus ended, only *four* joined Δ Κ Ε, while *one* joined Δ Δ Φ some time later. On petition of the two expelled members in April, 1852, the vote of expulsion was rescinded, and they were permitted to withdraw, so that they might unite with the chapter of Δ Κ Ε, then being organized at Miami by a Yale Deke. This whole matter has been written up in THE SCROLL several times—March, 1882; November and December, 1885; January, 1886, and April, 1896.

The Σ X fraternity was founded at Miami, June 20, 1855, by Thomas C. Bell, James P. Caldwell, Daniel W. Cooper, Benjamin P. Runkle, Frank H. Scobey, Isaac M. Jordan and William L. Lockwood, who, with the exception of the last named, had been members of the Kappa chapter of Δ K E. A disagreement arose in that chapter in reference to the election of one of its members to an office in a certain literary society. The above-named persons refused to cast their votes for their brother, alleging as their reason his incompetency to discharge the duties of the situation. The chapter being evenly divided on the subject, punishment could not be extened to the recalcitrants, and the trouble ended by the final voluntary withdrawal of the six persons named, who immediately organized another society under the name of Σ Φ. No explanation of the adoption of that name has ever been offered, save that no significance attaches because of the identity of title with the fraternity of Σ Φ which then existed at Union. The new fraternity formulated a ritual, adopted by-laws, and performed the other preliminaries necessary to a permanent institution. A secret organization was maintained for a short time, but its existence having become known it was not accorded a hearty welcome, and some of its rivals entered into a plan to steal its ritual and records, which was successfully done in January, 1856. Thereupon a new system of government, based in a general way on that of Δ K E, was prepared, and the name Σ X adopted.

Another fraternity of eastern origin, Delta Upsilon, established a chapter at Miami. In 1834, an anti-secret society, sometimes called the 'Social Fraternity,' and sometimes the 'Equitable Fraternity,' was organized at Williams. In 1840 negotiations looking to a union with similar societies were begun, and in 1847 the 'Anti-Secret Confederation' was formed. A monogram of the letters Δ and Y was chosen as the badge in 1858, but the name Δ Y was not incorporated in the constitution until 1864. The convention of 1881 eliminated 'anti-secret' from the constitution, substituting the expression 'non-secret.' The chapter at Miami was established in 1868. Interesting incidents connected with the organization of several other fraternities are related in the following paragraphs:

The Ψ Υ society was founded at Union in 1833. It grew out of an association formed among its members for election purposes. The letters Ψ Υ were first chosen, and a suitable motto was then framed for them.

The X Ψ fraternity was founded at Union in 1841. One of its original members was Philip Spencer, a son of a cabinet officer, and a member of a family of high social position. Later, while serving as midshipman on the U. S. brig of war *Somers*, he was executed for alleged mutiny. Senator Benton, in his 'Thirty Years' View,' shows the charge and arrest to have been unwarrantable, and is unsparing in his condemnation of the seizure and execution. James Fenimore Cooper, Gail Hamilton and others, have been even more emphatic in denunciation of the steps which led to Spencer's death. For many years after this occurrence, the Chi Psis were dubbed 'Pirates' by their rivals, in reference to the ignominious fate of Philip Spencer.

The Θ Δ X fraternity was founded at Union. The first recorded meeting was held June 5, 1818. Andrew H. Green was the chief compiler of the constitution and ritual. While some changes have been made in the working parts of the constitution, owing to the growth of the fraternity, the ritual of initiation remains without change.

The X Φ fraternity is the result of a union of three distinct organizations bearing the same name (the Princeton order, founded in 1854; the Hobart order, founded in 1860, and the Southern order, founded at the University of North Carolina in 1858; the two former of which united in 1867, the latter joining the union in 1874). The origin of the oldest of these was as follows:

Toward the close of the year 1854, John Maclean, Jr., then a sophomore at Princeton College, discovered among some old papers a document which proved to be the constitution of a college society, the motto of which was 'Χριστου Φιλοι,' and which had for its object the promotion of social and religious intercourse among its members. He proposed to two classmates to reorganize the society, and they concluded to do so. They revised the constitution, and completed their organization, changing the purpose of the society, however, by the omission of its more pronounced religious features. They also changed the motto of the society, but retained its initial letters.

It is proper to add here that nothing is known of any active life on the part of the society previous to this action by John Maclean and his associates, or who its members were, or why it became inactive, or whether the number on its constitution, '1824,' was the date of the origin of the society, or of the writing of the particular document upon which it appears, or what was its significance. The old constitution was entrusted to the custody of one of the members, who lost it. The existence of the number '1824' upon this document is the slender basis upon which the fraternity rests its claim to having been founded in the year 1824.

In 1865 George Wyatt Hollingsworth and George Miles Arnold, two Americans, while pursuing medical studies in Paris, learned of the Kirjath Sepher, an ancient European secret order, many years extinct, which was founded at the University of Bologna between 1395 and 1400, and spreading later to the Universities of Florence, Montpelier, Orleans and Paris, where it flourished many years, finally becoming extinct. Having traced up its origin and history, and being much impressed thereby, they conceived the idea of establishing a secret college fraternity in their native land, based upon its traditions. This they accordingly did at the University of Virginia, in 1867, under the name of Kappa Sigma. The ritual of K Σ embraces many forms and ceremonies formerly connected with this ancient order, and many of its symbolic emblems are used by the American fraternity.

K A (southern order) was founded at Washington College (now Washington and Lee University) in 1865. It was at first intended, perhaps, to be a local organization only, and bore a name other than that of Kappa Alpha. During the second session of its existence, S. Z. Ammen became a member, and its present name, ritual and plan of organization are due chiefly to his labors, insomuch that he is considered the founder of the present K A order. The fraternity has confined itself to the south, as being the territory originally selected and best suited for its success. In number of living chapters it is the most prosperous in that section. There have been four editions of the ritual and constitution: in 1870, 1874, 1886, and 1893.

The Π K A fraternity was founded at the University of Virginia in

1868. The founders intended to restrict it to southern institutions only, a principle which has rigidly been adhered to throughout its history. The constitution of the fraternity, which is not secret, and the by-laws of the grand council have been published from the general office of the fraternity, which is located at Charleston, S. C.

The Σ N fraternity was founded at the Virginia Military Institute in 1869. The immediate cause of the organization was opposition to the parent chapter of A T Ω, which was founded in 1865, and held undisputed sway. This was resented by the western boys, and steps were successfully taken to break down the power of the 'Blackfeet,' as the Alpha Taus were familiarly known. The members of the new order were called 'Whitefeet,' in contradistinction to their rivals. In 1879 the parent chapter alone survived. After the establishment of Kappa chapter, the fraternity exhibited remarkable energy in improving its condition; and in April, 1883, with but three chapters in existence, Alpha, Kappa and Lambda (respectively at V. M. I., North Georgia Agricultural College, and Washington and Lee University), it began the publication of a journal called the *Sigma Nu Delta*, the triangular name being suggested by the trio of existing chapters.

The foregoing outline will show how widespread the fraternity system is. It has become *the* prominent factor in the social life of American students, and as such is attracting the attention of publicists and educators. Its influence will probably increase. It is not expected, however, that many new fraternities will arise. Those that have originated since 1870 are comparatively unimportant if living or have ceased to exist.

The only men's general fraternities founded since 1870 and still alive are: Φ Σ K, founded at Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1873, eight chapters in five states; Φ Φ Φ, founded at Austin College, 1894, four chapters in three states; M H A, founded at Washington and Lee, 1895, four chapters in three states; A X P, founded at Trinity College, Connecticut, 1895, three chapters in three states. Of Φ Φ Φ the following particulars are given:

This fraternity was organized at Austin College, Sherman, Texas, November 22, 1894, by L. J. Mitchell, W. P. Slaughter, O. S. Lusk, J. L. Lockett, Jr., J. C. Stinson, Alva Hardie, C. S. Roberts and Jay Stinnett. The fraternity was started with the idea of establishing chapters in the west and south, and more especially in those colleges which are small and struggling for existence, so that the more conservative fraternities will not enter them, while at the same time they afford material for one good chapter. The chapter roll is as follows:

1894. A A, Austin College, Texas 26
1894. A B, Southwestern University, Texas (1896) 6
1896. B A, Presbyterian College of South Carolina 20
1896. T A, Centenary College, Louisiana 9
1897. A T, University of Texas 13

Active chapters, 4; inactive, 1; membership, 74. The charter of the chapter at Southwestern University was withdrawn. The other chapters are in good condition. The government of the fraternity is vested in a convention (called the grand chapter), which meets biennially, and in an *ad interim* executive body, called the grand cabinet, composed of six general officers. The first convention was held at Sherman, Texas, in 1896. The badge is an open book of white enamel

bearing a hand and an anchor of gold, and resting upon two crossed lances between the heads of which extends a scroll bearing the letters 'Φ Φ Φ.' The colors are black, white and blue.

It may not be amiss to state here that L. J. Mitchell is a member of the Westminster chapter of Φ Δ Θ. After accepting a position as professor at Austin College, he, with several students there, endeavored unsuccessfully to secure a charter for a chapter of Φ Δ Θ, to replace one that existed at Austin temporarily before the civil war. The following items are selected from the sketches of various fraternities:

Δ Ψ has been very conservative in extending its ranks, having established but one chapter in the last thirty years.

As Δ Δ Φ sought students of decided literary tastes, it soon acquired a distinctive literary character. . The youngest chapters at Johns Hopkins, Minnesota and Chicago indicate a change of policy in regard to the extension of the fraternity, further emphasized by the establishment of the two chapters in Canada.

It has been the policy of Β Θ Π to keep the number of members in each chapter as small as possible consistent with local strength; but of late years college custom has more largely governed this point.

Down to 1884 the chapters of Β Θ Π were universally known by their Greek names, but at that time, owing to the constantly increasing roll of the fraternity, the Greek names were relegated to a second place, and the chapters are now known by the names of the colleges with which they are connected. In Θ Δ Χ the word 'charges' is used to designate the chapters. In Χ Ψ parlance each chapter is termed an 'Alpha.'

In 1894 the constitution of Φ Σ Κ was so revised that the parts relating to the government, by the grand chapter, were made non-secret and have since been published.

A unique feature in the history of Σ Χ, and one which has no parallel in the records of other fraternities, was the existence, during the war, of a chapter in the Confederate army, composed of members serving under Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, in the Army of the Tennessee. It was called the 'Constantine chapter,' and was organized by several Σ Χ comrades for the purpose of perpetuating the fraternity in the south during the most intense period of the war. It made few initiations, was never officially chartered by the fraternity, and became inactive upon the disbanding of the army.

The community chapters of Α Τ Ω were not attached to educational institutions and were not long continued. (They were located at Knoxville, Memphis, Murfreesboro and Columbia, Tenn.; Alexandria and Harrisonburg, Va.; Weston, W. Va.; Rome, Ga., and Chicago, Ill., and all of them initiated 82 members.)

The chapter of Χ Φ which existed at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, 1867–70, was composed of young southern gentlemen who were pursuing advanced studies, and it admitted no students of foreign residence.

There are three degrees in Δ Δ Δ (ladies): (1) The Trident degree, given to 'pledges'; (2) the Stars and Crescent degree, given to college students, and (3) the Graduate degree, given to alumnæ of the society.

The most important standing committee of Π Β Φ (ladies) is a literary bureau, first organized in 1890. Its work consists in keeping the

chapters informed concerning matters of general interest in the fraternity world, to prepare a yearly course of instruction on such subjects, to suggest courses of reading upon matters of interest to fraternity women, and once a year to prepare an examination on the subjects.

The Θ Ν Ε (sophomore) society has taken a very active part in college politics in some of the colleges where it is established, and has been severely commented upon in consequence. Quite a number of the fraternities forbid their members to join this organization. There is a place for this organization in the student life if the actions of its members are not too clearly an exponent of traditional sophomorical recklessness.

In 1869, Φ Δ Φ, a legal fraternity, was founded at the University of Michigan, and since then the development of the system has been almost entirely in the direction of the organization of societies bearing Greek names in the departments of law, medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, etc., attached to educational institutions wherein the general fraternities have secured a foothold.

In the last ten years there has been a great increase in professional societies. Not counting numerous local societies, the number of professional fraternities is now as follows: Law, 2; medical, 6; homeopathic, 2; pharmacy, 2; dental, 2; agricultural-scientific, 2; engineering-scientific, 1; musical, 1; woman's medical, 2.

As is generally known, the class society system dominates student life at Yale. Δ Κ Ε, Α Δ Φ, Ψ Υ and Ζ Ψ are junior societies there. The senior societies are Skull and Bones, Scroll and Key, and Wolf's Head, all local. Β Θ Π has a chapter in the academic department (all classes). Φ Γ Δ and Φ Σ Κ take men from all departments, including professional schools. Θ Ξ, Δ Ψ, Χ Φ and Θ Δ Χ have chapters in the technological department, called Sheffield Scientific School. At Harvard also there are a number of local clubs, but these have interfered with the general fraternities less than at Yale. Α Δ Φ, Β Θ Π, Θ Δ Χ, Σ Α Ε, Μ Π Α, Δ Φ and Δ Υ have chapters there, while Δ Κ Ε, which formerly had a chapter, now has an alumni association. The Harvard chapters of Ψ Υ, Ζ Ψ, Χ Φ and Φ Κ Σ have suspended.

Twenty to thirty years ago it was not uncommon for a man who attended two institutions to join a different fraternity at each. In the lists of prominent members in this book, Hon. Andrew D. White, ambassador to Germany, is credited to both Σ Φ and Ψ Υ; Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, minister to Spain, to both Δ Ψ and Δ Κ Ε; Gov. Lloyd Lowndes, of Maryland, to both Δ Τ Δ and Φ Κ Ψ; Dr. R. Ogden Doremus to both Δ Φ and Δ Κ Ε, and doubtless a close examination would show other instances. During recent years general sentiment among fraternities

has become very strong against double membership, and when a student joins a second fraternity his disloyalty to the first is usually followed by expulsion. Unfortunately there have been instances of the disloyalty of whole chapters, the following being mentioned:

In 1851, during a period of depression in the affairs of Β Θ Π, the Brown and Williams chapters resigned from the fraternity, and afterwards a majority of the active members in each case accepted charters from Α Δ Φ. The Michigan chapter deserted to Ψ Υ in 1865, after an unsuccessful attempt to form a union between the two fraternities, and the Western Reserve chapter similarly deserted to Δ Κ Ε in 1868. All of these chapters have since been revived, except the one at Williams, and all retain the interest of their alumni.

The Cornell chapter of Φ Κ Ψ was broken up in 1877 by internal dissensions and the traitorous conduct of the majority of its members, who united in forming a chapter of Ψ Υ. The Wisconsin chapter of Ψ Υ was organized in 1896 from a local society called Ρ Κ Υ, which had been formed from members of Φ Κ Ψ, and a large number of neutral members of the university, in all classes, from 1856 to the date of the institution of the chapter.

Phi chapter of Φ Γ Δ was at first established at Baker University, Kansas. It was moved, with the members who composed it, to Northwestern, and the charter was withdrawn for disloyalty in 1872, as the members petitioned Ψ Υ for a charter. The Williams chapter of Φ Γ Δ, though strong in numbers and of high rank as to scholarship, became dissatisfied, and in 1881 deserted to Ζ Ψ. The Stanford chapter of Φ Γ Δ resigned from the fraternity in 1896 and became a local society called Σ Ρ Η.

Soon after the foundation of Δ Τ Δ at Bethany in 1860, some of the members became charter members of a chapter of Β Θ Π. Their membership has been considered legitimate by both fraternities, in consideration of the fact that Δ Τ Δ was then a local society.

The Lombard chapter of Δ Τ Δ was originally a local society called Δ Θ. After it had ceased to be a chapter of Δ Τ Δ it resumed its old local name, and some few years later became a chapter of Σ Ν, retaining its local title as a chapter designation. The charters of the Δ Τ Δ chapters at Mt. Union and Adrian were withdrawn in 1884, and these chapters subsequently became chapters of Σ Α Ε. The Wabash chapter, after its dismissal in 1875, became a chapter of Θ Δ Χ, but did not long survive. The Lehigh chapter of Δ Τ Δ withdrew in 1885, became a local under the name of Β Β, and in 1886 accepted a charter from Σ Φ.

The Hobart chapter of Χ Φ became inactive in 1880, when its undergraduate members withdrew from the fraternity and became members of the revived chapter of Κ Α at Hobart. The charter of the Brown chapter of Χ Φ was revoked in 1895, and it has since become a local society, as the members did not acquiesce in this action of the fraternity. The local society retains the same name, and its badge is the same as that of the Χ Φ fraternity, with the addition of the small letters 's. o.' signifying secret order.

The Brown charge of Θ Δ Χ was formed in 1853 by ex-members of Δ Ψ who had resigned because of a misunderstanding with their fraternity. The Wabash charge of Θ Δ Χ was composed largely of ex-members of Δ Τ Δ.

The Minnesota chapter of Δ Κ Ε was formed in 1889 from a chapter of Φ Δ Θ.

The Pennsylvania State chapter of Q. T. V. resigned its charter and became a chapter of Φ K Σ in 1890.

The local Δ Ψ society at the University of Vermont joined the Anti-Secret Confederation in 1851, but withdrew in 1854, retaining all of its members, so that it can scarcely be counted as a chapter of Δ T.

It should be placed to the credit of the women's fraternities (Mr. Baird does not call them sororities) that none of their chapters seem to have ever been disloyal. The objections to 'lifting' a chapter do not hold against absorbing a whole fraternity, because in the latter case the change of allegiance is by unanimous agreement, and there is no betrayal of the confidence of associates. Β Θ Π absorbed Α Σ Χ in 1879 and Mystical Seven in 1890. Φ Δ Θ absorbed Κ Σ Κ in 1886, the last chapter of Φ Σ in 1878 at Lombard, and the last chapter of Δ Κ in 1879 at Centre.

The secret Φ Σ League was founded at Lombard by several students of the class of 1857. It established chapters at seven Illinois colleges, but none were prosperous except the parent one, and they soon ceased to exist. This chapter entered Φ Δ Θ in 1879, and thus extinguished the society. There were three degrees in the society. The two lower ones were for undergraduates, and were called the 'Anchor,' and 'Harp,' and these emblems were worn as badges.

THE SCROLL for April, 1898, contained an account of the absorption of the W W. W. or Rainbow fraternity by Δ T Δ and Φ Δ Θ in 1885–86. Following is Mr. Baird's version of the affair:

After a checkered career, negotiations were entered into between W. W. W. and Δ T Δ with a view to consolidating the two societies, and the union was effected in 1886. The journal of Δ T Δ, theretofore called *The Crescent*, was rechristened *The Rainbow*, out of compliment to the older order. At the time of the union only two chapters, viz., those at the University of Mississippi and Vanderbilt, were actually alive. The chapters at Southwestern and the University of Texas went into Φ Δ Θ. The chapter at Emory and Henry disbanded, most of its members joining Σ Α Ε. The chapter at Wofford was revived in 1889 by an alumnus, in whose keeping the charter had been placed, but it disbanded on learning of the fate of the fraternity three years before.

As stated in THE SCROLL, the W W. W. chapters at the University of Texas and Southwestern University refused to enter into the union with Δ T Δ, and instead they united with Φ Δ Θ. These facts are shown by articles published at the time in the journals of both Φ Δ Θ and Δ T Δ. *The Crescent* for March, 1886, and *The Rainbow* for March, 1889, also show that the Emory and Henry chapter *did* join Δ T Δ, but died soon afterwards.

There is very little in this latest edition of Mr. Baird's work that can be criticised unfavorably. The sketches of

the various fraternities have an evenness of merit which shows that they have been edited with good discretion. However, it seems that a strict regard for proper proportion would have led to a curtailment of a few passages, such as the rather bombastic quotation from the catalogue of Σ X about the ideals of its founders, the statement about the principles upon which A T Ω was founded, and the explanation of the arrangement of each edition of the catalogue of Δ T Δ. Pertinent to the article in the last issue of THE SCROLL advocating a very condensed form of a fraternity catalogue, is the following paragraph:

> In 1890 Δ K E, after long preparation, published a volume of some 1,700 pages, leaving nothing to be desired in the way of completeness, and which probably marked the point of extreme advance in this direction. Since then there has been a decided tendency to revert to the simplicity of former times, and to replace these bulky memorabilia volumes with handy name-lists of the members. The sixth edition of the catalogue of Δ T Δ, printed in 1897, is a small octavo, and the chapter rolls contain only the names and addresses of the members, with some few statements as to occupations and similar facts. It is an improvement in the direction of simplicity.

The number of editions of catalogue and song book issued by each of the men's general fraternities is as follows:

> Catalogues.—Σ Φ, 16; Δ Υ, 12; Α Δ Φ, 11; Ψ Υ, 10; K A, northern, and Δ K E, 9 each; Δ Φ, 8; X Ψ, 7; Φ Δ Θ and Δ T Δ, 6 each; B Θ Π, 5; Z Ψ, Θ Δ X, Φ Γ Δ, Φ K Ψ and K A, southern, 4 each; Φ K Σ, X Φ, Σ X, Σ A E and K Σ, 3 each; Δ Ψ and Σ N, 2 each; A T Ω and Π K A, 1 each; Φ Σ K, Φ Φ Φ, A X P and M Π Λ, none.
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> Song books.—Ψ Υ, 10; B Θ Π, 8; Α Δ Φ and Φ Δ Θ, 6 each; Δ Υ, Δ K E and Z Ψ, 3 each; Σ Φ, X Ψ and Σ X, 2 each; K A, northern, X Ψ, Θ Δ X, Φ Γ Δ, Φ K Ψ, Δ T Δ, A T Ω, K Σ and Σ N, 1 each; Δ Φ, Δ Ψ, Φ K Σ, Σ A E, K A, southern, Π K A, Φ Σ K, Φ Φ Φ, A X P and M Π Λ none.

Two works of a historical nature have been issued, one entitled 'The Psi Upsilon Epitome,' by Albert P. Jacobs, 1884; the other entitled 'Fraternity Studies,' 1894, and relating to B Θ Π, by William R. Baird, author of 'American College Fraternities.' Two editions of 'A Manual of Phi Delta Theta,' containing a sketch of the fraternity and other matter, have been issued in 1886 and 1897. The catalogues of K A, northern, A Δ Φ, Δ Υ, Φ K Σ, X Φ, Σ X, Σ A E and K A, southern, contain a large amount of historical information. The Rochester chapter of Ψ Υ, the Dennison chapter of B Θ Π, the Williams chapter of Δ Ψ, the Northwestern chapter of Σ X, and the Wabash and Ohio Wesleyan chapters of Φ K Ψ have issued chapter histories. The Franklin and Marshall chapter of X Φ, the Williams chapter of K A,

the Trinity chapter of Ψ Y, and the Harvard, Dartmouth, C. C. N. Y and De Pauw chapters of Δ K E have issued chapter catalogues. Neither of the small eastern fraternities, K A, Δ Φ, Σ Φ and Δ Ψ, has ever attempted to issue a journal, while the journals of A Δ Φ, Ψ Y, X Ψ, Z Ψ and X Φ have failed.

This edition of 'American College Fraternities' furnishes information as to the colors, flag and flower of each fraternity. The badge of each fraternity is described, but not its pledge-button, except in the cases of Σ N and southern K A. It seems singular that fraternity cheers are not given; and it is noticeable that college colors and annuals, which appeared in former editions, are omitted from this, for the reason that the author considered that details about colleges were not necessary in a fraternity manual.

Mr. Baird might have made an interesting addition to his book by showing which fraternities first began certain usages that are now common. However, from an examination of the sketches of the several fraternities, the following details are gathered: Σ Φ issued the first catalogue in 1834, and Ψ Y the first song book in 1849. Θ Δ X projected the first fraternity periodical in 1867. The oldest fraternity journal still in existence is the *Beta Theta Pi*, established in 1872, suspended in 1874–75, and published continuously since. The first fraternity to issue a second journal, devoted to private fraternity affairs, was Σ X in 1887. The first recorded fraternity convention was held by A Δ Φ in 1836. The first state convention with chapter representation was held by Φ Δ Θ in 1865. The first fraternity to abolish the powers of the presiding chapter and vest them in an executive board was Θ Δ X in 1867. The first fraternity to divide chapters into districts was B Θ Π in 1874. The first fraternity to provide a transportation fund for delegates to conventions, by per capita assessments, was Φ Δ Θ in 1873. The first fraternity to require members to subscribe for its journal was B Θ Π in 1875. The first fraternity to require chapters to send circular-letters regularly to alumni was B Θ Π. The alumni club of Δ Ψ in New York is said to be the oldest city club of any fraternity. The fraternity system was introduced in the West by A Δ Φ in 1835, and in the South by Δ K E in 1847. The path-finder in crossing the continent was Z Ψ in 1870, and the same fraternity, in 1879, was the pioneer in Canada. The first fraternity to display a regulation flag was Θ Δ X in 1870. The first fraternity to adopt colors is not stated. The first fraternity to adopt a flower

was B Θ Π in 1889. The first fraternity to authorize a system of heraldry for all chapters was Δ K E. The first fraternity to provide for an 'alumni day' was Φ Δ Θ in 1889. The following clipping is from the sketch of the Δ Γ fraternity:

The 15th of March of each year is observed by all the chapters as 'Reunion Day,' at which date the alumnæ try to visit the chapters, and where that is not possible, to at least send a communication to them. It is a pleasant custom, and has been generally observed.

It appears that the ladies of Δ Γ have not only complimented Φ Δ Θ by adopting this custom, but have made the compliment more pointed by selecting of 365 days the one which Φ Δ Θ had chosen. The following paragraphs indicate that there is a dispute as to which of two fraternities can claim the credit of priority in building a chapter house:

Epsilon of X Ψ, established at the University of Michigan in 1845, was the first chapter of this fraternity placed in the west. A log cabin in the woods near Ann Arbor, used by this chapter soon after its foundation, at a time when the faculty was hostile to the fraternities, may be considered the pioneer chapter house project.

The Kenyon chapter of Δ K E, in 1854, built the first fraternity hall that was ever used exclusively for society purposes; it was situated in a ravine near the college town, was built of logs at a total expenditure of $50, and was abandoned in 1871.

It is a noticeable fact that Σ Φ has eight chapters, all of which, except the one at the University of Vermont, own chapter houses; and Δ Ψ has eight chapters, all of which, except the one at the University of Virginia, own chapter houses.

The development of this form of chapter enterprise has been relatively rapid during the past ten years. The number of houses built and owned by the chapters of the fraternities has been considerable, and the number rented has been very large. It is a fact common in human experience, that people are more deeply interested in things upon which they have spent time, effort or money, than in things which they have acquired without either, and the interest of alumni has never been so fully aroused and maintained by any feature of fraternity life as by the efforts which have been made to build chapter lodges and houses.

The statistical tables on pages 482–3 show that in membership Δ K E leads, with B Θ Π, Φ Δ Θ, Ψ Υ, Λ Δ Φ, Φ K Ψ, Φ Γ Δ, Δ Υ, Σ Χ and Δ T Δ following in order; in active chapters Φ Δ Θ leads,* with B Θ Π, Σ Α E, Σ Χ, K Σ, Φ Γ Δ, Α T Ω, Σ Ν, Φ K Ψ, Δ T Δ, K Α, southern, Δ K E, Δ Υ, Α Δ Φ, Θ Δ Χ, Ψ Υ and Ζ Ψ following in order; in number of states in which chapters are established B Θ Π and Φ Δ Θ lead, with

* Phi Delta Theta also has a larger number of alumni chapters than any other fraternity.

Σ A E, K Σ, Σ X, Δ K E, Δ T Δ, Φ Γ Δ, Σ N, A T Ω, Φ K Ψ, K A, southern, Z Ψ, X Ψ, Δ Υ, A Δ Φ, Ψ Υ and X Φ following in order; in chapter houses owned Ψ Υ leads, with A Δ Φ, B Θ Π, Δ Υ, Δ K E, Φ K Ψ, X Ψ, Σ Φ, Z Ψ, Δ Ψ and Φ Δ Θ following in order; in number of chapter houses rented B Θ Π leads, with Φ Δ Θ, Σ A E, Σ X, Φ Γ Δ, Δ K E, A T Ω, Σ N, Φ K Ψ, Δ T Δ, Δ Υ and K Σ following in order. These statistics and the details in the sketches of chapters about the locations of chapter houses should be closely studied by members of Φ Δ Θ, for in this regard our Fraternity does not take as prominent a position as is to be desired.

During the nine or ten years following the publication of the first edition of 'American College Fraternities,' in 1879, there was great activity among fraternities, especially among those of western origin in entering eastern institutions. So indignant were the slow-going old societies in the east at the audacious conduct of the incomers, in disputing their claims to territory they had pre-empted, that it is wonderful they did not seek protection from the courts through the process of injunction. During the last nine or ten years there has been a similar extensive invasion of northern colleges by fraternities from the south. Mr. Baird's comments follow:

Thirty years ago the fraternities were classified quite generally according to the place of their origin, as eastern, western and southern. Such classification no longer holds good, however. The only classification based on the geographical distribution of the several chapters of the fraternities which can now properly be made, is to divide the fraternities into national fraternities and sectional fraternities.

The national fraternities include those generally represented in all sections of the country. Of these B Θ Π, Φ Δ Θ, Φ Γ Δ and Δ K E are prominent types. The sectional fraternities are eastern and southern. The eastern group consists of A Δ Φ, Δ Φ, Θ Δ X, Σ Φ, Ψ Υ, K A, northern order, and Δ Ψ. The southern group includes K A, southern order, Π K A, A T Ω, and until very recently Σ A E and K Σ.

In addition there are a few fraternities like X Φ, X Ψ and Z Ψ, which are difficult to classify. These originated in the east, but all have important chapters outside of that region, while they are not national in extent.

The present geographical distribution of chapters is shown by the following summary, which is one of several new features of the latest edition of this book :

GENERAL FRATERNITIES—MEN.

New England (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island).—Δ K E, 11; A Δ Φ, 9; Δ Υ, 9; Θ Δ X, 9; B Θ Π, 8; Ψ Υ, 7; Φ Δ Θ, 6; Z Ψ, 6; A T Ω, 5; X Ψ, 5; Σ A E, 5; Δ Ψ, 4; K Σ, 4; Φ Γ Δ, 4; X Φ, 3; Δ T Δ, 3; Δ Φ, 3; Φ K Ψ, 2; Φ Σ K, 2; Σ X, 2; Σ Φ, 2; A X P, 1; K A, 1; M Π Λ, 1; Σ N, 1.

MEN'S FRATERNITIES.			Chapters.			Houses.			
Founded.	Name.	Members.	Active.	Dead.	Total.	Owned.	Rented.	Total.	No. of states represented.
1832	Α Δ Φ	7,933	23	7	30	10	4	14	12
1895	Α Χ Ρ	76	3	—	3	—	—	—	3
1865	Α Τ Ω	4,261	42	29	71	3	13	16	17
1839	Β Θ Π	10,577	62	19	81	10	21	31	28
1854	Χ Φ	4,048	19	24	43	5	9	14	12
1841	Χ Ψ	3,718	19	9	28	8	5	13	13
1844	Δ Κ Ε	12,948	35	13	48	9	13	22	20
1827	Δ Φ	2,914	12	4	16	4	6	10	7
1847	Δ Ψ	2,989	8	11	19	7	—	7	7
1860	Δ Τ Δ	5,670	38	29	67	2	11	13	20
1834	Δ Υ	6,275	31	5	36	10	10	20	13
1825	Κ Α	1,395	6	2	8	3	1	4	4
1865	Κ Α	3,855	37	10	47	5	7	12	15
1867	Κ Σ	3,466	49	16	65	1	10	11	23
1895	Μ Π Λ	43	4	—	4	—	—	—	3
1848	Φ Δ Θ	9,609	63	23	86	6	18	24	28
1848	Φ Γ Δ	6,330	44	27	71	3	13	16	18
1852	Φ Κ Ψ	7,435	38	18	56	9	11	20	15
1850	Φ Κ Σ	2,153	12	19	31	2	1	3	5
1894	Φ Φ Φ	74	4	1	5	—	—	—	3
1873	Φ Σ Κ	554	8	-	8	—	1	1	5
1868	Π Κ Α	1,061	13	8	21	—	—	—	5
1833	Ψ Υ	8,585	21	1	22	13	4	17	12
1856	Σ Α Ε	5,668	54	30	84	2	18	20	23
1855	Σ Χ	6,051	50	21	71	5	14	19	22
1869	Σ Ν	2,864	39	13	52	1	12	13	18
1827	Σ Φ	2,190	8	2	10	7	—	7	5
1847	Θ Δ Χ	3,411	21	17	38	3	9	12	11
1846	Ζ Ψ	4,827	20	11	31	7	3	10	14
Total	29	130,980	783	369	1152	135	214	349	

WOMEN'S FRATERNITIES.			Chapters.			Houses.			
Founded.	Name.	Members.	Active.	Dead.	Total.	Owned.	Rented.	Total.	No. of states represented.
1872	Α Φ	832	9		9	1	3	4	8
1888	Δ Δ Δ	643	16		16		2	2	11
1872	Δ Γ	1,205	13	10	23	1	3	4	11
1874	Γ Φ Β	633	8		8		4	4	8
1870	Κ Α Θ	2,339	23	10	33	1	7	8	14
1870	Κ Κ Γ	2,937	27	9	36		7	7	14
1867	Π Β Φ	3,119	27	10	37		4	4	16
Total	7	11,708	123	39	162	3	30	33	

PROFESSIONAL FRATERNITIES.			Chapters.			Houses.			
Founded.	Name.	Members.	Active.	Dead.	Total.	Owned.	Rented.	Total.	No. of states represented.
1885	Α Χ Ω	436	6		6				6
1890	Α Ε Ι	63	3		3		1	1	3
1888	Α Κ Κ	364	5		5		4	4	5
1891	Α Μ Π Ω	212	2		2				2
1895	Α Υ Μ	69	1		1		1	1	1
1889	Β Φ Σ	226	2		2				2
1891	Δ Χ	738	8	2	10		2	2	7
1889	Δ Ε Ι	88	1		1				1
1868	D.G.K.	275	1		1	1		1	1
1882	Δ Σ Δ	1,055	12		12		4	4	9
1888	Μ Σ Α	52	1		1		1	1	1
1882	Ν Σ Ν	866	13	1	14		2	2	8
1894	Ω Ψ	64	2		2				2
1894	Ω Υ Φ	168	2		2		1	1	1
1894	Φ Λ Γ	177	7		7				7
1883	Φ Χ	185	2		2		1	1	2
1889	Φ Χ	254	2		2				2
1869	Φ Δ Φ	3,771	27	2	29		2	2	19
1895	Φ Σ Ψ	30	1		1		1	1	1
1892	Π Μ	112	3		3				1
1869	Q. T. V.	687	3	3	6		2	2	3
1864	Θ Ξ	623	4	1	5		4	4	4
1889	Ξ Ψ Φ	625	11		11		3	3	10
Total	23	11,140	119	9	128	1	29	30	

SUMMARY.			Chapters.			Houses.		
		Members.	Active.	Dead.	Total.	Owned.	Rented.	Total.
Men's	29	130,980	783	369	1,152	135	214	349
Women's	7	11,708	123	39	162	3	30	33
Professional	23	11,140	119	9	128	1	29	30
Local Men's	28	4,829	28		28	4	9	13
Local Women's	14	560	14		14			
Grand total	101	159,217	1,067	417	1,484	143	282	425

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Middle States (New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland and District of Columbia).—Φ Κ Ψ, 16; Φ Γ Δ, 15; Β Θ Π, 14; Δ Υ, 13; Φ Δ Θ, 11; Σ Χ, 10; Δ Κ Ε, 10; Ψ Υ, 9; Θ Δ Χ, 9; Δ Φ, 9; Κ Σ, 8; Λ Δ Φ, 7; Χ Φ, 7; Δ Τ Δ, 7; Α Τ Ω, 6; Χ Ψ, 6; Σ Α Ε, 6; Ζ Ψ, 6; Φ Κ Σ, 5; Φ Σ Κ, 5; Σ Φ, 5; Κ Λ, 4; Λ Χ Ρ, 2; Δ Ψ, 2; Κ Α, 2; Σ Ν, 1.

The South (Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas).—Κ Α, 34; Κ Σ, 28; Σ Α Ε, 25; Α Τ Ω, 19; Φ Δ Θ, 17; Σ Ν, 17; Π Κ Α, 13; Σ Χ, 12; Β Θ Π, 10; Φ Γ Δ, 8; Χ Φ, 7; Δ Τ Δ, 7; Φ Κ Σ, 6; Δ Κ Ε, 6; Φ Κ Ψ, 5; Φ Φ Φ, 4; Μ Π Λ, 3; Χ Ψ, 3; Δ Ψ, 2; Ζ Ψ, 2; Φ Σ Κ, 1.

The Central West (Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin).—Β Θ Π, 21; Φ Δ Θ, 19; Σ Χ, 18; Δ Τ Δ, 15; Φ Γ Δ, 13; Α Τ Ω, 11; Φ Κ Ψ, 11; Σ Α Ε, 10; Σ Ν, 10; Δ Κ Ε, 6; Δ Υ, 6; Κ Σ, 6; Α Δ Φ, 4; Ψ Υ, 4; Χ Ψ, 2; Θ Δ Χ, 2; Ζ Ψ, 2; Χ Φ, 1; Φ Κ Σ, 1; Σ Φ, 1.

Remainder of the Union (Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, California and Washington).—Β Θ Π, 10; Φ Δ Θ, 10; Σ Ν, 10; Σ Α Ε, 8; Σ Χ, 7; Δ Τ Δ, 6; Φ Γ Δ, 4; Φ Κ Ψ, 4; Χ Ψ, 3; Κ Σ, 3; Δ Υ, 3; Δ Κ Ε, 2; Ζ Ψ, 2; Α Δ Φ, 1; Α Τ Ω, 1; Χ Φ, 1; Κ Α, 1; Ψ Υ, 1; Θ Δ Χ, 1.

Canada.—Ζ Ψ, 2; Α Δ Φ, 2; Κ Α, 1.

GENERAL FRATERNITIES—WOMEN.

New England.—Δ Δ Δ, 3; Κ Α Θ, 2; Π Β Φ, 2; Α Φ, 1; Γ Φ Β, 1; Κ Κ Γ, 1.

Middle States.—Κ Κ Γ, 7; Κ Α Θ, 6; Α Φ, 3; Δ Δ Δ, 2; Γ Φ Β, 2; Δ Γ, 2; Π Β Φ, 1.

The South.—Π Β Φ, 1.

Central West.—Κ Κ Γ, 12; Π Β Φ, 12; Κ Α Θ, 10; Δ Δ Δ, 7; Δ Γ, 6; Α Φ, 4; Γ Φ Β, 3.

Remainder of the Union.—Κ Κ Γ, 7; Π Β Φ, 7; Κ Α Θ, 5; Δ Γ, 5; Δ Δ Δ, 4; Γ Φ Β, 2; Α Φ, 1.

Of the twenty-nine men's general fraternities three were founded in the '20's, four in the '30's, seven in the '40's, five in the '50's, six in the '60's, one in the '70's, none in the '80's, and three in the '90's. The author makes the following comments:

The next step in the development of the system will probably be in the direction of consolidation or the improvement of the position of the fraternities. Most of the colleges of good standing are well supplied with chapters of the older societies, and new ones do not readily gain the attention and allegiance of the students.

In the face of such difficulties it will be seen to be quite an undertaking to organize a new chapter. The better fraternities move very slowly in the granting of charters, and petitioners find that they have to wait, and patiently and persistently push their claims until success crowns their efforts, or they are convinced that they will be forever denied admission to the fraternity of their choice.

The constant rivalry between chapters and the multiplication of fraternities has led in many cases to an indiscriminate scramble for members at the beginning of each year, and has in it the germ of the downfall of the entire system, unless the fraternities perceive the danger and make a united effort to avert it. This has been done at some colleges by an agreement between the chapters, or a regulation of the college authorities, that no student will be invited to join a fraternity until a certain time after his matriculation.

Enough is here shown in the way of quotation and refer-

ence to demonstrate that the book under review is a compendium of fraternity lore. Undoubtedly it will give a new stimulus to fraternity enterprise. It should be read attentively by all active fraternity men, especially those who are expected to do the 'heavy work' in spiking new men during the rushing season. Rushing committees that are not fully acquainted with this book will find themselves at a serious disadvantage next fall. It would be well for chapters hereafter to require members to pass examinations on this book, so that they might better be prepared for arguments that will arise as to the comparative standing of various fraternities.

The 1879 edition of the book contains 206 pages, and the 1890 edition 360 pages. The 1898 edition contains 78 pages more than that for 1890, while the price remains the same, two dollars. It is to be hoped that prompt and liberal orders for this useful volume will reward Mr. Baird for the great benefit he has conferred on fraternities in general by its publication. WALTER B. PALMER.

TWO NEW ALUMNI CHAPTERS.

The number of alumni chapters of Φ Δ Θ has recently been increased to 37 by the chartering on April 23, 1898, of Ohio Delta Alumni, at Columbus, and on May 28, 1898, of Rhode Island Alpha Alumni, at Providence. The former is to be known locally as the Central Ohio Alumni Association; its charter members are: *Ohio Wesleyan*—Cyrus Huling, '78; F L. Rosemond, '82; J. E. Brown, '84; R. L. Seeds, '86; H. L. Rownd, '85; F. L. Brown, '89; W. L. Van Sickle, '89; A. V Evans, '90; P. M. Thomson, '90; J. M. Butler, '92; E. T. Miller, 95; B. F Mull, '95. *Ohio State*—Wm. McPherson, '87; A. W. H. Jones, '91; L. F Sater, '95; A. D. Ingram, '97. *Wooster*—M. G. Evans, '77; N. L. Burner, '92; J. F Hays, '89. *Michigan*—T. L. Chadbourne, '91; J. D. Dunham, '94. *Ohio*—E. Tompkins, '74. *Virginia*—R. D. Bohannan, '76. *Williams*—W. T. Morris, '92.

The charter members at Providence are: *Brown*—W H. Barnard, '89; F. E. Carpenter, '89; A. Cushing, '89; A. T Swift, '89; N. M. Wright, '89; W T. Green, '90; W. H. Young, '90; F. A. Greene, '91; A. L. Barbour, '92; H. G. Beede, '93; H. St. J. Filener, '93; H. M. Barry, '94; F. E. Horton, '95; F. Slocum, '95; E. E. Bucklin, '96; W H. Kenerson, '96; H. B. Briggs, '97; P R. Bullard, '97; A. M. McCrillis, '97; T. J. Griffin, Jr., '99; H. F Clark, ex-'99. *Amherst*—C. N. Billings, '92; C. E. Tilley, '92; R. M. Horton, '98. *Vermont*—A. T. Stratton, '89.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA'S NEW HOME.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

In submitting my second annual report, I am sorry to say that it is incomplete, owing to the failure of Michigan Beta to send in its report. This case shows the necessity for more stringent legislation in reference to historian's reports, which I hope to make still more plain in my report to the convention next autumn.

There are a few points in the tables which I wish to emphasize. At the suggestion of Bro. Walter B. Palmer, I have added another column to table I., giving the full membership of each active chapter, including this year's initiates—and at the bottom have added the membership of all inactive chapters, thus giving the total membership of the Fraternity, which is 9,566, exclusive of this year's initiates of Michigan Beta. If this form is continued from year to year, the total membership of chapters and Fraternity can be accurately kept, and can be seen at a glance.

While the attendance and initiates this year are less than last, owing to the reduction in the number of chapters, the average is higher. There is a decided increase in the number of badges—103 more than last year—three-fourths of the members having them. In a number of the chapters every member has a badge, which is an indication of an active, energetic and successful chapter.

The number of active chapters is reduced to 63, owing to the temporary suspension of Ohio Delta and the withdrawal of the charters of Michigan Beta and Gamma. But they are included in my report, as they were in operation for a part of the year.

The alumni chapters now number 35—an increase of three during the year. There are a few weak chapters that should receive the fostering care of their alumni, as well as the active attention of the members themselves. I trust that these chapters will be placed in good standing before the convention. The Fraternity, as a whole, is in a most prosperous condition, and should celebrate its semi-centennial with 10,000 members on its rolls. Let every chapter, at the beginning of the college year, make a determined effort toward that end, and it will undoubtedly be reached.

In the Bond,

McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE, H. G. C.

Philadelphia, May 21, 1898.

TABLE I. INITIATED, AFFILIATED, RETIRED, ETC.

CHAPTER.	CHAPTER HOUSES AND HALL.	Attendant Feb. 1, 1897.	Attendant Feb. 1, 1898.	Feb. 1, 1897, to Feb. 1, 1898					Feb. 1, 1898.		Total Membership of Chapter Feb. 1, 1898.
				Initiated.	Affiliated.	Retired.	Resigned or Expelled.	Degrees.	Badges.	No. of Rival Fraternities.	
Colby	Three rented rooms	23	20	4	0	7	0	0	14	4	107
Dartmouth	Three rented rooms	35	43	17	0	13	0	12	43	9	155
Vermont	Rented house, 20 rooms	25	25	9	0	8	0	6	24	6	149
Williams	Rented house, 11 rooms	19	20	5	0	4	0	3	20	10	81
Amherst	Rented house, 25 rooms	27	30	11	0	10	0	8	30	10	117
Brown	Three rented rooms	29	21	5	1	10	0	10	15	11	91
Cornell	Chapter house, 25 rooms	22	29	9	1	6	0	5	29	21	147
Union	Rented house, 16 rooms	15	15	4	0	5	0	4	8	10	74
Columbia	Flat, 8 rooms	11	11	6	1	7	0	5	8	15	57
Syracuse	Rented house, 13 rooms	22	27	10	0	6	0	1	17	7	114
Lafayette	Three rented rooms	15	14	9	0	8	0	3	8	7	158
Gettysburg	Two rented rooms	12	9	3	0	6	0	4	7	5	102
Washington and Jefferson	Two rented rooms	13	11	4	0	7	0	3	5	5	122
Allegheny	Rented house, 8 rooms	14	20	9	0	3	0	3	11	5	125
Dickinson	Two rented rooms	23	28	9	0	4	0	2	20	4	114
Pennsylvania	Rented house, 12 rooms	18	28	14	2	3	0	3	20	18	134
Lehigh	Rented house, 14 rooms	10	8	5	0	7	0	7	5	14	63
Virginia	Meets in private rooms	12	15	5	6	8	0	2	13	17	161
Randolph-Macon	One rented room	12	9	3	0	7	0	1	5	4	72
Washington and Lee	One rented room	8	1	1	0	6	†1	1	1	12	34
University of North Carolina	One rented room	6	10	5	0	1	0	0	5	11	55
Centre	Two rented rooms	15	12	5	1	9	0	5	9	3	291

Central University	Two rented rooms	8	11	3	1	2	0	0	11	3	84
Vanderbilt	Chapter house—Value, $4,000	26	26	9	3	15	0	10	16	11	251
Sewanee	Chapter house –Value, $1,500	18	16	6	1	11	‡1	3	10	5	97
Georgia	Rented house, 8 rooms	21	15	9	0	16	0	8	9	7	243
Emory	Two rented rooms	23	21	9	0	4	0	0	10	6	243
Mercer	Two college rooms	18	20	10	0	1	0	0	12	5	189
Alabama	Rents two rooms and hall	21	17	8	1	7	[*4] [‡1]	7	8	5	197
Alabama Polytechnic	Rented hall	20	20	11	0	10	†1	2	18	5	210
Mississippi	Meets in college rooms	14	16	8	0	6	0	3	12	6	162
Tulane	Meets in private rooms	10	9	1	0	2	0	1	4	4	47
Texas	Meets in private rooms	10	15	8	0	3	0	2	7	9	93
Southwestern	Rented hall	12	11	6	0	8	0	8	7	3	70
Miami	Four rented rooms	4	13	12	0	3	0	2	4	3	200
Ohio Wesleyan	Four rented rooms	14	13	6	0	7	0	5	7	7	167
Ohio	Four rented rooms	9	16	6	0	1	0	0	12	2	146
Wooster	Meets in private rooms	7	2	0	0	6	0	1	1	4	153
Ohio State	Rented house, 12 rooms	12	13	5	0	3	0	2	11	11	88
Case	Rented house, 16 rooms	14	18	10	0	3	0	0	14	3	32
Indiana	Five rented rooms	21	20	7	1	15	‡1	5	18	6	290
Wabash	Suite of 6 rooms	13	11	5	0	2	†1	1	4	5	235
Indianapolis	Suite of 3 rooms	10	8	8	0	10	0	7	7	4	263
Franklin	Suite of 6 rooms	14	11	6	0	7	0	6	10	3	205
Hanover	Two rented rooms	8	8	5	0	5	0	0	3	4	143
De Pauw	Rented hall	16	23	11	0	5	0	2	12	8	191
Purdue	Chapter hall and 3 rented rooms	16	10	5	1	11	0	5	7	4	41
Michigan	Rented house, 27 rooms	22	21	10	0	9	‡1	4	20	13	112
Michigan State†		10									161
Hillsdale	Three rented rooms	8	5	3	0	6	0	3	1	2	92
Northwestern	Two rented rooms	13	14	8	0	7	0	4	3	8	81
Chicago	Flat, 6 rooms	0	9	7	0	7	0	4	7	7	39
Knox	Suite of 5 rooms	15	16	5	0	7	0	6	16	2	148
Lombard	Chapter house Value, $4,000	18	12	5	0	9	0	3	6	3	209

TABLE I. INITIATED, AFFILIATED, RETIRED, ETC.—*Concluded.*

CHAPTER.	CHAPTER HOUSES AND HALL.	Attendant Feb. 1, 1897.	Attendant Feb. 1, 1898.	Feb. 1, 1897, to Feb. 1, 1898.					Feb. 1, 1898.		Total Membership of Chapter Feb. 1, 1898.
				Initiated.	Affiliated.	Retired.	Resigned or Expelled.	Degrees.	Badges.	No. of Rival Fraternities.	
Illinois	Suite of 6 rooms	16	11	5	0	10	0	6	11	5	56
Wisconsin	Chapter house—Value, $10,500	23	20	8	0	13	0	5	17	10	184
Minnesota	Flat of 6 rooms	12	16	5	0	2	0	0	16	11	63
Iowa Wesleyan	Two rented rooms	18	14	7	0	12	0	7	12	2	159
Iowa State	Suite of 6 rooms	18	14	3	0	7	0	3	10	4	121
Missouri	Suite of 4 rooms	18	19	6	0	6	0	2	10	6	224
Westminster	Two rented rooms	13	13	5	0	0	0	0	13	2	99
Washington	Uses college rooms	9	10	4	0	3	0	0	5	2	58
Kansas	Meets in private rooms	19	13	7	0	12	†1	7	8	5	103
Nebraska	Rented house	15	17	6	0	6	0	5	11	8	77
California	Rented house, 11 rooms	20	14	5	0	12	0	7	12	11	112
Stanford	Rented house, 11 rooms	9	11	8	0	5	0	2	4	12	39

Total membership of inactive chapters, 919.
Total membership of Fraternity, 9,566.
* Resigned.
‡ Expelled.
† Failed to report.

TABLE II. ATTENDANT MEMBERS BY CLASSES ON FEBRUARY 1, 1898

CHAPTERS.	Graduate Students.	Class of '98.	Class of '99.	Class of 1900.	Class of 1901.	Special.	Total.	Will return.	Date of commencement.	Date fall term begins.
									1898	1898
Colby	0	5	6	5	4	0	20	14	June 29	Sept. 21
Dartmouth	0	8	9	11	15	0	43	35	" 29	" 15
Vermont	0	8	3	7	7	0	25	17	" 29	" 30
Williams	0	3	6	7	4	0	20	17	" 22	" 22
Amherst	0	3	10	3	10	0	30	23	" 29	" ?21
Brown	0	3	5	9	4	0	21	16	" 15	" 15
Cornell	0	10	2	10	7	0	29	23	" 16	" 20
Union	0	3	4	4	4	0	15	12	" 20	" 14
Columbia	0	4	5	2	0	0	11	8	" 29	Oct. 5
Syracuse	0	6	4	8	7	2	27	20	" 9	Sept. 22
Lafayette	0	2	3	7	2	0	14	12	" 23	" 15
Gettysburg	0	2	2	2	3	0	9	7	" 16	" 10
Washington and Jefferson	0	3	2	1	3	2	11	7	" 22	" 14
Allegheny	0	4	3	5	7	0	19	13	" 23	" 21
Dickinson	0	10	3	7	7	1	28	18	" 15	" 15
Pennsylvania	1	9	8	2	8	0	28	19	" 8	Oct. 1
Lehigh	0	2	1	3	2	0	8	6	" 16	Sept. 22
Virginia*							15	13	" 16	" 15
Randolph-Macon	1	3	2	3	0	0	9	5	" 7	" 17
Washington and Lee	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	" 17	" 12
University of North Carolina	0	1	4	2	2	0	9	8	" 1	" 8
Centre	0	3	7	2	0	0	12	8	" 8	" 7
Central	0	2	5	2	2	0	11	9	" 1	" 9
Vanderbilt	2	4	4	10	6	0	26	20	" 15	" 22

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CHAPTERS.	Graduate Students.	Class of '98.	Class of '99.	Class of 1900.	Class of 1901.	Special.	Total.	Will return.	Date of commencement.	Date fall term begins.
									1898	1898
Sewanee*	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	12	Aug. 4	Aug. 8
Georgia	0	5	3	2	5	0	15	14	June 15	Sept. 14
Emory	0	3	9	6	3	0	21	15	" 8	" 21
Mercer	0	6	2	4	5	3	20	14	" 8	" 22
Alabama	0	3	3	6	5	0	17	12	" 22	Oct. 6
Alabama Polytechnic	0	5	8	3	4	0	20	17	" 15	Sept. 15
Mississippi	0	2	7	3	4	0	16	14	" 15	" 15
Tulane	0	2	3	2	1	1	9	6	" 30	Oct. 1
Texas	1	4	6	3	2	0	16	12	" 15	Sept. 23
Southwestern	0	1	3	0	7	0	11	10	" 1	" 9
Miami	0	0	2	2	7	2	13	9	" 16	15
Ohio Wesleyan	0	4	4	3	2	0	13	8	" 22	" 14
Ohio	0	3	5	3	5	0	16	13	" 19	" 14
Wooster	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	" 16	" 16
Ohio State	0	4	6	3	0	0	13	7	" 17	" 14
Case	0	5	6	4	3	0	18	14	" 16	" 15
Indiana	1	6	8	1	4	0	20	11	" 17	" 14
Wabash	0	2	2	4	1	2	11	9	" 15	" 12
Indianapolis	0	2	1	0	5	0	8	6	" 23	Oct. 3
Franklin	0	3	2	2	4	0	11	8	" 18	Sept. 22
Hanover	0	1	2	3	2	0	8	5	" 17	" 16
De Pauw	0	5	4	5	9	0	23	13	" 8	" 22
Purdue	0	2	4	4	0	0	10	8	" 8	" 15
Michigan	0	5	3	5	8	0	21	18	" 30	" 23

Michigan State†												
Hillsdale	0	1	1	2	1	0	5	4	"	16	"	13
Northwestern	0	2	2	2	5	3	14	11	"	16	"	22
Chicago	1	3	3	2	0	0	9	6	"	30	Oct.	1
Knox	0	2	5	5	4	0	16	10	"	16	Sept.	22
Lombard*	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	9	"	2	"	6
Illinois	0	4	3	3	1	0	11	7	"	8	"	12
Wisconsin	0	3	4	8	5	0	20	18	"	23	"	14
Minnesota	1	2	7	3	3	0	16	14	"	2	Aug.	29
Iowa Wesleyan	0	3	6	3	0	2	14	8	"	16	Sept.	14
Iowa State	0	5	7	0	2	0	14	10	"	9	"	20
Missouri	0	5	5	3	6	0	19	14	"	31	"	14
Westminster	0	3	4	3	3	0	13	8	"	2	"	14
Washington	0	1	3	3	3	0	10	9	"	16	"	27
Kansas	0	4	3	2	4	0	13	9	"	8	"	8
Nebraska	1	7	4	1	4	0	17	12	"	10	"	17
California	0	1	2	7	4	0	14	12	May	11	Aug.	8
Stanford	0	1	3	3	4	0	11	10	"	25	Sept.	1

* No class system. † Failed to report.

TABLE III. GENERAL SUMMARY.

	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898
Total membership	5,360	5,738	6,055	6,420	6,834	7,257	7,683	8,120	8,536	9,134	9,566
Number of active chapters	63	66	66	67	67	68	69	69	68	69	66
Number of alumni chapters	21	23	23	23	23	25	27	27	30	32	35
Initiated	388	416	339	382	428	426	435	447	425	442	432
Resigned or expelled	16	*38	*2 ‡10	*9 ‡8	*4 ‡10	*2 ‡1	*4 ‡5	*5 ‡5	*4 ‡5	*4 ‡7	*8 ‡4
Retired	373	296	288	334	350	385	414	387	459	415	437
Attendant	898	948	996	1,032	993	1,031	1,060	1,072	1,051	1,065	1,023
Average initiated per chapter	6.2	6.3	5.4	6.0	6.4	6.0	6.3	6.5	6.3	6.4	6.5
Average retired per chapter	5.9	4.5	5.6	5.2	5.2	5.1	6.0	5.6	6.8	6.0	6.6
Average attendant per chapter	14.3	14.4	15.9	15.8	14.8	14.8	15.4	15.5	15.5	15.4	15.5

* Resigned. ‡ Expelled. * Including 24 members of old Minnesota Alpha.

NOTE.—The total membership as given above from 1888 to 1896, inclusive, is based on the somewhat imperfect summaries of the catalogue of 1883. The figures for 1897 and 1898 are based on the catalogue of 1894 and are the result of accurate calculations made by Bro. W. B. Palmer. The attendant membership for 1898 is at least 1,028, and the number of initiates at least 437. See chapter letters from Michigan Beta in THE SCROLL for April and December, 1897. This gives a total membership on February 1, 1898, of at least 9,571.—[ED.

INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND.

[redacted]

Leon Keeler Wiswell, Vermont A, '93,
Died July 29, 1897,
At Hyde Park, Vt.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Edward Joseph Danforth, Massachusetts B, '97,
Died February 1, 1898,
At Chicago, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Robert Wallace Givin, Pennsylvania A, '82,
Died January 5, 1898,
At Roxborough (Philadelphia), Pa.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Malcolm McNeill Boddie, Tennessee A, '80,
Died May 4, 1898,
At Waco, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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William Steele Holman, Indiana Δ, '40,
Died April 22, 1897,
At Washington, D. C.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Nathaniel Breading Hogg, Pennsylvania Γ, '79,
Died November 20, 1897,
At Brownsville, Pa.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Eugene Henry Lewis Randolph, New York Γ, '85,
Died December 17, 1897,
At Pasadena, Cal.
In Coelo Quies Est.

Lycurgus Railsback, Indiana B, '62,
Died August 4, 1897,
At Shreveport, La.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Samuel Coulter Baldridge, Ohio A, '49,
Died April 15, 1898,
At Hanover, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Gabriel Monroe Overstreet, Jr., Indiana A, '68,
Died November 2, 1897,
At Franklin, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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James Aiken, Jr., Alabama B, '00,
Died June 10, 1897,
At Gudsden, Ala.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John Franklin Herman, Pennsylvania B, '82,
Died November 6, 1897,
At Olathe, Kan.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Thomas Pearson Little Skinner, Virginia Γ, '75,
Died October 30, 1895,
At Littleton, N. C.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Norman Weaver, Alabama B, '89,
Died October 6, 1897,
At Selma, Ala.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Robert Welsted Beers, Pennsylvania A, '80,
Died ——, 1897,
At Waterford, N. Y.
In Coelo Quies Est.

William Hartshorne Saunders, Virginia B, '93,
Died —— —, 1897,
At ———.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Benton Harris Whaley, Pennsylvania Z, '89,
Died —— —, 1897,
At Whaleysville, Md.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Wendell Phillips Wallheiser, Indiana A, '87,
Died March 12, 1897,
At Bedford, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Benjamin Franklin Miller, Indiana A, '99,
Died December 8, 1897,
At Vermont, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Thomas Abner Stillwell, Jr., Indiana B, '98,
Died August 1, 1897,
At Crawfordsville, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Paul Moffatt Rhoads, Indiana B, '94,
Died April —, 1897,
At Newport, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John Emory Jenkins, Indiana Z, '85,
Died September 25, 1897
At Charleston, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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George Richard Tyler, Missouri A, '91,
Died November 10, 1897,
At Nevada, Mo.
In Coelo Quies Est.

Francis Webster Lake, California B, '97,
Died December 16, 1897,
At Grand Island, Neb.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Louis Allen, California B, '95,
Died March 16, 1898,
At Los Angeles, Cal.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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William Ensor Spencer, Wisconsin A, '61,
Died March 12, 1898,
At Washington, D. C.,
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Honestus Hannibal Boone, Texas A, '55,
Died May 23, 1897,
At Navasota, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Edmond Shackleford De Long, Jr., Kentucky A, '97,
Died June 11, 1897,
In New York City.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Frank Foster Gilchrist, Illinois H, '97,
Died May 1, 1897,
At Kenosha, Wis.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John Howard Wills, Missouri B, '77,
Died February 16, 1896,
At Asheville, N. C.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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James Zachary George, Mississippi A, '44,
Died August 14, 1897,
At Mississippi City, Miss.
In Coelo Quies Est.

Edward Cary Walthall, Mississippi A, '48,
Died April 21, 1898,
At Washington, D. C.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Joel Sheldon Pardee, Michigan B, '78,
Died February 27, 1895,
At Three Oaks, Mich.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Charles Baker, Michigan B, '84,
Died March 23, 1892,
At Owosso, Mich.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Arcule Edouard Guilmette, Nebraska A, '93,
Died June 13, 1897,
Drowned in the Hudson near New York City.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John Hasson Carline, Pennsylvania Γ, '95,
Died May 31, 1897,
At Braddock, Pa.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Charles Banta, Indiana A, '81,
Died August 15, 1897,
At Marion, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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James Livingston Fletcher, Indiana E, '72,
Died June 5, 1893,
At Indianapolis, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Edmund Conde Lane, Vermont A, '82,
Died April 20, 1898,
At Omaha, Neb.
In Coelo Quies Est.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES—THE CHAPTER GRAND.

The angel, Death, has come within the precincts of our band,
And, choosing out his victim, he has led him by the hand
Across the deep, dark river. From off the golden shore,
Comes floating back upon the breeze, 'Our brother is no more.

Since the death of Brother Randolph this song which he wrote has additional pathos. The announcement of his death has brought sorrow to many hearts, both in and outside the pale of the Fraternity. He was known personally to a large number of Phis, as he attended every National Convention from 1884 to 1894, inclusive. He held official positions in the Fraternity for ten years, and during this period he gave his best energies to Phi Delta Theta. His deep loyalty to the Fraternity is shown by a mere enumeration of the varied kinds of work which he voluntarily undertook, in order that Phi Delta Theta might be raised still higher in the general estimation of the college world.

He was first a member of Delta Beta Phi, which was founded at the College of the City of New York in 1878, and disbanded in 1882, except the C. C. N. Y. chapter, which continued as a local society until 1885, when the last member was graduated. Brother Randolph was one of the twelve charter members of New York Gamma of Phi Delta Theta, established in 1884 at the C. C. N. Y., the charter being granted on February 19 of that year. From the time of his initiation he was an ardent Phi. In November, 1884, he appeared as the delegate of his chapter at the National Convention held at Nashville. Of this convention he was assistant and acting secretary. Every one present will remember what enthusiasm was aroused by the singing of his popular song, to the air of 'Marching Through Georgia.' It was *the* song of the convention:

For the cause of old Phi Delta we will make the welkin ring;
In a chorus loud and hearty it is our delight to sing;
To our dear Fraternity we will fame and honor bring;
Onward Phi Delta Theta marches!

This air causes painful reminiscences which prevent it from being a favorite in the south, but it was sung at Nashville with all the vigor of young voices, and by southern as well as northern Phis. Mrs. Polk, widow of President James K. Polk, received the convention in a body at her mansion, and it was recalled that she was mistress at the White House when Phi Delta Theta was founded, in December, 1848. At this reception at 'Polk Place' in Nashville, this song was sung by Kitty Cheatham, a Nashville

girl who afterwards made a reputation on the stage both as a singer and actress.

From 1884 to 1886, Brother Randolph was business manager of THE SCROLL, and, from 1887 to 1889, he was editor. Fraternity journalism then was making very rapid strides, but the ability with which THE SCROLL was conducted kept it among the foremost of its progressive contemporaries. Brother Randolph was one of those rare fraternity workers who not only was willing to work for the Fraternity, but knew how to work most effectually; he could plan as well as execute. In 1886 he and Brother Swope brought out the third edition of the songs of Phi Delta Theta, a beautiful book, containing original music, and far ahead in every way of the two previous editions. But his *magnum opus* for the Fraternity was the sixth edition of the catalogue, on which he and Brother Swope were engaged six years, 1888–'94. The amount of labor involved in issuing this large and sumptuous volume was enormous. How he found time, while not neglecting his other work, to collect and arrange for publication the details concerning thousands of members is almost beyond comprehension. During those years he was engaged in business in New York, and the trip from his residence at Plainfield, N. J., to the city took an hour and a half each way daily. He was never robust, and only the strongest attachment for the Fraternity would have caused him to undergo all the toil that was necessary, and all the discouragements that were encountered, in bringing the book to completion. Indeed, during the ten years of his fraternity activity, which were really the best years of his life, no other member made such great personal sacrifices for Phi Delta Theta as did Brother Randolph. He was a member of the General Council for two terms, as historian from 1886 to 1889, and as president from 1889 to 1891. His administration of the highest office in the Fraternity was most successful. Phi Delta Theta never had a more efficient worker, and his name will live in the annals of the Fraternity as long as they are preserved. In 1892–'93 he was editor of *The College Fraternity*, a magazine of very high grade, and interesting alike to members of all Greek-letter societies. His last published article was an account of college fraternities in general, which appeared in *The New England Magazine* for September, 1897, and which was much the best article of the kind that has appeared in any periodical.

Eugene Henry Lewis Randolph was born at St. Louis,

August 12, 1864. When six years of age, his parents moved to New York City, where he lived until 1888, when he moved to Plainfield, N. J. He was graduated at the New York grammar schools and at the College of the City of New York, at the latter with the degree of A. B. in 1885. In 1885–'86 he attended Columbia Law School, but a serious illness prevented his graduation there. All his purposes in life were altered by the death of his father in 1888, which necessitated his giving up the law and choosing another pursuit. In 1890 he entered the auditing department of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, whose general offices are in New York city. He took great interest in the railroad business, and on this work, as well as on everything else he did, he brought to bear the intense and intelligent application of a well-trained mind. Frequent promotions showed that his services were highly appreciated. He was about to be made chief of the department when, early in 1896, his health, having been under tremendous strain, gave way again. The company first sent him to the Cumberland mountains in Tennessee, where his health had been regained before. Thence he returned to New York to resume work, but after a short trial he was forced to desist. His friends urged him to seek restoration in a more favorable climate, so he was granted an indefinite leave of absence, and with his family he left for California. The last letter I ever received from him, in a correspondence extending through thirteen years, and to which, therefore, a peculiar interest now attaches, was dated at Pasadena, Cal., May 24, 1897. He wrote :

I am going to ask you to let me write to you with a pencil, because it causes me considerable more effort to use pen and ink. I received your letter some little time ago, and meant to answer sooner, but kept putting it off from day to day, as I do not feel much like writing at all. We reached Los Angeles October 20, having left Plainfield October 12, and coming by New Orleans and the Southern Pacific. I am very much disappointed in the climate, and have not derived much benefit if any. My weight has gotten down to 112; it was 118 when I left Plainfield. I feel pretty much isolated from all my old associations out here. I never expect to see the east again, which is a source of much regret to me. California is well enough for a visit, but excuse me from a life (or death) sentence, whether the banishment be to California or Siberia.

The sudden contraction of a cold hastened the fatal and inevitable end, and he died at Pasadena, December 17, 1897. His bereaved widow writes:

He was only thirty-three when he died, and he longed for life and strength, but he met all his suffering and his death as he had every other trial, like a hero, and so quietly that we hardly realized what it

was. To the last moment he was conscious, and after all was said and done, it was a peaceful entering into the Chapter Grand. His only regret or fear concerned the welfare of those he was leaving. Our minister says it was a privilege and benediction to him to have known him in his home, and to have seen how a good man can meet the last enemy; he hopes he can have just such a 'passing over' when his time comes.

Brother Randolph was married October 3, 1888, to Miss Susie Demoville Plummer, of Nashville. His acquaintance with her had begun at the Phi Delta Theta convention in 1884. She bore him four children, all of whom survive him, and all of whom except the third are boys. In his family relations he was most fortunate and happy, and to those who were dependent upon him he exhibited the greatest devotion. He possessed many noble traits of character. Ever patient and gentle, the evenness and sweetness of his temper won the admiration of all with whom he was associated. He was a pure-minded man; no profane or coarse expressions ever sullied his lips. He had cultivated tastes and a great fondness for the higher order of literature. He was a regular patron of the public library at Plainfield, and nearly always carried a book to read on his daily trips to New York. In this interrupted but persistent manner, the amount of general reading that he did was astonishing. Thoroughly methodical in his habits, he understood how to utilize all of his time to the best advantage. He was always in earnest, and his energy never flagged while strength remained. His illness cut short many cherished plans of a brave-spirited man. We may not understand the dispensation of Providence in withdrawing him from the field of his labor and usefulness on earth, but we are assured that all divine decrees are ordered in infinite wisdom. He was one of Phi Delta Theta's greatest benefactors, and we shall ever mourn our loss and treasure his memory.

WALTER B. PALMER.

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It was the desire of the parent chapter, at an early day, to start the order in Hanover College, Ind. To this end a student of Hanover in the senior class was initiated and empowered so to do. He was a man of very high character and seemed well fitted for such an enterprise. He was a good scholar, a lovable man and a consecrated Christian, but death intervened soon after. He was John H. McRea of Texas. He died much lamented by professors and students. His grave is in the cemetery at Hanover, and thus ended for the time our hope at that college.

In 1852–'53, I was a student of the New Albany Theological Seminary, since the McCormick, of Chicago. I found there a graduate of Hanover in '49, a bright good man, every way worthy, as I thought, and at my recommendation he was made a member of the Ohio Alpha. Circumstances, however, prevented his establishing a chapter at Hanover. This was Samuel Coulter Baldridge.

He became a Presbyterian minister in 1853. His first charge, which he held from 1853 to 1860, was at Wabash, Ill. From 1860 to 1882 he was pastor of the Presbyterian church in Friendsville, Ill., and at the same time principal of the academy there, except an interval in which he was chaplain of the 11th Missouri Infantry, U. S. A., for about one year, 1862–'63.

In 1882 his health failed and he moved to Cobden, Ill. In 1891 he went to Hanover, Ind., where he lived until the time of his death.

During those years he was intimately connected with the college, contributed to the college papers, and took great interest in the students. While at Friendsville, besides his pastoral and teaching work, he wrote two books, one historical, the other a volume of poetry. He was a man of excellent literary taste and generous culture. He was a faithful minister and an up-to-date scholar. He was made an A. B. by Hanover in 1849, A. M. in 1852, and I am pretty sure he was honored with a D. D., though whether bestowed by Blackburn (Ill.) University or Wabash College I am not sure. He was born in 1829 and died April 15, 1898. He was loyal and earnest in his devotion to Phi Delta Theta, and the members of Indiana Epsilon acted as pall bearers at his funeral. After the funeral services at the church, the G. A. R. post of which he was chaplain took charge of the coffin and conducted a service according to the ritual of their order. The body was taken to Wabash, Ill., for interment.

ROBERT MORRISON.

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Malcolm McNeill Boddie, Tennessee Alpha,'80, was born in Mississippi, March 28, 1858, and while yet a child moved to Christian county, Kentucky. He attended Emory and Henry College in Virginia, 1873–'77, and Vanderbilt University, 1877–'79. In both institutions his class standing was high, and he won distinctions in oratory. He was gifted as a declaimer, and could recite long passages from Shakespeare in a manner that recalled the great tragedians.

His last year at Vanderbilt was in the law department. In 1879 he went to Chicago, to take charge of a large estate, which had been left by his grandfather, Major Malcolm McNeill, one of the pioneers of the city. He soon attained a splendid reputation among business men, and established a widely extended circle of friends. He became a member of the Chicago Athletic Association, and the Iroquois and Wabansia clubs.

About ten years ago John T. Boddie, Tennessee Alpha, '87, became his partner in the real estate business. The hundreds of Phis who visited the Φ Δ Θ headquarters at Chicago, during the World's Fair in 1893, will remember appreciatively the courteous attentions that they received from these brothers, who proved themselves to be princes of hospitality. John T. Boddie, as well as his brother, Wiley P. Boddie, Tennessee Alpha, '90, had joined the Fraternity at Kentucky Military Institute, and affiliated at Vanderbilt. The latter died at Colorado Springs in 1893. Malcolm M. and John T. Boddie and J. C. McReynolds, Tennessee Alpha, '82, visited Europe in 1895. Malcolm M. Boddie was my classmate at Vanderbilt. He never failed to greet an old friend with the greatest cordiality. I remember calling at his office one day last summer, when very unexpectedly I met E. T. Merrick, Tennessee Alpha, '81, who also had just called. Brother Boddie immediately dismissed half a dozen men, saying: 'Gentlemen, I shall have to postpone this business until to-morrow. Two old schoolmates, whom I have not seen for years, one from New Orleans and the other from Nashville, have called on me, and I must request you to excuse me.' Then he devoted the remainder of the day to our entertainment, and when he entertained anybody it was in a royal manner.

For several years his health had been failing, and he was accustomed to spend the cold months with one of his brothers who had a winter home at Waco, Texas. He went there last November. Heart disease brought on death with unexpected suddenness May 4, 1898. Three days later he was laid to rest at the old homestead near Lafayette, Christian county, Ky. He was never married. He had been a member of the Methodist church since boyhood. One of nature's true noblemen passed away when he died. He had a most genial temperament, and was ever generous and golden hearted. WALTER B. PALMER.

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Nathaniel Breading Hogg, Pennsylvania Gamma, '79, was born April 23, 1857, and died at his home at Brownsville,

Pa., November 20, 1897. He was one of nine children of George E. and Sarah A. Hogg, of whom six survive, and one of whom is Frank Trevor Hogg, Pennsylvania Alpha, '84. His early schooling was obtained at the Dunlap Creek Academy. In the autumn of 1875, he attended Cornell University for a month or six weeks, after which time he entered the class of 1879 at Washington and Jefferson College, where he became a charter member of Pennsylvania Gamma, the charter being granted December 4, 1875. He completed his freshman year at Washington and Jefferson, and in the autumn of 1876, he entered the class of 1879 at Lehigh, where he was associated with the ephemeral chapter established there that year. He was married June 5, 1888, to Elizabeth Gilpin, of Baltimore, Md., who with two young daughters survive him. For a few years he was engaged in Totten & Hogg's iron and steel foundry at Pittsburg, then he moved to Brownsville, where he was a partner in the Umpire Coal Works. He was fond of travel and crossed the Atlantic several times, visiting most European countries. He also visited Florida and California, partly for the benefit of his health, which was delicate and forced him to retire from business a year before his death. Since 1880, he had been a communicant of Christ church, Brownsville, the rector of which, Rev. W. E. Rambo, writes of him: 'He was quiet and thoughtful by nature, and of a retiring disposition. Like Nathaniel of old, he was a man "in whom was no guile." He was permitted to suffer awhile, and then "he was not, for God took him."' His mother writes: 'He was witty and ready at repartee, and the life of our family reunions, so that we miss him sadly.'

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It is with the deepest regret that we report the death of Arcule Edouard Guilmette, Nebraska Alpha, '92. Through the fact of his unusually long active connection with the chapter, Brother Guilmette was known intimately by a larger number of members than any other man in Nebraska Alpha, and to every one of these his sudden death has brought keen personal sorrow. Not one of these failed iustinctively to recognize in Guilmette his own ideal of the fraternity man and of the student; indeed, of young manhood itself. His student life was marked by a most versatile energy, which he applied alike to intellectual development, to social diversion and to good fellowship under the Bond; and his native ability, his tact, his fine sense of humor, and his keen perception of the right relations of things brought him out

of his university life a scholar and a favorite. He was an inspiration to the chapter while he was in it,—an inspiration that not even his death cuts off from those who knew him well and loved him. The same qualities that made him succeed as a student were bringing him speedy and honorable success in his business career. His future was most promising at the time of his death.

NEBRASKA ALPHA.

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Rev. Lycurgus Railsback, Indiana Beta, '62, died at Shreveport, La., August 4, 1897.

At the age of twenty-one he suddenly abandoned what promised to be a brilliantly successful business career to enter the ministry of the Presbyterian church. He worked his way through Wabash College and entered Lane Seminary. He interrupted his work there, mid way, to become an army missionary, later enlisting as a chaplain. His work among the soldiers was wonderfully successful, two hundred men of his regiment being converted. After the war he finished his course at the seminary and became a city missionary in Cincinnati and in New York. At the latter city he set on foot the first mission for the Chinese in the country. After successful pastorates in the seventies and early eighties in Juneau, Wis., and Kansas City, Mo., he devoted himself to evangelistic work, holding over seventy series of meetings, always with striking success. The elements of his peculiar power are said to have been his great tact in personal work, his peculiar gift of humor and his untiring persistence.

His home was in Kansas City, Mo.; his wife, two sons and two daughters survive him. As an early member of Indiana Beta he was a close associate and bosom friend of Judge R. B. Spilman, '61, now of Manhattan, Kansas, Gen. J. C. Black, '62, of Chicago, and Hon. J. R. Webster, '62, of Lincoln, Neb. His nephew, W S. Fleming, now teaching at Searcy, Ark., was a member of Texas Gamma in the class of 1895.

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Senator Edward Cary Walthall, of Mississippi, who died at Washington, D. C., April 21, 1898, of pneumonia, was born in Richmond, Va., April 4, 1831. He studied law at Holly Springs, Miss., and was admitted to the bar in 1852. In 1856 he was elected district attorney for the tenth judicial district of Mississippi, and was re-elected in 1859. In 1861 he became a Confederate lieutenant, and at the close

of the war was a major-general. He was appointed to the United States Senate as a Democrat to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of L. Q. C. Lamar, and took his seat March 12, 1885. After several re elections he resigned, on account of ill-health, in 1894. He re-entered the Senate in 1895.

Col. W C. P. Breckenridge writes of him in the Lexington (Ky.) *Morning Herald* that he did not win the reputation in the Senate that his friends confidently expected, and which his lofty character and unusual gifts ought to have secured.

He was a most gallant and accomplished soldier, rising by just promotion to the rank of major-general. After the war he was equally successful at the bar, and was one of the most persuasive and successful lawyers in the entire country. He was a chivalrous, courteous, noble gentleman in every relation of life; beloved, trusted and honored by all who knew him. When he accepted a seat in the Senate—for he did not seek it, and really did not desire it—it was believed that he would win great national fame. But somehow he seemed to be reluctant to take part in its debates; he rarely participated actively in its proceedings, and was content to do his part in the committees and to live a quiet, pleasant, social life with his colleagues and friends—not even taking any more part in the social gaieties of the capital than he was compelled to do. It is probable that this seeming reluctance to press to the front was the result of the fast approaching ill-health which caused him to resign his seat under his first election and made him anxious to resign his seat a second time.

It is well to pause to-day, amid the opening of this war, to reverently and lovingly lay this gallant gentleman, this heroic soldier and dutiful citizen in an honored grave, and during the approaching hostilities no American will ride further into danger with more calmness than he did when his conscience demanded it.

Senator Walthall was an honorary member of Mississippi Alpha.

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A cloud of sorrow now hangs over Alabama Alpha. Brother George Tarleton Bestor died at his home in the city of Mobile on the sixth day of May, 1898. He was an excellent student, a moral young man, and always had the good and advancement of Phi Delta Theta at heart. Bro. Bestor would have been graduated in June with high honors. The following is taken from the *Crimson-White:*

Young Bestor was prepared for college at Barton Academy, in Mobile, and in October, 1895, was admitted into the sophomore class of the University of Alabama, after an excellent examination, which gave promise of his future brilliant college career. By his brilliancy of intellect, his devotion to study and to every other duty, and his thirst for knowledge, he at once made his way to conspicuous positions in his classes, and won the affection and esteem of his fellow-students and his professors. His warm heart added to the attractions

of his rich mind. He held high offices in his class and honor after honor was deservedly bestowed upon him by faculty and students. The high distinction of being a junior speaker and senior speaker was easily won by him. While cultivating the mind he forgot not to seek the graces of the body; he was vice-president of the university athletic association. At the time of his death he was the first vice-president of the senior class. He bore all of his honors with a commendable and beautiful modesty that was indeed most attractive.

Mr. Bestor was taken sick in Tuskaloosa, but as skill and kind attention could not avert his disease, his loving mother came and carried him to his home in Mobile. But all that love and medical skill could do proved in vain. Beautifully and heroically did he bear all the pains of his protracted illness, and when his sorrow stricken parents told him that his end was near, he calmly bade his loved ones farewell.

Faculty and students have been plunged into sorrow by the death of this noble young man, and his memory will ever be cherished by them. The appropriate resolutions adopted by the faculty and his class fully express the sense of our loss. To his parents and others of his family we extend our sincerest sympathies.

He was called away in the springtime of life, and the springtime of the year, and every one of us unites with nature in dropping flowers upon the grave of George Tarleton Bestor.

Truly words are inadequate to express the loss we feel.

FRANK C. OWEN.

INITIATES AND AFFILIATES,

February 1, 1897, to February 1, 1898.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

1901. Guy Wilber Chipman, East Raymond, Me.
" Wm. Colman McCue, Berwick, Me.
" Wm. Henry Sturtevant, Dover, Me.
" Harry Albert Tozier, Fairfield, Me.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

1901. Bernard Quincy Bond, Littleton, N. H.
" Selwyn Kenson Dearborn, Clinton, Mass.
" Edgar Hayes Hunter, Summerville, Mass.
" Homer Chandler Ladd, Brookfield, Vt.
" Richard Edwards Leach, Denver, Colo.
" James Edward McCartin, Lancaster, N. H.
" Edward Neil McMillan, Boston, Mass.
" Leon Orlando Merrill, Gilmanton, N. H.
" Guy Clifton Ricker, Acton, Me.
" Daniel Ashton Rollins, Washington, D. C.
" Leon Alfred Salinger, Rochester, N. H.
" Simon Henry Saloman, Groveton, N. H.
" Royal Bradford Thayer, So. Braintree, Mass.

1901. Harry Osbert Washburne, Hartford, Vt.
" Theodore Newton Wood, Middleboro, Mass.
1900. Carl Maynard Owen, Jacksonville, Ill.
" Channing Tewkesbury Sanborn, Concord, N. H.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

1900. Royden Eugene Beebe, Burlington, Vt.
1901. Vernon Waterman Dodge, Morrisville, Vt.
" Samuel Sibley Dennis, Hardwick, Mass.
" Carroll Putnam Marvin, Montpelier, Vt.
" Dean Homer Perry, Barre, Vt.
" Earl Elkins Parker, Barre, Vt.
" Albert Frank Ufford, Fairfax, Vt.
" Roy Sydney Morse, Montpelier, Vt.
1900. Glen Carlos Gould, Morrisville, Vt.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

1900. Charles McClure Doland, 843 Hilliard St., Spokane, Wash.
1901. Harold Chapman Brown, 122 Pearl St., Springfield, Mass.
" Norman Peck, The Blacherne, Indianapolis, Ind.
" Lewis Squires, The Revere House, Plainfield, N. J.
" Harry Warren Mead, 135 State St., Auburn, N. Y.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

1898. Daniel Bertrand Trefethen, Portsmouth, N. H.
1901. Jesse Edgar Baker, Keokuk, Ia.
" Arthur Rockwell Couch, Northampton, Mass.
" Clare Jay Crary, Sheffield, Pa.
" John Elliot Denham, Westboro, Mass.
" George Bell Ennever, Montclair, N. J.
" Harry Williams Gladwin, Westfield, Mass.
" Andrew Foster Hamilton, Athol, Mass.
" John Allen Marsh, New Milford, Conn.
" Leonard Louis Roden, Attleboro, Mass.
" Jay Humphrey Stevens, Hornellsville, N. Y.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

1900. Ernest Harriman Boynton, Sewaren, N. J.
" Charles Kirtland Stillman, Mystic, Ct.
1901. Ernest Granger Hapgood, Bryantville, Mass.
" Wilfred Clary Lane, Hadley, Mass.
" Jesse George Melendy, Nashua, N. H.
1898. Smith Lewis Multer, Charlotteville, N. Y.
(Affiliated from N. Y. Beta.)

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

1900. Irving Clinton Brower, Philadelphia, Pa.
1901. William Harrison Miller, Pottsville, Pa.
1900. Charles Winn Coit, Holyoke, Mass.
1901. Charles Edmund Stevens, Hornellsville, N. Y.
" William Harper Morrison, Indianapolis, Ind.
" Archie Edwards MacBride, Deckertown, N. J.
" Eugene Abbott Kinsey, La Salle, N. Y.
1900. William Waldo Pellet, Watkins, N. Y.
1901. Clarence Huntington Fay, Bath, N. Y.
" Clifton English, Greenville, Pa.
(Affiliated from Pennsylvania Epsilon.)

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

1901. John Ludden, Troy, N. Y.
" Harry Allen Barret, Albany, N. Y.
" Everett Theodore Grout, Cooperstown, N. Y.
" George Leroy Shelley, Amsterdam, N. Y.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

1898. Oscar Weeks Ehrhorn, 215 Ninth Ave., New York, N. Y.
1897. Charles Adolph Waldenberger, 155 E. 37th St., New York, N. Y.
" George Washington Rappold, 750 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.
" Frederick Hinrichs, 149 Congress St., Brooklyn, N.Y.
1900. George Edward Farish, Denver, Colo.
" Edward Belthasar Gilmary Baker, Watervliet, N. Y.
" John Mosely Holloway, 83 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.
(Affiliated from Alabama Alpha.)

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

1899. Harry Blake Reddick, Picton, Ontario, Can.
1900. Frank Spencer Perry, Deposit, N. Y.
" Allen Duncan Burnham, Claverack, N. Y.
" Damon Austin Hagadorn, Manorkill, N. Y.
1901. Claude Mitchell Marriott, Vernon, N. Y.
" Harry Eugene Anthony, Groton, N. Y.
" Louis DeForest Palmer, Chenango Forks, N. Y.
" Wesley Davison Tisdale, Rensselaer Falls, N. Y.
" Thomas Hill Low, Lime Ridge, Pa.
" Harvey Orrin Hutchinson, Berkshire, N. Y.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

1900. Bror Olef Haltgren, Titusville, Pa.
1901. David Mackey Hinckle, Evansville, Ind.
" Thomas Campbell Fassitt, Easton, Pa.
" Joseph Henry VanHorn, Nickel, Tex.
" Earl Hallowel Saxe, Lansdale, Pa.
" George Barker Robb, Newark, N. J.
1900. Harry Rhea Douglass, Shirleysburg, Pa.
" William Bruner Rosenberger, Colmar, Pa.
1899. George P. Williams, Easton, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

1901. St. John McClean, Gettysburg, Pa.
" Hiram Harpel Keller, Bedminster, Pa.
" Melville Titus Huber, Gettysburg, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

1901. Thomas Chalmers Duff, Allegheny City, Pa.
" Special, James Slocum Craft, Merrittstown, Pa.
" William Everett Ralston, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
1902. Robert White Lindsay, Allegheny City, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

1901. Robert Leeman Sweaver, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" James Chauncey Byers, West Middlesex, Pa.
" John Harvey Wolstoncraft, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" Charles Edson Douglas, Punxatawney, Pa.
1900. Charles Church Couse, Greenville, Pa.
1901. Paul Bartlett Masters, Warren, O.
" Oliver Sharp Hoffman, Rochester, Pa.
" John Henry Moore, Mercer, Pa.
" Charles William Stillson, Cleveland, O.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

1900. Joseph Smith, Frederick, Md.
" Malcolm Buchanan Sterrett, Washington, Pa.
1901. Mahlon Fowler Ivins, Camden, N. J.
" Edmund Janes Presby, Enna, N. J.
" Jeremiah F. Hoover, Smithsburg, Md.
" Robert Shollenberger Loose, Hamburg, Pa.
" Norman Edgar Branthaver, Marks, Pa.
" Charles Sharpless Kline, Catawissa, Pa.
" Steward Flagler Shiffer, Stroudsburg, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

1898. Joseph Pollitt Barker, 1212 W Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
1899. William Bryant Cutts, N. Anson, Me.
" Harry Slocum McKinley, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" Daniel Stiltz Dorey, 1716 Spring Garden St., Philadelphia, Pa.
" Louis Mulford Stiler, 1304 N. 29th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
1898. Wilson Stilz, 1737 Wallace St., Philadelphia, Pa.
1901. Clement E. Paxson, Radnor, Pa.
" David Walker Jayne, 931 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.
" John Henry Rodney Acker, 1208 N. 7th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
1900. Francis Brinton Jacobs, West Chester, Pa.
1899. Paul Raymond Seigel, Reading, Pa.
1901. Roscoe Francis Fertig, Titusville, Pa.
1900. William Thackara Read, 514 Cooper St., Camden, N.J.
1901. Thomas Gucker, Jr., 3422 Hamilton St., Philadelphia, Pa.
" Frank Alonzo Poole, Long Branch, N. J.
(Affiliated from Pennsylvania Alpha.)
" Charles McCauley Doland, Spokane, Wash.
(Affiliated from Massachusetts Alpha.)

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

1901. Herman Arnold Straub, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" George William Welsh, Hanover, Pa.
1900. John James Bird, New York City, N. Y.
" Andrew Thomas Bird, New York City, N. Y.
" William Brush Grubbe, Pine Plain, N. Y.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

1898. Timothy Avery Paul, Walla Walla, Wash.
" Ernest Morgan Watts, Huntington, W Va.
No class system in academic dep't. James Woods Price, Mechum River, Va.
No class system in academic dep't. Roger Atkinson Walke, Staunton, Va.
1899. Trigant Burrow, Norfolk, Va.
1898. Eugene Davis, University of Virginia.
(Affiliated from Virginia Beta.) (Postgraduate.)
1900. D. B. Frederick, Marshallville, Ga.
(Affiliated from Georgia Beta.)
1899. Henry Dawson Furniss, Selma, Ala.
(Affiliated from Alabama Alpha.)
" John Palmer Lea, Richmond, Va.
(Affiliated from Virginia Delta.)

1900. Albert Thomas Martin, Marshallville, Ga.
(Affiliated from Georgia Beta.)
1899. James Somerville McLester, Birmingham, Ala.
(Affiliated from Alabama Alpha.)

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

1900. Warner Peatross Carter, Danville, Va.
" Hunter Peatross, Danville, Va.
" David Alday Clements, Crumpton, Md.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

No class system. William Marcus Hutchins, Chattanooga, Tenn.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1900. Isaac Faust Harris, Chapel Hill, N. C.
" Alexander Abel Shuford, Jr., Hickory, N. C.
" Joseph Jenning Asbury, Charlotte, N. C.
" Samuel Rolland Buxton, Jackson, N. C.
1899. Frederick Jackson Coxe, Lilesville, N. C.

KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

1899. James Campbell, Paducah, Ky.
1900. Emmette Bond Johnson, Lawrenceburg, Ky.
1899. Walter Gatewood Witherspoon, Lawrenceburg, Ky.
" Robert Morris Mayes, Mayfield, Ky.
" William Robinson Huguely, Danville, Ky.
1898. Owsley Brown, Louisville, Ky.
(Affiliated from Virginia Beta.)

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

1901. Samuel Edward Booker, Harrod's Creek, Ky.
1900. Frederick Pope Bowles, Louisville, Ky.
1901. J. Routt Clark, Louisville, Ky.
1899. George Keats Speed, Louisville, Ky.
(Affiliated from Virginia Beta.)

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

1901. Samuel Macon Reed, Nashville, Tenn.
" Henry Grantland Rice, Nashville, Tenn.
" William Bowen Campbell Pilcher, Nashville, Tenn.
" Marvin Davidson Beard, Hardinsburg, Ky.
" Nathan Scarritt Hendrix, Kansas City, Mo.
" Herbert Vincent Jones, Kansas City, Mo.
1899. Cicero Nichols, Asheville, N. C.
1900. Whitefield Walton Brockman, Atlanta, Ga.
1901. George Booth Baskervill, Jr., Somerville, Tenn.
1900. Thomas Battle McLester, Chattanooga, Tenn.
(Affiliated from Virginia Zeta.)

1899. Allison Buntin, Nashville, Tenn.
(Affiliated from Tennessee Beta.)
1900. Garnett Logan Jackson, ———, Texas.
(Affiliated from Mississippi Alpha.)

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

No class system. Frederick LaGrange Smith, Louisville, Ky.
Marion Porcher DuBose, Sewanee, Tenn.
Charles Wilfred Gaskell, Nashville, Tenn.
Douglass Haggard, Nashville, Tenn.
Mark William Levert, West Baton Rouge, La.
Ralph Emerson Brake, Findlay, O.
Robert Sorsby Jemison, Birmingham, Ala.
(Affiliated from Alabama Alpha.)

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

1900. Colonel Clifford Clary, Americus, Ga.
" Nathaniel Macon Dudley, Americus, Ga.
1898. Richard Martin Lester, Savannah, Ga.
1901. Josiah Roy Nunnelly, Munroe, Ga.
1898. John Fondrin Mitchell, Thomasville, Ga.
1901. Hamilton McWhorter, Lexington, Ga.
" Howard Martin Penn, Monticello, Ga.
" James Columbus Newsome, Washington, Ga.
" Henry Burt Garret, Augusta, Ga.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

1899. Alfred Perry Griffin, Oxford, Ga.
1900. Isaac Styles Hopkins, Atlanta, Ga.
" Jesse Morgan Wood, Atlanta, Ga.
" Houston Parks Houser, Perry, Ga.
1901. Alvin Harlan Underwood, Atlanta, Ga.
" Alfred Cureton Broom, Newnan, Ga.
" Gray Quinney, Waynesboro, Ga.
" Charles Abercombie Wilkins, Atlanta, Ga.
1899. Howard Pope Park, Lagrange, Ga.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

1901. Eugene William Stetson, Macon, Ga.
" John Mulford Clark, Augusta, Ga.
" Terrell Brooks Pearson, Lumpkin, Ga.
" William Taylor Ledbetter, Rome, Ga.
Special. Charles Edwin Murphy, Hamilton, Ga.
" James Albert Kirvin, Columbus, Ga.
1898. George Clarence Price, Macon, Ga.
1901. Will Gunn.
1899 Newsom Cooper, Columbus, Ga.
1901. Walter Eugene Pollock, Rome, Ga.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

1900. Alexander Christian Garber, Laneville, Ala.
" Bruce Kilpatrick Craig, Selma, Ala.
" Richard McLester Snow, Tuskaloosa, Ala.
" Jackson Clay Burns, Burnsville, Ala.
1901. James Browder Garber, Laneville, Ala.
" Robert Bruce Robertson, Fayette, Ala.
" Frank Samuel Milhous, Martin Station, Ala.
" James Ross Forman, Springville, Ala.
" David Harrison Minge, Faunsdale, Ala.
(Affiliated from Alabama Beta.)

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

1899. Austin Morgan Boyd, Memphis, Tenn.
1901. William LeGrande Burnett, Eufaula, Ala.
" Henry Moss Copeland, Troy, Ala.
1900. John Jefferson Flowers, Bolling, Ala.
" Rutherford Sylvanus Finch, Montgomery, Ala.
1901. Frank Pierce Folmar, Troy, Ala.
1900. Carlyle Nesbit, Macon, Ga.
1899. John Percy Reed, Marion, Ala.
" Lucius Kelly Simmons, Demopolis, Ala.
1901. Emmet Walton Thompson, Tuskegee, Ala.
1899. James Alfred Ward, Jr., Huntsville, Ala.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

1901. John May Broach, Meridian, Miss.
1899. Herbert Lynn McCluskey, Atlanta, Miss.
" William Oregon Pruitt, Houston, Miss.
1901. Edward Shelby Rauch, Edwards, Miss.
" Joe Augustus Spann, Pelchatchie, Miss.
1899. Walter Weatherby, Durant, Miss.
1901. Sam Edward Witherspoon, Jr., Meridian, Miss.
1900. Richard Noble Whitfield, Steens Creek, Miss.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

1901. Thomas Gilmore, St. Charles and 9th Sts., New Orleans.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

1900. Charles Maxwell Colville, Dallas, Tex.
" Roger Clark Wells, Dallas, Tex.
1899. Edmund Thornton, Miller, Weatherford, Tex.
1898. Waddey Wingfield Battle, Waco, Tex.
1901. Harry Peyton Steger, Bonham, Tex.
1899. Rufus Lamor Hardy, San Marcos, Tex.
1900. Edgar Earnest Witt, Salado, Tex.
1901. Leonard Marshall Dumas, Eddy, Tex.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

1901. Ralph Alexander Graves, Georgetown, Tex.
" William Gray Swenson, Georgetown, Tex.
" Harry Obadiah Knight, Hillsboro, Tex.
" John Wesley Snyder, Georgetown, Tex.
1899. Simon Peter Ulrich, Paris, Tex.
1900. James Walker Black, Llano, Tex.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

1900. Karl Harry Zwick, Hamilton, O.
1897. Albert Clarence Shaw, Eaton, O.
Special. Horace Cooper Shank, Hamilton, O.
1901. Charles McChristie Hendricks, Gratis, O.
" Stanley Farren VanPelt, Wilmington, O.
1900. Stanley Berry VanDeman, Washington C. H., O.
1901. Hugh Daniel Schell, Hamilton, O.
" Carl Herrman Mason, Hamilton, O.
" Francis Meade Bowen, Logan, O.
" Paul James VanPelt, Wilmington, O.
" William Barnes Cullen, Hamilton, O.
" Earl Gardner Beauchamp, Hamilton, O.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

1900. Ernest Hurst Cherington, Kingston, O.
" Charles Ross Cary, Millersburg, O.
" Jesse Franklin McAnally, Carbondale, Ill.
1901. Arthur J. Curren, Delaware, O.
1899. Frank Barnes Cherington, Delaware, O.
1901. Louis Britton Bowker, Bryan, O.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

1900. Albert Franklin Linscott, Amesville, O.
1901. Dore Clayton Casto, Parkersburg, W. Va.
" Dwight Newcomb Witman, Athens, O.
" Ralph Alphonso O'Bleness, Athens, O.
" Helbert Jefferson Herold, Athens, O.
" James Perry Wood, Athens, O.

OHIO DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

No initiates. Chapter suspended.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

1900. Charles Fuller Dowd, Toledo, O.
1898. Karl Bertram Gerke, Quincy, Ill.
1899. Charles Grosvenor Bond, Columbus, O.
1898. Robert Carter Reed, Portsmouth, Va.
1901. Herbert P. Senter, Columbus, O.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE

1900. Charles Watson Fletcher, Cleveland, O.
" William Charles Rayner, Cleveland, O.
1901. Laurence Brooks Bassett, Cleveland, O.
1898. David Weston Jones, Cleveland, O.
1900. Cecil Bruce Clyne, Cleveland, O.
1901. Bertram Douglas Quarrie, Cleveland, O.
1899. John Park Alexander, Akron, O.
1901. George Alfred Yost, Cleveland, O.
" Malcolm Colburn Cleveland, Cleveland, O.
1898. Wilber Jay Watson, Berea, O.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

1900. James Sayre Dodge, Elkhart, Ind.
1901. Otto Case Klein, Mount Vernon, Ind.
1899. Benjamin Franklin Miller, Vermont, Ind.
1901. James Earl Woodbury, Union City, Ind.
" Charles Milton Dickey, Tipton, Ind.
" Harry Spence Dickey, Tipton, Ind.
1899. Thomas Galoway Karsell, Bloomington, Ind.
1900. Charles James Laval, Evansville, Ind.
(Affiliated from Indiana Beta.)

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

1898. John Miles Mittchell, Charleston, Ill.
1899. Michael Emmet Foley, Wingate, Ind.
1901. Joseph Spencer Bartholomew, Valparaiso, Ind.
Special. Karl Courtland Banks, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" William Wilboro Willson, Barnard, Ind.

INDIANA GAMMA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

1901. John Milton Cunningham, Fincastle, Ind.
Special. Lawrence Bowen Davis, Indianapolis, Ind.
1901. John Sherman Williams, Wabash, Ind.
" Pierre Askren Van Sickle, Wanamaker, Ind.
" Harvey Joseph Hadley, Indianapolis, Ind.
" Herbert Keaton Wiley, Indianapolis, Ind.
" Carl Williamson McGaughey, Irvington, Ind.
" Almon Galiton Mace, Blocher, Ind.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

1899. Frederick Glendare Kenny, Peru, Ind.
1900. Jesse Lynch Holman, Aurora, Ind.
1901. William Webster Wilson, Franklin, Ind.
" Guy Hazelrigg Guthrie, Greensburg, Ind.
" Harry Hanford Paskins, Samaria, Ind.
" Roy Hinchman, Vernon, Ind.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

1901. Joseph Leverett Rogers, Madison, Ind.
" William Griggs Rogers, Madison, Ind.
" Hugh Garber, Madison, Ind.
" Michael Eggleston Garber, Madison, Ind.
" Thomas Hopkins Jenkins, Warren, Pa.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

1901. Ernest Roller, Newman, Ill.
" Howard Logan Hancock, Newman, Ill.
" Frederic Leon Sims, Portland, Ind.
" Forest Simpson Cartwright, Portland, Ind.
" Xenophon Henry Edwards, Fairmount, Ind.
" Lorenzo Dow Macy, Bartonia, Ind.
1900. Earl Carson Walker, New Albany, Ind.
" Charles Henry Baird, Oak Grove, Ind.
1901. Albert Nickum Doyle, Van Buren, Ind.
" Iron Porter Smith, Greencastle, Ind.
" Earle B. Parker, Lagrange, Ind.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

1900. Frank Herbert Henley, Wabash, Ind.
" Miles William O'Brien, New Britain, Conn.
" John J. O'Brien, New Britain, Conn.
" Herbert Milton Woolen, Indianapolis, Ind.
" Jay Byron Dill, Jr., Indianapolis, Ind.
1901. Almon Galiton Mace, Blocher, Ind.
(Affiliated from Indiana Gamma.)

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

1899. Joseph Milton Barr, Joliet, Ill.
" George Neil Blatt, Elwood, Ill.
1900. DeForest Porter, Lockport, N. Y.
1901. Frederick Law Lawrie, Detroit, Mich.
" Pierre Barbean Pendill, Marquette, Mich.
" Floyd Byron Hull, Adrian, Mich.
" Arthur Morse Potter, Denver, Colo.
" Howell Llewelyn Begle, Ann Arbor, Mich.
" Ned Griffith Begle, Ann Arbor, Mich.
" Benjamin Edward Dolphin, Kansas City, Mo.

MICHIGAN BETA, MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE.

1900. Homer Clark, Hillsdale, Mich.
" J. French Smith, Petoskey, Mich.
" Frank Gunn.
1901. Arthur Lyons.
" Lucian Kendrick.

MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

1900. Forest Willis Baker, Jerome, Mich.
1897. William Richard Wood, Unadilla Forks, N. Y.
1901. Charles Adams Sheldon, Hillsdale, Mich.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

1901. Edward Hammett, Jr., Wheaton, Ill.
1900. Joseph Wesley Brown, Atlantic, Ia.
1901. Cornelius Devan Tomy, Jr., Fairfield, Ia.
1900. George Elmer Moore, Monticello, Ill.
1901. Charles Center Case, Jr., Cherry Valley, Ill.
" Claude Harry Seek, Rockford, Ill.
" Herbert Thomas Wheat, Rockford, Ill.
" Frank Wesley Phelps, Rockford, Ill.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

1899. Earl Creighton Hales, Chicago, Ill.
1900. George Alembert Brayton, Chicago, Ill.
1898. Robert Elliot Graves, Chicago, Ill.
" Fred Harvey Hall Calhoun, Auburn, N. Y.
1900. William Everton Ramsey, Chicago, Ill.
1899. George Henry Ganey, Aurora, Ill.
" Charles Warren Chase, Omaha, Ill.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

1901. Walter Roy McCornack, Galesburg, Ill.
" Clyde Webster McCornack, Galesburg, Ill.
1899. Thomas H. Blodgett, Detroit, Mich.
1901. Herman Hubbell Potter, Galesburg, Ill.
" Clifford Henry Mead, Chillicothe, Ill.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

No class system.

Guy Parke Conger, Galesburg, Ill.
Harry S. Murphy, Galesburg, Ill.
Warren Alausin McElvain, Avon, Ill.
Fred Harrison Bell, Woodhall, Ill.
George Pratt Morris, Whitewater, Wis.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

1900. George Mifflin Harker, Carbondale, Ill.
" Oliver Albert Harker, Carbondale, Ill.
1898. Henry Anthony Goodridge, Chicago, Ill.
1901. Carl Oscar Bernhardi, Rock Island, Ill.
1897. Ralph Steele Shepardson, Aurora, Ill.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

1900. Henry Justice Blakely, Milwaukee, Wis.
1901. Elldridge Bacon, LaCrosse, Wis.

1901. Eugene Neely Pardee, Wausau, Wis.
1900. William Mann Biersach, Milwaukee, Wis.
1899. John Kelly Ragland, Boonville, Mo.
1901. Frank Rowe Barnes, St. Louis, Mo.
1900. Samuel Bromuler Robbins, Carthage, Ill.
" George Patrick Hardgrove, Fond du Lac, Wis.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

1900. Edwin Harry Strong, Minneapolis, Minn.
1901. Ralph Emerson Weible, Weible, N. D.
" Louis Roschman Wright, Minneapolis, Minn.
" Simon Joseph Smith, Minneapolis, Minn.
1900. Alexander Victor Ostrom, Minneapolis, Minn.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

1900. George Everett Rex, Kahokia, Mo.
Special. Will Edward Guylee, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
1899 Frank Dwight Throop, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
1900. Fred Edward Koch, Burlington, Ia.
" Charles Ralph Stafford, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
" Charles Frank Nevins, Burlington, Ia.
" Archie Loraine Day, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.

IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

1899. Delbert Clinton Peet, Anamosa, Ia.
1901. Glen Van Doren MacMillan, Rock Rapids, Ia.
" Lewis Burrows Morton, Iowa Falls, Ia.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

1901. Edward Livingston Drum, Marble Hill, Mo.
1899. Harry William Smith, Elizabeth, N. J.
" George Forrest Maitland, Richmond, Mo.
1901. Dudley Thomas Dunlop, 1831 Penn St., Kansas City, Mo.
" Arthur Wellington Brent, Kirkwood, Mo.
" William Neal Winter, Greenville, Miss.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

1899. Daniel Stratton, Nevada, Mo.
" Alexander Lawton Gordon, Fulton, Mo.
1900. Robert Grant Cousley, Sedalia, Mo.
1901. George Anderson Campbell, Commerce, Mo.
" Duncan McGregor, Fulton, Mo.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

1900. Silas Bent Phillips, St. Louis, Mo.
1901. Thenston Wright, St. Louis, Mo.
" Henry Ware Eliot, Jr., St. Louis, Mo.
" Eugene Towner Senseney, St. Louis, Mo.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

1900. William Joseph Rothrock, Lawrence, Kan.
1899. John Herbert Fletcher, Fort Scott, Kan.
1901. William Platt Sayre, Lawrence, Kan.
1898. Thomas Bravais Henry, Independence, Kan.
1901. William Irwin Henry, Independence, Kan.
" Samuel E. Jackman, Minneapolis, Kan.
" Loyal Folliard Crawford, Girard, Kan.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

1898. Ernest Owen Weber, Valparaiso, Neb.
1897. Karl Chandler Randall, Phi Delta Theta House, Lincoln, Neb.
1901. Horace Williston Sherman, 1115 H St., Lincoln, Neb.
" Harry Allen Tukey, 2541 Chicago St., Omaha, Neb.
" Arthur Collins Welshans, 2412 Cass St., Omaha, Neb.
" Chas. Howard Abbott, 1621 M St., Lincoln, Neb.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

1901. Joshua Maxwell Taft, 1363 Harrison St., Oakland, Cal.
" Clarence La Vallen Creed, 575 Hobart St., Oakland, Cal.
" Homer Boushey, 1303 Mission St., San Francisco, Cal.
1900. Frank Underwood Bugbee, 1214 West 29th St., Los Angeles, Cal.
1901. Fielding Johnson Stilson, 812 Kensington Road, Los Angeles, Cal.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

1900. Francis St. Joseph Fox, Red Lodge, Mont.
" Howard Gilman Hill, Redlands, Cal.
1901. William Clarence Day, Santa Barbara, Cal.
" Warren Philo Elmer, Lodi, O.
1900. Edward Thompson Maples, Bakersfield, Cal.
1901. Harrison Wesley Hill, Redlands, Cal.
1899. Ralph Edson Gilman, San Diego, Cal.
1901. Royall Charles Victor, San Bernardino, Cal.

EDITORIAL.

PHI DELTA THETA may well be satisfied with her progress during the college year just closing. Her chapter roll is now more compact and homogeneous than ever before, the individual chapters are larger and uniformly prosperous, her members have won a larger share than ever of honors in college life and in the wider world outside. Her list of soldiers and sailors, of statesmen and diplomats, of orators and essayists, of athletes and musicians, of collegians and business men, honored with positions of trust and responsibility, has grown apace this year. Any one who has read carefully THE SCROLL'S report in chapter letters and personal notes will be struck with this fact. It does not mean that men win distinction simply because they are Phis or that Phis alone are fitted for the highest places, but it does show that our chapters have been initiating and graduating men with the right stuff in them—real men—men who will wear and stand the test. The chapter that goes after freshmen of this kind and gets them and gets plenty of them, is a chapter that will always prosper.

GET your eyes on men of this stamp at once. Look them up in the schools and towns from which your college draws its students, find out about their families, their social and intellectual possibilities. If they are musical and athletic, so much the better; but while you are inquiring don't forget that a man distinguished in every respect mentioned is often kicked out of college in disgrace or later out of good society because his moral sense is weak or wanting. The one thing we sometimes ask last and should always ask first about a new man is whether he is 'straight.' 'Good' is an adjective somewhat in disrepute among latter-day collegians, more's the pity, but 'straight' tells the same story and is even yet held in high esteem. When drunkenness or dishonesty, foul vice or shocking crime make a chapter blush

for an alumnus or an upper-class man gone wrong, it is a just punishment of the chapter that took the freshman who was handsome or muscular or popular or wealthy, and never stopped to see whether he was at the same time morally weak or rotten. Get men who are good in every sense of the word. If a freshman blushes or looks uncomfortable when some senior so far forgets his manliness as to utter words or tell a story he would be ashamed of before his sisters and mother, keep an eye on that freshman and respect him high above your senior. There is no reason why fraternity chapters should enter into active competition with the Sunday-school—nobody thinks seriously of that or apprehends it. But there are a good many reasons why it should be possible to distinguish a crowd of fraternity men from an equal number of saloon loafers. Don't be in too much of a hurry to make the new men 'tough.' You may be sorry for it some day. The editor is glad to know that Phi chapters have but little need for such advice as this, but he does know that in some institutions the 'fast set,' which is sometimes unfortunately made up of fraternity men or of fraternity chapters, sets a pace it is hard to keep from falling into. It is a somewhat doubtful compliment to be known as the 'swiftest' chapter in college. Such titles are too often bestowed on crowds of men who are very much too slow to keep up with their classes or their debts or the principles of their fathers and mothers.

THE class of '98 has just been mustered out of regular service. Among them we have had some of our best workers—fighters, we were about to say, but perhaps it were well to drop the figure. As each Phi who retires from active membership this month reads these lines, we ask him to reflect how much his chapter and his Fraternity have helped him, and to try to realize how possible it is that he may yet gain even more delightful experieuces and friendships from the fact that he is a Phi. As he goes up and down the land on errands of love or war, of business or pleasure, he will find that the benefits of fraternity membership have but be-

gun on commencement day. Let him be constantly on the look out for fraternity men and especially for Phis. The American fraternity man is almost invariably a choice spirit, a man worth meeting and knowing. Keep in touch with your chapter and your college and your Fraternity. Subscribe for THE SCROLL and read it and write the editor whenever you have an item about yourself or any other Phi. It is your own fault if you fail to get endless satisfaction from now on in the fact that you are a Phi.

SUBSTANTIAL progress has been made this year in the matter of chapter houses. Case, Union, Nebraska, Georgia and Purdue have taken houses for the first time. Union, Lehigh, Syracuse and Allegheny have moved into larger and better houses than they occupied early in the year. California and Pennsylvania are about to build on an extensive scale. Dickinson and Gettysburg will lay corner-stones at commencement. Chicago and Columbia have rented flats. Missouri, De Pauw, Washington and Jefferson and Northwestern expect to have good news for us in the fall. Funds for building have been started and are growing.

Never let this work lag an instant. Keep the notes collected and get more from every new man and from alumni who have not yet subscribed. There is no better outlet for a chapter's activity than this, and a chapter that is not stagnant must be active. The next convention is to call to account every chapter that is not housed or working on a house or a fund for one.

TWO new alumni chapters are reported in this issue, and Phi Delta Theta, who had already distanced her rivals in this line, draws farther ahead. At least two more may be expected within the next year. Each of the new chapters begins with about twenty-five members, a full assurance of a successful career, and each has an active chapter at hand to help and be helped by. With the increasing number of alumni chapters and their importance in relation to

every phase of fraternity work, it is a serious question whether they should not be assigned as the exclusive field of work of some member of the General Council, as has been done already in the case of at least one fraternity. The members of all our alumni chapters will please note the requests from active chapters for information in regard to men entering college next fall whom Phis would do well to cultivate—or beware of. When there is any doubt as to the reporter's address, the editor of THE SCROLL may be safely trusted with the message.

THE complete fraternization between the north and the south, which has been so marked since the beginning of the war with Spain, is the fulfillment of a hope which our Fraternity has cherished for many years. None more than members of Φ Δ Θ have reason to rejoice at the result. At the close of the civil war in 1865 Φ Δ Θ had three active chapters in Indiana, one in Kentucky and one in Michigan. Four years later a chapter was established in Virginia, and thence the Fraternity extended to all important southern institutions, until it became the strongest college fraternity in the south that had entered from the north. Φ Δ Θ has emphasized the national idea. It is our proud boast that our chapters extend from the lakes to the gulf and from ocean to ocean. So far as lay within our power we have contributed to the restoration of good feeling between the once separated sections. Twenty-one years ago a southern man was chosen as president of Φ Δ Θ, and since then southern Phis have been prominent in the councils of the Fraternity. In the war of 1861–65 northern Phis and southern Phis were arrayed against each other on the field of battle. In the war of 1898 brothers of the north and of the south alike are enlisted against a foreign foe; and, thank God, they fight under one flag—the old flag. Φ Δ Θ hails the return of perfect national unity. Long live our country! Long live our Fraternity!

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Since writing our last letter the college has been most profoundly moved. When the president's call for volunteers came it found ready response at Dartmouth, and about thirty of our undergraduates have begun service, most of them in the quota from New Hampshire, with a few in Vermont and other states. About twenty have joined Company E, Third New Hampshire Volunteers, and they left on last Monday. College exercises were suspended, streets and buildings decorated, and the little company went to the station escorted by the Dartmouth military band, two military companies of students, and the remainder of the college, comprising in all about 700 students. Among those who have enlisted are Bros. Carr, Mitchell and Turner, '98, and Bailey, '97, who had just been appointed instructor in mineralogy. New Hampshire Alpha delights in honoring these brothers, and we shall follow them with loving interest wherever duty may call them. The senior class has lost twelve men by enlistment, and the trustees have recently voted to grant them their degree with the class in June.

Since war was declared, two military companies have been organized in college, and they are doing some very hard work in order to be in readiness for any further call for men. Bro. D. B. Rich, '00, is captain of one company, and Bro. Barney, '99, is second lieutenant of the other.

College and fraternity work have been much interrupted by the excitement which pervades the country, and little news concerning either college or chapter can be given. Base ball and athletics are reviving slowly, and good results may yet be obtained. This evening Dartmouth meets Brown in debate for the first time, at Hanover. On next Tuesday evening our third annual debate at Williamstown takes place. Bro. Clare, '99, is alternate in the latter debate.

With best wishes to all Phis for the summer vacation so near at hand, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Hanover, May 9, 1898. B. C. RODGERS.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

As our base ball season draws to a close Vermont has a record of games of which to be proud. Among college games we have won this year from Cornell, Union, West Point, Hobart, Bates and Tufts, tied Syracuse, and lost only to Georgetown and Harvard. The team lost two players on account of the Spanish-American war, and indeed has been winning only under great difficulties. The season will end with a New England trip, June 3-8. Bro. Forbes, '98, as manager, and Bro. Murray, '00, in left field, are Vermont Alpha's representatives on the team. The inter-class series of base ball games for the Dyer cup is now being played. The Phis on the various class teams

are Andrews, '99, Lincoln (captain) and Beebe, '00, and Parker, Ufford and Perry (captain), '01. Bro. Marvin is manager of the freshman team.

Nineteen brave men have left the university in this hour of their country's need and gone to the front. The present war has also taken from us our genial and popular military instructor, Lieutenant Bailey. He was given a royal farewell on the eve of his departure by the university battalion and will ever be attended in his career by the good will of the student body.

At the coming commencement Bro. Ray will deliver the president's address and Bro. Patrick the boulder oration on class day. Bros. Clifton D. Howe and Ray have been chosen commencement speakers. At the recent election for the *University Cynic* Bro. Beebe, '00, was chosen assistant business manager.

We are pained to note the death of one of Vermont Alpha's charter members, Edmund C. Lane, '82, who died in Omaha, Neb., April 20, 1898. He was graduated at the Albany Law School in the class of '84 and had practiced law in Omaha for many years.

Among the recently married alumni of our chapter are Bros. Avery, '94, and Wheeler, ex-'95.

Before this number of THE SCROLL is published we shall have added one more Phi to our '01 delegation, Charles Allen Kern, of this city, a brother of Bro. W. P. Kern, '97. This act will bring toward its close one of the most prosperous years in the history of our chapter.

Wishing a happy summer to all brothers in the Bond, I remain

Yours fraternally,

Burlington, June 3, 1898. C. F. BLAIR.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

The winter term closed with sorrow in the hearts of all for the loss we suffered in the death of Prof. Henry Allyn Frink, who passed away March 25. He was a man of strength and helpfulness to all who knew him, and his death came as a personal loss to every member of the college. His department will be carried on by Prof. George B. Churchill. President Gates is in Europe enjoying a year's leave of absence, and Dr. Hitchcock is the executive during the interim.

The heavy gymnastic exhibition was held March 23. Bro. Wright, '98, led the gymnastic events. Bro. Gladwin, '01, lowered the time of the 15-yard dash from $2\frac{3}{5}$ to $2\frac{2}{5}$ seconds. Our athletes have carried themselves with credit in the out-door meets this spring, as well. In the dual meet with Technology, Bro. Strong, '98, took first place in the 440-yard dash; in the 880-yard run, second and third places were won by Bros. Gladwin, '01, and Klaer, '00, respectively; Bro. Klaer also took third in the high jump, and Bros. Gladwin, '01, and MacAllister, '98, first and second prizes in the broad jump. The Williams meet was held on our home grounds May 14. Bro. MacAllister, '98, lowered the tri-collegiate record for the broad jump by ten inches, clearing 21 ft. $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches. In the same event Bro. Gladwin was second. Bros. Klaer, '00, and Strong, '98, won respectively the half-mile run and the 440-yard dash. On the base ball team we are represented by Bro. Whitney, '99, in the position of catcher.

Our success along literary lines is as marked as in athletics. At the recent elections to Phi Beta Kappa, Bros. Lyman, '98, Brooks, '99, and Austin, '99, received the honor of admission. Bro. Austin has taken the junior Latin prize of fifteen dollars. Bro. Strong, '98, has

been chosen on the 'Hardy sixteen' competitive debate; and on the 'Kellogg fifteens' we have Bros. Hurd, '00, and Gladwin, '01.

The Amherst *Student* still has a large representation from Phi Delta Theta. For the coming year Bro. Marriott, '99, will fulfill the duties of editor-in-chief, while Bros. Raymond, '99, and King, '99, are associate editors.

The annual reception of the chapter is fixed for May 25. It will be particularly enjoyable, since our house and grounds have had a large amount of money expended on them this spring and are in better condition than ever before. The tenth annual banquet comes May 27, at which we hope to see a large number of alumni present. This first decennial of ours marks an important stage in our chapter life, and we shall also remember that it is the semi-centennial of the Fraternity's existence.

We have tried the experiment this year of choosing our rushing chairman a year in advance, and its excellent working is attested in the confidence with which we are already enabled to look forward to the active season. And, by the way, let me introduce to the Fraternity Bro. Elmer Wesley Wiggins, '01, of Warsaw, New York, our new initiate.

Yours in the Bond,

Amherst, May 17, 1898. CHESTER M. GROVER.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of initiating two men from the freshman class, Bro. George Burdick and Bro. Wm. Riggs Harvey.

In this time also the *Liber Brunensis* has been issued, and the next year's board has elected its officers. Bro. Greene, '98, was editor-in-chief this year, and Bro. Putney, '99, has that position on the new board. A large part of the literary work and most of the sketches were done by Phis. Bros. Greene and Putney did a great deal of the former, and Bro. Stillman most of the latter. The '98 *Liber* is generally considered about college the best one ever issued, but we hope that Bro. Putney will be able to more than equal it next year.

The base ball team has got down to hard work and will, we expect, make a very creditable showing, even if first place should be denied us. May 7, Princeton was defeated on Lincoln Field in a twelve inning game by a score of 7–6. Up to the ninth inning it looked like a shut out for Brown, but in that inning the score was tied on a combination of hits and errors, and the fun began. May 14, Yale was completely outclassed and defeated by a score of 17–2, after having both her pitchers knocked out of the box.

Class day, the great undergraduate and fraternity day of the year, comes June 10, and preparations are being made at the present time for a very successful event.

Yours in the Bond,

Providence, May 19, 1898. H. G. WILCOX.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

In university interests Φ Δ Θ continues to hold up her end in a creditable manner. Early this term Bro. A. E. Whiting was elected captain of the 'varsity foot ball team. This year as last 'Pop' Warner will be head graduate coach. Under his able teaching and Bro. Whit-

ing's leadership, notwithstanding the fact that several of her best men have left, Cornell will have a foot ball team that will be as much superior to last year's team as last year's was better than the one before it. We warn you, therefore, Phi captains and players, who will meet Cornell players on the gridiron next fall, to look out for yourselves. Φ Δ Θ will have other representatives on the field, among them Bros. Starbuck and Coit of the '00 team, Bro. Dempsey, of last fall's 'varsity, and Bro. Bassford, of 'varsity, '96.

The students, as a whole, are perhaps most interested at this season of the year in the crews and their prospects. After a long delay—in the minds of the students, too long a delay—the athletic council has finally sent to Harvard and Yale its ultimatum. According to the message Harvard and Yale will row us on the date originally agreed upon or not at all. This date is the 23d or 24th of June. It is absolutely necessary that Cornell row this race upon that date because of the necessity of her having at least one week to transport crews and shells from New London to Saratoga, where she will row Columbia and Pennsylvania on July 1. New York Alpha has two men rowing in the freshmen squad—Bros. English and Fay, both of whom stand a good chance of making a seat in their class boat. Bro. Ihlder, who was rowing early in the term in the second 'varsity, has been compelled to stop on account of his heart. Bro. Coit is still at it with a chance of going to New London and Saratoga, at least as a sub., if not as a full member of the crew.

Cornell's base ball team has made a good showing this season. Bro. Haskell, who last year played second base, has been moved to short stop, where he is playing his usual errorless game. Bros. White and Brower, of the '00 base ball team, have been working hard with the second team. Next year their prospects for a place on the 'varsity should be very bright.

On the track New York Alpha has had three representatives, each of whom has done her proud. Bro. Thomson in the 100 yard and 220 yard dashes and quarter-mile run has won many points for Cornell in her meets with Syracuse and Columbia and Pennsylvania. On account of thesis work he has been obliged to stop training, consequently he will not go to the inter-collegiate meet. Bro. Zeller has been walking in first-class shape. He will go to the inter collegiate, where we hope he will prove a dark horse. If his competitors do not run, he will come in with the first of them. Bro. Kinsey has been doing excellent work in the pole-vault, making a new Cornell record at the spring meet here, winning several points in the different meets and getting his 'C' at Columbia. Unfortunately, in his efforts to win laurels for Cornell and Φ Δ Θ, he injured himself quite severely, and as a consequence is in the hospital, on the road, we hope, to a speedy recovery.

Bro. Whiting has been elected president of the musical clubs. Bro. Wynne, leader of the glee club, is getting his men into shape for senior week, now not far off.

Bro. Morrison has an important place in the cast of the Masque, Cornell's dramatic association.

Bro. Bassford was a member of the 'varsity fencing team this year.

New York Alpha expects to entertain several of her alumni, with their sisters, mothers and sweethearts, during senior week. The house will be turned over to the entertainment of its guests.

During the term the Phis on the several base ball teams that have been in Ithaca have been met by the fellows on our team, and if time

allowed brought up to the lodge, where we are always glad to welcome any and all Phis who may be in Ithaca.

We would be very glad if any Phis knowing of men who expect to come to Cornell next year and who, they think, would make good material for Φ Δ Θ to work upon, would send word to us, giving the man's full name and, if possible, his boarding-house address. We will thus be enabled to 'get into the game' ahead of some of the other fraternities. Such an attention would be greatly appreciated by New York Alpha, and I can assure you that we will be glad to do a similar favor for the rest of you.

With best wishes for a pleasant summer to all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Ithaca, May 25, 1898. GEO. SELLERS SMITH.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

Again New York Beta begs leave to report progress. We have just moved into a new and much more commodious house on University Place, only a short distance from the college campus, where nearly all our members can he accommodated next year. This will be of great advantage to us in next fall's rushing season.

Commencement week begins June 19. At this time Phi Delta Theta will be prominent in the exercises. We have three men to graduate in the class of '98. Bro. Fisher has received an appointment to the commencement stage, has received special honors in the department of geology, and has been elected to membership in Sigma Xi. Bro. Griffith has received special honors in the departments of Greek and Latin. Bro. Cullen has been elected by his class to deliver the ivy oration.

Twelve or thirteen of our members will return to college next fall, and with two men pledged out of the class of 1902, we will begin the next year in very good condition.

Our reporter for next year will be Bro. John D. Edwards, '00. His summer address is Northville, Fulton Co., N. Y.

As I close I would refer all who are interested in the Phi Delta Theta camp to seek elsewhere in THE SCROLL for notice of definite arrangements.

Wishing all Phis a pleasant vacation, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Schenectady, June 2, 1898. D. J. HOYT.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Columbia is in the midst of examinations, and though most of the chapter men are in consequence pretty well occupied with work, we still find time to do a little hustling, and as a result take great pleasure in introducing a new Greek in the person of W. Brooke Lessig, '99, law. In a few days we shall initiate Bernard M. L. Ernst, '99, college, who has already been pledged. Mr. Ernst was one of Columbia's representatives in her joint debate with Chicago University, and the success of Columbia was due in no small part to his good and effective work. A couple of other good men whom we have on the string will also be taken in either before the end of this year or early in the fall.

With the close of the year the summer vacation problem again stares us in the face, but we hope to be able to keep our rooms over the summer months, should our present negotiations prove successful.

By graduation this year we in all probability shall lose but three men, all from the law contingent—Bros. A. W. Opp, Henry W. Egner, A. B., and O. W. Ehrhorn, A. M. Bro. Stallo Vinton is graduated from the college this year, but expects to return next year as a student of the law school.

Bro. Otto Hink, '99, college, recently elected secretary of the Philolexian Society, has been doing good work as a debater and has received high mention in several inter-society contests.

Bros. Riederer and Waldenberger, '97, mines, who have been taking graduate courses in chemistry at Munich, Germany, have completed their studies, and will return to this country in a few weeks. Bro. Farish, who at last reports had penetrated Abyssinia beyond the reach of the mail, is also expected to return this year to enter the school of mines, where he is needed to help recruit our customary strength in the lower classes of that department, we at present having but one representative there, Bro. Bell, '99.

On the whole, though, New York Delta ends an eminently successful year, the chapter closing the season a stronger body than it opened it.

In this issue the reporter sorrowfully takes his official leave, yet proudly thankful that he can say to his 9,000 brother Greeks from Maine to California, with all that is implied in the expression—I am

Yours in the Bond of Phi Delta Theta,

New York, May 30, 1898. OSCAR WEEKS EHRHORN.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

New York Epsilon is ending her eleventh year very auspiciously. To be sure, we lose a number of men by graduation; but while we keenly feel their loss, we realize that Phi Delta Theta will be strengthened with such men as these as alumni. Other brothers will be unable to return next year, but we shall hold them as a reserve force until they do return. Their places will be filled so far as possible by the members who have been out for a year or two, but whom we expect to have with us next fall. Since our last communication we have initiated Brother Harry Hoskins Simpson, who we trust will prove to be all we expect of him. Our '01 delegation have shown themselves to be earnest, energetic men of fine morals, excellent scholastic attainments and decided social qualifications; New York Epsilon already feels herself benefited by their influence and example. The past year has been significant for the advance New York Epsilon has made. It is our wish that each succeeding year shall be marked by the same characteristic.

Brother Leonard, dean of the college of liberal arts, is of great help to us. His position in the high esteem of the faculty and student body is firmly established. Brother Sibley, librarian, or 'Uncle,' as we call him, has been seriously ill with rheumatism, but is improving.

The university glee club, which included two of our number, returned a few weeks ago from the most successful trip in its history. Brother Dolph, our *basso profundo*, contributed largely to the success of the club and received the lion's share of credit and attention.

The base ball team made a successful trip at Easter, returning with divers metaphorical scalps dangling from its belt, having met with but one defeat. We have five Phis on the team, Brother Voorhees, captain and pitcher; Brother Gregory, catcher; Brothers Lipes, Kelly and Low, short stop, left and right field, respectively.

Next September we move into a new house, which, while it is not our own, is being built for us. It is desirably located on 'Fraternity Row' (long o in Row, please), is thoroughly modern in all its appointments, and will accommodate twenty-six men.

We close the year encouraged by the past to hope for even better things in the future. When the delegates to the '98 Alpha province convention come to Syracuse, we want to show them an enthusiastic, loyal, progressive, hospitable chapter, and one that can show the world how Phis love one another.

In the Bond,

Syracuse, May 28, 1898. ALLEN DUNCAN BURNHAM.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, many changes have taken place at Lafayette. From the smoked ruins of Pardee Hall, which was gutted by fire the eighteenth of last December, a new Pardee is fast rising. Great was the loss which we suffered from the burning of this beautiful monument of American liberality. But kind and liberal friends have come to the rescue, and soon we will be able to dedicate our new Pardee.

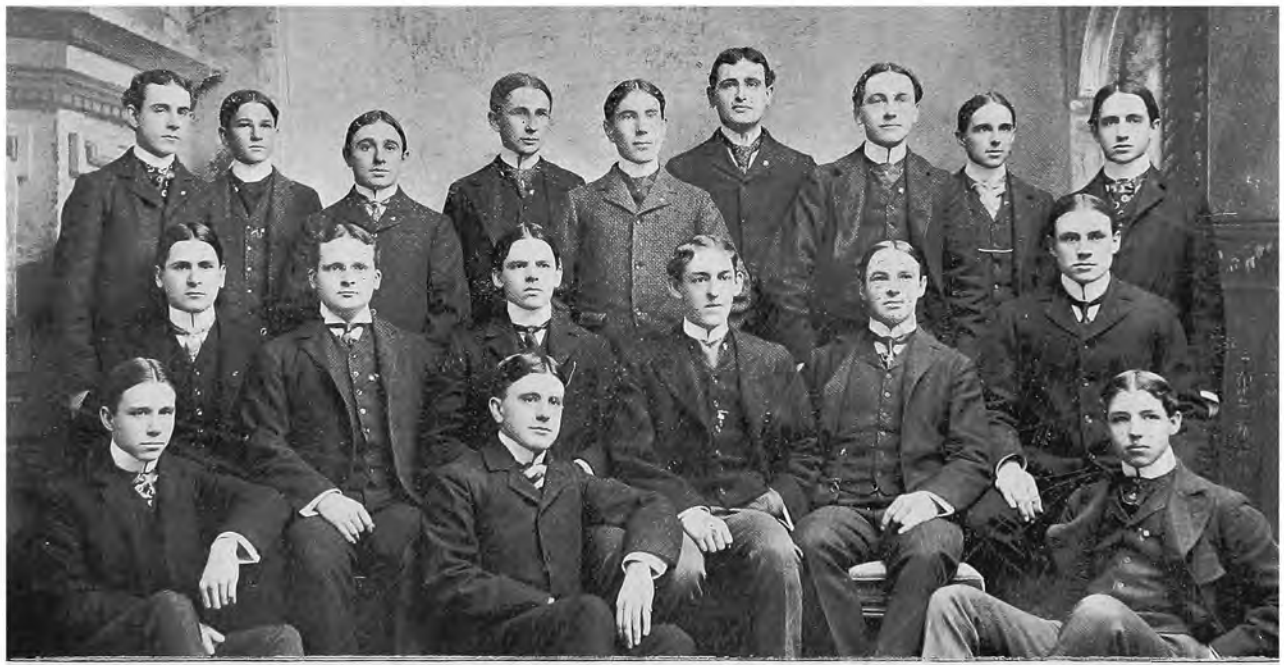
The college year, which is fast drawing to a close, has been one of much rivalry among the fraternities of Lafayette. Our chapter now numbers fourteen, all men of sterling worth and ever mindful of their duty to Phi Delta Theta. We have initiated since our last report Brothers Fassit, Hinkle, Van Horn and Robb, of the class of '01, and Brothers Hagney and Williams of '99. Edmund S. Tillinghast, of East Hampton, N. Y., now wears ours pledge button, and we expect to initiate him next term. Here, as elsewhere, Phi Delta Theta is always found in the thickest of the fight for new men, and the blue and white is very seldom, if ever, lowered in defeat. This is no doubt due to the excellent standing which the Fraternity has always enjoyed here. From the very first its members have been prominently identified with the various phases of college life, and of this year more than of any other is this true.

Our base ball team is making a record of which we are all justly proud. It has already trailed the blue of Yale in the dust, Harvard has fallen a victim to its prowess, and Princeton has lowered her colors. We are well represented on it by Brothers Hubley and Bray. Hubley is a most brilliant third baseman, and Bray is a fielder whom any team would be glad to claim.

We are well represented in all college organizations. At a recent meeting of the athletic association Brother Pierce was elected assistant manager of the base ball team. Brother Livingston is assistant manager of the track team. We are represented on the banjo and mandolin clubs by Brothers Hultgren and Douglas. Brother Hagney, who is a sprinter of ability, represents us on the track. Brothers Bray, Pierce and Saxe are our representatives on the gridiron. Brother Moon was recently elected Mantle orator by the class of '99. He was also on the '99 *Melange* board, and his work as artist was most creditable. Bro. Douglas was elected assistant editor-in-chief of the *Melange* to be published by the class of 1900.

We lose by graduation this year Brother Myers, who is a prominent man in his class and a staunch Phi.

The chapter now occupies a handsome suite of rooms in a very pleasant locality. Prominent among our resident alumni is Dr. O. M.



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Richards, who is a loyal Phi and ever willing to lend a helping hand. The chapter has had pleasant visits from Brothers Smith, Van Alen and Sexton, of the class of '97, also from Brother Gillette, of Williams, and Brother Straub, of Lehigh.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Easton, May 26, 1898. GEORGE P. WILLIAMS.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The members of Pennsylvania Beta, like most students at this time, are very busy with examinations and other duties incident to the closing of college. June 15th has been chosen for commencement day. This year we lose two good men by graduation—Bro. Singmaster, who has been appointed as one of the ten commencement speakers, and Bro. Krafft, who will deliver the ivy poem on class day.

Bros. B. R. Lautz, '94, and J. S. English, '94, graduate from the theological seminary this year. Their commencement exercises will be held on the second of June. Bro. Lautz is one of the four speakers on that occasion.

So far this spring we have not been quite up to the standard of former years in athletics. Gettysburg was not represented in the intercollegiate races held at Philadelphia this year, owing to the fact that several members of the team were sick or away from college at the time. Our base ball team has also been handicapped by the loss of a number of its best players. One has signed with the New York league team and several have left to shoulder the musket for Uncle Sam. Notwithstanding these losses we hope to be successful in the remaining games to be played.

Bro. E. C. Gillette, *Williams*, '94, who is now attending Hartford Seminary, paid us a short visit recently.

Bro. George W. Welsh, *Lehigh*, '01, spent several days with us a short time ago.

With best wishes to the Fraternity, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Gettysburg, May 17, 1898. J. CLYDE MARKEL.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

The present term has been an eventful one and the war has been the chief subject of conversation. College work, as a consequence, has been interfered with to a certain extent. When the call for volunteers came many students responded and are now at the front. A large number were members of the national guard of Pennsylvania, and when it became certain that the guard would be called out many more joined. The majority, nearly a score, joined Company H, Tenth Regiment, of this place, and many their home commands. Two other students are members of the state naval reserves and are awaiting orders to report for duty. The day the local company left for Mt. Gretna, the place of mobilization, the boys were given a great 'send-off,' and an immense parade was formed. The students of the college took a prominent part in the proceedings in honor of their college mates, who made up nearly a third of the company. Company H, being composed largely of W. and J. students and graduates, is considered one of the best in the guard, and always ranks high. The patriotism of the men composing it is undoubted, as since going into camp every man has joined the volunteer army of the United States.

Pennsylvania Gamma is proud of her record in furnishing men for the army. Two active members, Brother Eicher, '99, and Brother Ralston, '01, are members of the Tenth Regiment, the former in Company I, and the latter in Company H. Brother Frank B. Hawkins, '96, is first lieutenant of Company H, and has been commissioned first lieutenant of volunteers by Governor Hastings. Brother H. W. Weirich, ex-'97, is a member of company H, and Brother C. Ward Eicher, ex-'96, is a corporal in company I. All but one or two of the twenty-five or more students now in camp with the army are members of the several fraternities, the Β Θ Π and Φ Κ Ψ chapters losing nearly one-half of their members.

The calling out of the guard has been a great drawback to the college along athletic lines. The one-mile and two-mile relay teams which were in training for the relay carnival at Philadelphia, April 30, were broken up, two men being taken from each team. This was a great disappointment, since we had the best relay team in the history of the college, and our prospects were very bright for a good showing at Philadelphia. Our team for the western Pennsylvania inter-collegiate meet at Pittsburgh, May 21, will also be weakened considerably. The base ball team suffered in the loss of Captain Nesbit, who played second base, pitcher Nesbit and Brother Eicher, short stop. Fortunately, we have three pitchers to fall back on and a promising lot of substitutes, so we will be able to complete the schedule. The manager of the team is also with the soldiers and the duties of that office have fallen on Brother Carline, '00, who will see the team through the season safely. Thus far we have lost no games.

If the troops remain in the field many months our prospects for a foot ball team of the championship order are exceedingly poor. Of last year's team and substitutes, who were undergraduates, nine men are already members of the volunteer army and others expect to join. Captain Eicher is a member and so is H. C. Tyler, of Princeton, who had been secured as coach. The schedule for the season has just been announced and is the best one we have ever had. It will be a pity if we have to cancel it.

Nearly every college association suffered in the call for troops, and should another call be made nearly a hundred more men would be ready and willing to go. Shortly after the guard left, a meeting of the students was called, and a volunteer company of nearly 100 members was formed. The company drills three times a week in the Company H armory and has offered its services to the governor.

The inter-class field meet will be held on Friday, May 13. On Saturday, May 21, the western Pennsylvania meet occurs in Pittsburgh. We expect, though crippled, to make a good showing at this meet. The athletic association of the college has arranged for an inter-scholastic meet to be held in Washington on May 21. The students of the preparatory department and of the several preparatory schools in this section of the state will be represented. The idea is to develop a greater interest in field and track athletics in the preparatory schools and to bring to notice good men in these lines. The college is also agitating the forming of a tri-state intercollegiate athletic association to take in the principal colleges and universities of western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and eastern Ohio. Thus far the plan has met with a favorable reception, and the prospects for the ultimate formation of such a league are considered bright. It is difficult for W. and J. to arrange games and meets with eastern colleges both on account of the expense and on account of the disinclination of eastern colleges to

contest with us. For the past few years we have been defeating the neighboring colleges in all branches of athletics each season with monotonous regularity, so that to make our athletics pay expenses, in part at least, we must seek new fields. The proposed league offers a solution to the vexed problem and would be of mutual benefit to all colleges.

Fraternity activities have been absorbed in the stirring events of the past few weeks and not much work is being done by the various chapters here. The spring term is usually the slowest term in fraternity life. Several chapters have initiated men from the senior preparatory class and others have pledged new men. The membership of the chapters ranges from ten to fourteen. Kappa Sigma, the new chapter, has the smallest membership and is not considered a very formidable rival by any of the chapters yet. Since our last letter the Phi Kappa Sigma men have moved into a chapter house. This makes the fourth fraternity here to occupy a house. Delta Tau Delta expects to have one in the fall, and Pennsylvania Gamma is also making an effort to follow suit. Our boys are all in favor of a house, and the only thing standing in the way now is a suitable one. We propose to bend our energies toward securing a home for the chapter and hope to report success in our next SCROLL letter. Three of our members will be here all summer, so we will be able to look out for a suitable location. Kappa Sigma as yet has no chapter house scheme on hand.

The senior examinations will commence on May 23 and the grades will be announced on May 25. Pennsylvania Gamma will lose four men by the graduation of '98. Brother Bell will probably teach school this coming year. Brother Baker will remain at home in Washington for awhile, at least. He may enter the bank of which his father is cashier. Brother Rule will read law with his uncle at this place. Brother Moore will spend the summer on the staff of the Washington *Observer* and in the fall will enter the United Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Allegheny, Pa., to prepare for missionary work in India. Brothers Baker, Rule and Moore will be in Washington all summer; they may be addressed by persons interested in our Fraternity and would be glad to have any Phis, who may be in town, call on them.

A feature of the commencement season will be the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Philo and Union and the Franklin and Washington literary societies of the college. The principal speaker will be the Rev. Henry Christopher McCook, D. D., of Philadelphia, an alumnus of the college and a member of the Philo society. Dr. McCook is a famous naturalist, author of many scientific works and also of 'The Latimers,' one of the best selling books of the year, which deals with the whisky insurrection of 1794 and sketches the founding of Washington and Jefferson college. Brother W. C. McClelland, '82, will read the history of the societies. Brother Moore is a member of the committee in charge of the arrangements for the celebration, which will occur on Tuesday of commencement week.

The commencement exercises proper will occur on Wednesday, June 22. This year's class is the smallest for years and numbers only thirty-three regular students, who will receive degrees, and two special students. The three members of the class who are at the front with the army will be graduated with honor. The under-clas men who are in the army will be given credit for this term's work.

Since our last letter the Washington and Jefferson dramatic association has been formed. The association is now arranging for its initial

performance. It will have entire charge of all the dramatic performances of the students. Brother Moore was a member of the committee on organization.

Brother W. B. Sterrett, '95, will spend the summer doing missionary work at Parkersburg, W. Va. He is a second-year man at the Western Theological Seminary. Brother J. P. Linn, '95, was graduated from the McCormick Theological Seminary last week.

Although I will finish college work this term I will be in Washington until October and will continue to serve the chapter as reporter until college opens for the fall term. My address throughout the summer will be unchanged, and persons knowing of good men anticipating attending W. and J. will confer a favor by informing the reporter.

With kindest regards to all Phis, and wishing them all a pleasant summer vacation, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Washington, May 9, 1898. DAVID GLENN MOORE.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Delta is at last ready to announce to the Fraternity at large that she is comfortably and elegantly settled in a chapter house which she considers an honor to Φ Δ Θ. The house is well located on Highland avenue, about three squares from the campus, on a lot about two hundred feet front by three hundred deep. It stands back about one hundred feet from the street, and the large lawn shows it off to excellent advantage. The house itself is one of the finest residences in the city and is away ahead of any which the other local fraternity chapters here occupy now or are at all likely to occupy in the future. It has twenty rooms, all nicely furnished, especially on the first floor, where all the floors are of hard wood. Seventeen of the twenty-one active members live in the house.

Anxious to exhibit our new quarters to our friends, we had a reception on April 22. We had never before been able to entertain all our friends on account of lack of space, and consequently we were glad to be able to issue about five hundred invitations. In spite of inclement weather we had a large crowd, and everything was a grand success. But perhaps the success of the reception may be better shown by quoting from the Meadville papers of the following day. The Meadville *Star* printed the following:

One of the most successful social affairs of the year in college and city circles was the reception given last evening by the members of Pennsylvania Delta, the local chapter of Phi Delta Theta in Allegheny College, to over five hundred of their friends.

The event was in honor of the Fraternity's recent removal from their Loomis street house to their present commodious house, formerly well known as the Joshua Douglass mansion on Highland avenue.

Nearly four hundred guests were entertained between the hours of 8:30 and 11:30. The entire house of twenty rooms, which is now the home of seventeen of the twenty-one active members, was thrown open. Potted plants, palms and cut flowers composed the decorations. The fraternity flower, the white carnation, with the colors, argent and azure, were prominent in the decorations.

Those on the reception committee were Mrs. William H. Crawford, Mrs. W. A. Elliott, Mrs. J. O. Hull, and Messrs. J. Vernon Wright, Will J. Lowstuter and Paul Weyand.

The music was furnished by the Northwestern orchestra.

The Meadville *Tribune* also says of it:

The members of the Fraternity saw to it that all enjoyed the occasion. It was a formal affair, resplendent in rich costumes and eminently successful as an evening reception. The Phis have the most spacious and the finest chapter house in the city, and as entertainers they are *par excellence*.

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PENNSYLVANIA DELTA.

Our basket ball team, after a comparatively successful season, elected Bro. Wolstoncraft, '01, captain of the '99 team and then disbanded. The indications are that Allegheny College will have a strong winning team next year. Bro. Wolstoncraft had the additional honor of being early in the team elected manager of the track team.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have pledged Bruce Wright, '02, of Jamestown, New York.

For several years past Allegheny has been having a noted speaker to deliver the address before the graduating class on commencement day, but last summer it was decided to go back to the ancient and time-honored plan of allowing the various members of the graduating class to furnish the program. It was decided to grant places by merit and let the twelve members of the class who had done the best work represent the whole class. The plan was to have the average of grades received in regular college work count 50 per cent., the work in English and elocution, 20 per cent., an oration handed in in May, 20 per cent., and work in the literary societies, 10 per cent. We have three men in the senior class this year and are well pleased that all three are included in the senior twelve, especially on account of the fact that no other fraternity men were chosen.

We are planning now to have a reunion at the commencement banquet, which will then be served in our own house, and we are hoping to have a great many of our alumni back at that time.

Yours in the Bond,

Meadville, May 30, 1898. WILL L. WILKENSON.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

The advance programme for the commencement season presents an interesting array of events. The usual routine of exercises and receptions will be followed out, the closing day concluding with the commencement exercises proper and the president's reception. The college is fortunate in securing the services of the Rev. William V. Kelley, D. D., LL. D., the scholarly editor of *The Methodist Review*, as preacher before the Christian associations of the college, and the Hon. Wm. B. Hornblower, of New York, as commencement orator before the law school.

The base ball team is closing a very successful season. So far, out of eight games, it has won five. Bros. McNeal, '98, manager, Ivins, '01, and Hubler, have been representing us on the team. The spring sports were also of their usual interesting character. Several records were broken, and the work throughout was meritorious. At the annual relay races, held under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania, Bro. Sterrett, '00, represented us on the team. Dickinson made second place.

Bro. Landis, of the faculty, has been confined to his room for some time, but is now able to be about again. Bro. Whiting, of the faculty, has been taking charge of his work in mathematics.

Prof. Dore, who has been sojourning in Arizona for the year past for his health, will again resume work in the department of philosophy in the fall.

Bro. McNeal will be salutatorian at commencement, while Bros. Davidson and Soper will have honorary orations. All will make Phi Beta Kappa.

For the class day exercises Bro. Adams will be historian and Bro. Keeler, poet. Bro. Kriebel was president of the class this year, but

was compelled to resign on account of enlistment in the army. Bro. Souders has also left school to serve under the Pennsylvania Bible Society in the army. Bro. Smith left college early in the term to prepare for medical work.

Bro. Mallalieu, '99, has been elected president of the Y. M. C. A. and historian of his literary society. Bro. Soper has been elected state secretary of the college Y. M. C. A. Bro. Presby, '01, has been chosen assistant librarian of the college. Bro. Sterrett, '00, won the Union Philosophical literary society sophomore oratorical contest. In the junior play, Bros. West, '99, and Wertz, '99, took leading roles.

We have been exceedingly fortunate in receiving visits from many alumni during the year. Bros. Weidenhamer, Cleaver, Noon, Zeigler, Lindley, Bucher, Stein, Gillette (now at Williams), Wintersteen and Earp, having paid us brief visits.

The annual June banquet will be exceptionally pleasurable on account of the prospects for a large number of alumni being present. Bro. J. Banks Hurty, '93, will be toastmaster. Also gratifying will be the report we can make of the chapter house. Final plans are all completed for the erection of the house, and ground will be broken during commencement week.

With best wishes, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Carlisle, May 30, 1898. J. MILNOR DOREY.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

In the recent election of officers for the general athletic association, the ticket which Bro. Eugene Davis headed as president was elected solid, and this is the first time in the history of this institution that such a result has followed the election of these officials. Presidency of the athletic association is considered the highest honor in the university, and Bro. Davis won over an exceedingly strong rival by 78 votes. He is the first Phi to be thus honored. The success of the Davis ticket may be said to have depended upon the popularity and fitness of the man whose name headed it. An officer of the G. A. A. can not play upon either the foot ball or base ball team. Consequently, the foot ball team next fall will greatly miss the magnificent playing of Bro. Davis.

Another Phi has been recently honored. Bro. Joe Siler, who represented us at the last convention, in a recent examination for service in the Post-graduate Hospital of New York, won second place over thirty applicants from some of our most prominent medical colleges. Bro. Siler will take his M. D. this June, and will enter upon his hospital duties on October first.

It is rumored that Bro. Harrison, together with Mr. Cleveland and Mr. McKinley, will visit the university at finals and take part in the dedicatory services of the new buildings. Although many of the Phis will have gone to their homes by that time, those remaining will endeavor to entertain Mr. Harrison and renew our pledges together. Finals this year promise fair to be the greatest in the history of Virginia.

Bro. A. K. Foot, of Louisiana Alpha, who holds the southern record

for pole vaulting at 10 feet 8¾ inches, joined the Monticello Guards, of this place, threw up his law lectures, and marched away to Cuba.

Virginia Beta's outlook for next season is most encouraging. We shall lose by graduation Bros. Siler, Sutherland and (probably) Davis, of the medical department, and Bro. Paul, of the laws. Bro. Watts will not return. This will leave us with three in the law department, three in the academic department, and eight in the medical department, a total of fourteen Phis on the grounds.

An earnest request is made of all Phis to notify Bro. J. Woods Price, Mechum River, Virginia, who has been elected chapter reporter for next session, of all students coming to the university who may be desirable material for Φ Δ Θ.

Yours in the Bond,

University of Virginia, June 6, 1898. JOHN PALMER LEA.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The most successful year which Vanderbilt has ever enjoyed is now drawing to a close. The last catalogue shows an enrollment of 800 students in all departments, this being a slight increase over any previous year. The prospects are that next year even this number will be exceeded.

Looking towards improvement, the law department has been reorganized. Two new professors have been added to the faculty, making the number of professors in this department now five instead of three, as formerly. The new professors are Judge H. H. Lunton and Mr. Charles U. Burch. Hon. J. M. Dickinson, who was, under Cleveland's second administration, assistant attorney-general, is also now a member of this faculty in place of Mr. R. McPhail Smith, who died during the year.

The annual debate between the literary societies of Vanderbilt and the University of the South, which took place in Nashville on May 14, was this year won by our rivals from the mountain.

As a result, however, of the meeting of the southern inter-collegiate oratorical association, which was held in this city on May 18, Vanderbilt regained her lost prestige in oratory, Mr. Cheairs, Δ K E, winning a splendid victory over representatives from Virginia, Centre, South Carolina and Texas.

The third annual track meet of the S. I. A. A. was this year held in Atlanta on May 21. Vanderbilt succeeded in winning only second place in team work; however, three of the five records broken were placed to our credit. Bro. Beard succeeded in breaking the southern college record for the broad jump. Bro. Underwood, the captain of the team, was unable to compete on account of injuries received during the winter.

Since the rather poor showing made against the University of Pennsylvania early in the season, our base ball team has been greatly improved, and has administered successive defeats to teams representing the Universities of the South, Nashville, Georgia and Cincinnati. The games against the University of Virginia, which will be played during commencement week, will close the season. The Phis on the team are Beard, Carlyle, Carr and Rice.

It gives me much pleasure to introduce to the fraternity at large Jacob Ewing Crider, '00, of Fredonia, Ky., who was initiated into the mysteries of our Order on February 5.

It is the custom here for the faculty in the academic department to

select as their representative to speak on commencement day the student who will probably be the first honor man in his class. This honor was this year conferred on Bro. Oscar Teague, '98, of Montgomery, Ala.

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Nashville, May 28, 1898. E. S. JONES.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

As has always been the custom, Tennessee Beta celebrated the anniversary of the Fraternity by having a delightful banquet, which was in every respect a great success. Preceding the banquet was the 'opening of the Pyx,' the contents being very amusing as well as helpful to the treasury of the chapter.

We hope to find some good material among the matriculates of the medical department, which opens in a few days.

Tennessee Beta will in August lose several of her oldest members, which fact awakens us to the realization of the importance of these veterans as well as our coming need for more such men.

Bro. Wilder has joined his company in Louisville, of which he is lieutenant, and is now our patriotic representative in Uncle Sam's army.

Bro. Hodgson has been elected an associate editor of the annual.

We are glad to welcome Bros. Geo. and Joe Searcy, of Alabama Alpha, both of whom will enter the medical department.

It gives me great pleasure to state that the brothers have, at every meeting this term, manifested a deep interest in the literary feature of our meetings.

Phi Delta Theta is well represented among the officers of the german clubs. Bro. Wilder is vice-president, and Bro. Hodgson is secretary of the senior german club, and of the junior german club Bro. Laird is president and Bro. Williams, L. M., is secretary. With best wishes, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Sewanee, May 23, 1898. T. S. PARROTT.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated and take great pleasure in introducing Bro. Henry Burton Garret, '00, of Augusta.

Georgia Alpha is in every way holding her own with the other chapters here. At a recent contest for champion debater's medal Bro. Karl Dunham Sanders, '99, won the medal. Bro. Hamilton McWhorter won freshman speaker's place; and Bro. Josiah Roy Nunnally won the freshman debater's medal. Bro. Sanders was given a junior speaker's place on class standing and also won one by oratorical competition. Bros. Harrold and Davenport are honor graduates of '98. In college circles the Phis of Georgia Alpha have been constantly in the front this year as usual. Bro. Blun is president and instructor of the Thalian dramatic club, the college orchestra and the mandolin and banjo clubs. Bro. D. V. Hopps is an honorary and active member of the Lucy Cobb Institute orchestra. Bro. Dorsey is Phi Delta Theta's representative on the board of editors of the *Pandora*, the college annual. He is also exchange editor of the *Red and Black*.

On May 5 and 6 we had the pleasure of having with us the brothers who were members of the Vanderbilt base ball team. On the evening of the fifth we gave an informal dance in their honor, which was pronounced by all present one of the most successful entertainments given this year. The dance was led by Bro. Tucker Dorsey with Miss Talmadge, one of our worthy Phi sisters.

Georgia's recent brilliant victory in track athletics at Atlanta, in winning first place in the southern inter-collegiate athletic association by a score of 47 points, has caused track athletic stock to rise considerably here.

With best wishes to THE SCROLL and the Fraternity, I am

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Athens, May 31, 1898. U. H. DAVENPORT.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Finals are now upon us, and all of the boys are doing their best to make their 'rise.'

The base ball season is over with Mercer University for this term. Out of five games we won four, and in the other game we tied the score. Bro. Whitney has made an excellent manager and has done much for the upbuilding of Mercer's athletics by his untiring efforts.

Our track team will send two of its members as representatives of the university to Atlanta.

Brothers Cooper, of Columbus, and Clark, of Augusta, will speak at our commencement exercises for the sophomore and freshman medals, respectively. We sincerely hope that both of these medals will be won for Phi Delta Theta.

With best wishes for a pleasant and profitable vacation for all members of the Fraternity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Macon, May 18, 1898. JOHN M. CLARK.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

The college year which is now drawing to a close has been an eventful one for Alabama Beta in many ways. The chapter has been progressive and full of life throughout the entire year and to-day is in better condition in every way than it has been for a number of years.

Alabama Beta will lose by graduation this year Bros. J. S. Paden, J. B. Shivers, Jonathan Haralson, Jr., J. W. Williams and A. McB. Ransom. The loss of these men will be greatly felt, for they are good men and have done much toward building up our chapter. We wish them much success and hope to have them with us often in the future.

Bro. Haralson has recently been appointed assistant instructor in electricity, and Bro. A. McB. Ransom has been appointed assistant instructor in chemistry. From the present indications it is likely that both will return to fill these positions next session.

Bro. Williams has been promoted from first lieutenant to captain in the military department. Bro. Williams is a good officer and deserves the honor conferred upon him. Of the seven men appointed as commencement orators from the junior class, Bros. Feagin and Wheeler will represent Φ Δ Θ.

The *Glomerata*, our college annual, will soon be ready for distribution. The editors have done good, conscientious work on the book, and it will compare favorably with any other work of the kind in the south.

All students are looking forward to commencement with great pleasure, as the hop promises to be quite a success this year. We extend a hearty invitation to all Phis and hope to have many of them with us.

We expect to return fourteen men next session. This number will place the chapter on excellent footing for the rushing season.

With best wishes for our sister chapters and for the welfare of Φ Δ Θ in general, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

Auburn, May 19, 1898. GEO. M. WHEELER.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated no new men; on the contrary, we have had the misfortune to lose three brothers from active membership. Brother Pillow contemplates attending Eastman's Business College. Brother Whitfield was compelled to leave us on account of ill health. Brother Broach left us to accept a position in the First National Bank, of Meridian, Miss. These brothers will be greatly missed.

Our base ball team was very successful this season, winning five out of six games as follows: vs. St. Thomas' Hall, 7–5; vs. Tulane, 14–6; vs. S. W. B. U., 8–10; vs. St. Thomas' Hall, 17 1; vs. Tulane, 7–3; vs. S. W. B. U., 14–6. Brother Hardy was our representative. Brother Henry is on the junior prom. committee. Brother Rauch has been elected secretary of the freshman class. Brother Ray is one of the senior debaters for commencement week.

Ole Miss for '98 has just been gotten out, and reflects credit upon its editors. Brother Hardy was the business manager.

We have secured a suite of rooms in Oxford and have furnished them very nicely, so now we have a permanent place of meeting. We will be pleased to see at any time any Phis who may chance to be in Oxford.

We will return next session eleven Phis, and we expect to receive our full share of the new men; we hope by strong and united efforts to attain even higher results than in the past.

With this issue of THE SCROLL your reporter closes his active membership but trusts that as he grows in years he may grow in interest and love for our grand Fraternity.

With best wishes for all our chapters and for the welfare of Phi Delta Theta everywhere, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

University, May 25, 1898. GEORGE LATHAM RAY.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The year has been a very profitable and enjoyable one to the members of Ohio Beta. Though we commenced the fall term with only ten men, we have steadily added to our number from the best men of the university, until we now have seventeen initiates and two pledged men. With pleasure we introduce to the Fraternity as brothers in the Bond William E. Brown, '01, of Bloomingburg, O.; Warren Hulse, '01, of Mason, O.; William R. Bayes, '01, of Wauseon, O.; Waid E. Carson, '00, of Ripley, W. Va., and Delbert B. Sayers, of Marits, O. We are proud of all of these men and trust that they will ever be loyal wearers of the sword and shield.

Our base ball team is maintaining the high standing that our past teams have won for the university and promises to figure in the state championship. We have met and defeated Antioch, Allegheny and Kenyon. Our game with Washington and Jefferson was a hard one to lose, the score being 1–0 in W. and J.'s favor. The team is working faithfully and hopes to return from its eastern trip with an unbroken string of victories. Bro. Gates is captain of the team, and Bro. Sayers is the first pitcher. Bro. Sayers also plays tackle on the foot ball team.

On May 25 our annual field day games were held, and though no records were broken, a good showing was made. We feel sorely the lack of a good gymnasium.

Our chapter will lose four men in June by graduation. We will find it hard work to fill their places, but are thankful that we have a strong number of undergraduates to commence next year.

On Friday evening, May 27, the first contest of the oratorical league formed of the University of Illinois, University of Indiana, Cornell, Ohio State University and Ohio Wesleyan University, will be held at Delaware. These institutions will make a very strong league.

The breaking out of hostilities between the United States and Spain will injure the school very much. Many students answered the first call, and many more will respond to the next, if there be another one.

Wishing the Fraternity prosperity, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Delaware, May 25, 1898. CHAS. P. MORGAN.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

This spring term has been the most prosperous in the history of this institution, with the largest attendance that has ever registered at old O. U.

The comforts of college life have been greatly added to by the occupation of Lux Hall, a very large and beautiful building of modern design, which was dedicated at the beginning of this term. The fraternity material this term has not been of the best quality, and since Ohio Gamma has her full quota of members, we have no new names to offer for congratulations.

Ohio Gamma loses three members by graduation this spring: C. G. O'Bleness, D. D. Tullis and W. K. Scott. Bro. O'Bleness will enter the newspaper business, Bro. Tullis will pursue literary work, and Bro. Scott expects to continue the study of medicine.

As usual, Φ Δ Θ will banquet at commencement, and no pains will be spared to make the occasion a rousing success. A cordial invitation is extended to our alumni and brother Phis to be present and participate in the festivities.

Yours in the Bond,

Athens, May 31, 1898. W. K. SCOTT.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Prof. C. D. Kellicott, of the zoological department, after a week's suffering from pneumonia, died on April 13. This is indeed quite a loss. The student body shares it more especially because of his always having been so closely identified with their interests.

Our athletic association has, for the past four years, been under a heavy debt. The faculty decreed there should be no inter-collegiate athletics until the entire debt was expunged. The students organized a canvass, and at this writing but one hundred dollars yet remain of

the original fourteen hundred dollar debt. Prospects for base ball are accordingly brighter.

Ohio Zeta notes, with pleasure, that our semi-centennial convention will be held in this city. We anticipate the personal acquaintance of so noble a band, and confidently hope for a record-breaker, in Ohio, the birth-place of our Order.

The entire chapter attended the Alumni day banquet on March 15. A committee from the chapter secured signatures for a healthy alumni chapter. About 45 Phis reside in Columbus alone.

The local chapter of Beta Theta Pi has leased a commodious chapter house on Fifteenth avenue, facing the east entrance of the university grounds.

We were kindly remembered by Ohio Beta on the occasion of their alumni banquet, and extend congratulations on their recognized strength.

We trust to fare well in the inter-fraternity base ball schedule of this spring.

Two willing victims now await the onslaught of Saturday night: B. T. Archer, of Cincinnati, and E. C. Grant, of Groomsport, Ohio.

S. K. Clark (pledged) is recreating in and about Phoenix, Arizona.

Bro. Erdman was promoted to regimental adjutant recently. Bro. Schlesinger has been elected manager of the base ball team. Bros. Hughes and Reeves are initiates of Φ Δ Φ. Bros. Reed, Smith, Knox, Bock, Yerke, Schlesinger and Reeves are now members of Θ N E.

We have been honored with visits from Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown and Bro. E. T. Miller, of Columbus; Bro. F. H. Super, instructor in Ohio University; Bro. Williams, of Kenyon, who made us a very pleasant call upon his return for the spring term.

Fraternally,

Columbus, April 20, 1898. ISRAEL FOSTER.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

The 'varsity base ball team has not met with brilliant success thus far but has played some very creditable games. The Phis who play are Bros. Diebold and Quarrie; Bro. Jones is the manager.

Case will hold a joint field day with Western Reserve University again this year. This makes the third meeting day; so far Case has been beaten both times, but this is probably to be expected when her competitors are picked from all the four colleges of the university. Bro. Jones has been chosen captain of the track team.

The fourth volume of the *Differential* has just made its appearance; it is undoubtedly the best annual Case has ever published. Bro. Stephan was editor-in-chief and Bro. Diebold business manager.

Bros. Tyler, '98, and Gleason, '99, have gone; both enlisted promptly at the declaration of war and were accepted. They are now at Camp Bushnell in Columbus; both are in the same company. Bro. Tyler would have been graduated with his class this year had not war broken out. Notwithstanding our regret at their going we are glad to have such a representation in the army. May they make as good soldiers as they are Phis.

Our chapter will lose by graduation this June four men: Bros. French, Jones, Watson and Hulett. Commencement comes June 2. Bro. Baltzly, *Wooster*, *'96*, has affiliated with us.

In conclusion we wish to invite all Phis who may come to Cleveland, whether on business or pleasure, to come out and stay with us.

In the Bond,

Cleveland, May 6, 1898. FRANK HULETT.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Although the increase in fraternity men has been exceedingly light this spring I am glad to introduce two new members: Bros. Lester Smith, '98, and Zack Laughlin, '01. Both are worthy men and will greatly strengthen our ranks. Bro. Smith is a senior but will take graduate work next year and will be active in the chapter. Bro. Harry Laughlin, who has been teaching in Bloomfield, Ind., has returned to the university, and Bro. Oren Province, of Indiana Delta, has recently affiliated with us. Bros. Brown and Mason, both of the class of 1895, are in the university again this spring working for their master's degree.

Renewed interest is being manifested this spring in athletics. Our new athletic park is a beauty. Track athletics are receiving more attention than usual, and the quarter-mile track has greatly increased the facilities in that direction. Field day will be observed May 10, and we hope to send some good representatives to the state meet. Our base ball team is making a good showing and we hope to win back the state pennant from our old rival, DePauw. Bro. Alsop is playing at third base.

The glee club, whose winter and spring tours were so eminently successful, will make a summer trip during June, July and August. Dates will be filled at points in southern Indiana, Cincinnati, and Lexington, Ky., and Chautauqua Park. Prospects are flattering for engagements at Winona and Bay View, Michigan. The I. U. band was re-organized this spring and is furnishing the music at the ball games. We are represented by four Phis.

We are glad to say that alumni day exercises were carried out to the letter of the ritual this year. Bros. Simmons, Bradfute, Prof. Griffith, and Dr. Lyons were with us and gave us some interesting speeches, interspersed with much wholesome advice.

Bro. Woods, '97, is in the city at present visiting Phi brothers. Bro. Thad W. Rodecker, law, '97, will be here May 28 and remain until after commencement. We have enjoyed many pleasant hours in our hall this winter in a social way with our Phi Delta Theta girls. Instead of the usual Friday night informals we have introduced a new plan. On Saturday afternoons, which are generally times when we want to drive dull care away, we have gone to the hall and spent two or three hours very pleasantly. Our final term social will be held on June 3. Let the Phis remember that our latch string is always out and we shall gladly welcome you in should you chance to pass this way at that time.

Our honored alumnus and distinguished brother, Gen. John W. Foster, '55, has been in our city during the past week. He delivered a series of lectures before the student body on 'The Diplomatic History of the United States. To say they were highly appreciated by the students and faculty does not half express it. One evening he gave an informal address on the present crisis—'The Causes and Justice of the Cuban War.'

With best wishes for the success and happiness of all Phis, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Bloomington, May 8, 1898, ERNEST P. WILES.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated and beg to introduce to brother Phis Harry D. Alfrey, special, of Crawfordsville.

Mr. Romine, pledged, on account of injuries received in the class scrimmage of February 22, was not able to return to college this year.

The college glee club made a very successful tour during the spring term under Bro. Byers as manager. Bro. Bartholomew is the comic soloist. Bros. Todd and Bartholomew are the substitutes on the ball team, while Bro. Byers is manager and Bro. Hays, assistant. Bro. Foley has been elected local and fraternity editor and Bro. Griesel business manager of the *Wabash* for next year.

In social circles we are constantly increasing our lead over other fraternities. At the annual glee club concert all the loges in Music Hall were occupied by Phi Delts and their friends. After the concert a dance was given in our hall. On May 14 occurred the first fraternity drive in the history of Wabash, when Phis and their friends drove to the Shades of Death. On May 30 we were delightfully entertained at dancing by some of the most charming young ladies of Crawfordsville. Bro. Malone, '97, visited us the first of this week. Bro. Mittchell, '98, has been appointed instructor of English in the university at Beyrout, Syria. This is the first time that a man from a western college has been offered this appointment.

Since the opening of the base ball season we have been visited by Bro. Fearis, of Purdue, Bro. Fulton, of Illinois, Bro. Folsom, of Indiana, and Bros. Owen and McGaughey, of Indianapolis.

With best wishes to all for a pleasant vacation, I am

Yours in the Bond,

Crawfordsville, May 31, 1898. MARSHALL V. ROBB.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

On June 23 the class of '98 will end its college days, and Indiana Gamma will lose two men. The few short weeks that intervene between now and then, however, are the gayest in the whole college year, for then base ball, tennis, track athletics, social functions and the college work each strive to monopolize the student's time. Butler has a good nine this year, but all of her opponents thus far have had better. Bros. Cunningham and McGaughey, '01, represent $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ on the team with credit. The Phis, by faculty appointment, have again secured the position of editor-in-chief of the *Butler Collegian*, in the person of Bro. Hobbs, '99. Bro. McGaughey, as associate editor, will have charge of the department of athletics next year.

Our tennis court is in fine condition and is conceded to be the best on the campus. It has been the scene of several jolly tennis parties already, and many more are anticipated.

On the evening of April 25 we entertained a number of our friends and alumni with an informal reception at the home of Bro. F. R. Kautz. The decorations and entertainment were in keeping with the war spirit that is in the air. So was the music, and never were dances more delightful than those in which we kept time to our beloved national airs.

We were pleased to have with us for a short time last week our brother and alumnus, Prof. T. M. Iden, who is now professor of chemistry at the Kansas State Normal School.

Our chapter acknowledges the receipt of an invitation from Bro. C. A. Gleason, of Ohio Eta, to the junior prom. and regrets that none of the members were able to attend.

Since our last letter we have pledged two men whom I now take

pleasure in introducing to the Phi world: Bradford Wheatcraft, Greenwood, Ind., and Harry Heinrichs, Cumberland, Ind., both of '02.

With best wishes for a pleasant vacation to all brothers in the Bond, I am

Fraternally,

Irvington, May 10, 1898. VIRGIL DALRYMPLE.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL our reporter, Bro. Holman, has left his college work and joined a government surveying corps with which he has been connected for several years. He will return next fall, however. About a dozen of Franklin's best men responded to the President's call for volunteers, among whom were our track captain, physical director and several of our most promising athletes. Bro. Ed. Middleton, '97, enlisted in the Indianapolis light artillery.

It has been several years since Franklin has had a creditable annual. The junior class will this year publish the *Blue and Gold*, which will appear about June 1, and which gives promise of being a credit both to the class and to the school. Bro. Kenny held the arduous position of business manager on its staff. It will contain cuts of our active chapter and alumni chapter.

Our alumni chapter is making preparation to give the annual Phi Delta Theta commencement week reception. The active chapter, relieved of the pecuniary drain from that source, will purchase some new furnishings for the chapter rooms.

We will lose by graduation this year Bros. Moore, McAlpin and Monroe.

Yours fraternally,

Franklin, May 15, 1898. PARLEY W. MONROE.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

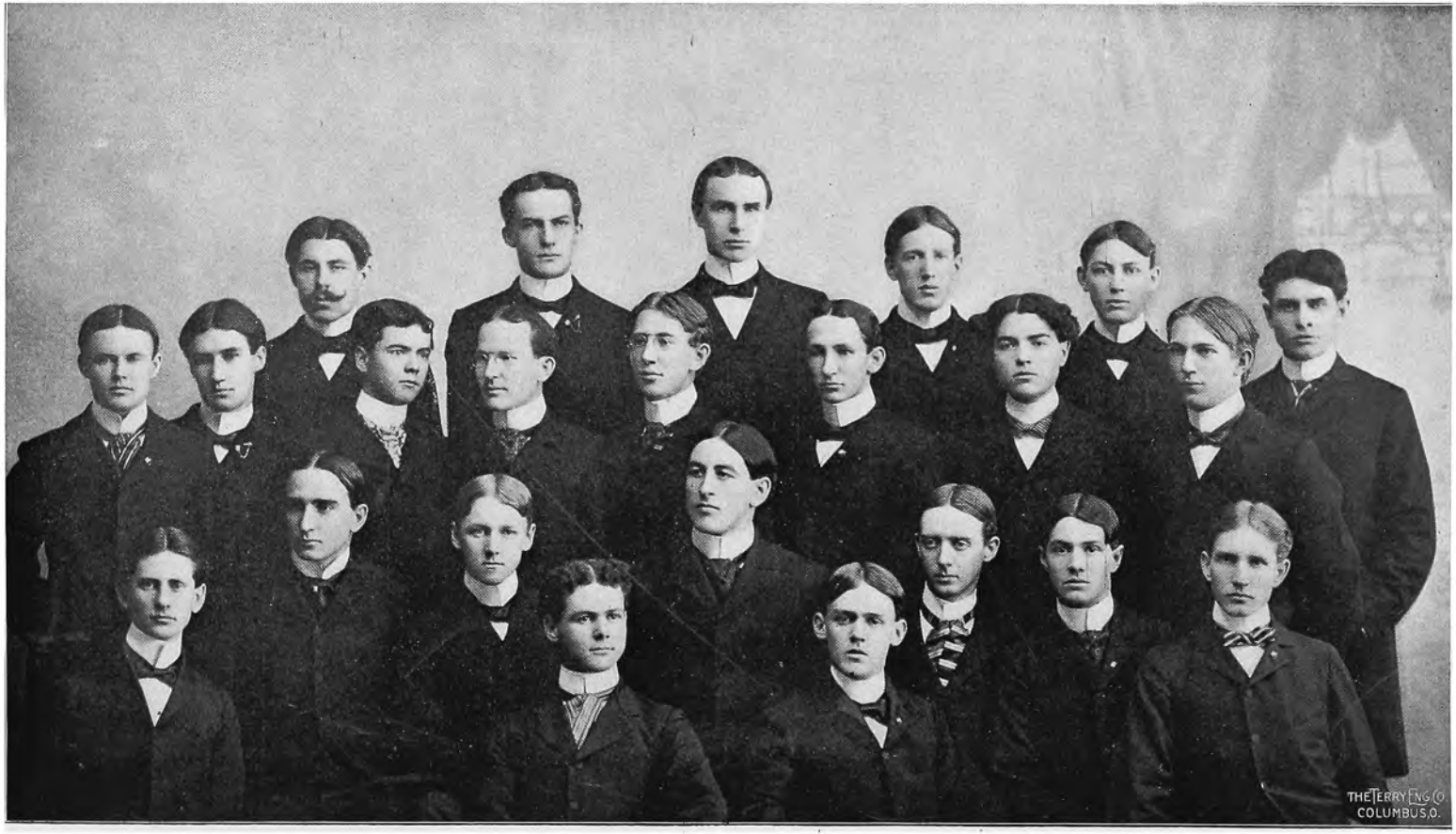
At the inter-state oratorical meeting at Beloit, Wis., Mr. Nadal, Δ K E, of De Pauw, who represented Indiana, took third place. Hereafter our primary oratorical contests will be held in May, in order that the successful contestant may have all summer to devote to his oration.

The second inter-collegiate debate between Earlham and De Pauw, was won by the former. De Pauw had the affirmative on the question: 'Resolved, That an income tax would be a desirable part of a scheme of taxation for the United States.'

Until the call for volunteers, it seemed that our base ball team would duplicate the brilliant record of last year. Yet since we have lost several of our best players, the outlook is far from discouraging. The score of games is as follows, our score preceding in each case: Indianapolis Training School, 15–4; University of Indianapolis, 7–4; Purdue, 16–6 and 2–9; Miami, 10–3; Indiana, 14–4; University of Illinois, 0–19; Beloit, 5–12; Wisconsin, 5–7.

During the season we have enjoyed visits from Bros. Cunningham, Owens and McGaughey, of Indianapolis; Fearis, of Purdue; Van Pelt, of Miami; Alsop, of Indiana; Byers, of Wabash.

Since the April SCROLL we have initiated J. Elmer Thomas, '00, of Vevalia, Ind., and Chas. Weeks, '01, of Swayzee, Ind. Bro. Roller is captain of the track team. Bro. Sims is a new member of the Skull club, and Bro. Hodges of Theta Nu Epsilon. Bro. Sims has been elected editor-in-chief of the '00 *Mirage*, and Bro. L. R. Cartwright, vice-president of the oratorical association.



INDIANA ZETA, 1898.

In the field day Bro. Thomas won the broad jump; Bro. Weeks, the pole vault and Bro. L. R. Cartwright the quarter-mile run. Bro. O'Dell took first place in the half-mile and mile runs and Bro. B. F. Roller won the shot-put and hammer-throw. In each of the last three events, the college record was broken.

With best wishes to all Phis, I am

Yours in Φι—κεία,

Greencastle, May 11, 1898. CHARLES B. CAMPBELL.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

On the evening of April 25 we gave a smoker, with some concert specialists as a novelty, for the purpose of showing our new hall to our friends. Last Friday evening we dedicated it with a dance, for which one hundred and fifty invitations were sent out. It was a splendid success and fully equaled our anticipations.

The war has taken from us Bro. Edwin Lennox, who is in the hospital corps of the Fourth Indiana Regiment, and Bro. Frank Henley, who is in the same regiment. Bro. Patterson was suddenly summoned to his home in Baltimore, on account of the serious illness of his mother, and has not yet returned

We have initiated Albert Reed Brown, of Lafayette; Hubert Barton Clapp, of Chicago; and Harry Rudolph Wilson, of Indianapolis.

Among our fellows Lennox was first lieutenant of artillery; Peck and Wilson are on the mandolin club; Fearis is on the base ball team; Dill is captain of the sophomore base ball team; Wilson is on the freshman base ball team; Peck, Knight and Lennox will represent us next year in the Skulls of 13.

Our chapter is in a very good condition and with a new house, a new hall, loyal local alumni and with all but one man returning next fall, the prospects seem very bright for a successful year.

Yours in the Bond,

Lafayette, May 11, 1898. PERCY H. BATTEN.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL two of our men have left college. Bro. Andrew Cooke, '99, has enlisted in the I. N. G. and is now a corporal in Company M, Young's Cavalry. Bro. Claud Seek, '01, is at his home in Rock Island, Ill., dangerously ill; Bro. Joe Brown, '00, was called to his home last week on account of the death of his mother.

Bro. F. McCasky is taking graduate work in law this semester. Bros. Mott P. Mitchell and Will Conner will be graduated with the class of '98. Bro. Conner will teach Greek in the academy next year. Bro. Clay Buntain, '99, has been chosen as one of the Rogers club debating team that will debate the Adelphic society in the preliminary contest, in September, 1898. Bro. Frank J. Webb is president of the Thalian dramatic society in the School of Oratory. This society puts on an average of fifteen plays a year in the school. Bro. Webb appeared in three this year. He is also president of the junior class in the Cumnack School of Oratory. Five students in C. S. O. were chosen by Prof. Cumnack to speak at the 'honor recital,' which will be held in the near future. Bro. Webb is one of the number. The men are selected on the grade of work done in elocution.

Nine men of the junior class wore the Deru colors on May 10, Bro. Buntain being one of those honored. Bro. Buntain is also a Θ N E.

Phi Delta Theta entertained Bro. Judge W. A. Woods last week. We have received visits from Bro. Barr, *Michigan*, '99, and Bro. Hutchins, '96.

G. T. Neswith, Σ N, won second place for Northwestern in the annual contest of the northern oratorical league. Chicago's athletes met defeat for the second time at the hands of Northwestern's track team May 8, the score being 71 to 54. The university base ball team has been a failure this season, having played six games thus far and lost them all. Bro. McCasky, '99, is captain of the university tennis team.

Ground has been broken for the new academy building. The work will be pushed from now on, in order that the building may be occupied next fall.

Illinois Alpha has taken steps toward securing a chapter house for next year.

Yours in Φ Δ Θ,

Evanston, May 12, 1898. GEO. E. MOORE.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Affairs with Illinois Beta are so commonplace that it would require a Eugene Field to write them up in a way to claim the interest of sister chapters. Things are moving along calmly and sedately with us, and we have about closed up the active work of the year with the assurance that the Fraternity here is at last on the fair road to success. We will begin the next college year with eleven men, seven more than last year, a condition that gives us much hope for the future, especially as the men we have secured during the year are excellent material and are making hustling fraternity men.

Bro. K. F. Flanders, '97, is a member of Company C, First Regiment Illinois Volunteers, at present encamped at Chickamauga, waiting for orders to move on Spain or any other old thing. While encamped at Springfield, before ordered south, Brother Flanders was one day doing guard duty when he saw a number of men bearing down on him, evidently without paying him the least attention. They refused to halt at his command, and he was proceeding to enforce his commands at the point of his bayonet when he recognized Brother Sawyer and a party of Illinois Eta Phis.

An inter-fraternity base ball league for a championship banner was organized lately, and last Saturday the first games were played. We lined up against Phi Kappa Psi and wrought so valiantly that at the end of six innings we had run up a score of 19 to 6. They had enough of it then and retired. The victory was due for the most part to the excellent battery work of Bros. Mosser and Graves, the former striking out ten men. We did not think we could do it.

Fraternities here were set to guessing lately by the voluntary surrendering by the local chapter of Sigma Nu of its charter. This chapter was one of the strongest of the fraternity, and while no reason is given for the action, it is strongly hinted the local men did not think the general fraternity quite up to their standard. What was formerly Sigma Nu is now the Q. V. club, and it is said to be trying for a charter from Chi Psi [Zeta Psi? ED.] or some other fraternity.

Almost coincident with the withdrawal of Sigma Nu, a chapter of Delta Tau Delta was chartered here and twelve men initiated. The latest fraternity arrival has several good men, but is not considered

especially strong. It occupies a house, in fact it did so before it was formally established. At the present rate there is danger overdoing the matter of fraternities here.

Bro. Stockey, who was graduated at the beginning of last quarter, is engaged in a work that may give him no small reputation in the world of letters. He is at present at his old home in Freeport, where he is hard at work upon a history of Stevenson county since its conquest from the Indians.

It is more than likely an attempt will be made to keep some sort of fraternity quarters open during the summer at the old stand, 5738 Monroe avenue. We will be pleased to see all Phis who may intend to take work at the University of Chicago during the summer quarter or all others who may be in the city from time to time.

In the Bond,

Chicago, May 22, 1898. HAROLD LE CLAIR ICKES.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Since my last letter the members of Illinois Delta have been very active and have gained more than their share of college honors. In athletic work Knox has upheld her usually enviable record. The base ball team was the strongest which has represented the college for a number of years, but owing to trouble with the faculty the season was cut short after the Burlington league team and the University of Michigan had been defeated. Bro. Wilson, '99, was manager of the team and played first base. Bro. Johnson, '00, captained the team and played second. Bro. Johnson is acknowledged one of the finest college second basemen in the west. Bro. Ingle, '01, pitched.

On May 27 the Illinois inter-collegiate field meet was held in Galesburg. Out of a possible 144 points Knox took 79, more than all the other colleges together. Nine records were broken by Knox men. Bro. Finley, '99, won first in the low hurdles, breaking the inter-collegiate record. Bro. Green, '00, though in a crippled condition, ran pluckily in both the high and low hurdles, winning second and third in these events, respectively. Bro. Lewis won third in the mile walk. On the evening of the same day Illinois sophomores beat the Knox sophomore team in debate. Bro. Parkin was one of the Knox representatives and made the strongest talk of the evening.

We have given two parties this term, the last one being given in honor of Dewey's victory. The hall was decorated in the national colors, and the programmes were of a patriotic order. Both parties were very enjoyable affairs. The chapter has a most encouraging outlook for next year, as but two men are lost by graduation. The offices we already have for next year are vice-president of the inter-collegiate athletic association, editor of the year book, manager of the foot ball team, chairmen of society committees, manager of the base ball team and secretary of the athletic association.

The college itself was never in a more flourishing condition and is rapidly taking its place as the leading minor college of the west. The faculty and student body are again in perfect accord and by next fall Knox will be heard from in an unmistakable way.

Yours in the Bond,

Galesburg, May 31, 1898. WILL MATHER LEWIS.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Illinois Eta began the spring term with 21 men, 17 of whom will return next year. We have several men in view for next year, and

will have the strongest chapter of any of the fraternities represented at the university.

The past month has been a very busy one for the university. The state teachers' association, Illinois inter-scholastic athletic association, inter-scholastic debate, Wisconsin-Illinois debate, state architectural board, have been occasions for meetings at the university.

Our chapter has exhibited its usual activity in politics. Bro. W. J. Fulton is president of the senior class and delivers an oration at commencement. Bro. F. T. Sheean was elected base ball manager in spite of very strong opposition. Bro. Hatch is on the senior ball committee. There are four Phis on the ball team. We are represented in the *Shield and Trident* (senior honorary fraternity) by five men and have five in Θ N E.

Our base ball team has met with varied success. We have shut out twice our old rival Michigan, both times by a score of 3-0, and were beaten once by her in a ten-inning game, the score of which was 4-3. We have won our series with Northwestern but have lost to Chicago. As Michigan has won her series with Chicago the western championship team is difficult to name. We are represented by Bros. W. J. Fulton, captain, Johnston, R. B. Fulton and Hazlitt on the nine.

Our chapter has inaugurated the circular letter, by means of which our members are informed of the movements of their brothers during vacation. Four seniors receive degrees, and Bro. W. J. Fulton will return and take a course in law.

With this letter closes the fourth year of the reporter's active fraternity life. It is needless to write, that the benefits derived from membership in Φ Δ Θ can not be overestimated.

In the Bond,

Champaign, June 2, 1898. A. N. HAZLITT.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Bro. Ragland, ex-'99, one of our initiates last fall, has left us to enlist in the army. Bro. Lawrence Curtis, one of our Madison alumni, has also enlisted. On April 28 the state guards of Madison left for Camp Harvey, Milwaukee. The students marched in a body to the train and gave them a rousing send-off. Recitations were forgotten and they all marched back to the hill and called on the various members of the faculty, who responded with short patriotic speeches.

The '99 *Badger* has at last made its welcome appearance and is as neat and bright as ever. It contains stories by Bros. Curtis, Bacon, '98, and Pardee, '01. The class of '00 recently elected their *Badger* board and decided to increase the board to twenty-six members. Bro. Dorset, '00, was chosen as one.

The fraternity has of late taken great interest in base ball. A team has been organized and it promises to be a very good one. Thus far we have only played one game, which was with the Δ Υ team. The final score was 21-14 in our favor.

The 'varsity base ball team has returned from its trip, having won three of the five games played.

The annual inter-scholastic field meet occurred on May 28, and was a great success in every way. Nearly every high school in the state was represented, and there were several entries made from high schools in northern Michigan. The Milwaukee West Side high school received the highest number of points. This is an excellent opportunity for rushing and spotting new men who expect to enter the university the

coming fall. The Phis made preparations for entertaining a number of guests and gave an informal party for them at Davy's Hall on the evening of the meet.

The May festival given under the auspices of the Madison choral union was indeed a rare treat. Three concerts were given in the university gymnasium. The Boston festival orchestra was secured for each concert.

Bro. Mann, '98, and Bro. Gaspar, ex-'99, spent a few days with us last week.

At present Bros. Turner and 'Bud' Hilbert are making us a short visit.

We are always glad to see old Phis, and we wish that more could drop in on us.

Yours in the Bond,

Madison, May 29, 1898. BERNARD C. DORSET.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Financially we are in good condition, due largely to the energy of our treasurer, Bro. Crawford. As delegates to the proposed province convention we have named George Smith and Frank Throop. Bro. Helphrey is with us only occasionally this term, as he is on the road as general agent for Underwood & Underwood. We hear with pleasure the gratifying reports he brings us concerning our chapters at Missouri State University and Westminster, which he has visited. Bro. Hukill, after a short absence, has returned to be graduated. He will then resume his work with a music firm of Burlington. As leader of our cadet band he has been a credit to the Fraternity. Bro. Rex, of Kahoka, Mo., has left us permanently. Bro. Hearne is out for the term. Bro. Guylee is in Chicago taking graduate work. Bro. Roth has returned from Ann Arbor and is doing journalistic work on one of our city papers.

Some of our boys have gone to serve their country. In camp at Des Moines are the following members of Iowa Alpha: Captain Jesse Clark, of Red Oak; Lieutenant Ed Hearne, of Oskaloosa; Karl Corley, Jason Randall and Chas. Hearne.

Few honors have been bestowed yet this term, but in their distribution Φ Δ Θ plays an important part. Bro. Stafford is track manager, member of the Wesleyan publishing company, and representative from his class on the freshman-sophomore contest. In the glee club Bros. Hukill and Geo. and Fred Smith are prominent members. Bro. Geo. Smith is president of Hamline literary society, in which Throop, Crawford and Pace hold responsible offices. Bro. Throop and your correspondent present the diplomas to the graduating members of Hamline and Philomathean. Bro. Pace is proving himself a model Y. M. C. A. president. He was chairman of the Iowa delegation to the inter-state oratorical contest at Beloit, Wis.

Our prospects for next year are bright. We will lose but three by graduation. In the chapter we will have strong and active men ready to work for old Phi Delta Theta. From our alumni come words of cheer, and a chapter house is a vision that promises future realization.

Fraternally,

Mt. Pleasant, May 10, 1898. J. McF. BECK.

IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Our chapter is in very good condition, considering the circumstances. We have been a little pushed to pay off our local expenses; we have fitted our halls up and furnished two parlors new throughout, and at present we have the finest and most neatly arranged halls in town. The war threatened to take some of our members, as it has done in all similar organizations. Bro. T. G. Fee was a member of the national guard at Centerville, Ia., being first sergeant of Company E, 2d Regiment. He was mustered into the U. S. service as first sergeant of the 50th Iowa Volunteers.

Bros. W. L. Barker and D. C. Peet went from here to Des Moines to join the light artillery, Barker going as second lieutenant and Peet as private. As no artillery was taken from Iowa, Barker has returned, and Peet, being called home on account of his mother's sickness, will not return this term.

We lose three members this year, leaving us eight to start with next fall. Bro. Reiley, of Knox College, will probably be with us next year, also Bro. McBeth, of Iowa Wesleyan. Bro. F. A. Soleman graduates from the collegiate department this year as a Ph. B. Bro. W. L. Barker also graduates from the collegiate department, Ph. B., but will return next fall to finish his law course. Bro. LeRoy E. Young graduates from the civil engineering course and will not return. Bro. G. M. Price, who was a graduate from the collegiate department last year, will finish his law course this year, and he expects to be practicing next year by this time.

Since our last letter we have initiated C. W. Roberts, of Mt. Pleasant, Ia. He became a member of Φ Δ Θ April 29, 1898.

Examinations close this term on Friday, June 3, and the same evening the Phis give their annual commencement party and banquet.

Yours in the Bond,

Iowa City, May 28, 1898. WM. G. WILLETT.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

It is almost with sadness that I write a report from Missouri Alpha. So many of our members that were oldest in the chapter volunteered for the war that we seem materially weakened. But those of us who remain, instead of being discouraged, appreciate the more our responsibility, and are working with even greater enthusiasm than before. We have given up some good men and hope to have them all back with us next September. Bro. Geo. H. English, Jr., is captain of the company sent from the university—Company I of the Fifth Missouri Volunteers. Bro. R. S. Edmunds is his first lieutenant. Bro. R. H. Switzler is at present sergeant-major of the same regiment. Bro. H. B. Williams and Bro. A. W. Brent are with Bro. English. Bro. H. B. Walker, '93, is a first lieutenant in the Missouri Volunteers. Although we have lost these good men, we have nothing to fear for Missouri Alpha's welfare. We are still ahead of any of our rivals.

Bro. G. A. Thompson has won the prize for the best thesis in the law department- $185 worth of law books.

The decision of the judges in the inter-state oratorical contest, held here last May, has been reversed. The Missouri orator who was given first there has been given second place, and the first place given Bro. C. F. Bell, Pennsylvania Delta, '94, representing Colorado.

With best wishes for all Phis, I am

Yours in Φι-κεία,

Columbia, May 24, 1898. CHAS. S. RUFFNER.

MAITLAND EDMUNDS YORK WHITE PEPER THOMPSON SMITH
WINTER SWITZLER BENT WILLIAMS DRUM
RUFFNER STEVENS JOHNSON BRODERICK DUNLOP ENGLISH TIEDEMAN

MISSOURI ALPHA, 1898.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

It was with the deepest regret that Nebraska Alpha was obliged to recall her invitation to Epsilon province and to postpone the province convention till some future time. We had been looking forward to it for several years and preparing, but so many of the brothers felt themselves called to enlist, that it was a manifest impossibility for us to entertain the convention this year, at any rate. The Nebraska national guard has been assembling here for nearly a month and has been taking men every day from the university. Nine Phis of the chapter have enlisted, and there are several Phi alumni in the ranks. Some of them got their share of the honors. Brothers Oury and Hayward are captains; Bros. Russell, Roddy and Weber are second lieutenants; Bros. Whedon and Haggard are sergeants. If the President makes a second call, and the report is to-day that he will, the chapter will miss more of the brothers. The first Nebraska regiment left for the Philippines yesterday morning, taking with it Brothers Oury, Russell, Weber and Whedon. Orders for the second have not yet been announced. The camp of the militia here in Lincoln has been the principal excitement of the spring term and overshadows all else.

We expect to graduate the following men on June 9: Bros. Weber, Russell, Haggard (who will receive their degrees even though they have enlisted), Mueller, Stone, Davenport and True. Three of these expect to return in the fall. Prospects for a good start next year are excellent. Since the last letter we have initiated Paul L. Case, of Lincoln. He was spiked by five fraternities, and we are naturally proud of our victory. We also have five others pledged for next year, and our first catch bids fair to be a most excellent one.

The annual field day took place on the campus May 14. Brother Case represented us in the mile run and though not first bids fair to do more athletic work. Several university records were broken.

In a social way the senior promenade and the Phi Kappa Psi party are of most importance since April 1. Brother Haggard acted as master of ceremonies for the former. The latter was undoubtedly one of the finest parties ever given in Lincoln.

Our new building for the school of mechanic arts goes on nicely. It is expected to be finished by fall.

Yours in the Bond,

Lincoln, May 17, 1898. CHAS. H. TRUE.

PERSONAL.

THE VOLUNTEER ARMY—OFFICERS.

K. M. I.—Gen. Henry Van Ness Boynton, '58, has been appointed brigadier-general of volunteers by President McKinley. Gen. Boynton, as chairman of the park commission, has been in charge of local arrangements at Chickamauga during the time troops have been encamped there.

Kansas—Col. Frederick Funston, '92, has command of the Kansas regiment now waiting orders at Camp Alger, Va. On account of his experience and high rank in the Cuban army, Col. Funston has been summoned to consult with Gen. Miles in regard to the details of the invasion.

Vanderbilt—Dr. Richard A. Barr, '92, of Nashville, is surgeon, with rank of major, in the First Regiment, Tennessee Volunteers, which will sail for Manila with the fourth expedition.

Illinois—Frank H. Hamilton, '95, has been appointed captain of engineers. He was formerly first lieutenant of engineers in the Illinois National Guard.

Nebraska—W. H. Oury, '97, is captain of Company B, First Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, which sailed for the Philippines with the second expedition.

Washington and Jefferson—F. B. Hawkins, '96, is captain of Company D, Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, which sailed for the Philippines with the second expedition.

Nebraska—W. H. Hayward, '97, is captain of Company C, Second Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, now in camp at Chickamauga.

Missouri—Geo. H. English, Jr., '97, is captain of Company I, Fifth Regiment, Missouri Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Iowa Wesleyan—Jesse Clark, '91, of Red Oak, is captain in one of the regiments sent out by Iowa.

Missouri—Harry B. Walker, '93, is first lieutenant in one of the regiments furnished by Missouri. He was his chapter's delegate to the Indianapolis convention in 1894, being at the same time president of the inter-state oratorical association.

Iowa Wesleyan—Ed. Hearne, '94, is first lieutenant in one of the regiments furnished by Iowa.

Missouri—R. S. Edmunds, '99, is first lieutenant in Company I, Fifth Regiment, Missouri Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Nebraska—E. O. Weber, '98, is second lieutenant, Company K, First Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, which sailed for the Philippines with the second expedition.

Sewanee—Oscar Wilder, '98, is second lieutenant, Company B, First Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers (Louisville Legion). He is now in camp at Chickamauga.

Nebraska—Philip W. Russell, '98, is second lieutenant, Company D, First Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, which sailed for the Philippines with the second expedition. He was his chapter's delegate to the Philadelphia convention, in 1896, and was chosen for Φ B K this year in the first drawing.

Nebraska—C. V. Nusz, '95, is second lieutenant, Company M, Second Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, now in camp at Chickamauga.

Nebraska—Thomas F. Roddy, '98, is second lieutenant and battalion adjutant in Company A, Second Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Missouri—R. H. Switzler, '98, is sergeant-major in the Fifth Regiment, Missouri Volunteers, now at Chickamauga. He was his chapter's delegate to the convention at Philadelphia, in 1896, and is now fraternity editor of the *Western College Magazine*.

Indianapolis—Robert L. Moorehead, '96, is sergeant-major in the One-hundred-and-fifty-eighth Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, now at Chickamauga. He was married on April 23, 1898, to Miss Gertrude McCollum, of Indianapolis.

Nebraska—B. D. Whedon, '99, is sergeant-major of the second battalion, First Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, now *en route* for Manila.

Nebraska—L. A. Westerman, is a sergeant in Company H, Second Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Iowa—T. G. Fee, '00, is first sergeant in Company E, Second Regiment, Iowa Volunteers.

Ohio State—W. A. Kah, '00, is a sergeant in the Third Regiment, Ohio Volunteers.

Nebraska—R. W Haggard, '98, is sergeant in Company K, Second Regiment, Nebraska Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Washington and Jefferson—C. Ward Eicher, '96, is sergeant in Company I, Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, now *en route* for Manila.

Northwestern—Andrew Cooke, '99, is a corporal in Company M, Young's (First) Cavalry, Illinois Volunteers.

Case—C. A. Gleason, '99, is a corporal in Company C, Fifth Regiment, Ohio Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Cornell—Corporal Wm. M. Purman, '95, of the Second Regiment, New York Volunteers, has been transferred to the First Regular Volunteer Engineering Corps.

VOLUNTEERS IN THE RANKS.

Washington and Jefferson—Alex. Eicher, '99, is with Company I, Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, now on the way to the Philippines. He is captain of the W. and J. eleven; ten members of the team have enlisted.

Washington and Jefferson—W. E. Ralston, '01, is in Company H, Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, now on the way to the Philippines.

Ohio—Arthur C. Johnson, '97, is with the Eighth Regiment, Ohio Volunteers, now at Camp Alger, Va.

Franklin—Ed. Middleton, '97, is with the Twenty-seventh Battery, Indiana Volunteer Artillery, now at Chickamauga. He has been seriously ill.

Ohio State—C. H. Woods, '98, is with Company H, Seventh Regiment, Ohio Volunteers.

Ohio—Howard L. Charter, '98, is with Company B, Seventh Regiment, Ohio Volunteers.

Buchtel—Gerald Brown, '00, a grandson of John Brown, is with Company B, Eighth Regiment, Ohio Volunteers, now at Camp Alger, Va.

Missouri—A. W. Brent, '00, is with Company F, Fifth Regiment, Missouri Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Iowa Wesleyan—Jason Randall, '99, is with one of the regiments sent out by Iowa.

Purdue—Frank Henley, '00, is with the One-hundred-and-sixtieth Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Iowa Wesleyan—Chas. Hearne, '99, is with one of the regiments sent out by Iowa.

Missouri—H. B. Williams, '98, is in Company I, Fifth Regiment, Missouri Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Iowa Wesleyan—Karl Corley, '96, of Grinnell, is with one of the regiments sent out by Iowa.

Dickinson—Frederick L. Kriebel, '98, who wrote the sketch of his *alma mater* for the current issue, and whose portrait and biography appear in the *Psi*, has enlisted with the Eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, now at Camp Alger, Va.

Tulane—A. K. Foot, '99, who was a law student at the University of Virginia, has been mustered into the United States service with the Monticello Guards, of Charlottesville.

Washington and Jefferson—H. W. Weirich, '97, is with the Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, now *en route* for Manila.

Chicago—K. F Flanders, '98, is with Company C, First Regiment, Illinois Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Dartmouth—E. P. Bailey, '97, instructor in mineralogy at Dartmouth, is with the regiment sent out by New Hampshire.

Case—R. D. Tyler, '98, is with Company C, Fifth Regiment, Ohio Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Dartmouth—W. H. Mitchell, '98, is with the regiment sent out by New Hampshire.

Wisconsin—Laurence A. Curtis, '94, is with Company G, First Regiment, Wisconsin Volunteers, now at Jacksonville, Fla., with Fitzhugh Lee's division.

Dartmouth—C. E. Carr, '98, is with the regiment sent out by New Hampshire.

Wisconsin—John K. Ragland, '99, is with the Fifth Regiment, Missouri Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Dartmouth—W. D. Turner, '98, is with the regiment sent out by New Hampshire.

Wisconsin—C. Seaman, '94, is with the Second Regiment, Wisconsin Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

SURGEONS AND DRUMMER BOY.

Purdue—Edwin Lennox, '99, is in the hospital corps of the One-hundred-and-sixtieth Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

De Pauw—Dr. F. W. Foxworthy, '94, is assistant surgeon of the One-hundred-and-sixtieth Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, now at Chickamauga.

Indianapolis—Dr. Wm. M. Wright, '86, was brigadier-surgeon of the Indiana National Guard before it was mustered into service. He was offered a position as regimental surgeon but declined because he would deprive someone of a place by doing so.

Miami—Dr. J. H. Macready, '89, of Cincinnati, is a member of the hospital corps, First Regiment, Ohio Volunteers, now at Port Tampa, Fla.

Miami—S. F Van Pelt, '01, is a member of the First Regiment band, Ohio Volunteers.

REGULARS.

California—W. S. Alexander, '77, is first lieutenant in the Fourth Artillery, U. S. A.

Auburn—J. B. McDonald, '91, is captain in the famous Tenth Cavalry, U. S. A.

Alabama—W. B. Bankhead, '93, has been selected by Adjutant-General Corbin as a candidate for appointment as second lieutenant in the regular army. If he passes the examinations he will be nominated by President McKinley and confirmed by the senate.

Wisconsin—Laurence A. Curtis, '94, has been named as one of the candidates for the position of second lieutenant in the regular army, chosen from among the honor graduates of military schools or colleges with departments of military instruction.

Nebraska—W H. Oury, '97, now captain of volunteers and *en route* for the Philippines, has just been named as one of the candidates for the second lieutenancies in the regular army, which have been created by increasing the number of battalions in each regiment to three.

THE NAVY.

Gettysburg—Ensign D. M. Addison, '95, who has been successively attached to the U. S. S. Machias and Bennington, is now with the North Atlantic squadron.

Ohio—Louis R. de Steiguer, '87, who was graduated from Annapolis in 1891, is now an ensign in the navy.

Alabama—Raymond Stone, '91, is an ensign in the navy.

Tulane—Wat Tyler Cluverius, '94, U. S. N., one of the survivors of the wreck of the Maine, has been appointed ensign by President McKinley.

Gettysburg—Dr. William H. Ulsh, '90, has entered the navy and been appointed assistant surgeon, with the rank of ensign.

South Carolina, '87—Lieutenant J. B. Patton, U. S. N., who has been inspecting armor plate at the Carnegie works, is now aboard the cruiser Brooklyn.

WITH PEN AND SWORD.

Indianapolis—John Randolph Spears, '72, is with the North Atlantic squadron as special correspondent of the New York *Sun* and *Harper's Weekly*. He has been dubbed commodore by the other members of the mosquito fleet, and is commander of the Kanapaha, a seventeen-knot yacht.

Ohio Wesleyan—Ed. L. Keen, '91, is one of the war correspondents on the staff of the Scripps-McRae league of newspapers. He was on duty in Cuba before the war broke out, but is now at Chickamauga.

Miami—Edwin Emerson, '89, war correspondent with the insurgents, is reported to have been captured by the Spaniards in Cuba.

Kansas—William Allen White, '90, has an illustrated article in *McClure's Magazine* for June, entitled 'When Johnny Went Marching Out,' describing the enlistment of volunteers in western towns, and scenes along the way to points of mobilization, in April and May.

Indianapolis—John Randolph Spears, '72, is the author of a four volume history of the United States Navy, from its origin to the present day, published recently by Charles Scribner's Sons.

Indianapolis—Judge John V. Hadley, '63, who was first lieutenant and aide-de-camp to General Rice during the civil war, has just had a volume of his experiences—'Seven Months a Prisoner'—published by Charles Scribner's Sons.

AT WEST POINT.

Washington and Jefferson—J. F. Bell, '98, has been appointed to a cadetship at West Point.

Columbia—Fred Hinrichs, Jr., '99, successfully passed his final entrance examinations and entered West Point this month.

Mississippi—Wm. A. McCain, '95, enters West Point this month.

AT WASHINGTON.

Northwestern—Clay Buntain, '99, has been appointed to a clerkship in the war department, at Washington, D. C.

Alabama—F. P. Gibson, '86, is a clerk in the war department, at Washington, D. C.

MORE ON THE SAME SUBJECT.

Westminster—Rev. S. Edward Young, '86, of Pittsburgh, has offered his services to the President during the war, in the life-saving work along the coast. His interest in this work comes from long association with the men engaged in it, while he was pastor at Asbury Park and Newark, N. J.

De Pauw—Frank Takasugi, '96, has tendered his services to the Governor of Indiana for the war with Spain. Considerable interest attaches to the fact, since his native country is not supposed to regard favorably the American conquest of the Philippines.

Vanderbilt—Dr. Paul M. Jones, '91, lived for a number of years near Greensboro, Ala., and was an early acquaintance and friend of Richmond P. Hobson, the hero of the Merrimac. Lieutenant Hobson was a member of K A at Southern University, and all fraternity men are delighted to congratulate that chivalric order on the glorious deed of her son. We are proud of him not only as Americans, but as college and fraternity men as well. We shall count it no more than just if the next number of the K A *Journal* is wholly devoted to the gallant lieutenant.

Wabash—Gen. John C. Black, '62, now U. S. district attorney at Chicago, has been elected commander of the department of Illinois, G. A. R.

Central (Mo.)—John H. Wills, '77, who was graduated at West Point in 1881, and whose death is reported in the Chapter Grand this year, was a resident of Abingdon, Va. At the time of his death he was first lieutenant in the Twenty-second Infantry, U. S. A., and was on sick leave of absence at Asheville, N. C. He was born July 10, 1857, was at West Point four years, was second lieutenant, Twenty-second Infantry, U. S. A., 1881–'90, and first lieutenant in

the Twelfth Infantry, 1890–'91, before he was transferred to his old regiment. He was a charter member of the short-lived chapter at Central College.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

COLLEGES.

President Crook, of Ohio University, retired at the close of this college year.

The students of the University of Pennsylvania are about to erect a memorial tablet to six members of the class of 1757, the first to be graduated there.

Dr. W. C. Roberts, of New York, has been elected president of Center College. He was formerly president of Lake Forest and lately secretary of the Presbyterian Northern Board of Home Missions.

Mrs. Hearst's architectural plans for the University of California include two club houses for undergraduates, in connection with the gymnasium, provided with all the appointments of the most modern club-house.

President Canfield, of Ohio State University, refused to excuse the university battalion from recitations, that it might take part in the farewell parade of the Seventeenth Infantry, U. S. A. The officers of the battalion appealed to the state senate, then in session, and President Canfield was requested to rescind his order, which he did.

On the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary of Miami University, in June, 1899, Whitelaw Reid will present to the school his library, which is said to be one of the finest private collections of books and manuscripts in America. Mr. Reid who is an alumnus of Miami, has been selected to deliver the anniversary oration at commencement next year.

Think of Harvard as a name to fight under, when not a vessel in the service honors that of William Bainbridge or Isaac Hull or James Lawrence or John Paul Jones! Conceive of calling a great cruiser the *Yale* and a wretched little torpedo boat the *Farragut* or the *Decatur*! Only one step further and we shall have the United States monitor *Vassar* and the United States battleship the *Misses Jones's Seminary*. Harvard and Yale and not Paul Jones or Hull! Shades of the mighty dead!—*Army and Navy Journal*.

A three days' conference of ministers and laymen of the Methodist church was held in Indianapolis, in April, to devise ways and means to cover the deficit in the budget of De Pauw University, caused by the failure of the De Pauw estate.

The legislature of Maryland has appropriated for the uses of the Johns Hopkins University the sum of $50,000 a year for two years, without conditions, so that for the present the university can continue its work without contraction of its activities or reduction of its teaching force.

The gulf states inter-collegiate oratorical contest was held at the University of Mississippi, April 29. G. H. Terriberry, K A, of Tulane, was the victor.

The Virginia contest was held at Richmond, May 6. A non-fraternity man from the University of Virginia was winner. Randolph-Macon was represented by Bro. S. M. Janney.

The southern association held its contest at Vanderbilt, May 18. N. F. Cheairs, Δ K E, of Vanderbilt, won, though the first ballot of the judges showed one vote each for Vanderbilt, Virginia and Sewanee.

The inter-state association held its contest at Beloit, May 5. Wm. Gorsuch, B Θ Π, of Knox, was first, and J. A. Barnett, B Θ Π, of Wooster, second. The decision of last year was revised and reversed, giving first prize for 1897 to Bro. Chauncey F. Bell, *Allegheny*, '94, now a member of the class of '99 at the University of Colorado.

FRATERNITIES.

Δ K E closes the year at Kenyon with three men: one senior and two freshmen.

Φ K Σ has established a chapter at Armour Institute of Technology, Chicago. This gives her thirteen active chapters.

Mr. Verner M. Jones, erstwhile editor of the K A *Journal*, is now editor of the *Cotton Planters' Journal*, of Memphis, Tenn.

B Θ Π has a new alumni chapter at Terre Haute, and Σ X one at Pittsburgh. K Σ has organized one at Chihuahua, Mexico.

Chi chapter of Π K A was established at Sewanee, May 17, with six charter members. Π K A now has fourteen active and eight alumni chapters.

Beta Iota chapter of Δ Τ Δ was re-established at the University of Virginia, April 30, with nine charter members. A chapter was established there in 1888, dying in 1893.

Β Θ Π and Χ Ψ moved into new houses this term at Union. The new Κ Α house at Sewanee will be completed by the last of July. Σ Α Ε has leased a house at Purdue.

The Σ Ν chapter at the University of Chicago, a strong organization, has surrendered its charter and become a local society. The *Times-Herald* thinks it may have designs on Χ Ψ.

Gamma Alpha chapter of Δ Τ Δ was established at the University of Chicago, Friday, May 13 (in defiance of superstition), with eleven charter members. Δ Τ Δ now has forty active chapters.

The editor is under many obligations to Mr. Clay W Holmes, editor of *The Shield* of Θ Δ Χ, for a copy of the elaborate menu mentioned elsewhere. It contains the engraved autographs of the banqueters.

The June *Beta Theta Pi* contains an article in line with Brother Palmer's article in the April SCROLL, advocating a simple and condensed form of fraternity catalogue. This article has received extended mention in nearly all our recent exchanges.

Κ Σ, in addition to the two new chapters reported in the last SCROLL, has a chapter at the University of Maryland. This gives her fifty active chapters, the charter of the one at U. S. Grant University, Tenn., having just been withdrawn. The chapter at the University of Maryland, Alpha Alpha, has twice died and been re-established twice.

The name Somers, given to the torpedo boat purchased in Germany in April, recalls the mutiny on the brig Somers in 1842, as a result of which midshipman Philip Spencer, one of the founders of Χ Ψ, was hanged. Members of Χ Ψ were called 'Pirates' by their rivals long afterward, as it was claimed Spencer intended starting on a career of piracy. His friends and many others claim that he was wholly innocent of the charge.

Mr. Willis O. Robb, reviewing 'American College Fraternities,' in the June *Beta Theta Pi*, says that Β Θ Π really established the first chapter at the University of Wisconsin; 'because Φ Δ Θ was and had been inactive for years,' when the Beta chapter was organized there. By the same reason-

ing, Φ Δ Θ might claim to have been the first fraternity at Miami, Indiana and Wabash, for when the Phi chapters were organized at these three places, the previously established Beta chapters there had died out. At Centre also Φ Δ Θ has had the longest continuous existence, the chapter of B Θ Π there having been suspended from 1862 to 1871.

Rev. Warren A. Candler, D. D., a member of southern K A and formerly a prominent officer in that fraternity, was one of two men elected bishop, last month, by the quadrennial general conference of the Southern Methodist Church. He has been president of Emory College for ten years, and during that time the college has received large additions to its endowment, while the number of students is greater than ever before. His successor as president is Rev. C. E. Dowman, D. D., Emory, '73, also a K A. Dr. Candler was graduated at Emory in 1875, and is probably the youngest man ever elected to the episcopate in the M. E. Church, South.

K K Γ holds her 'fourteenth' biennial convention at Lincoln, August 23–30.

Z Ψ held her annual convention this year with the Lafayette chapter.

B Θ Π meets July 19–22, at Cincinnati, Ohio—her 'fifty-ninth' annual convention.

Π K A meets at Atlanta, July 23–25. The convention will attend the Second Presbyterian church in a body, July 24, to listen to a sermon by a member of the fraternity.

Ψ Υ held her 'sixty-fifth' annual convention at Minneapolis, May 4–6. All the twenty-one chapters were represented save one. Two of the founders were present. Revision of the constitution was postponed one year.

The New York *Voice* gave a sensational write-up of the University of Michigan in the issue of June 9, which reminds one forcibly of the *Police Gazette*, omitting only the illustrations. 'All that is foul in the dark side of college life here,' writes the correspondent, 'is represented in the secret fraternities. All but two or three of the chapter houses bear a most disreputable reputation.' Specific charges of a most serious nature follow, involving Φ K Ψ, Δ T Δ, Σ A E and Δ Σ Δ (dental). Ψ Υ and Σ X alone are credited with a 'good repute' and house rules against drinking. The *Voice* for June 16 claims that the publication of this article 'greatly agitated' the fraternity men, who 'eagerly took all steps' to stop its sale and circulation.

It states further that few attempted to deny the truth revealed' and that two of the faculty who were 'investigated' were so nervous on the day the *Voice* came out, that they dismissed their classes after a few minutes' attempt to lecture.

To the list given in the December SCROLL of 52 colleges and universities at which Θ N E has established chapters, should be added the University of Illinois, Roanoke College and Central University. The latter is the only one reported as starting this year. Baird gives no chapter list for Θ N E, evidently disapproving of it. He says that there is good reason to believe that many of the chapters of Θ N E 'have been established without the consent of the organization as such.' In fact, it is generally reported that each new chapter is allowed to charter one other of its own selection. It is said that the five members of B Θ Π who joined Θ N E at Dickinson this year, were disciplined by their chapter for doing so. The Phi chapters at Case and Dickinson have by-laws against Θ N E membership.

The March K A *Journal* contains an unsigned letter to the editor from 'a member of Φ Δ Θ,' who comes out strongly against Θ N E.

The March *Shield* is devoted principally to the semi-centennial convention of Θ Δ X, held at the Windsor Hotel, New York, Feb. 8-10, 1898. Each of the twenty-two active chapters had three accredited delegates. The *Shield* gives no details as to legislation, except that 'The Θ N E problem was, once and for all, settled, so far as Θ Δ X is concerned,' which is not very definite as to the manner of settlement. The oration was delivered by President E. H. Capen, of Tufts College, and the poem was read by Rev. Cameron Mann, of Kansas City. Col. Wm. L. Stone 'read the introduction to his extensive history of the fraternity, which places on record for permanent reference a valuable mass of information;' and 'Prof. Duncan Campbell Lee, the historian of the second period, then gave an extemporaneous synopsis of his history, which brings down the records to the present day.' The great feature of the convention was the banquet, at which 244 were present, and which was a very elaborate affair. The menu alone cost $300, while the dinner cost $5 per plate. Bishop Mahlon N. Gilbert, of St. Paul, was toastmaster. Letters were read from Ambassador John Hay and Attorney-general John W Griggs. Of the six founders of Θ Δ X, the two

survivors, Abel Beach and Andrew H. Green, were present at the convention and spoke at the banquet. From their remarks it is learned that the cradle of Θ Δ X was the old North College at Union ; and that four of the founders were elected to Φ B K, while the real originator, William Hyslop, was valedictorian of his class. Mr. Beach said that Θ Δ X's underlying principle was ' love, geniality and good fellowship, and ' above all things we design to place it upon a good moral basis.' The success of the banquet, and of the whole convention in fact, was a great personal triumph for Col. Clay W Holmes, who has been editor of the *Shield* many years. He was presented with a silver loving cup by his associates on the semi-centennial committee. He tendered his resignation as editor, but the grand lodge refused to accept it. He has done a great deal to advance the interests of Θ Δ X, and the fraternity could ill afford to lose so intelligent, experienced and enthusiastic a worker. A memorial volume relating to the semi-centennial will be published if 300 subscribers at $5 each are obtained. So far only about one-third of the required number has been received.

THE PYX.

Walter B. Palmer, President of the General Council; Hubert H. Ward, President of Delta Province; Dwight N. Marble, ex-Historian of the General Council, and E. D. Soper, Pennsylvania Epsilon, '98, met at Washington, Pa., on Sunday, May 29. They found Pennsylvania Gamma in a flourishing condition. Two undergraduates, as well as two alumni of the chapter, have gone to Manila, which leaves ten active members. Of these six will return in the fall, and they will receive assistance from D. Glenn Moore, '98, the reporter during the past year, and other Phi residents at Washington. Several Washington and Jefferson fraternities rent houses, and the Phis are thinking of taking a house next year. It would doubtless be a cheaper arrangement, as the rental for their hall is high.

FREDERICK L. KRIEBEL.

Brother Kriebel prepared for college at an academy in his home town, North Wales, Pa., and entered the Latin-scientific course of Dickinson College at the age of fifteen. In his freshman year he won the Patton scholarship prize; he served as an editor of *The Dickinsonian*, holding this position until his senior year, when he refused election by the Belles-Lettres literary society; and he went as a delegate of the college Y. M. C. A. to Northfield. During the sophomore year he divided the McDaniel scholarship prize, which is awarded to the leader of the class; he also represented Belles-Lettres society in inter-society debate, and the college in the inter-collegiate debate with Bucknell University. He was again on the inter-society debate in both the junior and senior years, and on the inter-collegiate debate with State College in his senior year. In the latter contest Dickinson was victorious. Bro. Kriebel was president of his chapter and of his class in the senior year. He will study law probably at Cornell University. He is now, however, in the Eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, having enlisted under the first call.

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The editor resumed his college work about the middle of May and has been compelled to make haste very slowly on this issue in consequence. A Greek-type famine caused by the review of Mr. Baird's book, is also responsible for part of the delay. The October number will be out on time—if nothing happens to prevent.

The war is uppermost in our minds to-day. Φ Δ Θ may well be proud of her share in it. Our chapters at Nebraska, Missouri, Washington and Jefferson and Dartmouth seem to be most strongly represented, but the reports are by no means complete. Every reader of THE SCROLL is urged to send the editors full particulars in regard to Phis who have enlisted or gone as war correspondents, or who are members of the navy or the regular army. Now is the best time to make a record of this. A fact worthy of note is that nine of Nebraska's members were mustered in at the same time and continued the chapter organization so long as they were in camp at Lincoln. Another most remarkable fact is that all of these nine men are officers; there are two captains, four second lieutenants, one sergeant-major and two sergeants. Missouri's men take high rank, too.

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Will all subscribers whose address is to be changed in the fall please notify the editor of the fact promptly?

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Notices of several dances given by Tennessee Alpha have appeared in THE SCROLL this year. Another was given on May 6th, and it was written up in the *American* as a delightful social affair. On May 12, the chapter gave another afternoon dance in honor of two Nashville young women who were about to leave for Europe.

The Purdue chapter gave an elaborate dancing party, as a dedication of their new hall, on May 6. Many out-of-town guests were entertained. The La Fayette papers describe the furnishings and decorations of the new hall as exquisitely effective.

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Kentucky Delta gave a dinner in honor of the President of the General Council on April 19, while he was in Richmond. Those present besides Bro. Palmer were Dr. A. W. Smith, J. J. Greenleaf, J. R. Clark, F. P. Bowles, H. H. Huffaker, H. A. Douglas, T. H. Jones, Jr., J. D. Allen, R. S. Taylor, L. M. Smith and S. E. Booker.

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Readers of THE SCROLL are asked to read carefully the roll of the Chapter Grand and send the editor all corrections or missing data they may be able to furnish.

JOHN P. HELPHREY.

John P. Helphrey has for five years been a student at Iowa Wesleyan. In this time he has distinguished himself as a thorough scholar and has actively associated himself with all departments of college life. Since being identified with the Fraternity, he has faithfully endeavored to promote its interests.

His honor as president of the inter-state oratorical association is fitting to one who has held so many responsible positions among the students and who has paid special attention to oratory and by his own efforts won honor for himself and the Fraternity. Great emphasis has always been placed upon oratory in Wesleyan, and she has held prominent places of trust in the state association. Iowa Alpha of Phi Delta Theta has had her share of these, Bro. Perdew and Bro. Tucker having held the presidency and Bro. Roth the vice-presidency. In 1896 Bro. Potter was our representative orator and won the fourth place in the state contest, while in 1898 Bro. Pace won second honor and was chairman of the state delegation to the inter-state contest held at Beloit, Wisconsin. Bro. Helphrey performed the duties of his office with great credit. He is to be graduated this year, a well developed college man and ready to enter the broader field of business life, where we believe his activity and energy will win for him brighter laurels of success than have crowned his efforts here.

IOWA ALPHA.

The editor wears a badge, that of his father, Rev. John C. Miller, *Indiana*, '55, which was made in Cincinnati in the winter of 1854–55, and which is an exact counterpart of the one described in this issue by Dr. Robert Morrison. He would like to know how many other badges made in the fifties are still preserved. The only other one he has seen is that of Maj. J. L. Mitchell, *Indiana*, '58, now worn by his son, James L. Mitchell, Jr., *Indiana*, '89.

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The De Pauw chapter is not content with her record of seven firsts out of a possible ten on field day. She follows this up with three elections to Φ B K from four seniors. Δ K E had three chosen from six seniors; B Θ Π, one from one; Φ K Ψ, two from eight; Φ Γ Δ, one from six; Σ N, one from five. There were two non-fraternity men. Women were chosen this year for the first time.

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We hear that the Denver alumni were to have a reunion on June 18. A report will be expected for the October SCROLL.

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We are under obligations to the reporters who so promptly sent us the *Ariel*, the *Differential*, the *Liber Brunensis*, the *Blue and Gold*, the *Garnet*, the *Gale*, and the *Mirage*. Next!

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THE SCROLL is pleased to acknowledge invitations from Rhode Island Alpha and Missouri Alpha for their commencement receptions, and from Bro. W. K. Scott and Bro. F. R. Owens for their graduating exercises, as well as the menu of Ohio Eta's second annual senior banquet. All these are eloquent of good times and high honors.

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The Secretary of the General Council wishes to exchange old numbers of THE SCROLL for the following: Vol. II, Nos. 1, 3, 4; III, 1, 2; IV, 2; V, 1; VI, 1, 2, 3, 5, 9; VII, 2, 7, 8; VIII, 5, 7; IX, 1, 6; XII, 1, 3, 9; XIII, 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9; XV, 1. Address W. R. Brown, N.Y. Life Building, Minneapolis, Minn. Bro. C. B. K. Weed desires to secure for his chapter the following numbers: Vol. VIII, 6, 7, 8; IX, 5, 9; XII, 6, 9. Address him at Sewanee, Tenn.

BENJAMIN F. ROLLER.

Benjamin F Roller was born July 1, 1876, near Newman, Ill. He entered the preparatory school of De Pauw University and was at once a member of the 'varsity football team, on which he played almost every position in succession until 1897, when he played left guard as captain. He was university athletic director, 1897–'98, and captain of the track team which won third place in the state meet at Indianapolis this year. He holds the state championship in throwing the sixteen-pound hammer. He has held the championship of Indiana in putting the sixteen pound shot for three years. In the meet this year he succeeded in raising the state record at Indianapolis to 40 feet 1½ inch. His best record in the hammer throw is 112 feet; in the shot put, 41 feet 6 inches. He won second place in the shot put in 1897, at the W. I. A. A. meet, at Chicago. He is a member of the Chicago Athletic Association. Bro. Roller became a Phi in the fall of 1895, and was graduated this year from De Pauw. He is also a member of the Skulls of 13, the junior inter-fraternity society, and is a first lieutenant of artillery.

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Each reporter will please attend to two important matters at once: send in his summer address or that of his successor; mail or have mailed to the editor a copy of the college annual for 1897–8.

FRANK S. PALMER.

Frank S. Palmer, of Georgia Beta, will represent Emory College in the Georgia state oratorical contest at Atlanta in August. He is a member of the junior class and during the last three years has won distinction as a declaimer. The contest to select a representative for the state contest was open to the whole college, and about fifteen of the best speakers among the students sought the honor. The three members of the faculty who composed the committee of selection gave first place to Frank S. Palmer, and chose John S. Tilley, a Phi of the senior class, as alternate. Brother Palmer's speech was entitled 'Love of Country.' He has also been elected by the Few literary society as anniversarian for next year. Since entering college he has been an earnest and enthusiastic worker for Φ Δ Θ. He attended the convention at Philadelphia in 1896. This year he is both reporter and treasurer of his chapter. He is the brother of Walter B. Palmer, President of the General Council, and of Louis M. Palmer, Tennessee Alpha, '95, now of St. Louis.

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Arrangements for the convention are progressing, but as two more issues of THE SCROLL appear before Thanksgiving, further announcements are deferred until October.

OUR NEW CHAPTER.

The application for charter from the University of Cincinnati, which was mentioned in the issues of *The Palladium* for March and May, has been granted, and the chapter will be installed on Saturday evening, July 2, when the members of the local society, Γ Ν Σ, will be initiated into Φ Δ Θ. This society was formed last November for the purpose of obtaining a charter from Φ Δ Θ, and since then the members have been working industriously in arousing the interest of the alumni, and in placing their claims for recognition before the Fraternity.

All Phis who have investigated the standing and equipment of the University of Cincinnati have been convinced that Φ Δ Θ will be strengthened materially by having a chapter there. The institution is growing rapidly; its standard is high, its equipment excellent, and it is liberally supported by the city of Cincinnati, which levies a property tax for its benefit. The professional schools are among the best in the whole country, and the new chapter will always have a number of affiliates from other chapters.

A special visit to the institution was made in April by President Palmer of the General Council and by Province President Guerrant, and the former has been in Cincinnati since the first of June. The application, like that from Case two years ago, is backed unanimously and enthusiastically by the local alumni. Among those who have been most earnest in endorsement of the application are such experienced Fraternity workers as Hon. Scott Bonham and Hon. Wm. E. Bundy, both ex-province presidents, and Dr. A. B. Thrasher, ex-editor of THE SCROLL. The Cincinnati alumni represent many chapters, and occupy many important positions of trust. An active chapter will do much to bind them closely together in the future.

A circular of information about the University of Cincinnati and the Γ Ν Σ was issued by that society early in May, and a full description of the institution by President Palmer appeared in the last *Palladium*. The charter members number eleven members of Γ Ν Σ, all of the academic department, and all residents of Cincinnati, with two members of Φ Δ Θ who are professional students. Their names with personal information are given in *The Palladium*. The secretary of Γ Ν Σ is Guido Gores, 938 McMillan avenue. The initiation followed with a banquet will take place at the Scottish Rite Cathedral on the evening of July 2. All

Phis who are near Cincinnati should arrange to attend the installation; address Bro. Walter B. Palmer, Dennison Hotel, Cincinnati, for further information and be sure to notify him at once if you expect to be present. THE SCROLL extends hearty greetings to the semi-centennial chapter, and wishes for it a most successful career.

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New York Beta wishes to announce through THE SCROLL the proposed camp which is to be located on Otsego Lake, near Cooperstown, N. Y., next August. All Phis who can at any time during the encampment be present and join in a good time, are requested to write to Bro. LeRoy O. Ripley, Cooperstown, N. Y. It is expected that the camp will be established about August 15, 1898, and that it will last two weeks or longer. Let it be understood that this is not a New York Beta camp, but a Phi Delta Theta camp, and any and all Phis are welcome to join the party for a day, week or the entire time. Be sure to write to the above address. Let all who can, come. In the Bond.

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