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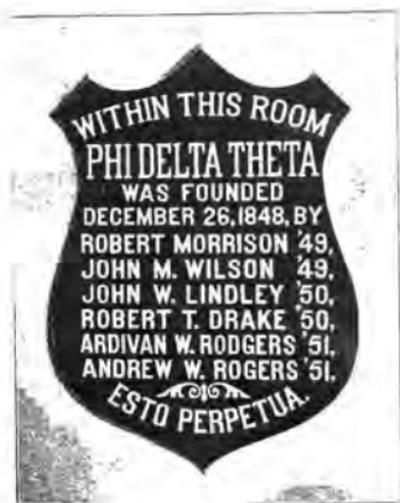
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THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AT MIAMI.

Commencement week of 1899 was a season of celebrations at Oxford. The golden jubilee of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ coincided with an important anniversary of Miami. It was seventy-five years since the university had been opened, and the 'diamond jubilee' exercises covered many days, including, as they did, in addition, all the customary closing events of the academic year. The alumni were present from every part of the country, and the attendance of the representatives of classes in the sixties and fifties and forties was astonishingly large. Governors of neighboring commonwealths, distinguished sons who had won fame on the bench, in the pulpit and in the professor's chair, prosperous business men, retired farmers—men of every walk in life were found among the old Miami boys. Oxford was overrun. The hostelries were crowded, every family had its guests, and the two women's colleges were made hotels for the time being. At the Oxford Female College, Bro. Lafayette Walker, *Miami*, '68, was host to a number of the visiting Phis, including those of the general officers of the fraternity who attended the celebration.

Every train was met by reception committees bedecked with ribbons of all colors and meanings, and every newcomer soon flung to the breezes his Miami red and white anchored to a university button, and beside it the argent and azure of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, the pink and blue of $B \Theta \Pi$, the blue and gold of ΣX , $A \Delta \Phi$'s green, or the rainbow ribbons of $\Delta K E$. The undergraduates took the older boys in tow, and the latter spent many pleasant hours on the piazzas or along the campus paths telling how they did it in their day. It was sixty years since $B \Theta \Pi$ appeared on the scene and forty-four since ΣX 's advent, but aside from the presence of an unusually large number of their alumni at all the other exercises of the week and especially at their customary

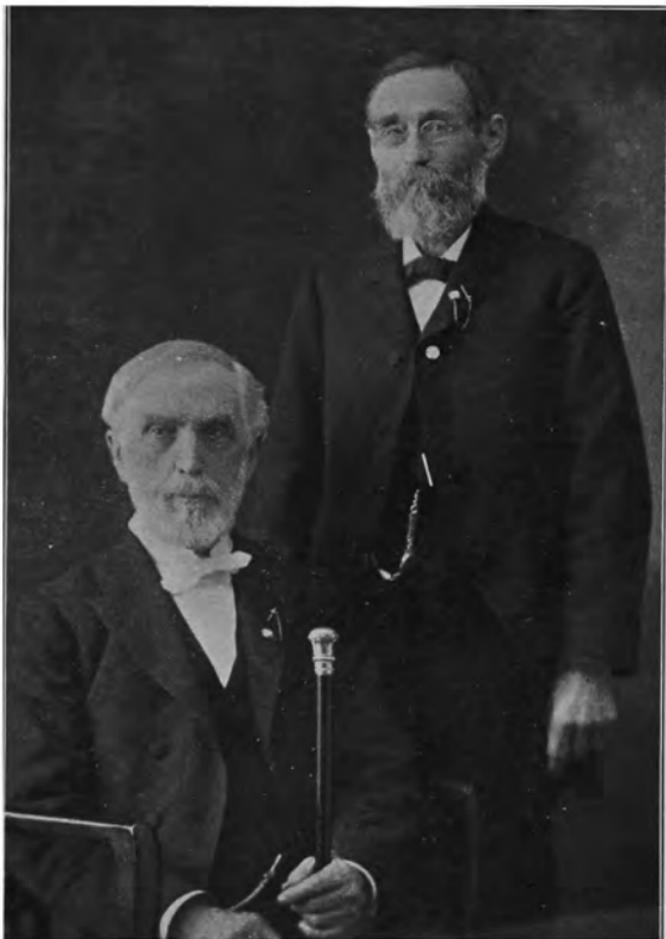
commencement banquets, these fraternities attempted no distinctive or separate ceremonies. It was interesting to note the large size and peculiar finish of the earlier badges of all the societies, most of them being without jewels. They were worn conspicuously and proudly. Fraternity life had evidently been no small feature of college days. The oldest Phi badge seen, and indeed the only one the editor has ever seen that antedates the one he wears (his father's) was in the possession of Rev. E. P. Shields, '54, of Bridgeton, New Jersey. This badge was slightly different in shape from the badges of 1849 and of 1854, but was made in 1852 or 1853, by Beggs and Smith, of Cincinnati, who made the others.

Class day exercises came early on the afternoon of June 13, and at their close, at three o'clock, the Phis marched into the new chapel. Had the weather been favorable, the large amphitheatre in the campus, between the gymnasium and the dormitories, would have been used. The stage was bright with flowers and foliage, and particularly with Phi colors. The chapel pulpit was covered with an American flag and hung with festoons of Phi ribbons. There was fine music, and the room was crowded. The official delegation that filed in to the chairs on the stage included Bros. J. Clark Moore, Jr., *Pennsylvania*, '93, P. G. C.; Frank D. Swope, *Hanover*, '85, S. G. C.; Hubert H. Ward, *Ohio State*, '90, T. G. C.; Hugh Th. Miller, *Indianapolis*, '88, R. G. C.; Woodbury T. Morris, *Williams*, '92, president of Delta province; Robert Morrison, *Miami*, '49, and John Wolfe Lindley, *Miami*, '50, two of the three surviving founders; Andrew Carr Kemper, *Miami*, '53, poet of the day; Alston Ellis, *Miami*, '67, orator of the day; Harry Weidner, *Miami*, '88, and Karl H. Zwick, *Miami*, '00, of the committee on arrangements; and President Thompson, of Miami, since chosen president of Ohio State University.

Brother Moore took charge as president of the day and introduced Father Morrison, who offered the opening prayer: O God, Thou great, eternal and unchangeable Being! Thou art our Creator and our Preserver, and we come to Thee with united hearts and ask Thee to show Thy presence at the beginning of these exercises, for we know in our hearts we can do nothing without having therein Thy approval.

We are met here under happy auspices and we desire to thank Thee for it all. Thou hast given us ten thousand blessings and Thou hast never forgotten us nor neglected us. Here we are to-day the monuments of Thy goodness. Shall we fail to thank Thee for Thy mercy? Shall we not rather glorify Thee for sending us showers of blessings?

We thank Thee that Thou hast made us intelligent, moral beings. Make us feel our true responsibilities to our fellows, our God, our countrymen and to ourselves. Enable us to be helpful to each other.



ROBERT MORRISON, '49, AND JOHN WOLFE LINDLEY, '50,
Founders of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, present at Miami, June 13, 1899.

We bless Thy kindness in bringing forward through all the changes of life the order to which we belong. As the Lord has been kind to us, may we show our faithfulness to Him. We have not always done right. Wilt Thou forgive us and be with us in this seat of learning?

May God bless the university where we are now assembled. Bless its officers and directors and this faculty and its students. May God give grace and wisdom according to the needs of each one.

We ask for Thy guidance and blessing upon each one of us. We pray that all we may say or do shall be in accordance with Thy will. When life closes may we all enjoy that kingdom where life never ends and where joy never ceases. We ask these things in Thy name. Amen.

President Moore then said:

Brothers of the Fraternity, Ladies and Gentlemen: We are here to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of our organization, whose basic principle is friendship—that friendship of which Cicero speaks, and which another philosopher tells us is heaven-born—friendship which brings out the best character of man. We are glad to be here to-day at the celebration of our fiftieth anniversary and in this seventy-fifth year of Miami University, an institution which has sent out many men who have achieved national greatness. We are proud that our order, now flourishing all over this land, was founded in Miami, and we are delighted to be able to participate in her celebration.

I now take pleasure in introducing Dr. Thompson, president of Miami University, who will deliver the address of welcome.

Dr. Thompson's remarks were as follows:

Members of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ Fraternity, Ladies and Gentlemen: There is but one reason for an address of welcome, and that is that you are welcome. I am glad as president of the university to extend to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and to her friends a cordial welcome on this occasion, and all our friends here join with me in doing so. Oxford is yours, and the college is yours.

We are going to enjoy ourselves, and it may be a little late in the morning before we are through. I want to serve notice to our citizens to take their nap early in the afternoon, because we propose to make a little noise after ten o'clock, and we are ready to stand the bill for all damages. I am sure that the boys will understand what I mean. [Laughter.] I want you to take possession of everything you see except me. Take everything and make yourselves at home. Oxford is free and open this week to everybody.

We hope your stay will be pleasant. Let me tell you how long you ought to stay, if any of you have any doubts about it. They opened up a town once in the south and laid it out with great care. They had beautiful streets and drives running in every direction. Everything seemed complete. But some thought they should have a cemetery, though some thought they did not need one. The matter was discussed with much warmth for many days among them. Finally, after much discussion, they decided to lay out a cemetery, but they were much perplexed to find a suitable motto to place over the entrance. An Irishman who was called upon to suggest a motto, finally gave them one that he said would be appropriate. It was this: 'We are here to stay.' [Laughter.] We want you to make this your motto. We want you here to stay and enjoy all the exercises of the week with us. [Applause.]

Bro. Weidner followed with an eloquent welcome in the name of Ohio Alpha.

Brother Phis and Friends: If I could borrow the classic attainments of our own lamented David Swing, the surpassing beauty of whose expression could be as soft and tender as the songs of Goethe and the creations of Raphael, or as rugged and sublime as the thundering numbers of Homer and the dazzling splendor of Michael Angelo; if I could command the poetic genius of our beloved Eugene Field, whose mind was a rhythmic stream of poetry, cascading and sparkling, banked in sweet flowers and singing to perfumed meadows made happy by its song; if I could pluck one of the smallest clusters of the eloquence of our own illustrious Benjamin Harrison, whose utterances are always luscious with the mellowest fruitage of ripened thought—then and only then could I, on this auspicious occasion, convey, in adequate terms, the warmth and cordiality of Ohio Alpha's greeting and welcome to you, and especially to Fathers Morrison and Lindley, the honor of whose presence is an inspiration.

We are here to celebrate the golden anniversary of Phi Delta Theta. Here at her shrine, with the glory of her presence about me, let me testify that the years have but deepened my reverence and my love, and that my heart ever shall hold in grateful remembrance that loving comradeship which laughed at separation, but has lived beyond the grave. It is meet that we first pay tribute and homage to our founders, the immortal six, three of whom have joined 'the choir invisible, whose music is the gladness of the world,' for instituting and carrying on to flourishing activity a fraternity whose corner-stone is friendship, whose watchword is fidelity, and whose talisman converts the cold glance of strangers into the cordial recognition of brother. Never since the azure and argent folds of her standard were unfurled to the breeze of heaven has there appeared a brighter promise than arches its horizon to-day. It has passed out of the glimmering dawn of infancy, the darkening storms of early youth, and has emerged into the noontide splendor of success in a career of moral grandeur and usefulness upon which the whole college world may look with pride, with hope and with joy. It is also fitting that, on the threshold of its second half century, we reverently lift our voices in gratitude to God, and with confession and supplication, with thanksgiving and devoutness, with praise and adoration, acknowledge our dependence and guidance on Him who rules the destinies of men.

'Soldiers,' said Napoleon, on the eve of one of his battles, 'soldiers, from yonder pyramids forty centuries are gazing down upon you!' But on that December evening, from far nobler and loftier heights, the Divinity of Friendship was looking down upon that little group in yonder dormitory, moulding and shaping the friendships that were to spring from its deliberations, so that they should not be of a transitory existence, but as enduring as heaven, as lasting as truth. The friendship of Phis has the charm of 'entireness, a total magnanimity and trust.' It is an unspeakable blessing. It is a flower of rare beauty. Its fragrance dispels every poisoned thought of envy and purifies the mind with a holy and priceless contentment. True friendship, such as Phis avow and pledge to each other, can only be found blooming in the soil of a noble and self-sacrificing heart: there it has an endless summer of unalloyed serenity and felicity. And as long as the stars embellish the majesty of night and golden clouds encompass the sinking sun; as long as we can greet the innocent smile of infancy and the gentle eye of woman; as long as we are entranced by visions of glory

and dreams of love and hopes of heaven; while life is encircled by mystery, brightened by affection, and solemnized by death, so long will flourish the exhilarating spirit of friendship among Phis.

On this festive occasion we can, with due propriety and without fear of criticism, pronounce Phi Delta Theta the empress of college fraternities. Culture, in its highest, noblest and purest sense, is the goal of her ambition. 'Christian ethics, founded upon the Bible,



ANDREW WATTS ROGERS, MIAMI, '51,

The third surviving founder of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

teaches us that man has three great duties to perform—one to his God, one to his country, and one to himself. The very foundation of our system of government is the home, and its safety and perpetuity depend upon the education, the morality, and the patriotism of the sovereign people,' and I know of no instrument that contributes more to the realization of these sublime ideals than the sacred Bond of Phi Delta Theta. It stands for nobility of character and citizenship in order to enrich the republic through the devotion of her sons and the patriotism of their scholarship. Every true and loyal Phi, like Coriolanus, loves his country's good with a respect more tender, more holy and profound than his own life. And what is our country? It is not the east, with her countless cities of magnificence—vast hives of industry and of thrift. It is not the north, with her fruitful harvests laughing in their gladness. It is not the west, with her majestic mountains opulent with hidden treasures. Nor is it yet the south, 'where by night the cotton whitens beneath the stars, and by day the wheat locks the sunshine in its bearded sheaf.' What are these but the sister family of one greater, better, holier family, our country—one people united in perpetual ties of amity and love, one people offering allegiance to one flag—the heaven-born banner whose colors are as one smile of God, bringing to all men everywhere liberty, equality and fraternity.

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Again, in the name of Mother Alpha, the pleasure is mine of extending to one and all greetings and welcome.

President Moore then introduced Hugh Th. Miller, editor of THE SCROLL, who responded on behalf of the fraternity. He said:

Mr. Chairman, Brother Phis, Ladies and Gentlemen: We thank you all for the cordial welcome which has been extended to us in the last two addresses. We thank you not only for the welcome which we believe we have in your presence here to-day, not only for the welcome which you assured us we should have before we came, but especially for this opportunity of assembling here with the students and alumni of Miami University, and in meeting with those who have watched over her through years of vicissitude and danger.

We have a special debt of gratitude to the founders of the institution which has played so important a part in the development of the great middle west, making Miami a pioneer in education, and sending scholars and statesmen through all the west and even to the east. We must thank you first as citizens of the United States, for the great benefit conferred upon the whole country by the founding of this university. We are also pleased to be thus welcomed because this is the home of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ fraternity. As we study this place and see the character of the men who went forth from these halls, we believe we are fortunate men to have had our fraternity's birthplace in this favored spot. The principles on which the university was founded were of the best. Their influence has been kept up, and their early promises fulfilled. Miami's present standing is high, and her standard was never higher.

We have many reasons to be grateful for this welcome to-day. We know these words of yours are not idle words. We know they come from the heart, and we thank you for them.

We look back to that college year of 1848-1849 when this fraternity had its birth, and we find that many things have happened since. Who would have thought that on that December night, now fifty years ago, those six men were founding an order which should to-day number ten thousand members scattered from sea to sea? Did they have a conception of the great movement they were commencing? They must have felt at the time that the principles upon which they then established $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ were eternal. They must have felt that these could never die. To-day there are chapters of our order in sixty-four colleges, from Maine to California. We have men from these chapters in every city in the union. These men, whenever they come here, will have emotions and feelings like those awakened in one who returns to scenes of childhood days. It is an inspiring thought to us that we are here upon the spot where our founders walked and talked.

Again we thank you for this royal welcome made doubly dear to us, because you who are here, and those who have gone before you, have made it possible by your labor of love for us to find still so beautiful and prosperous the institution which was the cradle and first home of our beloved fraternity.

Bro. John Wolfe Lindley was then introduced and welcomed with a burst of long-continued applause. He said: Ladies and Gentlemen: My time of speech-making passed away many years ago. I am conscious of the fact that I can not be heard by all in this audience, but I can not refrain from expressing the

pleasure that I feel in coming back after fifty years to my *alma mater*, who is the mother of colleges. I am gathering up many pictures of the past, which I shall carry away with me.

It was on the evening of December 26, 1848, that six college young men, in that room where we have placed a memorial tablet, founded this fraternity. We had the co-operation of the president and the faculty, and how well we performed that work, and how successfully it has been carried on since that time, is seen by the rapid strides the order has made in the past few years. We now have ten thousand brothers, many of them men who are distinguished in their walks of life. We have in our ranks men who have held the highest offices in the gift of the people of this country. We have presidents of colleges and universities, men in all the civil offices of the land.

Fifty years ago, when we founded this fraternity, there were six of us, and of the six founders there are but three of us alive to-day. In a few more years all the founders will have passed away. Perhaps not one, or at least very few of us who are here to-day, will live to witness the celebration of our second half century. But the fraternity will endure, and I predict for it a future grander and more noble than its glorious past. [Applause.] I believe that it is only in its youth, and that its growth will go steadily on. If it shall continue to make the same rapid progress in the next fifty years that it has made in the past fifty, we shall certainly have at that time a membership of many times ten thousand men. We shall enroll among our members men whose zeal and work will make them a power in this land of ours. I am proud to be one of the founders of a fraternity that has sent out so many and such noble men in so short a time.

I am very happy to meet with you on this occasion and to have the pleasure of joining with you in this celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ fraternity. I trust that our fraternity shall go forward and see still greater prosperity and growth in the future than ever before. [Applause.]

President Moore then introduced Dr. Andrew Carr Kemper, who read the anniversary poem. Before reading Dr. Kemper said:

We commemorate a cycle of fifty years on this occasion. These are our fifty years. They are our fifty years because their horizon environs our lives. They are ours because our life-work was done in them. They are ours because whatever of good we have done will be exerted upon time through the influence of these years. They are our fifty years because whatever the future may know of us is embalmed in their history. They are ours because in these years was founded $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

OUR FIFTY YEARS.

Our fifty years are past,
 But not forever cast
 Beneath the shadows of forgetfulness
 In utter loneliness.
 There's many a holy tryst o'ergrown with weeds.
 The vacant chair is here,
 Its immortelles are sere,
 Yet memory in our busiest moments leads
 Our thoughts to raptures nothing present supersedes.



THE MAIN BUILDING AT MIAMI.

The semi-centennial exercises were held in the right wing.

THE SCROLL.

They sink to glorious rest
 Behind the golden west
 Whose gladdening red across the starry blue
 Assails the roseate hue,
 The rapture of the dawn of the new day,
 Whose freshness fills the spheres
 With all the fruits of years,
 The bloody strife, the crowning victory,
 The glory of achievements for humanity.

What record of our deeds
 The future student reads
 Is woven in the annals of these years.
 Their toil and strife were ours,
 The happy shouts in their triumphant hours.
 We may not sound all deeps,
 Nor ken their widest sweeps,
 Yet see the coming day reflect their light,
 Enraptured by a sense of kinship in the sight.

Life's morning dews exhale
 Sweet perfumes that ne'er fail,
 Whose seedling flowers have perennial root.
 The bond that binds young hearts
 With gracious cords to purity and truth
 Exalts the aim of life,
 Gives strength to wage the strife,
 And lifts the soldier from the dust-grimed plains
 To fight above the clouds, where glory never wanes.

On future years, if dark,
 Our years will make their mark,
 And, where new beauties former heights transcend,
 To them new brilliance lend.
 The increasing circuit runs to higher planes;
 The stars of heaven stoop,
 The joyful earth looks up;
 Her birthright blest humanity attains,
 And glory fills the earth when peaceful union reigns.

And like a soft caress,
 A tenderer impress
 Than our coarse hands had time or skill to trace
 They got from woman's grace.
 In all these years, the power behind the throne,
 Her loved voice cheers us on
 To all great victories won.
 Her smiles give power a kingly truth to enthrone;
 Without her frown no deadly vice was e'er o'erthrown.

Say not these years are dead,
 So quickly from us sped,
 A meteor's hurning flash across the sky
 And only seen to die;
 For in the thrill of their momentous sweep
 Their hands hestow a gift,
 A jewel from the drift
 That echoes, like the shell, sweet dreams from sleep,
 And like a siren chants in the unknown future's deep.

Hail! Our fraternity.
 All hail! Her destiny.
 In evil hearts no brotherhood can live,
 Where love is fugitive.
 The magnet may be hid within the sphere,
 But every star and soul,
 True to its rightful pole,
 Finds its own orbit and its best career,
 True glory, only where they all in one appear.

Brother Kemper's beautiful poem was read in his usual effective style and was enthusiastically received.

Another prolonged season of applause greeted Father Morrison, who said:

Mr. President, Ladies and Brother Phis: There is an eternal fitness in things, sometimes more than we may at first think. We are here in the birthplace of our fraternity to celebrate its semi-centennial. This is our Jerusalem, our center of the world, the Mecca toward which we turn our faces. What fitter place to have as a central spot to which we can all come. To-day we can all meet here, whatever be our ages, and join hands and hearts, around the hearthstone of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

I believe it was Coleridge who said that the highest accomplishment in the moral sphere, is to carry the freshness of youth with its bright and glorious prospects into manhood and old age. If we meet here to-day on common ground and join in these exercises, what better way for us old men to feel young once again?

You know how anxious we are to be young. You know that it is a proverbial saying of long ago that 'those whom the gods love die young.' Fifty years ago I remember that our Sunday-school books told us about good little children who all died while they were young. But, for all that, God in his kind providence has spared Brother Lindley and myself to come back here after fifty years, to welcome you and to be welcomed by you. This fraternity has had fifty years of existence, and it has had a glorious history. Our record has been an eventful one. How many changes have taken place! How many changes I see around me! Many of the venerable men who were here fifty years ago have passed away, and others have taken their places. How different everything looks in the town now. These beautiful trees that now tower so high were small then. They have improved the streets of this village; they have changed these buildings.

As I look back, I recall many things that occurred here then. I remember now the first public address ever made to the Phi Delta men. It was by Dr. Elliot, at a celebration in 1853. That is nearly fifty years ago.

The progress of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, its history and its standing in our land to-day, show that we 'builded better than we knew' when we founded it. We are glad and we are thankful to divine Providence that we are spared to see this day and this hour, to receive this welcome from you, and to participate in these exercises.

Let me say that we had a hard time in those days to keep up the camp fires of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. This order was young, and it was a struggle to keep it going, but we hoped better things for the future. We were not disappointed. We did not know then, though, that we should live to see our fraternity the tower of strength, the leader in every walk of life, that it is to-day. [Applause.]

At this point Colonel Swope, of Kentucky, took the stage: Ladies and Gentlemen and Members of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ Fraternity: I feel in one respect as George Cable did a few years ago when he was called upon to address an audience of Harvard students. He said: 'I never face an educated audience like this without feeling an almost irresistible impulse to apologize.' I feel the same way.

My mother was Scotch-Irish and my father was a German-American. I am a Hoosier by birth and a Kentuckian only by adoption.

It seems strange, therefore, I should be called on here. Many years ago I was surprised by being asked to respond to a toast to Kentucky, and I was scared so badly over it that I did not have time to think about what I was going to say and really made a good speech and a reputation. I have made that speech many times since then, for I am always asked to talk about Kentucky. Last November I was at the convention at Columbus, Ohio, and made my same speech on Kentucky, but they perpetrated a mean trick on me. They brought a stenographer into the convention who took down my speech, and they published it. Of course, I can not use that speech any more. [Laughter.] Brother Miller, who responded in behalf of the order this afternoon, responded in 1891 at Atlanta, in 1894 in Indianapolis, in 1896 at Philadelphia and in 1898 at Columbus. I was not surprised, therefore, this afternoon that he repeated that same old speech that he has made so often. [Laughter.] Of course, he has the advantage over me because he is the editor of the official journal of this fraternity, and he published my speech but did not publish his own. As a result he is down on the program this afternoon for his same old speech, while I do not figure on that program at all.

As if this were not enough when my Brother Miller notified me a moment ago that I should be called upon to perform the pleasant task which lies before me, he whispered, 'don't make a speech.' [Laughter.] I'm not going to make a speech, and for that reason I limit my remarks to an introduction to a speech I might, but do not intend to make.

It was proposed at our convention at Columbus that we should present the founders of this fraternity with a badge as a token of the esteem and respect in which they are held by the members of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Of the six men who founded the fraternity in December, 1848, three are dead and three living. It is my privilege and great pleasure to present the survivors these badges on this occasion. Two of the founders are here to-day for the first time in forty-six years. By a strange combination of circumstances they have not been back since that time. I take pleasure in presenting to Brothers Morrison and Lindley these badges, exact reproductions of the first ones made. I desire on behalf of the Cincinnati chapter, who feel deeply grateful to Dr. Kemper, who is an old student of this institution and who is a foster father of Ohio Theta, to present him with a badge of the same design.

The badges were then pinned on the breasts of the veterans present, and one was reserved for Bro. A. W. Rogers, '51, the third surviving founder, who now wears it.*

*Hugh Th. Miller,

Warrensburg, Mo., June 20, 1899.

Dear Brother Phi: Your kind letter telling of your good meeting at Oxford at hand. It almost brought the tears to my eyes to read the names of some of the dear old boys—dear friends of former days. I am heartily glad that the celebration was a success.

Yes, I got the pin this morning, and I can not tell you how thankful I am to the

The orator of the day was Bro. Alston Ellis, '67, president of Colorado Agricultural College. He said in part:

Members of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, Ladies and Gentlemen: It was a practice of Pericles, when he was engaged to speak, to petition the gods lest he might unawares say something that would be unsuited to the occasion. Emerson has said that what man is urged irresistibly to say helps him and us, but when a man opens his mouth for vain show it corrupts him. I do not feel like standing here to open my lips for vain show. I hope I may say what is fitting on this occasion.

We have placed a tablet in the wall of the old north dormitory in commemoration of the founding of our beloved fraternity fifty years ago. We have not added to the fame of the good work done fifty years ago, by placing this stone to their memory. Those men need no encomium. They founded a fraternity which now has branches in the best institutions of this land. They founded a fraternity whose members live in every section of our country. They need no monument to commemorate their work. In the city of London, where St. Paul's lifts its spire toward heaven, when you pass into that magnificent structure, you can not help thinking of the architect of that great building. As you stand there and gaze on the wall, you read a Latin motto which translated says: 'Reader, if you would see his monument look about you.' These men need no monument to commemorate their work. You have only to look about you to-day and see the monuments erected by this fraternity in the lives and characters of our fellows. These monuments are more enduring and more eternal than columns and arches.

Miami University has given to the fraternal world three Greek letter societies, and all of them have reflected honor upon the institution in which they were created. We are met to-day to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of our own fraternity. We love and honor that fraternity above all others on account of its influences for good. We honor that fraternity because of the many loyal Phi Deltas on its rolls who yield homage to every thing that is good. What are these organizations, with which our own is so closely connected? They are the proofs of fine scholarship, good morals, high ideals, noble impulses, and they aim to elevate the mind and soul in the realm of thought and lead men to nobler lives. Thackeray gives us this idea when he says, 'while one rough hand was hung out to grasp the hand of others.' It is that same thing that brings us together this afternoon and causes us to look in the faces of our fellows and to feel the renewal of youth and the old-time associations that are so dear to all of us.

What is left here of the old Miami reminds us of the high ideals of the founders, of the strong characters of her sons, of her far reaching influence. The Parthenon, the other monuments of Greece in her palmy days have all but passed away. The place where once they stood is a scene of ruin and desolation. Yet the scholar, when he

convention and to you for this precious memento of the past and badge of honor of the present. I am not going to try.

As I looked into its bright face I could see the faces of 'Bob' Morrison, 'Pap' Wilson, Lindley, Drake, Ardivan W., Harmar Denny, Boude, Barnett, Ben Harrison, Dave Swing, and on through the list. It seems almost sacrilege to mention some of them with the familiar titles of those days. We were boys then—or some of us were—and the rest of us were boyish (which is very much the same thing).

I hope I may have an opportunity some day to thank you all in better fashion than I can write.

Yours in the Bond,

A. W. ROGERS.

goes back to Athens, thinks not of ruin and decay, but of the life and art and literature that Pericles saw and knew. What suggests ruin to many, to him suggests the most vital forces in art and education. So at Rome. By study of the great Roman writers we people and re-animate all the famous seven hills that stood on Tiber's banks.

And this brings up a subject dear to the heart of every man who has come under the influence of the education that Miami and all our colleges gave in the days when their greatest sons went out into the world—the classical education.

There is nothing that can supply the sublimity and the power which comes from a thorough mastery of the classics. They have their work to do. It is true that the Athenians are gone, that the Romans have passed away, but we have Homer and we have Horace. We know something of the great tragedians. In history we can go back to Herodotus and Thucydides. No man who wishes to speak easily can afford to neglect Demosthenes and Themistocles. To these we can go to-day as in the ages past—for that kind of instruction which is a liberal education even in these modern days of civilization.

The more we examine, the more we shall find that the classics are the fore front of practical thought. It is true that we live in a practical age, but I believe when we come to measure the success of college graduates we shall find that the largest measure of success has come to those who have delved deepest in the mines of classic literature. There is a sentiment in the classics that elevates and purifies the soul. I have been connected with an institution that prepares students as rapidly as circumstances will permit for the practical affairs of life, and I have felt a deep conviction that these young people should have a broader and deeper culture for their practical work. It is true that the body needs food and shelter, but it is far more important that the soul be fed and clothed with the noble thoughts and aims of life.

As we go through the world we must come in contact with the every-day affairs of life and sometimes we must suffer defeat, but it is said that 'an honorable defeat is better than a mean victory.' What is honor? It is a part of the function of our fraternity. We trust that those connected with it will keep their honor bright. We cultivate the spirit of friendship among us. That lies at the very foundation of our order and is another of our high ideals. 'He who has a thousand friends will never have one to spare, but he who has one enemy will find himself overwhelmed.' Let us cherish friendship, learning and the honor that is the soul of truth.

Fraternities have their opponents, it is true. I have always been their champion. I believe the principles they teach are good, and I believe they will develop true manhood in a young man. I believe this fraternal organization brings our young men in our educational institutions into contact with their fellow-men in such a way as to redound to their well-being. I believe that college fraternities tend to elevate those sentiments which perpetuate loyalty to the government under which we live. We need the cultivation of these sentiments. If there is any thought connected with this celebration I would have you emphasize, it is that it is not all of life to care for practical affairs, but that he is most practical and successful in the fullest sense who has the highest aims and the noblest impulses. [Applause.]

The exercises were liberally interspersed with excellent music. At their close it had been the intention to have a photograph of all Phis present taken at the foot of the

memorial tablet placed in the wall of the room in the old north dormitory where $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was founded, but the hour was too late and the clouds too thick to permit this.

After the formal exercises, as before and on divers other occasions, there were many informal reunions of the older Phis and of the younger generation. All made a pilgrimage to the memorial tablet and Father Wilson's room. The tablet is of Wisconsin Montello granite, and comes from the same place where the granite for Grant's tomb was quarried.

It weighs 1,600 pounds and measures thirty-four inches by forty-four. The polished face of the shield is of a rich, solid brown. The lettering is clearly legible at a considerable distance from the foot of the wall. The tablet stands between two second-story windows.

When night came on, the rumbling of flying wheels and flashing of white dresses at open doors announced the reception and ball given to visiting Phis, the faculty and trustees of Miami and the prettiest girls of every town from Oxford to Cincinnati and even beyond. The Herron Gymnasium was elaborately decorated in the fraternity's colors, and the great flag that every Phi who was in Columbus in 1898 remembers so well, was spread out on one wall, while on the other hung an immense American flag, the one that floated over the Ohio building at the World's Fair. On one side were two palm-shrouded bowers, one for refreshments and one for *tete-a-tete*. The receiving line was composed of Mrs. Faye Walker, of Oxford; President J. Clark Moore, Jr., of Philadelphia; Mrs. W. O. Thompson, of Oxford; Mr. H. H. Ward, of Cleveland; Miss Bessie Hamilton, of Oxford; Prof. Hugh Th. Miller, of Indianapolis; Miss Berthenia Hiestand, of Eaton, Ohio; Mr. Frank D. Swope, of Louisville; Miss Fisher, of Eaton; Mr. W. T. Morris, of Columbus; Miss Gath, of Oxford; Capt. Harry Weidner, of Dayton; Miss Murphy, of Hamilton; Mr. Karl H. Zwick, of Hamilton; and Miss Florence, of Dayton. The Buckeye State orchestra, of twenty pieces, which was over from Dayton for the afternoon's exercises, set the pace for the dancers, who began at an early hour and finished the writer knows not when, as he was forced to flee before midnight to catch a train. The polished floor, the electric fans, the lights and music, the flags and bunting made it all a scene of brilliancy and life not soon forgotten. Over two hundred and fifty guests were present. It was a social success of the very first magnitude and reflected unlimited credit on Bros. Zwick and Weidner and the other Miami

Phis who helped to plan it. The invitations and favors deserve the same praise as the other details that have been already enumerated. This was a fitting close of a memorable day.

H. T. H. M.

OHIO ALPHA'S GOLDEN JUBILEE BANQUET.

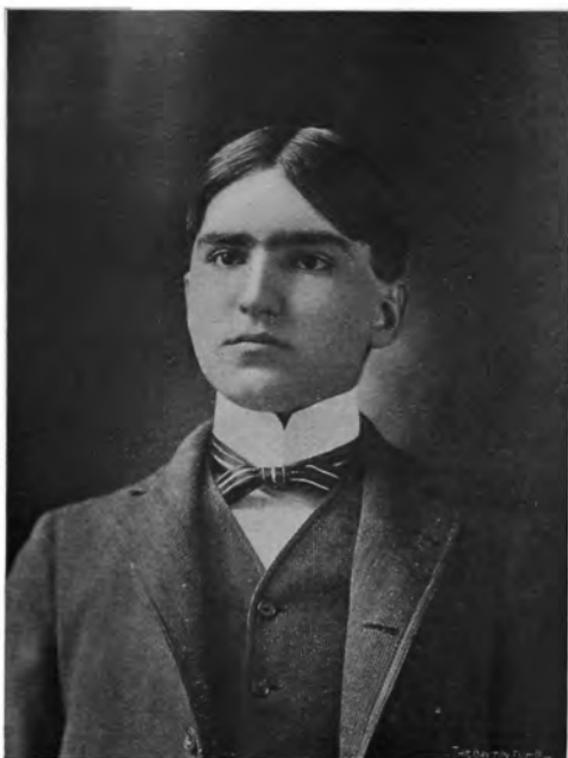
Long before the appointed hour had arrived, our fathers of '49 and '50, and brothers of '53 and '54, mingled cheerfully with the boys of '99 and those of intervening years, relating anecdotes and reminiscences of their former college days and the early life of Mother Alpha. They told of their victories and former college glories won; their ups and downs of the chapter life in early days; and how one cold winter night in January several students toiled nearly all night long, carrying water in pitchers and the like up the long, winding stairs and depositing it in the huge, upturned chapel bell, thinking that it would freeze and crack the bell; how to their surprise the mercury suddenly rose numerous degrees in a few short hours; how the bell turned over and almost drowned the little Irish janitor 'Fardy' (everyone knows Fardy) who had ascended to the tower to ascertain why his pet bell would not peal forth its gladful call for morning chapel at 7:15.

This banquet goes down in history as one of the crowning and glorious events of Ohio Alpha's fifty years' existence, and one of the most happy occasions in the lives of those who graced the banquet board.

At half past nine, the orchestra struck up a march, and the brothers, two by two, marched arm in arm from the parlors into the banquet-room. The head of the T shaped table lent an imposing sight; in the center was seated the genial toastmaster, Capt. Harry Weidner, '88; to his right our dear Father Morrison and President J. Clark Moore, Jr.; to his left our beloved Father Lindley and Bro. H. H. Ward, T. G. C.

After a sumptuous banquet of ten courses had been served and cigars lighted, we turned our attention to the literary program of the evening:

Reminiscences . . .	Robert Morrison, '49, and John Wolfe Lindley, '50.
Our golden anniversary	Alston Ellis, '67.
Once a Phi, always a Phi	Faye Walker, '68.
Our founders, the immortal six	Elom Fisher, '70.
Halcyon college days	Asher G. Work, '94.
Phi patriotism	Andrew C. Kemper, '53.
Our Sir William Goat—Nimble Bill	Samuel Stevenson, '94.
Ohio Alpha in '54	Edward P. Shields, '54.



KARL H. ZWICK, MIAMI, '00,
Of the committee on arrangements.

Ohio Alpha in '99. Carl Mason, '01.
 Old Miami, the mother of fraternities. David H. Pottenger, '73.
 The fellowship and friendship of Phis. Geo. R. Eastman, '94.
 The girls who grace the white and blue. Harvey H. Hiestand, '93.
 Quite a number of impromptus were called for from Bros.
 J. Clark Moore, Jr.; H. H. Ward; J. E. Morey, '67; B. P.
 Jones, '68; W. E. Evans, '69; J. A. McCoy, Missouri Beta,
 '82; Karl H. Zwick, '00, and others.

The souvenir menu card and program was one of the many surprises of the evening; it was designed by Bro. Harry Weidner and executed by Dreka; everyone considered it one of the most artistic souvenirs ever prepared by the fraternity.

The hands of the clock pointed to 4:30 A. M. when the brothers arose from the table and gave the fraternity cheer for Fathers Morrison and Lindley, and left for their rooms, to attend the seventy-fifth commencement of Miami University, a few hours later.

Those seated around the banquet board were: Rev. Robert Morrison, '49, Fulton, Mo.; John W. Lindley, '50, Fredericktown, Ohio; Allen A. Barnett, '51, Jerseyville, Ill.; Dr. A. C. Kemper, '53, Cincinnati, Ohio; Theophilus C. Hibbett, '54, Smyrna, Tenn.; Rev. Dr. E. P. Shields, '54, Bridgeton, N. J.; Dr. Alston Ellis, '67, Ft. Collins, Colo.; Hon. James E. Morey, '67, Hamilton, Ohio; Dr. Faye Walker, '68, Oxford, Ohio; Hon. Bruce P. Jones, '68, London, Ohio; Hon. W. E. Evans, '69, Chillicothe, Ohio; Rev. Jeremiah M. Oldfather, '69, Hanover, Ind.; Judge Elam Fisher, '70, Eaton, Ohio; Hon. Geo. F. O'Byrne, '73, Brookville, Ind.; Hon. D. H. Pottenger, '73, Cincinnati, Ohio; John C. Farber, '73, Frankfort, Ind.; Capt. Harry Weidner, '88, Dayton, Ohio; Samuel Stevenson, '91, Great Falls, Mont.; Harvey H. Hiestand, '93, Eaton, Ohio; Rev. Asher G. Work, '94, Brookston, Ind.; Prof. George R. Eastman, '94, Dayton, Ohio; Jay D. Gath, '95, Oxford, Ohio; Dr. Hugh M. Moore, '96, Oxford, Ohio; C. A. Kumber, '96, Seven Mile, Ohio; Stanley M. Roland, '97, Shandon, Ohio; Robert J. Shank, '97, Hamilton, Ohio; Thornwell Earle Walker, '99, Oxford, Ohio; William E. Stokes, '99, Jacksonboro, Ohio; Karl H. Zwick, '00, Hamilton, Ohio; Carl H. Mason, '01, Hamilton, Ohio; Horace Shanks, '01, Hamilton, Ohio; Charles Hendricks, '01, Gratis, Ohio; Hugh Schell, '01, Hamilton, Ohio; Otis Flower, '02, Oxford, Ohio; William Hughey, '02, Frankfort, Ohio; Henry Hiestand, '02, Eaton, Ohio; Charles MacCready, '02, Monroe, Ohio; J. Clark Moore, Jr., *Pennsylvania*, '93, Philadel-



CAPT. HARRY WEIDNER, MIAMI, '88,
Of the committee on arrangements.

phia, Pa.; H. H. Ward, *Ohio State*, '90, Cleveland, Ohio; W. H. Hawley, *Indiana*, '80, College Corner, Ohio; G. F. Jackson, *Wooster*, '97, Washington C. H., Ohio; Howard Schell, *Cincinnati*, '02, Cincinnati, Ohio; J. A. McCoy, *Westminster*, '82, Independence, Mo. K. H. Z.

ANOTHER REMINISCENCE.

Dear Brother Miller—I have just read in a late number of *THE SCROLL* Colonel Swope's Reminiscences of Catalogue Making and am inclined to grow reminiscent myself. Not that I ever made a catalogue (other than the annual catalogue of my personal property made for the assessor), but because the name of Tol Bartl recalled an experience of my own which may not be without interest.

What a peculiar name that is anyhow! I remember as a freshman speculating as to the man's nationality.

In 1883 I was with Indiana Alpha. The chapter at Greencastle, Indiana Zeta (once Indiana Eta), had recently been revived, but there were no records of the old chapter to be found. The list of members in the 1878 catalogue was known to be incomplete, and under the direction of the historian I undertook to gather such data as I could.

I had ascertained that C. O. Perry was one of the charter members of the old chapter and that Tol Bartl was also a member of the fraternity and of the same class as Perry, although his name did not appear in the catalogue.

Well, in some manner, I do not now remember how or where; I found the address of C. O. Perry in Chicago, and nothing doubting he was the man I sought, wrote to him explaining the circumstances, asking for information and appealing to him as 'a last resort.'

I suggested that I was aware he 'had been out a long time,' but hoped he might be able to recall the main facts. I also asked him particularly concerning Tol Bartl.

I was young then and full of business. Time was short, and I abbreviated to some extent in my correspondence. In conclusion I asked him to 'prepare a brief sketch of the old Eta chap.,' and subscribed myself, of course, 'in the Bond.'

The C. O. Perry who received my letter responded promptly. He was not a Phi. He was not even a Greek. But he should have been, for his reply had a decidedly Attic flavor. I give it in full:

CHICAGO, May 17, 1883.

Dear Sir—In returning your letter herewith it pains me to have to inform you of the utter failure of your 'last resort.'

I am no Greek—never did I look upon the Hellenic splendor of Greencastle, Indiana. Nor do I have the faintest recollection of a gentleman by the name of Tol Bartl.

Yes, I have been 'out' (of Indiana) a great while—since 1850.

That 'old Eta chap' (some old Athenian gourmand, no doubt) I should like fondly to sketch, but really I can not find the time and must therefore disappoint your concluding hope.

Still let me be cordially yours in the broad *American Bond*.

C. O. PERRY.

P. H. CLUGSTON, *Indiana*, '85.

'THE CYCLOPAEDIA OF FRATERNITIES.'

THE CYCLOPÆDIA OF FRATERNITIES: A compilation of existing authentic information and the results of original investigation as to the origin, derivation, founders, development, aims, emblems, character and personnel of more than six hundred secret societies in the United States; supplemented by family trees of groups of societies, comparative statistics of membership, charts, plates, maps, and the names of many representative members. Compiled and edited by Albert C. Stevens, associate editor of 'The Standard Dictionary,' and former editor of *Bradstreet's*; assisted by more than one thousand members of living secret societies. New York, N. Y., and Paterson, N. J.: Hamilton Printing and Publishing Company. 1899. Royal 8vo; pp. xxiv + 444; cloth; \$5.

The scope of this work is indicated by its rather crowded title page. The following paragraphs show how remarkable has been the growth of secret orders in the United States during the present century:

In the *Cyclopædia of Fraternities* the first attempt is made, so far as known, to trace, from a sociological point of view, the development of secret societies in the United States. Freemasonry, of course, is shown to be the mother fraternity, in fact as well as in name; but particular interest will attach to details connecting many of the more important fraternities with Freemasonry. Broader, and fully as interesting, is the fact that in free and democratic America there are more secret societies and a larger aggregate of membership among such organizations than in all other civilized countries. . . .

One hundred years ago there were about 2,500 Freemasons in the United States, perhaps 500 members of the St. Tammany (patriotic) secret societies, and the few scattered members of Φ B K at Yale, Harvard and Dartmouth Colleges. The *Cyclopædia of Fraternities* traces more than 600 secret societies in the United States since 1797, of which more than 350 survive, with a membership amounting to 40 per cent. of the present male population of the country who are 21 years of age, in contrast with less than one quarter of one per cent. of the adult male population who were members of secret fraternities one hundred years ago.

The membership of some of the larger orders in 1897 was as follows:

	In the U. S.	In the World.
Freemasons	735,437	1,322,244
Independent Order of Odd Fellows	755,508	922,700
Knights of Pythias	452,022	
Grand Army of the Republic	358,218	
Ancient Order of United Workmen	318,352	350,190
Royal Arcanum	168,699	173,293
Modern Woodmen of America	168,481	
Patrons of Husbandry	161,635	
Independent Order of Good Templars	158,787	397,048
Junior Order of United American Mechanics	157,520	
Knights of the Maccabees	156,918	165,070
Improved Order of Red Men	132,286	
Foresters of America	118,349	
Knights of Honor	115,206	
Ancient Order of Hibernians	105,719	

Freemasonry and Oddfellowship were founded in England, the Maccabees in Canada, the Hibernians in Ireland, and the other orders mentioned above in the United States. Following are mentioned orders of many varied objects and more or less peculiar names :

Knights of Sobriety Fidelity and Integrity, Knights of Protection, Knights of Reciprocity, Knights of the Globe, Order of the Magi, Ancient Order of Knights of the Mystic Chain, Independent Order of Owls, Concatenated Order of Hoo Hoos, Order of the Omah Language, Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan, Order of Ægis, Independent Order of Sons of Abraham, Order of Mules, Ancient Essenic Order, Benevolent Order of Buffalo, Order of the Sanhedrim, Order of the Solid Rock, Order of Shepherds of Bethlehem, Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, Ancient Order of the Pyramids, Order of the Little Red School House, Improved Order of Heptasophs, Order of the Palladium, Home Palladium, the Grand Fraternity, the Royal Fraternity, the National Fraternity, Hermetic Brothers of Luxor, Prudent Patricians of Pompeii, Woodchoppers' Association, Sexennial League, Brotherhood of the West Gate, Royal Society of Good Fellows, Royal Tribe of Joseph, Tribe of Ben Hur.

The latter is a secret assessment beneficiary society, founded at Crawfordsville, Ind., in 1894, and its ritual and emblems were drawn from General Lew Wallace's novel 'Ben Hur.' The author of this cyclopædia refers to the ritualistic features of various orders as follows :

The period of Jewish history which led up to and witnessed the completion and dedication of King Solomon's temple, with which the fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons link so many of their traditions ; the story of David and Jonathan, concerning which the ritual of Odd Fellowship has much to say ; the friendship of Damon and Pythias, which is so closely identified with the ceremonials of the Knights of Pythias ; the legends of Robin Hood and his merrie men, which have been appropriated by the Foresters ; the manners and customs of the American Indians, which are being preserved by the Improved Order of Red Men ; the struggles of the various orders of ancient knighthood to preserve the Holy Land from defilement at the hands of the infidel, which have given us the Masons' Knights Tem-

plars and various other secret orders of knighthood ; the use of Druidic lore by modern Orders of Druids, legends of ancient shepherdry by existing secret societies of Shepherds, the symbols of woodcraft by the Modern Woodmen, and other and like quarrying for material on which to build fraternal and beneficiary secret organizations.

Thirty-seven of the large double-column pages of the cyclopædia are devoted to college fraternities. The table of membership is taken from the last (1898) edition of Baird's 'American College Fraternities,' but, strange to say, the number of active and inactive chapters and of chapter houses is taken from Baird's edition of 1890. There are numerous items in the accounts of college fraternities which indicate that they were written six to eight years ago and in many particulars have not since been revised. Concerning the oldest Greek-letter society the author says :

American Greek-letter college secret societies began with the formation of Φ B K at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va., December 5, 1776. . . . William and Mary was a successful and prosperous college, one hundred and twenty-five years old, and there it was that five young men formed a new, and as they believed, more effective students' organization. . . . At the founding of the new society in the Apollo room in Raleigh Tavern, it was thought desirable to make a departure, instead of imitating the Latin named societies of the day. . . .

It is hardly probable that the five young men responsible for this creation realized or thought they were 'planning a union of the virtuous college youth of this country ;' but they were. Moreover, they called themselves a fraternity, declared the society was formed for congeniality and to promote good fellowship, with 'friendship as its basis and benevolence and literature as its pillars.' . . . In 1781 meetings of the parent chapter were suspended owing to hostilities between British troops and the colonists.

A great anti-secret society agitation began after the mysterious disappearance of William Morgan, of Batavia, N. Y. It was said that he had been a Freemason, and had in press a book which would reveal the secrets of Masonry. He was abducted in 1826, and never afterward seen dead or alive. A body was found near the mouth of Niagara River, and many believed it was the body of Morgan, and that he had been drowned by Freemasons. The Masonic fraternity suffered severely from the loud outcry that was raised against it, and during the next few years hundreds of lodge warrants were surrendered. An anti-Masonic political party appeared in 1827, and took part in the campaigns of 1828, 1830 and 1832. In the latter year it nominated a presidential ticket. The Harvard chapter gave up the secrets of Φ B K in 1831, after which time it became merely an honorary society. The author writes :

It is worth recalling that in 1831 John Quincy Adams was an anti-

Masonic and Whig candidate for congress and was elected. . . . The influence of John Quincy Adams, Joseph Story, Edward Everett and others was sufficient in those days of trial and tribulation for Freemasons and members of other secret societies, to cause the Harvard Phibetians to appear on the Cambridge campus and publicly announce the features which had been the mystery and inspiration of Φ B K.

The letters Φ B K refer to the motto of the society, 'Φιλοσοφία Βίου Κυβερνήτης,' translated 'Philosophy is the guide of life.' . . . The sign of a Phibetian prior to 1831 was made by placing two fingers of the right hand over the left corner of the mouth and drawing them across the chin. His grip was made by locking the hands, without clasping the thumbs, at the same time pressing the wrists; and his 'word' was the motto for which the letters Φ B K stood. . . .

Tradition informs us that the badge was originally worn on a ribbon about the neck of the owner. . . . The badge is an oblong watch-key of gold, on one side of which are engraved the letters Φ , B and K, with a hand below pointing to seven stars above, while on the reverse is the name of the owner and 'S. P., Dec. 6, 1776.' . . . The letters 'S. P.' are translated '*Societas Philosophica*,' or Philosophical Society. . . .

The seven stars refer to the parent chapter and its six branches, from which the college secret societies of to-day may be said to have descended. Forgetfulness of the original seven chapters is prevented by the hand which points through the motto to the seven stars. The crescent and seven stars are found on some of the oldest Masonic floor-cloths and charts. The significance of the six stars arranged about one as a center may be perceived when they are connected by straight lines. The resulting figure is a hexagon consisting of six equilateral triangles with their apexes at a common point, the center of a circle circumscribing the hexagon, whence the Freemason again finds 'the point within a circle.' . . .

The popularity of the crescent and stars among later college fraternities is indicated by a study of their badges. Thus $A \Delta \Phi$ used a single star and crescent; $B \Theta \Pi$ a crescent and three stars; $\Delta T \Delta$ four stars and a crescent; $K \Sigma$ a single star suspended from a reversed crescent; ΣX seven stars on the base of its St. George's cross, and $\Theta \Delta X$ two stars.

The author believes that a number of college brotherhoods borrowed from the ritualistic work of Masonry.

Reference has been made to the effect on John Quincy Adams, Edward Everett and others, and the history of that time will reveal some, notably Thurlow Weed, who were less sincere in their antagonism to Freemasonry, even though no less bitter. This presented an opportunity to cranks and charlatans which was not to be despised, and the country was speedily flooded with supposititious accounts of Masonic ceremonies and alleged revelations of Masonic secrets. The public mind was directed to that subject as it never had been before, and probably never will be again.

Secret societies of the middle ages, the mysteries of Isis and Osiris and of Eleusis, and the revolutionary secret societies of this and other countries, all came in for a critical examination and premeditated condemnation and got both. The only importance attaching to this reference is to recall, what seems not to have been pointed out before, that it was during the period from 1828 to 1845, covering the

anti-Masonic agitation, that the older among the best known national Greek-letter college fraternities were born.

During the period 1830-1840, the birth and growth of college and other secret societies were noticeable, due in part to the reaction which followed the anti-Masonic agitation. The latter brought before the public, as never before, the whole subject of secret societies, their ceremonials and objects, with the result that much not secret, but which had not been discussed out of lodge rooms, found its way into daily papers, almanacs, pamphlets and other publications, late in the second and early in the third decade of this century.

Curiosity and prejudice had been mingled in an effort to find out something with which to condemn the type of the secret society, Freemasonry, and the effort resulted, among other things, in a study of secret societies in general. If one can read of groups of college students at New York and New England centers of intelligence organizing Greek-letter societies on the outward lines of $\Phi B K$, $K A$, $\Sigma \Phi$ and $\Delta \Phi$ without appreciating that they must have utilized some of the raw material which was floating in the air, he must be deficient in imagination. The societies which saw the light in 1825 and 1827— $K A$, $\Sigma \Phi$ and $\Delta \Phi$ —probably did not have elaborate rituals at that time. There are those who know they had them later.

That college fraternities multiplied fast and grew rapidly during this period is more than significant. As a matter of fact, some of the better known college fraternities give unmistakable evidence, to those of their members in a position to judge, of having rummaged in the bureau drawers of Freemasonry, Oddfellowship, Forestry, the Templars, Knights of Malta and other orders for ritualistic finery.

$Z \Psi$ was founded by Freemasons. $\Delta \Psi$ was dressed up by someone who had access to rituals of the bastard Masonic rites of Misraim and Memphis. ΨT hung its harp low on the tree of symbolic Masonry, while its offspring, $\Delta K E$, read up on the Vehmgerichte and ancient Grecian mysteries before selecting a few ceremonials which would better fit nineteenth century college life. $\Theta \Delta X$ went far afield and returned with the Forestic legend, while the earlier Alpha Deltis were evidently inspired by what they knew of Royal Arch Masonry and the red cross degree, as conferred in commanderies of Masonic Knights Templars.

The following paragraphs are taken from the separate accounts of the various fraternities:

$K A$ is the oldest general Greek-letter college fraternity having a continuous existence as a secret society. . . . It began as a social club in a private school, in 1823, and two years later when members were at college, blossomed out as a secret brotherhood, in manifest imitation of $\Phi B K$, which had appeared at Union, in 1817, eight years before.

The badge of $K A$ —a watch-key with the handle and stem at diagonally opposite corners of a square of gold, instead of at opposite sides as in the case of the watch-key badge of $\Phi B K$ —is enough to indicate the inspiration of $K A$ if nothing else were available. The signs of the zodiac surround the letters K and A in the middle of the square, and in the right and left hand corners are engraved or enameled two Hebrew letters, sufficiently significant to those familiar with 'the summit and perfection' of something else to indicate the direction in which the earlier Kaps delved for material with which to dress their ritual. On the reverse are 'the rising sun and other symbols,' quite in line with what has just been written.

In 1827, stimulated by a spirit of emulation, $\Sigma \Phi$ was founded, and within a few months $\Delta \Phi$ was organized, the third at Union College, which institution has proved a veritable mother of fraternities.

In 1831 $\Sigma \Phi$ established a chapter at Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y., the first after $\Phi \beta \kappa$ to begin a policy of extension, yet it has ever been conservative.

$\Sigma \Phi$ had reached Hamilton College in 1831, and $\kappa \alpha$ sought to follow it a year later; but Samuel Eels, '32, and others who were approached by the Kaps, and asked to form the Hamilton chapter of the latter, after consideration declined the invitation and founded $\Delta \Phi$.

The original Alpha Delt badge was of gold, in the form of an oblong, with rounded corners. It presented a field of black enamel, containing a white crescent with the horns up, enclosing an upright five-pointed, emerald star. The field was bordered with a rope of gold, and beneath the crescent was the date of foundation, 1832. On the reverse, on plain gold, was engraved the name of the owner, his college and class, with a pair of crossed swords over the star and crescent upon the shaft of a conventionalized monument.

The one star and crescent are plainly a modification of the ancient emblem, a crescent with seven stars, suggested possibly by the stars of $\Phi \beta \kappa$. The rope of gold requires no explanation. The crossed swords and the unbroken column are easily tracable to the general attention given secret societies between 1828 and 1835, and to the Masonic fraternity in particular, modifications of several of the ceremonies of which, in lodge, chapter, and commandery, may be found in even the modern $\Delta \Phi$ ritual.

The emblem more commonly in use by members to-day is a gold crescent, containing a smaller raised, black enamelled crescent, closely set about with pearls, and upon which in gold are the letters $\Delta \Phi$. In the star, held by the points of the crescent, is a large emerald, contrasting with pearls which surround it.

$\Delta \Phi$, unlike almost all other societies of like nature, designates its chapters after the colleges where situated or with some local name, instead of by Greek letters in the order of establishment. It was the first Greek-letter fraternity, excepting $\Phi \beta \kappa$, at Harvard, New York University, Columbia, Amherst, Brown, Miami, Hobart, Bowdoin, Rochester and the College of the City of New York.

In 1833 Union College gave birth to another fraternity, $\Psi \tau$, which, within a few years, followed $\Delta \Phi$, which led in placing chapters in the then foremost colleges and universities. . . . $\Psi \tau$ was the first of like fraternities at Union to initiate students from all of the four classes, which is explained by its having been founded by sophomores and freshmen.

$\Delta \Phi$ shocked some of the conservative spirits of 1835 by placing chapters simultaneously at New York University, and in what was then regarded as the far west, at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. . . . $\beta \theta \Pi$, first of the Miami triad of college fraternities, was founded at Miami in 1839. . . . $\Delta \Phi$ had established a chapter at Miami four years before, and its popularity and growing prestige are admitted having been the inspiration of or causes for the formation of $\beta \theta \Pi$.

The badge of $\beta \theta \Pi$ is an eight-sided shield of gold, the sides of which turn inward. Along the edges a rim of pearls encloses a field of black enamel, which displays the letters $\beta \theta \Pi$; above them a diamond encircled by a wreath of green gold, and below, the letters $\alpha \omega \lambda \theta$. Its earlier badge was even still more suggestive of the $\Delta \Phi$ slab badge, being an oblong with corners curved inward, instead of

rounded off, and the B Θ Π under a crescent and three stars, instead of the waxing moon and a single star. The Beta badge ultimately became the wreath and diamond.

The growth of B Θ Π has been aided by its adoption of a number of local fraternities, and by a general disregard of the conservatism and exclusiveness in the matter of extension preferred by some of the older societies. In this instance the innovation on the methods peculiar to most Greek-letter fraternities appear to have borne good fruit.

In 1844 a number of Yale sophomores who had been elected to membership in Ψ T declined to be initiated, inasmuch as others associated with them had not been chosen, and with the latter formed Δ K E. . . . Its original plan did not contemplate a general fraternity, but early opportunities for new chapters presenting themselves, a plan for the propagation of Δ K E was organized, and was carried out with a thoroughness which, owing in part to the war, reacted on the general standing of the society.

D. K. E., as it is usually called, beat all records at extension, by placing chapters at thirty-two colleges and universities between the year it was founded and the outbreak of the war in 1861. . . . From 1870 to date the society has built upon far better foundation. . . . The badge resembles that of Ψ T, except that in the middle of the black field the golden letters Δ K E appear upon a white scroll. Much is made of armorial bearings, each chapter having a distinct blazon.

X Ψ, one of the larger among the smaller general Greek-letter college fraternities, was founded at Union college in 1841. . . . Within nineteen years, or during its lifetime prior to the civil war, it placed chapters at fourteen other colleges, going to nearly all the larger eastern institutions except Yale and Harvard, as far west as the University of Michigan, and as far south as South Carolina and Mississippi. The civil war naturally interfered with its progress, and a number of Chi Psis were enrolled in southern as well as northern armies. After the period of depression incident to the war, it became much more conservative, creating only ten new chapters within twenty-five years after the cessation of hostilities, by which time only sixteen of its chapters were active and nine inactive.

Its badge consists of a gold monogram formed of X and Ψ, the former heavily jewelled and over the latter, on which, at the top, appears either a quartered circle or a passion cross, and at the bottom a skull and cross-bones under three daggers. The latter are significant in that they point to some of the *hautes grades* of Freemasonry, from which storehouse a few of the secret characteristics of this exceptionally secret college fraternity were drawn.

Δ Ψ was founded at Columbia College in 1847. . . . The society is exceptionally secret and is said to embody in its ritual features of some of the elaborate and audacious innovations upon ancient Freemasonry which appeared at the end of the last and early in the present century.

Φ K Σ was founded at the University of Pennsylvania in 1850. . . . The badge of the society is suggestively similar to that worn by Masonic Knights Templars, consisting of a black enameled Maltese cross, with skull and cross-bones at the center, a six-pointed star on the upper arm, and the letters forming the name of the society on the other three.

In the brief historical sketches of a number of other general Greek-letter college fraternities, explanation has been offered of how some

of their characteristics have been drawn from Masonic sources, in almost all cases unknown to nearly, if not all, of the members. $Z\Psi$, one of the best among the smaller general college societies, differs only in that it was virtually organized by members of the Masonic fraternity. It was founded in 1846 at New York University.

It impresses upon its members, rather more than some like organizations, the importance of profound secrecy regarding the society and its affairs. It will probably surprise members to learn that its secret work embodies several features borrowed from Freemasonry. The badge, however, has no resemblance to the better known Masonic emblems, consisting of a gold monogram formed of a jewelled Z , with a circle in its upper and an Λ in its lower angle, placed upon a Ψ , upon the left arm of which is a five-pointed star and upon the right arm a [sic] Roman fasces.

When the parent chapter was two years old it began the work of extension, and sixteen chapters were established in thirteen years prior to the outbreak of the civil war, most of them in the New England and middle states, the outposts being at the Universities of Michigan and North Carolina. . . . The fraternity as a whole is a prominent factor in the college secret society world, and has shown more of a spirit of progress within the last fifteen years than some which are older.

One wonders how the author of this cyclopædia learned so much about the ritualistic features of the various fraternities. He does not pretend to know anything about the ritual of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. His accounts of fraternities do not go into detail so much as those of Baird, and a list of chapters is not given for any fraternity. Following is the greater portion of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ sketch :

PHI DELTA THETA.—Organized in 1848 at Miami University, where $\Lambda\Delta\Phi$ had established a chapter in 1835, and where $B\Theta\Pi$ was founded in 1839; the second member of the Miami triad, the most widely extended, and therefore most distinctively national among the general Greek-letter college fraternities. It was founded by Robert Morrison and John McMillan Wilson, of the class of '49; Robert Thompson Drake and John Wolfe Lindley, of '50; Ardivan Walker Rodgers and Andrew Watts Rogers, of '51, all of whom graduated with distinction.

Before the outbreak of the civil war, it had established sixteen chapters in the west, northwest and south, but at the close of the war only five remained. In the next nineteen years the work of extending the fraternity was carried on with a degree of enthusiasm never equalled, forty-six chapters being established between 1864 and 1883. . . . In the last fourteen years more than that number (11) of chapters have been established, the invasion of the east being continued. . . .

The society is governed by a general council, composed of a president, secretary, treasurer and historian, and is divided into provinces, each of which has a president chosen by the general council. It has a long list of alumni chapters, which have the privilege of sending delegates to conventions to choose members of the general council. The $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ badge, in the form of a shield, presents those letters on a white scroll below a radiated eye. The fraternity also displays a coat-of-arms, an open motto, a flag and a yell.

The list of names of distinguished Phis contains those of ex-president Harrison, ex-vice-president Stevenson, ex-secretary of the inte-

rior W. F. Vilas, ex-senator Blackburn of Kentucky, ex-commissioner of pensions Gen. J. C. Black, the former war correspondent Gen. H. V. N. Boynton, and the late Eugene Field.

The fact that college fraternities are older than most secret orders in America has probably escaped general notice. Freemasonry dates from 1717, and was introduced from England to America in 1730. Oddfellowship originated in England about 1745, and was introduced into the United States in 1819. The United Ancient Order of Druids was founded in England in 1781, and was brought to this country in 1834. The Ancient Order of Hibernians was founded in Ireland in the last century and established here in 1836. The Ancient Order of Foresters originated in England about 1813, and was introduced here in 1832. The Improved Order of Red Men originated here in 1834. All other prominent general secret orders, such as Knights of Pythias, Grand Army of the Republic, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Royal Arcanum, Modern Woodmen of America, Independent Order of Good Templars, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Knights of the Maccabees, Patrons of Husbandry, Foresters of America, Knights of Honor, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, etc., are younger than $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is. The author of this cyclopædia says:

The Greek-letter fraternities ante-date all other existing secret societies in America except the fraternity of Freemasons. . . . They are called Greek-letter societies because the names of nearly all of them are made up of two or three Greek letters, which are presumed to refer to mystical words or to mottoes known only to members. It is as if the Odd Fellows called themselves the F. L. T. fraternity, referring to their well-known watchwords 'friendship, love and truth.' . . .

The inspiration, development, rituals and function of the general college fraternities—those which do not live in vain, which hold the remembrance and affection of members well on into their declining years, which often divide the regard felt for *alma mater*—call for an analysis which the mere chronicler may well be excused for not attempting. . . .

The secrecy of these college societies is confined to so little besides privacy of meetings that it hardly calls for comment. While largely social, their aims are high and ideals lofty. Advantages secured and friendships gained through them are often among the most valuable acquisitions of the college student. . . .

They vary more than might be supposed, for members are always convinced of the superiority of their own fraternities over all rivals, and confident of the greater loyalty of their own alumni. Some have elaborate rituals and other ceremonials which would be regarded by good judges as commonplace. The world at large, unfortunately, has had abundant evidence, during the past twenty-five years, of the sensational if not solemn character of the initiation ceremonies of some, as the results were such as to endanger the lives of initiates. . . .

The Greek-letter fraternity is unique among secret societies in that

it is the only organization of the kind founded on an aristocracy of social advantage and educational opportunity. Students have to be invited to join them, and the undergraduate who should prove so unfamiliar with college customs as to ask to join one would probably never be permitted to do so.

The first following paragraph applies to class societies at Yale, but the author is mistaken in making such a broad generalization :

So secret are the Greek-letter fraternities, or most of them, that, although wearing jewelled badges, members generally refuse to mention the organization in the presence of profanes.

Instances have been known where a member of one college fraternity resigned and joined another, or was expelled and elected by a rival society, but they are like hen's teeth. When this does happen, the member is said to be 'lifted.' A student whose acquaintance has been cultivated has been 'rushed'; when he has been asked to join he has been 'bid'; when he has agreed to do so he is 'pledged'; when he has been initiated and appears wearing the society's badge he is 'swung out.'

In 'rushing' a man it is customary to invite him to the fraternity house, where he meets the members, who watch his conduct and his conversation. If he makes a good impression he is invited again, taken to foot-ball games, to the theatre, and invited to social affairs; and if all are satisfied the new man is a desirable acquisition he is invited to join. After initiation the watch over a new man is kept up. He is guarded against falling behind in his class work, and is taught during his first year that neither he nor his opinions are of importance. By the time he is a sophomore he has learned to make allowance for every one's point of view.

As an impartial writer, it would have been well for the author to have omitted the remark that ' $\Delta \Psi$ is perhaps the most exclusive general Greek-letter college fraternity as to the social standing of members.' It does not agree with the statement that ' $\Sigma \Phi$ ranks to-day pre-eminent for the social standing of its members.' Such claims, if made by these two societies, partake more of assurance than of accuracy. Other invidious distinctions are that 'K A stands alone in having had as founders gentlemen who afterwards became distinguished in political or professional life,' and that 'the tie between members of X Ψ is closer and more lasting than that found between members of many like societies.' The author further differentiates fraternities as follows :

The characteristics of the three earlier fraternities at Union College are broadly marked. Twenty years ago and for a long time preceding, the membership of the few chapters of K A (very few had or have been established) was limited and exclusive, while the policy of the fraternity was distinctly one of non-extension. Its immediate imitator, $\Sigma \Phi$, was not long in securing a like classification. It, too, had a restricted number of chapters and a tendency to regard the grandfather as having much to do with the man. $\Delta \Phi$ was less exclusive, but did not establish many new chapters, and has held to its earlier standard with less success than the other two. . . .

A $\Delta \Phi$ and $\Psi \Upsilon$ continue to pay that attention to the social standing and literary excellence among their members which has ever characterized almost all of the chapters of each, but are more conservative as to extension than formerly. $\Delta K E$ is noticeable for good-fellowship and numerous chapters, some of which are at minor colleges. $B \Theta \Pi$, the first western fraternity, is now one of the largest and best governed. It places less weight on the propriety or desirability of what has been called 'conservatism' with respect to increase of chapters, and maintains as high literary excellence among members as older and formerly more distinguished fraternities.

$X \Psi$, while not so restricted as to number of chapters as $\Sigma \Phi$ or $K A$, continues one of the smaller societies; its reputation is as much for good-fellowship as for social or literary excellence. $Z \Psi$ was formerly one of the smaller fraternities, but adopted a policy of extension and has grown rapidly. It is very secret, was founded by Freemasons, and in recent years has made a remarkable advance in standing and membership. The socially exclusive members of $\Delta \Psi$, like those of $\Sigma \Phi$ and $K A$, do not add to their few chapters. There is considerable wealth centered in this organization.

In *THE SCROLL* for February, 1886, Dr. J. E. Brown first used the term 'Miami triad' for the three fraternities which were founded at Miami— $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and ΣX . The term is used by Baird in the last edition of his fraternity manual. The author of this cyclopædia arbitrarily groups all the fraternities, or nearly all, into triads, or multiples thereof, as follows:

Union triad— $K A$, $\Sigma \Phi$, $\Delta \Phi$. Historic triad— $A \Delta \Phi$, $\Psi \Upsilon$, $\Delta K E$. Pennsylvania triad— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $\Phi K \Sigma$, $\Phi K \Psi$. Double triad (east)—Mystical Seven, $X \Psi$, $Z \Psi$, $\Theta \Delta X$, $\Delta \Psi$, $X \Phi$ (Princeton). Miami triad— $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, ΣX . Triple triad (south)— $W. W. W.$ (Rainbow), $\Sigma A E$, $X \Phi$ (North Carolina), $\Delta T \Delta$, $A T \Omega$, $K A$, $K \Sigma$, $\Pi K A$, ΣN .

This is certainly carrying an attempt at classification to an absurd extreme. Instead of only three Union fraternities, six were born there— $K A$, $\Sigma \Phi$, $\Delta \Phi$, ΨY , $X \Psi$ and $\Theta \Delta X$. There is no reason why $A \Delta \Phi$, ΨY and $\Delta K E$ are entitled to the designation of the historic triad? They are no more 'historic' than others, by no means the oldest and by no means the largest either in number of chapters or membership, except that $\Delta K E$ has initiated more members than any other society.

In order to complete his 'triads' the author is forced to include $W. W. W.$, the chapters of which were absorbed by $\Delta T \Delta$ and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1886, and to include the Mystical Seven, which, being absorbed by $B \Theta \Pi$ in 1890, no longer exists except as a senior society at Wesleyan. He also finds it necessary to include both the Princeton and North Carolina orders of $X \Phi$, although there was also a Hobart order, the Princeton and Hobart orders uniting in 1867, and this combined northern order uniting with the North Carolina or

southern order in 1874. The non-secret society ΔY is not included in any of these triangular groups, as it flocks by itself. Nowhere in this cyclopædia is mention made of $\Phi \Sigma K$, 1873; $\Phi \Phi \Phi$, 1894; $A X \Phi$, 1895, and $M \Pi \Lambda$, 1895, which appear for the first time in the last (1898) edition of Baird's manual. Continuing his general remarks concerning fraternities, the author says:

Among western societies which have shown enterprise and have become prominent of late years are $\Phi K \Psi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. Some of the relatively smaller or younger societies, such as $\Theta \Delta X$, $X \Phi$ (amalgamated), ΣX and $\Delta T \Delta$, are particularly strong at a number of colleges. The fraternities in the Pennsylvania and Miami groups, as a whole, have paid more attention to extension than to the exclusiveness which has marked societies forming the Union, historic and double triads. Most of the chapters of the southern group are confined to colleges in the south.

Since 1880, $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Delta T \Delta$, $\Phi K \Psi$, ΣX , and $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, which prior thereto were found almost exclusively in western and southern colleges, began to invade colleges and universities of the north and east, where today, in some instances, they dispute supremacy with older fraternities.

The quarter of a century in this department of college life has witnessed a rapid growth on the part of some fraternities which, just after the war were not ranked among the first half dozen, and by others, the development of abnormal conservatism, with a tendency to let well enough alone, and in some instances to live on prestige. . .

There would appear to be little room today for additions to the Greek-letter world. There are too many of these fraternities already, and while there is no tendency on the part of stronger societies to unite, weaker ones occasionally find their way into older or stronger fraternities. The latter, having the prestige of age and a distinguished alumni, are naturally well-nigh invincible.

The author gives short sketches of local societies in colleges, and of sororities, or 'college sisterhoods,' as he calls them; also lists of professional fraternities and honorary societies. He also gives an interesting account of the peculiar class society system at Yale. The existing sophomore societies are H Bουλῆ , and $H \Pi$, each of which initiates seventeen members annually. The author says they are 'among the most powerful organizations at Yale, it being seldom that a member of each fails of an election to the junior societies.' The junior societies are $A \Delta \Phi$, ΨY and $\Delta K E$, which elsewhere are four-year fraternities. Each initiates thirty-five members annually. $Z \Psi$ is a sophomore and junior society at Yale. The senior societies are Skull and Bones, Scroll and Key, and Wolf's Head, each of which takes fifteen men every year. The junior societies are stepping stones to the senior societies. The author says:

At Yale the sophomore joins one of the junior Greek-letter fraternities, if asked, and then lives in the unuttered hope of being invited

to join one of the local senior-year fraternities. Whether successful or not, his interest in his junior society is not, as a rule, of that deep and lasting nature which characterizes members of the same society at other colleges. . . . The 'Bones' or 'Keys' graduate of Yale might naturally find the height of his ambition in an election to a senior society. Neither his sophomore nor junior year fraternity cuts much of a figure beyond the fact that he used them in an effort to get to 'Bones,' 'Keys' or Wolf's Head. . . .

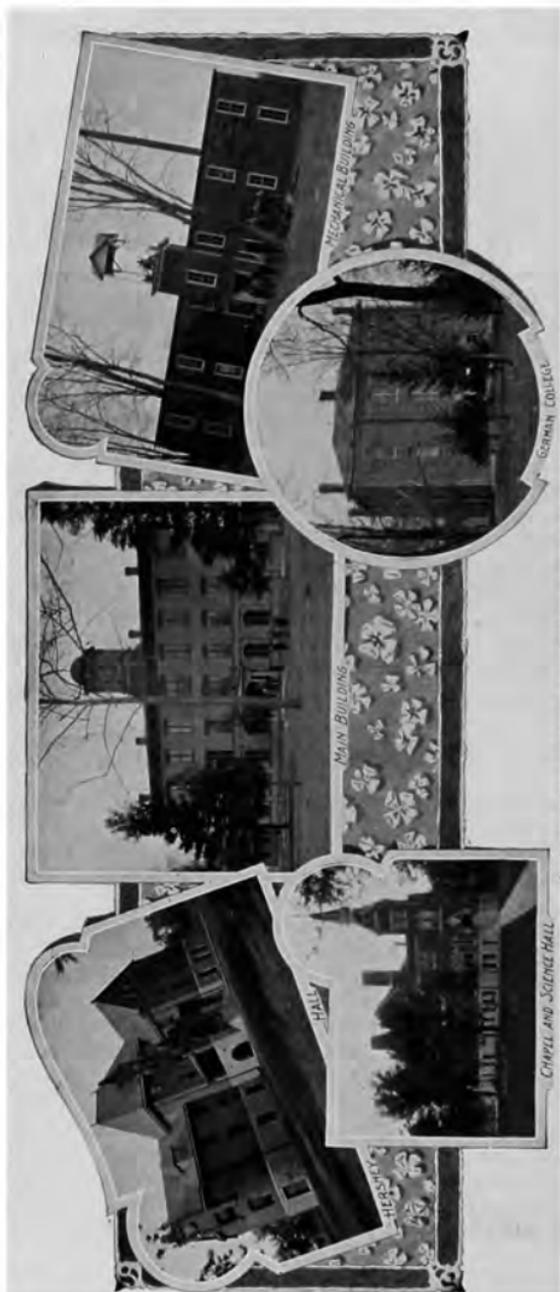
About twenty-five years ago, $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ refused to continue to be made a means to an end, merely an entry-way to a senior society, and withdrew its Yale chapter. . . . Ten or eleven years ago $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ revived its Yale chapter, the oldest secret society at Yale except Skull and Bones, as a four-year fraternity, and tried to make it a Yale organization on a par with the senior year fraternities. It met with only moderate success, owing to the overpowering weight of Yale sentiment in favor of class societies, and within a few years accepted the situation and became a junior society again.

This is interesting testimony, coming as it does from a member of $\Delta \Delta \Phi$. Mr. Stevens, author of the cyclopædia, is an Alpha Delt from the University of Michigan. Evidently he is not greatly enamored of the Yale class society system. He gives some particulars about ΔK , which originated at Yale, and was a freshman society there, but is now extinct. Elsewhere it was a general fraternity, and its last active chapter, which was at Centre College, was absorbed by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1879.

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IOWA ALPHA'S SUMMER CAMP.

Never before has Iowa Alpha of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ spent so enjoyable a summer as the one just past. About the first of July some of the Phis in the vicinity of Mt. Pleasant came to the conclusion that a Phi camp on the banks of Skunk river was a necessity. Correspondence was started with a number of the alumni and some of the active members, and on August 1 the party left for the river. We were provided with three large and roomy tents. We had these all carpeted and furnished in the finest possible manner. Our camp was on a bend in the river with a beautiful view in each direction, while behind it rose a large hill covered with dense woods and brush. We were about ten miles from town, and nearly every day were visited by many of our friends. There is one thing about this Phi camp that I think deserves special mention, and that is the culinary department. Never before had the writer sat down to such feasts. Every meal was a banquet. We took with us from our hall the large fraternity flag and had it placed in such a position that it could



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be seen for miles around. Every night the woods echoed with Phi songs and the Phi yell. The party consisted of about ten Phis and a number of young ladies, and was chaperoned by Brother Adam Weir and Mrs. Weir. The camp will be held again next year.

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CALIFORNIA ALPHA'S NEW HOUSE.

The fire which half destroyed the chapter house of California Alpha the night before commencement last spring was a blessing in disguise for the fraternity, even if not for all the individual members. Just a month from the day of the fire, work was begun on the rebuilding of the house, and when the university year opened, the chapter was established in a home larger, more comfortable, handsomer, and better equipped than the one which had been burned. The effective work of the board of directors of the house corporation and the generosity of the alumni have made California Alpha the possessor of a home which with its site and improvements, excluding furnishings, is worth at the least estimate \$11,000. The house has ample accommodations for seventeen men, and with its well-arranged lower floor, its garden, and its chapter-room, it is admirably adapted for fraternity purposes of every kind.

It was at 10:30 o'clock on the night of Tuesday, May 16, that the fire was discovered. All but five of the men who had been living in the chapter house had left Berkeley for the summer, as the following day was to close, with the commencement exercises, the year's work of the students of the University of California. Passers-by saw smoke pouring from the back of the house. Breaking in the doors, they aroused the only occupant of the house. A crowd of students and townspeople gathered, and by their aid almost everything was carried out from the two lower floors. The upper story was too far gone to make rescue of anything there possible. Three men lost practically all their chattels, unfortunately uninsured. It was a windless night, and this circumstance enabled the fire department, even though its arrival was tardy, to check the flames. However the whole third floor and all the back of the house had been destroyed, and what remained was damaged by fire, smoke and water.

The day after the fire Bro. Louis Titus, the indefatigable secretary of the house corporation—the 'Phi Delta Theta of Berkeley'—and Bro. Frank Otis, one of the hardest-working



CALIFORNIA ALPHA'S NEW HOME.

and most loyal of the directors, visited the wrecked house, bringing comforting assurances that the alumni would see that the chapter should be established in a better home than before when the summer ended. The following week the board of directors met, accepted the insurance figures, and began a canvass for subscriptions. On June 16, a month after the fire, ground was broken for the rebuilding of an enlarged house.

The insurance companies had allowed the full \$1,000 insurance on the furniture and \$2,610 on the house. The Phis around the bay and in Los Angeles subscribed an aggregate of \$500, no canvass being made among the other alumni of the chapter. With these sums and other moneys raised, work was vigorously prosecuted on the new house.

The plans were not left to be devised by an architect unfamiliar with the chapter's actual needs, but were sketched by Bro. G. F. Reinhardt, whose six years' residence in the chapter house and whose visits to the homes of the Phis at many colleges made him a most valuable adviser; Bro. Duncan McDuffie and Bro. Rea Hanna. These first plans received technical elaboration from B. E. Rimmel, a San Francisco architect, the brother of Bro. A. J. Rimmel. Mr. Rimmel worked out the details with much skill and good taste, and it was under his direction that the house was built. Work was rushed, and on August 20 the Phis moved in, although the final touches were not given until September 2.

The reconstructed house stands on the old site, a lot 100 x 130 feet on the northeast corner of Durant avenue and Dana street, facing the former. Land in this neighborhood is held higher than in any other residence portion of Berkeley. The house is but two blocks from the university grounds; an electric line to Oakland runs past the side-door, another Oakland car line is but one block distant, and the business portion of Berkeley and two railroad stations are within eight minutes' walk.

The house is in its own garden of well-grown trees, shrubbery and flowers, sheltered from the streets by a large pittisporum hedge. It is three stories high, of colonial style, with the exterior in three-lap rustic, and painted gray. From the pillared porch the visitor passes by a heavy oaken door, with a diamond shaped pane let in, into a reception hall which stretches across the entire front of the dwelling. This room measures 40 x 20 feet, not counting two bay windows. The ceiling is broken by two square archways,



THE RECEPTION HALL IN CALIFORNIA ALPHA ALPHA'S NEW HOUSE.

formed by heavy beams resting on graceful redwood pillars. The stairway descends into the room, with a broad landing up half a dozen steps. Beyond the stairway is a portion of the room used as a small reception room. At the opposite end of the apartment a big built-in fireplace of boiler-plate brick, each 12 x 12 x 2 inches in size, rises to meet the curving ceiling.

From the reception hall a square archway opens into the library, and another broad doorway with double panels leads into the dining-room, which in turn opens by a square archway into the library. All three lower rooms have parquetry flooring of oak, with borders of oak and mahogany. A $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in mahogany is inlaid in the floor of the reception hall, directly before the door. The stairway is of Spanish cedar, and the pillars, beams and other woodwork of selected redwood, natural finish. The chandeliers are of noir-antique iron. Big window seats are built into the two bay windows in the front room and the bay window in the library. The walls of the reception hall are finished in two shades of terra cotta; of the library, in chocolate and cream; and of the dining-room, in green, with a dado of lincrusta walton, rising five feet from the floor. The reception hall is furnished in mahogany and cherry, the library in antique oak, and the dining-room in Flemish oak.

There is a large kitchen, with a hotel range; servants' room, ample pantries, and a screen porch.

The second floor has five double and one single bed rooms, a linen closet, and a bath room; the third has two double and two single bed rooms, each pair sharing a dressing room; a shower bath, and a chapter hall. The house is equipped with gas, electricity, and furnace heat throughout, and the bed rooms are supplied with hot and cold water. The basement contains a laundry and trunk room, and there is a two-story barn.

All the furniture destroyed has been replaced, and much new furniture, rugs, and curtains purchased or presented.

The chapter hopes for continued prosperity in its new home. Its latchstring hangs outward, and a visit from brother Phis is a keen and valued pleasure.

VICTOR HENDERSON, *California*, '00.



KLAER ISETT DRURY UFFORD
DAVISON SOPER TURNER HOOPER
 GARDINER HURD NATSCH

PHIS AT NORTHFIELD, JUNE, 1899.

PHIS AT NORTHFIELD.

At the students' conference held at Northfield last June $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was well represented by the following men: Bro. F. P. Turner, general secretary of the student volunteer movement; Bro. Edmund D. Soper, college state secretary of the Y. M. C. A., in Pennsylvania; Bro. R. G. Hooper, assistant general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of Philadelphia; Bro. C. S. Davison, of Drew Theological Seminary; Bro. J. P. Gardiner,* of the University of Pennsylvania; Bros. D. H. Hurd and F. H. Klaer, of Amherst; Bros. Drury and Natsch, of Brown; Bro. Ufford, of the University of Vermont, and the writer.

We had a very pleasant time together and found in the Bond of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ a uniting force that made intercourse at once pleasant and profitable.

While our fraternity did not have as large a delegation there as one or two others, the prominence of some of our members placed us on an equal footing; and at Northfield superiority does not consist in numbers, nor is one Greek-letter fraternity better than another. One fraternal spirit rules all. While it is true that all are in the spirit of fraternity, it is an unspeakable pleasure to meet there the brothers in the Bond of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and thus be doubly united.

Next year I sincerely hope that more of our men will embrace the opportunity of going to this remarkable and inspiring place, and that we may have a reunion still more delightful than that of last summer.

WILLIAM C. ISETT, *Lafayette*, '01.

*It may interest our members who keep posted on athletics to know that Brother Gardiner was quarter-back on the U. of P. eleven in 1898 and stroke of the victorious crew in 1899.—E.D.

EDITORIAL.

AS A result of the inevitable ups and downs of chapter life there will be found two or three of those that grace the roll of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ beginning this college year with depleted numbers, but in none of these cases is the reduction so low as to reach the danger point. Steady rushing will make all well again. On the other hand, with the majority the chapter not only commences the year in better shape, but in nearly every instance also finds the desirable new material afforded by the class of '03 to exceed that found in almost any previous year. Business prosperity has made universities prosper, and larger faculties, increased endowments and more new students are found almost everywhere. This will enable fraternities to choose a little more carefully, though the multiplication of chapters in many institutions makes competition still very fierce. All the Phi chapters heard from so far are faring well; some, as our chapter correspondence shows, have simply swept the field. Pennsylvania Beta, with her increased membership and new house, and Virginia Zeta, with nine or ten good men in place of one two years ago, are leaders again at Gettysburg and Washington and Lee. Mississippi and Kansas and Iowa Wesleyan have carried everything before them, though a year or two ago we were getting concerned (they were not) because their numbers were running low. Systematic and energetic rushing seems to have been learned at last.

Now is the time to plan next year's rushing campaign. While the memory of this year's mistakes and omissions is fresh, review the whole subject and begin at once on some of the lines of activity outlined in the September *Palladium*. To keep our chapters at the forefront in every quarter and to send out constantly alumni who will make us stronger with every year, we must have from each entering class a good number of all-round men who will take the full college course. The chapter should keep this in mind the whole

year through and begin work to-day for men from the class of '04. If the '03 delegation is not as complete as the code suggests on page 80, see that from the good men remaining it is filled. Use your new freshmen to help you to investigate the merits of the men who develop, the men who often outstrip in many ways the men who make such a fine showing on the first day. Do not be afraid to take a man because your rivals have not found out they need him.

A CHAPTER should not allow itself to become one-sided. If it has been cultivating athletics and society to the neglect of scholarship and speaking, now is the time to turn the attention of those who have special ability toward Φ B K and class honors and the inter-collegiate debate. If literary prizes and good grades have been the sole aim, it is time for the muscular to rush the pig skin and for the strong lunged to join the rooters. Every honorable line of student activity should receive attention from at least one member of the chapter to a considerable degree, and that involves the interest and appreciation of all. If one Phi is working hard on a prize oration, the rest at once want to know all about it, to hear and criticise it, to turn out in a body and gain credit for college spirit when the contest is held. If the chapter has no active musicians it not only suffers in the loss of much pleasure and life that might otherwise be infused into chapter meetings, formal or informal, but it also becomes an indifferent supporter of a leading college enterprise and suffers on that account in the esteem of the student body. The chapter should not allow a man who has a quick mind and memory and tongue to neglect class work and debate; no man who is physically fit should withhold, save for the best of reasons, his personal co-operation from those branches of athletics in which his tastes lie. He wants in this life to get out of himself all there is in him, and college is an epitome of life. Let the chapter, then, be a committee of the whole to find out each man's possibilities and to see that he realizes them.

BY THIS we do not mean that a man should give all his time to some secondary feature of student life, for study is primary. That is what colleges were founded for. Nor do we mean that if a man evinces tendencies toward congenial good-fellowship he should interpret 'society' as meaning the society of those who can drink most and swear loudest. Congeniality and conviviality have different meanings to most people. All fraternities have had this experience at one time or another: a chapter initiates one or two good-looking, brilliant fellows, who, speaking plainly, turn out to be bar-room loafers and who lead away with them one or two or more of the younger men each year, until the chapter becomes an academic plague spot, unless the alumni or undergraduates with backbone and proper self-respect, by plain words or discipline or tactful persuasion, cure the evil. There have been two chapters of well-known fraternities at one of our largest universities that have gone to the wall in recent years because of nothing more nor less than too much beer. There was another chapter in a university still larger that was cut off from the parent body because of its offensive conduct and reputation. These were matters of common report at the time, and the general fraternity's good name suffered, though not so much as that of the chapters concerned or of the members of those chapters.

IT IS the fashion to answer such criticisms as these with lofty and scornful remarks about 'hayseed' and 'long faces' and 'bookworms' and 'cranks'. It might be remarked that a farmer is not usually a drunkard, and that long faces are better than bloated ones; it is more honorable to die from overstudy than from delirium tremens, and between a crank who would save one's life and one who would ruin it, we should prefer the former. But no man with common sense wants the college student of to-day to be a prig or a hypocrite, or, even when sincere, to be offensively religious. And the same tact and self-restraint that make many a hard student and ardent Christian worker popular with men and

women alike should make the society man and the athlete respect and admire a quick mind and a clear conscience as much as they wish hop committees and 'varsity Y's to be esteemed of all men. And the sober second thought of the world outside is with the man who was not drunk and who never made other men drunk, with the man who got his degree while he got his reputation as a good fellow. We are happy to say that no Phi chapter is known to-day as 'the tough chapter,' so far as we have heard, and we have written this not that it was demanded by existing circumstances among us, but because in the train of inter-collegiate athletics and some class societies and more luxurious college life and other things not bad in themselves, some severe temptations have stalked in more or less well contrived disguise. A plain word now and then is helpful.

BEFORE we go further we must not forget the perennial chapter house question. Several changes have taken place in the last few months, and the new arrangements made necessary have not yet been fully reported. De Pauw takes a house for the first time. Columbia, after a vigorous campaign, has taken a real house and given up flat life. Northwestern, whose house was sold last spring, has rented another and is busy furnishing it. Missouri has a much better house, and we are expecting to hear that Lehigh and Vermont have also improved their situation in this respect. Many of the owned and rented houses have been repainted and fitted out more handsomely—notably those at Ohio State, Sewanee, Vanderbilt and Cornell. Pennsylvania and Stanford will have their new houses ready in a few weeks more. Dickinson has moved in and will tell us all about it next month. Gettysburg we know about. California gives us something to envy in this issue, and has broken the record for prompt action. She has the congratulations of the whole fraternity on her magnificent new house. Mercer has been forced by the faculty to give up her house, as was foreseen. Purdue was unable to secure hers again at the last minute, but promises to be under shelter again

before the close of the year. The Indianapolis house was sold, and after an all summer's search, the best hall in town and a suite of rooms in the same block that will accommodate all the non-resident members, was the best that could be done. We had hoped to hear of houses at Kansas, Indiana, Texas, Iowa and Washington and Jefferson, but so far none of these have reported success. There is a rumor that a house is just being taken at Knox. The good work must go on. Read Brother Moore's article in the September *Palladium* and organize an association at once.

OUR ALUMNI are a source of no less pride to us than are our energetic chapters. The alumni notes in this issue relate only a portion of the honors that have come to Phi soldiers and advocates, writers and statesmen in the last few months. Our record in the war with Spain and the Filipinos was a source of great pride to the whole fraternity, and it will be a pleasure to know, as we here announce, that an organization is being formed of the Phis who served in army and navy during the wars named. We have reported names of more than 250 enlisted men, and the total will probably exceed 300. More than half of them were officers, and what some of them have done is well known to the whole country. Among the war correspondents $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was equally conspicuous. That we have been kept so well informed as to the doings of not only our militant brothers, but of those as well who are more prosaically buying and selling and moving to and fro in the land, is in large measure due to the intelligent interest of several of THE SCROLL's best friends, who send the editor weekly budgets of notes and clippings. Brother Walter B. Palmer remembers that twenty years ago Brother A. Gwyn Foster remarked that he rarely read an Indianapolis, Chicago or Cincinnati daily without seeing some reference to a Phi. So national is the distribution of the fraternity's membership today, and so prominent have many Phis become, that mention of them is constantly made by papers all over the country. Brother Palmer suggests that we request all SCROLL readers to send to us

clippings that give personal information about Phis which would interest their old college mates or the fraternity at large. If more of our readers will kindly do this, we shall be enabled to make the 'personal' department very much more interesting than it has been. We particularly request that obituary notices be sent to us. The names and dates of papers should be appended to clippings in all cases.

REMINISCENCES, like the one Brother Clugston sends us for this issue, are always more than welcome and frequently of distinct historic value. Reports of Phi gatherings of a pre-meditated sort, like the camp of Iowa Alpha, or of an accidental nature, like the Phi meeting at Northfield, are interesting, too. A photograph should accompany the text, and the names are indispensable. California Alpha, for months now, has been telling us of Phi visitors who came her way; there is an announcement in this issue from Philadelphia, to say nothing of the province conventions. There are several reasons for reporting these visits and meetings and gatherings. It shows an appreciation of the pleasure found in the meeting that has its value; it often serves to locate a Phi of whom we had lost sight; it is frequently a contribution to fraternity or chapter history that might be lost otherwise. We understand that the Phis who visit Dallas this month hope to 'get together'; let us hear about it. The register of those who visit the Phi headquarters in Paris in 1900 will be printed in full. The editor is always happy to turn over any information in his possession to Phis who go to parts unknown to them. The only thing that eclipses the charm of a Phi at home is that of one in a strange land.

THE CELEBRATION at Miami, as was indicated in the Pyx of the June SCROLL, was a notable affair in enthusiasm, interest and numbers. Credit for the idea and many of the important details, such as the tablet and its inscription, is due Brother Walter B. Palmer, whose presence and that of Bro. Andrew W. Rogers would have made the occasion perfect in every way. For the carrying out of all the plans,

and for many charming details, we must thank Bros. Karl H. Zwick and Harry Weidner, who spared neither time nor money to make the celebration what it was—a triumphant success. With the oak trees from Father Morrison's home, the memorial tablet and Ohio Alpha's proposed chapter house, Oxford and the Miami's campus will be worthily equipped with visible reminders of the origin of our great brotherhood.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

From the Editor of the History.

I am endeavoring to complete the manuscript of the history of the fraternity, with a view to its early publication, as provided by the last convention. From the following chapters I have received no assistance: *Colby, Dartmouth, Brown, Dickinson, Lehigh, Virginia, Washington and Lee, Mercer, Purdue, Knox, Illinois, Missouri, Westminster, Washington, Iowa*. I desire to obtain from each: (1) A sketch of the chapter if one has been written. (2) The loan of old letters or other papers bearing on the establishment of the chapter. (3) A copy of the minutes of the first few meetings, showing how the chapter was organized.

Such records will materially assist me in writing full and accurate accounts of the respective chapters. If any chapter does not possess such records, I request a notification to that effect. By giving this matter *prompt attention* reporters will confer upon me a personal favor. If any chapter has no historical sketch of its career written up to date, I suggest that, without delay, it appoint a committee to prepare a sketch from the chapter archives, data that may be secured from alumni, files of THE SCROLL, etc. Hereafter the history for each collegiate year is to be written by the historian and transcribed in a book, as provided in the code, title 5, clause 6, and prescribed form xv.

WALTER B. PALMER.

509 South Spruce Street, Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 1, 1899.

From the President of Alpha Province.

The Alpha province convention, as was announced in the September *Palladium*, will meet at Gettysburg, October 18-20, 1899. Several of the general officers expect to be present. The program, including a day on the historic battle-

field, is full of interest. Phis of other provinces are invited to attend. Write H. H. Keller, Gettysburg, Pa., for information in regard to hotel; B. F. Carver, in regard to the banquet; D. J. Forney, about the battle-field. Pennsylvania Beta's new house will naturally be a centre of attraction. The New England delegation will leave Boston as far as possible on Monday evening, October 16, by the Fall River line. The fare will be \$17.65. The party will leave New York Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock over the Pennsylvania; fare, \$9.65. It will leave Philadelphia the same day at 12:25, via York; fare, \$6. The convention should be announced in local papers throughout Alpha province. It will be reported in the November *Palladium*. The convention secretary will please take notice and forward an account promptly.

WALTER W. CASE.

34 School St., Boston, Mass.

From the President of Epsilon Province.

At the convention of Epsilon province, held at Indianapolis, January 27, 1899, it was unanimously decided to hold a convention in Bloomington to celebrate the semi-centennial anniversary of the founding of Indiana Alpha—the advent of Phi Delta Theta into Indiana. The date of the charter is October 11, and the convention would have been called for that day, but it has been found impracticable to hold it so early, college having opened September 26. It has therefore been decided to have the convention October 26, 27 and 28.

The committee in charge, aided by the Indiana chapter, is arranging an interesting program, and is very anxious that the attendance be large. Among the features, besides the sessions of the convention, may be mentioned the initiation of the ten spikes of Indiana Alpha, a smoker, receptions and a banquet. More definite announcements will be made in the immediate future.

Reduced railroad rates and liberal rates at the hotels will be secured. All the chapters in Indiana have given assurance that they will send large delegations, and it is very desirable that there be a large number of alumni members present as well. We should also like very much to have Phis from other states meet with us and participate in the jubilee of Indiana Alpha.

Bloomington, Indiana.

Yours in the Bond,
EDWARD E. RUBY.

From the President of Zeta Province.

The Zeta province convention will be held with Nebraska Alpha, at Lincoln, Neb., November 16, 17 and 18, 1899. One of the features of entertainment will be the foot ball game between Kansas and Nebraska on November 18. Among subjects proposed for discussion are the following: 'chapter houses,' 'chapter finances,' 'fraternity education for the individual member,' 'acquiring property as a chapter,' 'incorporation,' 'chapter organization.' Delegates will correspond with the undersigned in regard to railroad arrangements and similar matters. A large attendance is expected.

FRANK J. R. MITCHELL.

Box 122, Evanston, Ill.

To Phi Soldiers and Sailors.

It is believed that an organization of the Phis who were enlisted in the service of their country during the war with Spain and the Filipinos would be a source of pleasure and profit to its members and of pride to the fraternity. Those who wish to take part in the formation of such a society are requested to forward their names and addresses to the editor of THE SCROLL at Columbus, Indiana. At the proper time he will communicate with those who report in regard to a preliminary organization, which should, in our opinion, be followed by a formal organization and meeting at the national convention of 1900, in Louisville, Kentucky.

DAVID G. ANDERSON, *Pennsylvania*, '91,
 ROYALL H. SWITZLER, *Missouri*, '98.
 SAMUEL F. OWEN, *K. M. I.*, '86,
 PHILIP W. RUSSELL, *Nebraska*, '98,
 ERIC M. LUBECK, *Chicago*, '00.

To Phis Visiting Philadelphia.

All Phis who visit Philadelphia during the national export exposition, now open, are invited to call at the office of the P. G. C. or of the H. G. C., and receive information as to the city's attractions and the locations in which Phis, alumni and undergraduates may be found.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Dartmouth enters upon her 130th year under unusually favorable auspices. The entering class, numbering about 200, is the largest in the history of the college, and the total enrollment is further increased by a large number of students who have come to us from other colleges. Advantage has been taken of the summer vacation to beautify the college grounds and to refit and remodel many of the buildings. All the dormitories are now heated throughout by steam and lighted by electricity. The splendid new Wilder physical laboratory, which cost \$175,000, was formally opened this fall, and is now being occupied for the first time. The college has recently been enriched by \$300,000, the generous gift of Mr. Edward Tuck, '62. This sum will be devoted exclusively to the departments of instruction, thus permitting the internal growth of the college to keep pace with its rapid external development.

New Hampshire Alpha of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ lost eight valuable men by graduation last June. Bro. J. L. Sanborn, '99, is still with us, entering upon his last year at the Thayer school of engineering. Bro. Dixon, *Michigan*, '91, has returned and assumed his duties as assistant professor of economics. Bro. Ricker, '01, who spent his sophomore year at Harvard, has again joined our ranks, as a member of the junior class. We are glad to welcome Bro. Holland, '00, who comes to us this fall from Knox. Bros. Bacon, '97, and Rogers, '98, are taking graduate courses in physics and political science, respectively.

The chapter is as active as ever in all lines of college work. Bro. Salinger, '00, is managing the weekly *Dartmouth*, of which Bro. Wood, '01, is an associate editor. Bro. Rich, '00, is manager of the 'varsity track team, while Bro. Hunter, '01, is business manager of the *Ægis*, the junior annual. The Buskin, the dramatic club, will be managed by Bro. Salinger, '00, with the assistance of Bro. Wood, '01. Bro. Washburne, '01, is assistant manager of the 'varsity foot ball team, to assume the managership in his senior year. Bro. Norris, '00, has recently been elected president of his class. On the inter-class base ball teams, which are now playing a series of games, we are represented by Bros. McCarten, '01, and Abbott, '02, both of whom play on the 'varsity nine, and also by Bros. Fairfield, '00, and Washburne, '01, who play on the reserves. In the foot ball squad we are represented by Bros. Stanley, '02, and Merrill, '02.

It is yet too early in the season to give a full list of the Phis who will represent us on the various college organizations; but it is safe to prophesy that we will win as many honors in the future as we have won in the past.

The 'chinning' system which has been in vogue at Dartmouth for a number of years, prevents any mention of fraternity matters to freshmen before the sixth week of the term, when two days are devoted to rushing, after which pledging begins. The incoming class has some good material, which the chapter is carefully looking over

with encouraging prospects. At the present writing we have thirty-two active members.

Offering the hospitality of New Hampshire Alpha to all visiting Phis, I am

Loyally yours in the Bond of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$,
Hanover, September 23, 1899. KENDALL BANNING.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Never before in the history of New York Alpha of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ have our prospects been better for a successful year. Of the twenty-five men of last years' chapter twenty have returned. We lost four men, Bros. J. H. Wynne, J. J. Dempsey, E. C. Zeller and J. W. Young by graduation, and Bro. G. F. Ballard on account of his ill health.

Word has been received that J. H. Wynne, '98, is working as a special apprentice in the shops of the Chicago and Great Western R. R. at Oelwein, Iowa. Bro. W. H. Thomson, '98, is with the General Electric Co. at Lynn, Mass. Bro. E. C. Zeller, '99, has a position in a large wholesale dry goods house at St. Louis.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$'s record for '98-'99 was an excellent one. In athletics, we had Bro. Kinsey on the track team; Bros. Whiting (captain), Starbuck (this year's captain) and Short on the foot ball team; Bros. White and Brower on the second 'varsity base ball team; Bro. English stroke of the four-oared crew; Bro. Powley number five and captain of the freshman crew, and Bro. Kugler substitute.

In other college activities we continued to hold our own, Bro. Ihlder being re-elected to the *Cornell Daily Sun* board. Bros. Wynne and Morrison being on the glee club (Bro. Wynne leading the club); Bros. Brower and Morrison being on the Masque, the dramatic club; Bros. Coit, '00, and Macbride, '01, being presidents of their respective classes. To the college and class committees our chapter also contributed members.

The registration at Cornell this year is expected to exceed by one hundred and fifty that of last year. The entering class is full of good material and the largest we ever had, numbering nearly seven hundred. So far, although the university has not yet opened, we have five good men pledged, and in the next SCROLL we shall be pleased to introduce them, together with several more we hope to secure. We wish to thank all those who have sent us the names and records of entering freshmen. It has been a great help.

Yours in the Bond,
Ithaca, September 26, 1899. W. H. MORRISON, JR.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

Union opens for the fall term of the new collegiate year on September 21. Although it is yet too early to say anything with certainty, the outlook is very encouraging for a good entering class.

New York Beta will have all her old men back, with the exception of her graduates, filled with the idea that the rushing must be fast and furious. Already we have one man pledged.

With the class of '99 New York Beta and Union College lost some of their best men. At the 102d commencement exercises we were represented by Bros. Gambee, Ph. B., Gayetty, B. E., Hegeman, B. E., Hornsby, B. E., and Hoyt, A. B. Bro. Hegeman received a stage appointment and was also a member of the senior ball committee, to whose efforts is due the fine hardwood floor in Memorial Hall. At

present he is with the Staten Island Traction Company, as assistant engineer. Bro. Hornsby is with the General Electric Company in this city. Bro. Hoyt is at the Albany Medical College, and Bro. Gambee is professor of science and mathematics at the Lowville (N. Y.) Academy.

During commencement week we were pleased to entertain Bros. Griswold, '85, who has just returned from India, Terry, '96, West, '96, and Nolan, '89.

At the annual alumni meeting, announcement was made of the gift of a prominent alumnus to the local association of a handsome new Y. M. C. A. building, to be begun as soon as the plans are completed. It is hoped that this will be followed by gifts for other new buildings, which we need very much.

Last spring the chapter was represented on the base ball team by Bros. Gambee, '99, manager, Hegeman, '99, first base, Edwards, '00, pitcher, and Grout, '01, third base. Bro. Hegeman was elected captain on the resignation of Captain Smith.

At the annual election of officers of the musical association, Bro. Barret, '01, was chosen vice-president, and your correspondent, leader of the glee club. This coming year we mean to make $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ still more prominent in college affairs.

Yours in the Bond,

Schenectady, September 15, 1899.

G. LEROY SHELLEY.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

September finds New York Delta hard at work trying to get a chapter house for the coming winter. Through the kind assistance of Bro. Dr. J. B. Shaw, *Lafayette*, '85, and Bro. E. A. Darling, *Cornell*, '90, some progress has been made, and the chapter will never rest easy hereafter until it is under shelter in its own home.

We begin the year with ten active members and two pledged. At commencement in June Phis took the following degrees: Ph. D., 1; M. D., 3; LL. B., 1; M. E., 1; M. A., 1; A. B., 5; total, 12. Bro. O. H. Hinck was chairman of the college commencement committee and Bro. F. S. Hackett of the senior class.

Bro. Hackett has been appointed tutor in rhetoric and Bro. G. B. Germann in philosophy. There are now nine Phis on the faculty and administration at Columbia.

Bro. W. M. Van Name, '99, has been chosen headmaster of the English department of the Blair School, Blairstown, N. J.

Bro. E. J. Riederer, '97, has resigned his chair in the chemistry department and is now chemist for the North American Smelting company, Meyerstown, Pa.

Bro. A. R. Allan, '02, whose work on the 'cycle team last year was excellent, has been chosen captain of the team for the ensuing year.

Bro. Ernst, '99, retains the business managership of *The Columbia Literary Monthly*, and Bro. J. S. Bühler, '01, the business managership of *The Morningside*.

We regret to announce the untimely death of Bro. N. R. Harrington, *Williams*, '93, who lost his life while pursuing scientific research in Egypt. Brother Harrington was a fellow in zoölogy at Columbia and chosen as the most competent leader for the university expedition to the Nile. No details have yet reached us.

Bro. Adrian R. Allan, '02, will be my successor as reporter.

In the Bond,

New York, September 19, 1899.

BERNARD M. L. ERNST.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Twenty-one enthusiastic Phis returned to college this fall. The chapter house has been thoroughly overhauled and new furnishings added, putting it in a better condition than for a long time. Although the university has barely opened, our delegation is almost complete. The men that we have thus far pledged are as fine as the entering class affords. We do not have to beg or wait very long for a final answer. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is advancing, and with the integrity of our new men added to the high determination and enthusiasm of the old ones, we hope to make this a great year for New York Epsilon.

The university has increased its facility for work by adding new departments and new instructors. We feel the loss of Dr. Richard Jones, of the department of literature, who takes a position in another college.

The athletic prospect is very good. The foot hall men have been on the ground for some weeks, practicing under the direction of a competent coach.

Yours in the Bond,

Syracuse, September 19, 1899.

CLAUDE M. MARRIOTT.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

On May 31 Pardee Hall was rededicated with interesting and impressive ceremonies. It is now one of the most complete scientific buildings in the country, and with its splendid equipment makes the scientific courses very attractive.

We were represented in the class day exercises, which were held on the campus, by Bro. H. B. Moon, who was mantle orator, in a very neat address handing down the mantle to the class of '00.

On June 19 we held our annual banquet at Bethlehem, Pa. A special car was chartered for the occasion, and the ride to Bethlehem and back was made merry by fraternity songs and cheers. Sun Inn had been tastefully decorated in the fraternity colors, with here and there the stars and stripes that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has so nobly helped to carry to victory.

By graduation we lost but three men. Besides our graduates the only other one of our number who has not returned is Bro. Thomas Wilson, who is now in Ithaca, N. Y.

During the summer the foundation for a new library building was laid, and work on the building is being pushed rapidly. Until the close of the term we hoped the dormitories would be remodeled during vacation, but it could not be accomplished.

The class of '03 numbers 105 men, and the fraternities have been active in securing new material. We have already initiated four men, and we take great pleasure in introducing Bros. R. A. Young, Titusville, Pa.; W. D. Bushnell, Harrisburg, Pa.; C. L. Keedy, Hagerstown, Md.; A. A. Walter, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Pennsylvania Alpha will be well represented in all branches of college activity this year. Brother Bray, captain of the foot ball team, is working hard, and the outlook for a good season is very bright. A great many of the new men are trying for positions on the team.

Brother Hubley is captain of the base ball team, and Brother Hultgren manager of the banjo club. We also have representatives on the glee and mandolin clubs and in several other organizations.

While activities are scarcely more than begun, we feel sure that this will be a very successful year for our chapter.

Fraternally yours,

Easton, September 20, 1899.

WILLIAM C. ISETT.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Beta of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ probably never had a more successful year than that of '98-'99. With a new house and a good nucleus for a strong chapter, the coming year bids fair to surpass all previous ones in the chapter's history. Already four new Phis have been ushered in, and we take pleasure in presenting Bros. M. H. Floto, Edward B. Hay, and R. H. Philson, '03, and M. R. Long, '02. We were pleased to have with us at the initiations Bros. Kain and Meisenhelder, '97, and Bro. G. W. Welsh, *Lehigh*, '01. The chapter prides itself in its success in securing this unusually strong delegation from the entering class.

We lost three men with the class of '99. They have always stood foremost in the different lines of college activity and never failed in their duties to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Bro. Beerits will enter business at Somerset, Pa. Bro. Sloop expects to enter a law school in Washington, D. C. Bro. Klinefelter occupies the position of private tutor in a Philadelphia family.

Commencement week of '99 presented a most interesting array of events. In addition to the many regular exercises Pennsylvania Beta contributed very largely to the pleasures of the week by giving an informal smoker on Wednesday evening to her alumni and friends, who came to attend the dedication of the chapter house, and by her opening reception and dance on Thursday night. Over two hundred invitations to the latter were issued, and it was enjoyed by a large number of guests from different parts of the state. It was pronounced by those who were present to be the most successful social enjoyable event of the year at Gettysburg. Representatives from each of the other fraternities in college were invited and were present, a courtesy which has never been extended to its rivals by any chapter at Gettysburg heretofore. We hope that it may be a step to a still greater harmony among the chapters.

The dedication, as announced in the June SCROLL, occurred on June 14. Quite a large delegation of our alumni came on to participate in the exercises. Bro. Black, '88, of Johnstown, N. Y., had charge of the meeting, and among those who took part were Bros. Trump, '77, Reinewald, '85, Metzgar, '88, R. B. Wolf, '91, Lieut. Gettier, '93, Lantz, '94, Ott, '97, and others of the alumni and active chapter. The building committee, of which Bro. Beerits, '99, was chairman, presented a financial statement in which honors were conferred upon those who have especially earned the gratitude of the chapter for their instrumentality in securing its house. The building committee then reported its work completed and handed the keys over to the president of the active chapter, after which Bro. Black pronounced the words of dedication, set apart the building to the uses of Pennsylvania Beta and named it 'Phi Delta Theta Lodge.' During the afternoon several hundred dollars in additional subscriptions were reported, so that now the chapter house association is on a firm financial basis.

On Friday evening, June 9, a chapter of $\Sigma A E$ was instituted here by a delegation of Dickinson students. This fraternity had chapters here twice before but neither of them was lasting. The other fraternities do not seem to be at all concerned at their appearance, and thus far are not a rival of any of the older chapters. The latest rumor concerning the new chapter is that it has no charter but that it is merely a branch of the Dickinson chapter. [This is incorrect.—ED.]

In the inter-fraternity tennis tournament held in June $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ again

succeeded in getting a place in the finals, but as in '98 was unable to conquer her old rival Φ K Ψ , who won after a most exciting struggle.

Already the foot ball squad is hard at work, preparatory to the first game, on September 23, with the Carlisle Indians. Forty men appeared on the field in response to the call for candidates.

In addition to those already mentioned in the June SCROLL Bros. Heintzelman, '01, Bickel, '02, and Floto, '03, have been elected to important offices in their respective classes, while your reporter has been elected vice-president of the athletic association, and business manager of the *Gettysburgian*.

Bro. J. Arthur Singmaster, '98, who spent last year at Lehigh as a special student in chemistry, has a position as chemist for the India Refining Co., at Philadelphia.

Pennsylvania Beta is busily engaged in her preparations for entertaining the Alpha province convention on October 18-20, and it is her aim to make this a most interesting province convention, and to show to the visiting delegates a jolly good time. With the battlefield as one of the chief attractions we hope not a few of our Phi brothers will avail themselves of the opportunity to attend the convention and take a trip over the field at the same time.

Yours in the Bond,

Gettysburg, September 19, 1899.

HIRAM H. KELLER.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Gamma has more members at the beginning of this year than ever before—fifteen. Three of our boys who were here last year have not returned: Bros. Burchfield, Bungarner and Jibson. Bro. Burchfield expects to study medicine in Chicago. Bro. Jibson expected to return from Mexico before college opened, but he has decided to remain there until spring. Bro. Bungarner will study medicine in Baltimore.

Bro. Ralston, who enlisted when the war broke out and went with the Tenth Pennsylvania to Manila, has returned once more to college. He was formerly of the class of '01, but is now a member of '02. Bro. Eicher, who was also a member of the same regiment, is not with us. He is studying law at his home in Greensburg, Pa.

There have been two changes in our faculty. The resignation of Prof. R. W. Blake was very reluctantly accepted by the trustees. He goes to Lehigh as head professor of Latin. The trustees have elected in his place Prof. S. Grant Oliphant of Exeter, N. H. Prof. Oliphant was graduated at Princeton in '91, at the head of his class, taking the classical fellowship.

That President Moffat may devote his closer attention to college work in general the trustees elected an adjunct professor of philosophy, Dr. E. M. Weyer, of St. Louis, a Yale man, for three years at Leipsic with the famous Dr. Wundt and for the last year assistant to Prof. Scripture at Yale. The trustees' plans for additional buildings and improvements make it imperative that Dr. Moffat should not, in any way, be handicapped. During the last year they have purchased two very valuable pieces of property. It is likely that a preparatory building and a science hall will be erected.

Another thing of considerable local interest is the erection of a new grand stand at the athletic park. The building is to cost about \$3,000 and to be furnished to supply conveniently all the needs of our several athletic teams.

Our foot ball prospects are fairly good for the coming season. We

ave lost many of our old players. Bro. Core is captain and working hard. We have a good schedule and play most of our games at Washington. We play Princeton and Pennsylvania State College on their own grounds and D. C. and A. C. at Pittsburgh, as usual, on Thanksgiving day.

Our prospects for new men are very good, since about 125 entered his fall, 85 of whom are freshmen. We should be glad to receive letters from any Phi who is acquainted with desirable new students.

Yours in the Bond,

Washington, September 18, 1899.

W. C. GRUBBS.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

College opened to-day with an unusually large incoming class. There are no changes in the personnel of the faculty. Bro. Ross, '91, has returned from a year's leave of absence to resume his work as principal of the preparatory department. Bro. Womer, '00, is to be assistant in the biological laboratory, and Bro. Douglass, '01, in chemistry.

At the eighty-fourth annual commencement the degree of A. B. was conferred upon nine Phis, and Bro. Pratt, '96, received A. M. Bros. Casteel, Oakes and Swisher were on the senior twelve—the speakers. Bro. Casteel is now instructor in biology in Ohio Wesleyan University. Bro. Phillips, '99, is professor of science in New Brighton high school. Bro. Oakes is studying law at his home in Cattaraugus. Bro. Couse, '99, has taken up journalism. Bros. Soult, Stolzenbach, Swisher, Weatherby and Wilkinson will take advanced courses in various universities.

At the annual track contest Bros. Womer, '00, Masters, '01, and Lampe, '03, carried off high honors, Bro. Lampe winning first prize with the greatest number of points. Bro. Lampe has been elected captain of this year's basket ball team.

Our twentieth commencement banquet was held June 28, with Bro. E. P. Couse, '89, as toastmaster. Many of our alumni were with us.

Bro. Womer, '00, has been elected business manager of the *Campus*.

An attempt is being made to revive the Alpha chapter of $\Delta T \Delta$.

We have already pledged one man, whom we will soon introduce to the fraternity.

Yours in the Bond,

Meadville, September 19, 1899.

ROGER H. MOTTEN.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Epsilon opened the season of 1899-1900 in a most auspicious manner. With an entrance into the new fraternity house every opportunity was afforded for successful rushing, and such have we had. So far we should like to present Merrill Haldeman, of Thomp-
 ertown, Pa.; Charles Appleman, of Wellersville, Pa.; James Earle,
 of Centerville, Md., and M. L. Gray, of St. Georges, Del. All four
 re members of '03 and men of the best stamp, and will represent
 $\Delta \Theta$ in many ways. Of the new lodge much can be said, we hope,
 and in the next issue of *THE SCROLL* we plan to have a picture and an
 account of our new quarters.

The college also has started on a prosperous year. With the opening of the law school, fully 500 names will be enrolled. Several changes in the faculty are noted. Dr. O. B. Super has been relieved from his work in German, and will devote his whole attention to French and Spanish, the latter having just been added to the curriculum. Prof. C. W. Prettyman, Ph. D., Johns Hopkins, and late from

the chair of Germanics in the University of North Carolina, will occupy that chair here. Dr. H. C. Whiting, LL. D., of the chair of Latin, has been granted a leave of absence, and his work will be taken by Mervin G. Filler, A. M., an alumnus of the college and late professor of that department in the preparatory school. The position vacated in the preparatory school by Prof. Filler's promotion will be filled by Prof. J. C. Van Burkalow, Ph. D., a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and a teacher of much experience in academies. W. Frysinger Evans, Esq., of New York City, has been made treasurer of the college. From all indications Dickinson College and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ are on top.

Carlisle, September 23, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
EDMUND J. PRESBY.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY,

Washington and Lee opened September 14. The matriculates already number 177—fully forty above the entire number last session. We expect to reach the two hundred mark before Christmas. Everyone is full of enthusiasm, and all indications point to a red-letter year for W. and L. Virginia Zeta has also been very fortunate. Of last year's chapter, Bros. Epes, Graybill and Keeble have returned. Bro. Sloan will not be with us this session, but expects to return next year. He was elected by the faculty last June as assistant librarian. The degree of A. M. was conferred upon Bro. Campbell at commencement. He will teach at the Episcopal High School, near Alexandria, Va., this year. We shall miss both of these men sadly. Bro. Campbell has been for several years the star player on our foot ball and base ball teams, and was last year captain of both. He pulled number three on the Albert Sidney crew last June, has taken several scholarships, and was voted to be the best athlete and the most popular man in college.

In spite of these losses, we have been very fortunate. Bro. Thomas E. Marshall, jr., of Richmond, Va., who was in the academic department two years ago, has returned to take the law course. Bro. L. C. Speers, of South Carolina, who was here in '96-'97, is also with us again. Neither has lost any of his old enthusiasm, and with their long experience in fraternity work they have rendered us invaluable aid. Bro. Speers was editor-in-chief of the *Southern Collegian* in '96-'97. I also have the pleasure of reporting the affiliation of Bro. L. A. Witherspoon, of Meridian, Miss., who comes to us from Mississippi Alpha. Up to the present we have initiated three men, whom it gives me great pleasure to introduce: James Wirt Marshall, of Richmond, Va., brother of T. E. Marshall; John MacLeod, of Louisville, Ky., and Otey Turk Feamster, of Lewisburg, W. Va. We have had to fight hard for each of these men, having among our rivals many of the very strongest fraternities in college, and we feel justly proud of them all.

We have fitted up a very cozy hall and are very jubilant over our good luck. We have our eyes on several more good men, and hope to initiate again before long. Before closing I wish to testify to the noble work done in our behalf by Bros. R. G. Campbell, '98, R. J. McBryde, Jr., '93 (now of the Louisville *Courier-Journal*), and J. M. McBryde, '02. Bros. Campbell and J. M. McBryde will be with us for another week.

Lexington, September 20, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
H. R. KEEBLE.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

trinity term began at Sewanee on August 10 with a larger number of students enrolled in the university than at any previous time. The commencement exercises in August were well attended by summer visitors, who always crowd the mountain during the summer months. Tennessee Beta had three of her oldest members to graduate then, Bro. Telfair Hodgson receiving the degree of M. A., Bro. Parrott that of L. L. B., and Bro. Benjamin that of B. A.

All of our old foot ball men, except Captain Smith of last year's team, are back, while the new material is good. Bros. Parrott and Kirby-Smith will probably represent us on the 'varsity, while Bros. I. E. Smith, G. A. Wilson and R. F. Shelton are playing on the second eleven. Our schedule for this year is a very large and good one, comprised of games with the best colleges in the south. We shall not meet Vanderbilt, our old time foe, but we play Auburn in Montgomery on Thanksgiving day. Mr. H. M. Suiter, of Princeton, is coaching our team and is very much encouraged by the recent work of the applicants.

Tennessee Beta got into the game with a rush during commencement week, and as a result, I take great pleasure in introducing Bros. John McBee, Percy Benjamin, J. L. Kirby-Smith and G. A. Wilson. Our chapter now numbers sixteen active members, which we consider to be a very good working number for a fraternity in Sewanee. I regret to say that Bro. 'Dug.' Nash, who has been with us for the last two years, has left college.

Bro. Gillett is secretary of the senior german club and treasurer of the Pi Omega literary society, Bro. Parrott is athletic editor of the *Purple*, and Bro. L. M. Williams is secretary of the university law club and local and personal editor of the *Purple*, Sewanee's weekly newspaper.

Quite a number of old Phis were visitors on the mountain this summer, among the number being Bros. Hal. Spears, C. B. K. Weed, Oscar Wilder, Robert DuBose and R. S. Jemison.

Yours in the Bond,

Sewanee, October 3, 1899.

LAURENCE M. WILLIAMS.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Mercer University opened this morning with an attendance of about three hundred. There are over a hundred new men, but, strange to say, rushing material is remarkably scarce. It seems that good material grows scarcer each year, and it is to be hoped that this condition will soon change for the better. So far we have pledged two men: Mr. John Peek, '03, Macon, Ga., and Mr. Rosburg Gay, '03, Cuthbert, Ga. There are a few others to whom we are giving our attention also. We shall very probably not have as large a membership this year as last by five men, but we have made very valuable acquisitions in Messrs. Peek and Gay, and shall expect great things from them.

In tennis we won the championship last spring both in doubles and in singles. All the fraternities contested against each other until the two strongest were found. These two were K A and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. In the first week in May, before the assembled students, Bros. Harris and Gunn met the K A representatives and won a hard fought but brilliant victory. A few days later Bro. Harris met their representative in sin-

gles and defeated him in a closely contested set. The prize was a beautiful racquet.

On May 17 we held our annual banquet at the residence of Bro. H. B. Erminger, Jr. It was a source of much regret that we could not use our chapter house; but we were denied this because of its distance from Wesleyan College, from which a large number of young ladies attended. Bro. Erminger threw open his entire house to us and well displayed the courtesy and hospitality of a loyal Phi. The evening was the most enjoyable occasion of the year.

In the freshman class we had Bros. Long and Hatcher as speakers for the annual prize during commencement week; Bros. Wimberly and Erminger for the preparatory medal; Bros. Ogilby and Ledbetter for the sophomore medal; Bros. Hurst and Coates for the junior medal. Bros. Harris and Collins were on the moot court debate. Bros. Hatcher and Ogilby won medals, and Bros. Harris and Collins won their case with Judge Speer of the United States court, who presided. Out of thirty-three speakers' places we won ten, nearly a third of the entire number, together with two medals and the decision of the moot court.

Yours in the Bond,

Macon, September 20, 1899.

R. J. COATES.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

The Alabama Polytechnic Institute has opened with over three hundred students more than in any previous session at the same date.

Fourteen old members returned, Bros. I. F. McDonnell and A. H. Feagin, '99, both taking graduate courses. Bro. A. McB. Ransom has accepted the position of assistant state chemist, and Bro. Adams has charge of the preparatory department of the institution. We lost last year by graduation Bros. Wheeler, Ward, Boyd and Minge. Bro. J. H. Edmonson is now at the University of Virginia.

During the summer many needed improvements were made, among which was an addition to the chemical laboratory.

We take pleasure in introducing Bros. R. G. Dawson, '02, Montgomery, Ala.; D. W. Peabody, '02, Mobile, Ala.; L. E. Thornton, '03, Pensacola, Fla.; C. B. Goldthwaite, '03, Troy, Ala.; J. V. Ryan, '03, Huntsville, Ala.; A. W. Pratt, '03, Huntsville, Ala. Our new brothers are the pick of the college.

Mr. J. W. Heisman, our well-known foot ball coach, is here again this year, and the team is getting into good condition. A good schedule has been arranged.

We are well represented in every department of student activity and are looking forward to a most prosperous year.

Yours in the Bond,

Auburn, September 24, 1899.

SHEPHERD H. ROBERTS.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The fifty-seventh year of Ohio Wesleyan opened on Wednesday, September 22, 1899, with an increased enrollment over any previous year. Among the new men there is much good fraternity material, and Ohio Beta is rushing hard.

The few changes in the faculty are as follows: Dr. Albert Mann, professor of botany, is traveling abroad, and Mr. A. B. Plowman takes

s place; Bro. W. E. Clark, '96, who has been instructor in mathematics, enters the Columbia law school; Bro. D. B. Casteel, *Allegheny*, '99, is assistant in biology. There have been several valuable additions in the school of music.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have lost five loyal Phis by graduation: Bros. A. B. Whitney, H. A. Pauley, H. S. Le Sourd, A. B. Wyke and F. B. Cherington; two have been initiated: Bros. David Rank Edwards, Delaware, Ohio, and Wm. P. Baird, Louisville, Ky., and one pledged, Mr. Norman I. Taylor, Burnside, Ky. Bro. Harry S. Le Sourd enters the law school of the University of Cincinnati, and Bro. Frank B. Cherington, the graduate school at Harvard, this fall.

We are sorry to lose Bro. E. M. Karr, who entered Case School of Applied Science, Bro. Hulse, Bro. Curren, Mr. Bowker (pledged), and Mr. L. A. Tenny (pledged), who is traveling for the Standard Oil Co. And we are happy in welcoming Bros. W. H. Bacon and W. H. Brown, who have been out of school for some time.

Last Friday evening the chapter entertained in her handsomely refitted parlors. The visiting Phis were Bros. F. B. Cherington, '99, A. B. Whitney, '99, Dana B. Casteel, *Allegheny*, '99, C. R. Carey, *Ohio State*, and E. H. Cherington.

Foot ball prospects are very good. We have two men on the team: Bro. Ewing and Mr. Clarence Whitney (pledged.) Last Monday, September 25, the student body subscribed over four hundred dollars to support the athletic association. Each of the eight fraternities subscribed \$25, the literary societies \$10 and \$20 each, the remainder being subscribed by classes, the Y. M. C. A. and individuals.

Bro. W. R. Bayes is secretary of the athletic association. Bro. R. Ewing is secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

Yours in the Bond,

Delaware, September 27, 1899.

WILLIAM P. BAIRD.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The enrollment at Ohio University this year shows a slight increase in the attendance over that of last fall, and the outlook for a prosperous year at this institution was never brighter. Although but eight members of Ohio Gamma, including three pledged men, have returned to college, we are already on the alert for new men, and in the course of a few days we expect to introduce several new Phis, including two our pledged men.

Our resident members gave our hall a thorough renovating this summer, and it presents a very fine appearance.

There have been some changes in the faculty, due to the resignation of three of its members last spring. Prof. Sylvester, from Harvard, will occupy the chair of chemistry, made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Henderson, the latter having accepted a similar position at the Ohio State University. Miss Kellogg, of Cincinnati, will succeed Miss Findley in the elocution department, and Prof. J. P. McVay, of Huntington, Va., will look after the interests of those musically inclined.

Six members of last year's foot ball team have already made their appearance, and with the interest manifested, and the efficient coaching of Mr. Dew, of the University of Maryland, we hope to place a team in the field that will sustain the good reputation made by the Ohio University team of the last four years.

B Θ II and Δ T Δ seem to have had about the same success in the matter of attendance that we have experienced. We are all in the

midst of the rushing season and hope that we shall be as successful as in former years.

Athens, September 14, 1899.

Yours in the Bond.

JAS. P. WOOD, JR.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Both Ohio Zeta of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and Ohio State University seem about to be blessed by a year of especial prosperity. We have succeeded in pledging eight fine fellows from the class of '03, and our possibilities along this line are not yet fully realized. We came back to school this fall with eleven men, and were immediately joined by Bro. J. B. Cullen, *Miami*, '99, who has affiliated with us, and will make a strong and active addition to our chapter. The freshman class is very much larger than in any previous year, numbering possibly 300, and the proportion of available fraternity material has seemed larger than ever before; of this we seem to be getting our fair share. Those who will sign the Bond are Frank Huling, '03, Columbus; Rex Monserrat, '03, Columbus; Ansel Hard, '03, Bowling Green, Ohio; Frank McComb, '03, Columbus; Graham Denmead, '03, Columbus; Stanley Helvey, '03, Hamilton, Ohio; Richard Merkle, '02, Chillicothe, Ohio; Frank Bonnet, '03, Columbus, Ohio. We may be able to inform SCROLL readers of another man or two by our next letter, but this will do for the time.

The university mandolin club promises to be a Phi Delta organization this year, with Bro. Barringer as leader and four or possibly five out of twelve lay members Phi Deltas. In other college organizations we bid fair to hold our own. Our chapter house, under the care of a new landlady, presents an appearance of which we are all proud, and which no other chapter house about the school can equal. The house is naturally the center of Phi Deltism about the city, and not the least of our pleasure is the meeting with visiting brothers, who find opportunities to drop in upon us. We hope to see more of them. Bro. Meily, now at his home in Lima, helped us in our rushing for a couple of days last week; he will be with us in the spring to take up his work where he dropped it last year. The little bird whispereth concerning Bro. J. B. Ballou, '98, but more than this it would not be proper to say. However, it is pretty well understood that the young lady is wearing a $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ pledge button, after an exciting season of rushing.

The registration of students at the university has reached 1,100, the highest in the history of the institution. Dr. W. O. Thompson, late of Miami, our new president, has made an exceedingly favorable impression upon the students, who like his straightforward earnestness and evident desire to work hard for the interests of the O. S. U. We are also fortunate in having secured Dr. Henderson, assistant professor of chemistry, late of Ohio university. The faculty and assistants now number 411.

Columbus, September 19, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,

CHARLES H. WOODS.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

With the graduation of the class of '99, Ohio Theta added two names to her list of alumni: Bros. Stovall and Perin. 'Stove,' as he is familiarly known, reflected great credit on the chapter by his successful business management of the '99 annual. He is now studying for the ministry at the Baptist Theological Seminary, at Rochester, N. Y.

Bro. Keller, '01, holds the unique honor of being the only fraternity man to gain a scholarship prize.

The University of Cincinnati starts out this year with a man of road mind and progressive ideas at the helm. As an illustration, resident Ayers has succeeded in getting a grant of land for an athletic field in Burnet Woods. He is quoted as favoring the erection of dormitories and fraternity houses.

Foot ball practice has begun under the supervision of Captain Nievan and coach Reed, of Cornell. The fact that all the old athletic debt has been paid off makes the beginning of the season auspicious.

The opening of the university year finds Ohio Theta in good condition. We return eight men in the academic department and two in the professional schools. The chapter now occupies a hall in the Arno building, on the corner of Fourth and Sycamore. The change of location is a good one, and all the boys like the new one. We are working hard, and when the rushing season is over we shall have a good account to render.

Yours in the Bond,

Cincinnati, September 20, 1899.

STUART A. MCGILL.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The fall term began September 26, with ten active Phis present, our having been graduated and seven not returning. Bro. Lester Smith, our reporter for last year, is principal of the Brookville schools, Bro. Harry Laughlin is principal of the Hayden schools, Bro. Frank Edwards is working for insurance at Knightstown, and Bro. Glenn J. Clifford has formed a law partnership at Tipton. Bros. Zach Laughlin and Clarence Miller have good positions; Bros. Fred Overman, Frank Clifford and Charles Hessler are teaching, and Bro. Fred Honneus is looking after extensive land interests in Kansas. Bro. Ralph Morris has gone to Harvard.

Realizing that we were to lose so many good men, we did much thoughtful work during the summer, searching the state for good Phis. We are very thankful to the alumni who have so materially aided us in various ways. Our first meeting was held three days before the opening of the term, at which time our plans were formulated and an organization effected.

Thus far we have pledged ten men, all that we have spiked, and we are sure that we have secured good material. We intend to postpone the initiation of these men until October 26, at which time our province holds its convention at this place. Our pledged men are Guy Hoover and Percy Ferguson, Boonville, Indiana; John R. McGinnis, Vincennes, Indiana; Arthur C. Mellette, Springfield, Missouri; George L. Shaw, Elkhart, Indiana; Lawrence Tuley, New Albany, Indiana; Ernest F. Griffith, Vevay, Indiana; Clarence Kennedy, Rockport, Indiana; Guy W. Mitchell, Alexandria, Indiana; Lon Treher, Indianapolis, Indiana. Our number of pledged men is larger than that of any other fraternity, and we feel that we excel in quality as well. In addition to these, Bro. Will Schofield of Purdue will affiliate with us. The term opens with flattering prospects and greater interest than ever before in the various phases of university life. We trust that it will be our good fortune to win the foot ball championship of the state, and the men are rapidly getting into condition. An eastern

coach has already been secured. Our schedule includes games with Illinois, Notre Dame, Northwestern, Vanderbilt, Miami, Cincinnati and Purdue. Mr. L. M. Hiatt has been engaged as musical director and will reorganize the glee club. He reports splendid material.

This issue of THE SCROLL contains the announcement by Bro. Ruby of the convention of Epsilon province. This convention celebrates an important event in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ history, the granting of the first charter issued by the fraternity, the beginning of that policy of expansion that has made $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ famous. Indiana Alpha's lathstring hangs out. We shall be prepared to welcome you.

Yours in the Bond,

Bloomington, October 2, 1899.

W. McCLELLAN ALSOP.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Indiana Beta begins the new session well. Although we lost seven men last year, we have a decided lead. Our old men are back for the rushing season, and we have eight local Phis. We have already pledged four new men and have others well in hand.

Our hall has been newly decorated in the fraternity colors, making it, so the Crawfordsville *Journal* says, 'the swellest hall in the city.'

Yours in the Bond,

Crawfordsville, September 19, 1899.

J. S. BARTHOLOMEW.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

We sorrowfully announce to the brotherhood the death of Bro. Jesse L. Holman, '00, who was drowned at Cuba, Mo., this fall while bathing in the Merrimac river. Brother Holman was a member of a United States surveying party. He was drowned on September 7, and his body was not found until five days later. As an all-around college man Brother Holman had no superior and few equals. He ranked first in all his classes and was a general favorite. In the chapter he was an enthusiastic, affable and congenial Phi. He was reporter last year and would have been president one term this year.

We lost by graduation last year Bros. Kenny and Slack, two of our best men. Bro. Kenny is this year attending the Rochester Theological Seminary, and Bro. Slack is principal in a high school near Bristol, Tenn. We also lose Bros. Edwards, '00, Paskins, '01, Guthrie, '01, Profit, '00, Hill, '02, and Wiley, '02, who failed to enter school this term. We begin with seven members and four pledged, three of the latter being eligible for immediate initiation.

Yours in the Bond,

Franklin, September 25, 1899.

OTIS B. SELLERS.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Since our last letter, we have enjoyed commencement and vacation. Five of the old members have returned, and we are glad to say that our prospects are good. We are sorry that Bros. Snyder and Hunter will not be with us any longer. Bro. Hunter will attend the Colorado State Agricultural College. Bro. Oldfather, who goes to Charlestown, Ind., as superintendent of schools at that place, will be with us during a part of the spiking season. The boys will miss him very much.

There is a large number of new students this fall. However, the attendance will be somewhat less than last year, as so many old students have dropped out. Fraternity material is better on the whole

han it was a year ago, and from present indications we shall not lose a spike.' We hope to announce a number of new men by our next letter. Bro. B. T. Wheatcraft, '02, of Butler will affiliate with us.

Foot ball material is also good. Your correspondent is captain and thinks that it will be possible to organize a winning team. There are more new men who have played before than usual. The team will not be heavy but full of energy, and that is what it takes to win. 'The first two days' practice showed some excellent men for the places back of the line. We shall probably have two coaches this year.

Work has begun on the repairing and remodeling of our main building. It will be modernized and made into a beautiful structure.

We have already been capturing honors since our return. Bro. fasterson will be the editor-in-chief of the undergraduate department of the Hanover *Journal*. This makes two years in succession that a 'hi has occupied this position.

The spiking season will not last long this fall. In fact, most of the ten are now almost in line, and in a few days everything will be settled. Our success thus far has been almost phenomenal, and we believe that it is due to the fact that we kept in correspondence with each other during vacation. Part of our success, however, will be due to those from other places, who recommended desirable new men.

Yours in the Bond,

Hanover, September 19, 1899.

F. S. DEIBLER.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The university opened on September 28 with an increased attendance in all departments. During the summer several improvements have been made in the university buildings, chief of which is the addition of a large reading-room to the library and the complete refitting of Roman's Hall. Dr. Hickman, at the close of the last school year, was promoted from the position of vice-chancellor to that of chancellor. Bishop Bowman, who had been chancellor for years, was made chancellor emeritus. The financial condition of the university has been much improved the past year, several important donations having been made. The salaries of five professors were increased at the last meeting of the trustees. A physical director was provided for and will become a member of the college faculty.

In base ball last year De Pauw won the state championship. There are good prospects here this fall for a winning foot ball team. A special director for foot ball has been secured.

Only eight of our old men have returned: L. R. Cartwright, '00; C. Walker, '00; W. A. Collings, '00; J. Elmer Thomas, '00; Ernest Miller, '01; B. Earle Parker, '01; F. S. Cartwright, '01; and S. E. Dove, '02. Last June we lost three men by graduation. Bro. Frank Akasugi, '96, and Bro. Warren S. Peters, '98, took the degree of A. M. Of last year's men, F. W. Foxworthy is teaching science in the Leavenworth high school; F. V. Smith is traveling in the west; G. J. Lodge is studying law in Chattanooga, Tenn.; C. B. Campbell, '00, is at home at Arcola, Ill.; A. N. Doyle, '01, is in a bank at Marion, Ind.; X. L. Edwards, '01, is teaching at Fairmount, Ind.; I. P. Smith, '01, is traveling in the west; L. P. Sims, '02, is teaching at Ridgeville, Ind.; L. Holland, '02, is in the postoffice at Knightstown, Ind.; J. V. Kelley, '02, and T. A. Bryan, '02, are in Chicago; E. H. Pritchard is teaching at Shelbyville, Ind.

We have just rented a chapter house situated in a very desirable portion of the city.

J. Elmer Thomas, '00, is editor in chief of the *Palladium*. F. S. Cartwright, '01, and Fred Williams, '03, are on the foot ball team.

There has been a hard rush for new men by all the fraternities. We have secured three so far: Fred Williams, '03, of Fincastle, Ind.; Bernard Moore, '03, of Tipton, Ind.; L. B. Hawthorne, '04, of O'Dell, Ind. (pledged). B Θ Π will return 12 men; Φ Γ Δ, 7; Σ X, 8; Φ K Ψ, 11; Δ K E, 16; Δ T Δ, 7; Δ Υ, 13; Σ N, 9.

Yours in the Bond,
Greencastle, September 29, 1899. S. E. DOVE.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The college of liberal arts of Northwestern opened Thursday, September 21, with an unusually large attendance.

There are few changes in the faculty this year. Dr. N. S. Grant succeeds the late Dr. Oliver Marcy in the William Deering chair of geology and also as curator of the university museum. Dr. Grant comes here from the University of Minnesota. Miss Anna M. Bowen, the new dean of Women's Hall, is an alumna of Northwestern. The chair of Biblical instruction, created last spring by the trustees, brings to the university as its occupant Dr. Amos William Patten, an alumnus of Northwestern and also of Garret Biblical Institute.

Dr. Hollister is working hard to turn out a foot ball team that will be a credit to our college; the men are light, but there are plenty of them and they are willing to work. The fact that Capt. Joseph Hunter is laid up with a sprained ankle is not at all encouraging.

Illinois Alpha began the year with eleven active members, and three pledged. Bro. Harry Weese comes to us from DePauw. We have rented a fraternity house at 518 Church street, where we shall be pleased to receive all visiting Phis.

Bro. C. M. Clay Buntain, '99, is attending the Northwestern Law School. Bro. Andrew Cooke, '99, is with N. W. Harris & Co., in Chicago. Bro. C. Center Case, '01, will enter the Harvard law school this fall. Bro. Joseph Brown, '00, is at his home in Atlantic, Iowa. Bro. Francis Webb, who was graduated from the Cumnock school of oratory, will be with us again to do graduate work.

Yours in the Bond,
Evanston, September 28, 1899. FRANK W. PHELPS.

ILLINOIS BETA, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Illinois Beta starts the year with the loss of only two old members, Bro. Warren Chase, who has been graduated and is now studying law at Harvard, and Bro. Guy Kinnaman, who is attending Rush Medical College in this city. We have consequently eleven active members—as many as any fraternity here, with possibly one exception—and have nine men living at present in the chapter house.

We are pleased to introduce Bros. Herbert B. Wyman, initiated May 27, and Frank Clyde Brown, initiated August 11. Bro. James Sheldon, '02, is doing excellent work on the 'varsity foot ball squad and is almost certain to have a place on the team this year. Bro. George Brayton did fine work last spring on the track in the mile run.

We have decided to start a building fund on the ten-year-note plan, and hope that before very many years elapse we shall have sufficient

oney to buy a lot. Next week we shall start a table in the house and expect to have twelve men dine with us regularly. Ψ T is looking for a house at present, as she was not able to keep her old house over the summer. A new society called the Dragon's Tooth has appeared on the campus, and as none of the members are fraternity men, it is rumored that they are trying to get a charter, from Σ A E, possibly. If they do there will be ten fraternities here, and the field will be very crowded.

A large number of promising freshmen entered this fall, and from present indications Illinois Beta will not be left behind in securing its share.

Yours in the Bond,

Chicago, October 3, 1899.

AUSTIN YOUNG HOY.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

The close of the spring term brought many honors to Φ Δ Θ at Knox. Bro. H. A. Parkin won the oratorical contest and will represent Knox in the state contest this fall. The faculty selected six juniors to take part in this contest, a member of Β Θ Η and Bro. Parkin being the only fraternity men among them. Bro. T. H. Blodgett, '99, took second prize in the Lawrence extempore debate. Bros. Blodgett, Strain and Rex took three of the six male roles in the senior play, Bro. Strain being manager, also. On field day Mr. Robert Gaines (pledged) proved star, winning the high jump, 120-yard hurdles, hop, step and jump and running broad jump, breaking the college record in the high jump by four inches, making five feet eleven inches. Bros. A. A. Green and B. Kimball also won places, the former taking first in the 220-yard hurdles. Mr. Gaines thus ties the western inter-collegiate record, and every one expects him to break it next year. He won all his events our dual and state meets. On class day Bro. Blodgett, as president '99, was in charge of the exercises. Bro. Kimball represented the freshmen. Bro. G. C. Gale, '93, was elected secretary of the alumni association, at whose annual banquet Bro. J. B. Brown, '86, was toastmaster and Bros. G. W. Prince, '78, J. L. Kennedy, '85, and Clyde Finley, '99, three of the eight speakers. The Phis defeated the Betas in base ball.

On October 8 the college will hold another great Lincoln-Douglass celebration, and President McKinley is expected to be present. The resignation of President Finley is universally regretted, but we hope for a worthy successor.

Bros. Blodgett and Rex, '99, will spend the summer in England on bicycle tour, and Bro. H. M. Holland, '00, will travel on the continent and enter Dartmouth in the fall. Bro. Herman H. Potter, '01, is our reporter-elect. We shall have a chapter house next year.

In the Bond,

Galesburg, June 20, 1899.

HAROLD M. HOLLAND.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

When on September 28 the University of Wisconsin opened her doors to the returning students, she counted in their number twenty-two enthusiastic Phis.

The chapter house at the close of the spring semester was placed in the hands of a committee for repairs. The committee labored long and faithfully, and thanks to their efforts Φ Δ Θ can show to the



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avored few who enter within her halls the finest fraternity parlors at Wisconsin.

The rushing season is now at its height, and Wisconsin Alpha in the midst of it. The desirable men are not plentiful, but already we have three men pledged.

The registration this year is the heaviest on record, amounting to twenty-two hundred. Changes in the faculty are few. The addition of a south wing to University Hall has changed to some degree the aspect of the upper campus, while on the lower campus the new library building is slowly nearing completion.

Bro. Anderson, who was graduated from the law school last spring, will settle in Madison.

Bro. Hyde and Mr. Royce (pledged) have entered Princeton.

Never has the foot ball season opened better at Wisconsin. Since September 1 the candidates for the team have been at practice. On September 15 Bro. Phil King came to take charge of the men, and since his arrival Wisconsin's stock has been steadily going up. The schedule is hard, including Northwestern, Yale, Michigan, Illinois, Minnesota and the University of California; but we feel satisfied that, with the abundance of material at hand, the fine system of coaching and the enthusiastic support the students ever give our teams, Wisconsin will more than hold her own in western foot ball.

Yours in the Bond,

Madison, October 2, 1899.

MARK H. NEWMAN.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Iowa Alpha commences the college year with brighter prospects than she has had for years. She returned ten members, and in the rushing season has been unusually successful, having taken the most desirable men in the freshman class. There is a good increase in the number of new students, and the indications are that Iowa Wesleyan is entering upon a new era. Our new president, Dr. Blakeslee, of Rhode Island, is a wide-awake man, who has already won the good will and confidence of the student body. All departments are flourishing, and a movement is on foot to increase the endowment by \$150,000. Chancellor James Harlan has started with a gift of \$10,000.

The foot ball team is hard at work and has a good schedule. The first game is with Knox, at Galesburg, and followed by one with Grinnell. Bro. A. B. Cullison, '00, is manager, and Φ Δ Θ is represented on the team.

Bro. Guy Shields, who left school three years ago, is again with us, entering as a senior. Bro. Helphrey, A. B., '98, is taking graduate work. We are sorry to lose Bro. Kendrick, who is now at Ohio Wesleyan.

We are looking forward anxiously to the return of that Phi regiment, the 51st Iowa, which left Manila on September 20. Last reports told of the illness of Bro. C. A. Hearne and of the promotion of Bro. E. W. Hearne to be first lieutenant. We expect one or two Phis of that regiment with us after January 1, 1900.

Yours in the Bond,

Mt. Pleasant, September 25, 1899.

JASON A. RANDALL.



Randall. Crawford. Giese. Stafford. Cullison. Weyrauch.
Prof. Edwards. Crawford. Pace. Thropp. Smith. Beck. McCauley.
Beck. Vorheis. Kendrick. Jeffrey.

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IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

The University of Iowa opened September 13, with an increase in the attendance of all departments, the total increase being over two hundred.

The inauguration of President MacLean will take place on September 29. Several changes have been made in the corps of instructors. The new men are: E. A. Wilcox, of Brown, resident professor in law; C. F. Ansley, professor of English; Dr. W. J. Brady, professor of orthodontia; Carl von Ende, instructor in chemistry; August von Ende, instructor in mathematics; J. Westfall, of Cornell, instructor in mathematics; N. E. Griffin, Ph. D., instructor in English; Dr. J. F. Clarke, lecturer on hygiene; J. J. Lambert, instructor in morphology; W. A. Merritt, of the Smithsonian Institution, taxidermist; F. S. Holsteen, major of battalion and instructor in military tactics. Several new assistants for the various departments have been appointed.

Dr. Knipe, the instructor in athletics, began work with the foot ball team two weeks before school opened, and the outlook for a strong team is very encouraging. Bro. Eby is captain, and Bro. Hobbs, captain of last year, is here again. Holland, of Drake, was declared a professional by the Iowa inter-collegiate athletic association last week, so that the state field meet, which took place last spring, goes to Iowa.

Last June we lost fourteen men by graduation, but we begin this year with eleven. Bro. Moorhouse, of Wooster, will take law here this year and will affiliate soon. We have several men pledged, and shall be able, we hope, to give a good list of initiates in our next letter.

Yours in the Bond,

Iowa City, September 20, 1899.

H. G. HUNTINGTON.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The fall session at the University of Missouri opens with the largest attendance, by several hundred, ever known. Fraternity and foot ball material is plentiful, and the student corps is happy in consequence.

Rushing has been unusually active among the older chapters, and the colors of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, of which we expect a chapter soon, are in evidence. Fourteen men returned to Missouri Alpha, and we have initiated Harry H. Broadhead, '03, and Sydney Stephens, '03, both of whom are brothers of Phi and residents of Columbia; R. B. Oliver, Jr., '01, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., and Lewis G. Davy, special, of Cincinnati, Ohio. We are especially proud of this quartette, because they combine the quality of all-around worth and merit with that of good taste, as was demonstrated in their preference of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ to a half dozen energetic rivals.

Foot ball prospects are good. The best old men returned, and we have enough new material to make two teams better than Kansas had last year. Our new coach, Eugene C. White, of New York, is the leading amateur athlete of the country, and his work is pronounced 'first class' by old rooters. Bros. Peper and Allee are candidates for the team.

The cadet battalion has not yet been completely organized, but Missouri Alpha is assured of at least three commissions, including that of major. Among the visitors to Columbia this week was Bro. Charles B. Newcomer, *Nebraska*, '89, who is favorably mentioned to succeed Dr. Burnham, of the Latin department.

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MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Westminster began the school year on September 13, 1899, with an unusually good attendance.

Dr. John Henry McCracken, the new president, has entered upon his duties with the best wishes of all and gives promise of making this an ideal year in Westminster College.

There is an abundance of most excellent fraternity material entering the freshman class, and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will, without a doubt, initiate more than her share of the new men.

The chapter opened with seven members: Baker, '01, Black, '01, Conway, '01, Caruthers, '01, Swope, '00, Walker, '02, Yates, '02. At this writing we have initiated one man, Bro. White, '02, and pledged two others. Bro. Kinder, captain of the foot ball eleven, did not return, and Bro. Caruthers was elected in his place. At least three Phis will make the team.

The chapter entertained Monday evening, September 18, in honor of Dr. McCracken and the student body. This was the first of the receptions given the new president and in all respects was certainly a success.

Yours in the Bond,

Fulton, September 20, 1899.

A. B. CARUTHERS.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Kansas Alpha begins the present school year under most favorable circumstances, having returned eleven active members and one pledged. Four of last year's men were lost through graduation, and three of our under-class men failed to return. Of these, two are expected to be in school at the beginning of the second term, if not sooner. While we believe that the chapter has been weakened by the loss of some of the truest and most loyal Phis the fraternity has ever known, we will strive to maintain for Kansas Alpha the high standard set by them. Of the class of '99, Bro. Fletcher is now holding a lucrative position with the Santa Fe, having been graduated from the course in civil engineering with a degree of B. S. Bro. Jewett, A. B., is now pursuing a higher course in Harvard. He had the distinction of being manager of last year's base ball team. Bro. Hazen was also graduated with the degree of A. B., and is now employed in the Watkins national bank, of this place. It is a source of great pleasure and much profit to the chapter that Bro. Hazen is so situated as to be able to be with us this year. Bro. Case, who is now located at his home in Marion, Kansas, was also graduated as A. B.

Nothing dismayed by the decrease in our working force, we have entered bravely upon the excitement and controversies of the rushing season, and we are happy to state that we have been rewarded with phenomenal and unalloyed success. In our next letter we hope to be able to introduce to the fraternity all six of our newly-pledged men, and one from last year.

While it may be considered that the zenith in the rushing season has passed, we do not feel content to discontinue our efforts toward securing desirable men among the newcomers, though $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ now stands at the head in this respect, but intend to be constantly watching for acceptable material.

Having failed to focus our plans and schemes for a chapter house last year, we again have our large dancing hall with a comfortable parlor adjoining. However, we are proud to say that we are much

more advantageously located this year than last, in that we have twelve men rooming at the same house. Who knows but that this fact may prove a chapter house in embryo?

Quite a feeling of improvement and extension is prevalent in university circles at the present time. A material addition has been made to the faculty in various departments, among which addition $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented in the person of W. E. Higgins, '88, assistant in the law department. A fine new chemistry building, provided for by the last legislature, is in process of construction.

In foot ball old K. U. bids fair to sustain her enviable reputation of recent years. The services of the competent coach, F. H. Yost, have been secured, and practice is being indulged in daily. A goodly number of last year's team are back trying for positions, and many new ones are seen on the grounds.

Yours in the Bond,

Lawrence, September 18, 1899.

MELVIN H. TAYLOR.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

School has opened again in all seriousness, and once more Nebraska Alpha is prepared for business, with ten men back as a starter. We hope to be able to get our share in the rushing, which, no doubt, will be very active.

During the past year several changes have taken place in the faculty, Chancellor MacLean receiving a call to the head of the University of Iowa, and Professor Ansley to the head of the English department of the same school. Dr. Avery, adjunct professor in chemistry, has also left. As yet no successor to Chancellor MacLean has been secured, Dean Bessey, of the industrial college, taking the part of acting chancellor. It is with regret that we note their absence.

This year for the first time the girls' fraternities are occupying houses. Both $\Delta \Gamma$ and $K \Lambda \Theta$ have homes of their own.

Within the past month the state has had the opportunity of welcoming back the gallant soldiers of the first Nebraska, and the members of Nebraska Alpha, with pride, again greeted their soldier brothers: Lieutenant Bert Whedon, first lieutenant and adjutant; Lieutenant Phil Russell, of General Hale's staff; and Lieutenant Ernest Weber, battalion adjutant. Lieutenant Harry Oury, who was transferred to the regular army, is now on his way from the Philippines to Porto Rico.

Of last year's men who do not return, Bro. 'Jack' Sumner has a position in Omaha, Bro. Chester Sumner is traveling in the east, Bro. Sabín has a position in Beatrice, Nebraska, Bro. Pryce is in Red Oak, Iowa, Bro. McCreery is still in Lincoln.

Yours in the Bond,

Lincoln, September 14, 1899.

CHAS. H. ABBOTT.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The University of Mississippi opened on September 14, notwithstanding the fact that yellow fever had been reported just a few days before. It was very gratifying to see so many students in attendance on the opening day; for the past two sessions the work has been delayed just two months, and as a result the enrollment was not large.

Seven old Phis returned with the determination to enter into the

fight and sweep the field. Well have we succeeded, as will be shown by the new Phis whom I take great pleasure in introducing: James Martin Smith, '03, Oxford; John Martin Magruder, '03, Port Gibson; Guy Hunt, '01, law, Memphis, Tenn.; William Roger Cochran, '02, Daleville; Ed Jack McCabe, '01, law, Vicksburg; William M. Garrard, '03, Greenwood; Edward Crosland Berwick, '03, Foster, La.; John Heiss, '00, law, Meridian; William Andrew Henry, Jr., '03, Yazoo City; Fred Zollicoffer Brown, '03, Kosciusko. We feel that we have secured the finest delegation in school. Our seven old Phis returning included Brother Walter W. Lockard, '91, who is now here pursuing his course in law. We are very fortunate in having him with us.

Brother W. H. Lyon, *Central*, '96, and also of Yale, will coach our foot ball eleven, which will be very strong this season. Brothers Henry and Robinson are promising caudidates for the team.

Brothers Fair, Cochran, Heiss and McCabe will represent us in the orchestra and glee club.

It has been my pleasure for the past three years to report from time to time the condition of our chapter, but I can truthfully state now that Mississippi Alpha is stronger than ever before.

University, September 23, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,

G. L. RAY.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

M. Bénard, the celebrated Parisian architect, has won the final competition for permanent plans for the University of California. A year ago over a hundred plans, submitted in the preliminary competition by architects from every civilized country, were examined at Antwerp, Belgium, by the international jury, of whose five members Bro. J. B. Reinstein, '73, representing the university regents, was one. Two weeks ago the jury opened the plans submitted by the eleven architects admitted to the final competition. To M. Bénard was awarded the \$10,000 first prize, in addition to which he will of course receive the customary architect's fees on all the buildings erected under his direction. He will leave Paris for Berkeley next month.

The plans are wonderfully beautiful. They provide for thirty or more large buildings grouped along broad avenues with a general arrangement most monumental and imposing. It will take between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000 to erect the new buildings and lay out the grounds. Mrs. Phebe A. Hearst, whose generosity has defrayed the expenses of the competition—over \$200,000—will in February begin the erection of the first building—the College of Mining, a memorial to her husband. Later she will build other structures. Beside the sums which Mrs. Hearst will give, several millions have already been promised for new buildings by other donors. Regent Reinstein, Professor William Carey Jones, also a member of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and the Governor of California, as the three Hearst trustees, had charge of the preliminary arrangements for the great competition.

A week hence the university's new president, Benjamin Ide Wheeler, lately professor of Greek at Cornell, and widely known as scholar and man of letters, will arrive in Berkeley. The students are planning an elaborate reception in his honor.

California Alpha is now comfortably established in its rebuilt chapter house, which is larger and better in every way than the house

burned down last May. On Friday, September 15, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Taft, of Oakland, the parents of Bro. J. M. Taft, '01, gave a dancing party at the Phi house as a farewell for their daughter, Miss Clara Taft, who was about to return to school in New York. The men present were all Phis—active or alumni—except for a few freshmen and others invited by the chapter. The affair was very successful. The following evening the chapter entertained the alumni and their families, invited to inspect the fraternity's new home.

On Saturday afternoon, September 23, the chapter will give a reception, to which about 350 people have been invited. The reception will be followed by a dance in the evening.

Bro. Robert Moulthrop has been appointed acting major of the university cadets, and now ranks all the other student officers. Bro. Frank Bugbee is a second lieutenant. Bro. A. J. Remmel and Bro. Donald Spencer have just resigned commissions as lieutenants. Bro. Duncan McDuffie is athletic editor of the *Californian*, the student daily.

The chapter feels great pride in the two initiates which it wishes to present to the fraternity: Bro. John Reid, Jr., and Bro. Harry L. Paddock, both freshmen, from San Francisco.

The chapter has recently enjoyed visits from Major Lucky and Lieutenant H. M. Bankhead, both Phis from Alabama Alpha; from Bro. McGrew, of Indiana Gamma; from Bro. Charles Seyler, Jr., California Alpha, '99, and from Bro. Elmer Rowell, California Alpha, '97, who has just returned to California from Illinois. Bro. John Gish, '96, has come to San Francisco from Los Angeles to practice law. He will again live in the chapter house.

Yours in the Bond,

Berkeley, September 20, 1899.

VICTOR HENDERSON.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

California Beta began the year with sixteen old men back, Bro. Percy McDowell, who has been absent a year and a half, having taken up his work again. While the new house is being finished the chapter is living in Encina Hall, the boys' dormitory. We expect to be in our new home by November. Rushing has been very strong here this fall, and although we were at some disadvantage in not having a house for entertaining, we have not lost any ground.

Stanford has opened the year with great activity in all lines. The building of the chapel, memorial arch and science buildings is going forward rapidly, and the new library will be used next month.

The law department has been greatly strengthened by the addition of new men. In the faculty we have Bro. Harold Heath, in the department of zoology, back; Bro. David Spencer has been given a year's leave of absence in Germany.

The A Φ sorority established a chapter here commencement week last year.

The freshman class is one of the largest that ever entered, numbering over five hundred students, and contains much good material. We have initiated five men and pledged another. We take great pleasure in presenting the new Phis: Neal K. Traylor, '01; Edward Irving Frisselle, '03; Samuel Parker Frisselle, '03; Edgar Augustus Behlow, '03; Willard Theodore Brotherton, Jr., '03.

We have also this year in college Bro. Story, *Michigan*, '68, who is doing graduate work.

ALUMNI CLUBS.

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

The Columbus, Georgia, alumni club held its annual banquet at the Rankin House, Columbus, on the evening of July 16, 1899. The Phis in that city are much in evidence, and recent initiates of our Georgia chapters have infused abundant enthusiasm into the club. The writer was unfortunately called away on the day before the meeting, but has been informed of its great success. Several hours were spent in recalling the many interesting experiences of college days. The following Phis were present: R. O. Howard, Thos. Gilbert, E. D. Burts, Morris Burts, S. P. Gilbert, Dr. John E. Walker, William Williams, John T. Davis, Jr., Newsome Cooper, John Fletcher, Jr., Prof. J. E. McRee, U. H. Smith, Albert Kirven, Jr., L. C. Speers, of South Carolina, and Jos. S. Buhler.

In the Bond,
BATTLE MCLESTER, *W. and L. and Vanderbilt.*

CINCINNATI.

On Saturday, June 17, there was a notable gathering of the Phis of Cincinnati. The place of meeting was the Zoo, and the occasion was the first anniversary of Ohio Theta's establishment. Quite a number of chapters were represented.

Bro. Bonham, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '82, acted as toastmaster, and the replies received were not wanting in wit and spirit. Bro. Bundy was compelled to cut his speech short, as he had an engagement at Athens the next day. Other speakers were Brothers Kemper, Thrasher, Smedes, Fitzgerald, Dwyer and Pottenger, of the alumni, and Perin, Stovall, Schoenle and Gores, of Ohio Theta.

The meeting was productive of great enthusiasm, which was distinctly audible at the beginning and end of each speech. When the time for adjournment came, every one was loth to break the charmed circle. However, it was agreed that such meetings were a decided success and should occur oftener in the future. This meeting showed conclusively that Phi Delt enthusiasm in Cincinnati is growing rapidly.

Those present were Dr. A. C. Kemper, *Miami*, '53; Dr. A. B. Thrasher, *Indianapolis*, '73; D. H. Pottenger, *Virginia*, '75; Judge J. B. Swing, *Hanover*, '76; J. M. Smedes, *Vanderbilt*, '79; D. D. Woodmansee, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '81; Scott Bonham, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '82; Rev. D. B. Fitzgerald, *Washington and Jefferson*, '84; Judge W. H. Jackson, *Vanderbilt*, '85; Col. W. E. Bundy, *Ohio*, '86; O. F. Dwyer, *De Pauw*, '91; Frederick Hanger and N. C. D. Murray, '98, W. O. Stovall, '99, W. M. Schoenle, '00, S. A. McGill, '00, O. W. Lange, '00, O. H. Schlemmer, '00, Guido Gores, '01, Albert E. Keller, '01, H. H. Burke, '02, Edmund Schlemmer, '02, and Howard Schell, '02, all of Ohio Theta.

Yours in the Bond,

Cincinnati, June 18, 1899.

STUART A. MCGILL.

PERSONAL.

Wooster—Dr. A. C. Surber, '93, is practicing his profession in Muncie, Ind.

Centre—Max W. Barbour, '94, M. D. (*Cincinnati*, '98), is practicing his profession in Arcola, Ill.

Knox—Herbert G. Clapp, '94, was married to Miss Adele Guy, in Moline, Ill., on June 15, 1899.

Wabash—Oliver W. McGaughey, '99, is pastor of the Sixth Christian church at Indianapolis.

Wabash—James P. Roth, '75, formerly Presbyterian minister at Rockville, Ind., is now at Greencastle, Ind.

C. C. N. Y.—Philip H. Stern, '91, late captain in the 5th U. S. V. I., is now a captain in the regular army.

Sewanee—Devereux Shields, '86, late lieutenant-colonel of the 2d Mississippi, is now a captain in the regular army.

Ohio Wesleyan—Louis Kohl, '98, led the freshman law class of the University of Cincinnati in the June examinations.

Auburn—V. M. Elmore, Jr., '97, late lieutenant in the 2d Alabama, is now a first lieutenant in the regular army.

Vermont—Carroll W. Doten, '97, was married on September 6, 1899, to Miss Carrie Kingsland Mitchell, at Burlington, Vt.

Northwestern—Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., '88, who is still in Washington practicing law, has changed his address to 1316 Kenyon street.

Vermont—P. Orman Ray, '98, contributed an article on 'Shakespeare's legal acquirements' to *The American Lawyer* for August, 1899.

Central—G. Keats Speed, '98, is to begin work as a reporter on the New York *World*, after a season of coaching the Hanover foot ball team.

Missouri—Royall H. Switzler, '98, of the board of trustees of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, is now in St. Louis with Bradstreet's. His address is 210 Security building.

Miami—Warren P. Meily, '99, who later affiliated with Ohio Zeta, is manager of a real estate and loan agency in the Opera House block at Lima, Ohio.

Lafayette—Rev. H. O. Scott, '77, is pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Carthage, Mo. He is editor of a church weekly entitled *The First Presbyterian*.

Ohio Wesleyan—Hon. Scott Bonham, '82, spent two months this summer in Germany, returning in September to participate in the Ohio gubernatorial campaign.

Indianapolis—Prof. D. C. Brown, '79, spent several weeks in Paris and London during the summer vacation, studying the art treasures of the Louvre and the British museum.

Indianapolis—Robert W. Hobbs, '99, will spend the winter in a lumber camp in Colorado, on account of his health. He was with the *Indianapolis News* during the summer months.

Sewanee—W. A. Slack, '89, is in charge of a church and missions near Opelousas, La.—F. O. H. Boberg, '99, is temporarily in charge of the Episcopal church in Lake Charles, La.

Franklin—Jesse L. Holman, '00, a grandson of Hon. W. S. Holman, '40, was drowned in Missouri on September 7 while spending his vacation with a government surveying party.

Colby—Wallace E. Bruce, '86, and Miss N. A. Hamor were married on Monday evening, September 4, 1899, in South Boston, Mass. They will reside at 169 Dorchester street, South Boston.

Buchtel—S. E. Findley, '94, once president of old Epsilon province, will do graduate work in Latin and Greek at Harvard the coming year. His address is 13 Kirkland Place, Cambridge, Mass.

Kansas—Edward Glasgow, '90, late captain in the 20th Kansas, has been made, on the recommendation of General Otis, a captain in the 36th Infantry, U. S. A., which was organized at Manila.

Gettysburg—Thaddeus B. Seigle, '86, has been appointed first lieutenant in the 47th Infantry, U. S. A., now recruiting at Camp Meade, Pa. He was a private in the 10th Pennsylvania at Manila.

Of the ten correspondents at Manila who signed the famous 'round robin' denouncing the censorship of General Otis, two were Phis: Richard Henry Little, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '95, of the *Chicago Tribune*, and Ed L. Keen, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '91, of the Scripps-McRae association.

Purdue—E. M. Graves, '99, is engineer of construction and assistant secretary of the Riverside Construction Co., Claypool building, Indianapolis, of which his father, Thos. S. Graves, *Indianapolis*, '74, is president.

De Pauw—R. S. Henderson, '96, who was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology this year, is in the engineering department of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad. His address is Lake City, Iowa.

Wabash—Will E. Willis, '89, editor of the *Ventura, California Free Press*, has prepared and printed a handsomely illustrated brochure describing the natural resources, industries and attractions of Ventura county.

Wabash—Gen. John C. Black, '62, who was defeated last winter by a tie vote for the commandership-in-chief of the G. A. R., was one of the leading speakers at the ex-prisoners' camp fire at the recent encampment at Philadelphia.

Indianapolis—Charles L. De Haas, '91, was married on June 14, 1899, to Miss Gertrude Moore, at Irvington, Ind. They now live in Whittier Place, Irvington. Bro. De Haas is a lawyer with offices in the Lemcke Building, Indianapolis.

Cincinnati—Lieut. J. B. Kemper, '00, who has been in the Philippines for over a year with the 14th Infantry, has been given special mention for his conduct in the official reports. He has been commanding his company in most of the engagements.

Miami, '50—Misses Idelette and Ruth Drake, of Lebanon, Ohio, daughters of R. T. Drake, '50, who was one of the six founders of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, were in Oxford during the semi-centennial exercises and received many attentions there from the Miami Phis.

Westminster—C. F. Lamkin, '99, delegate to Columbus and President Palmer's parliamentary coach, will teach the coming year in the Webb School at Bellbuckle, Tenn. He traveled during the summer for Ginn & Co., the school book publishers.

Vanderbilt—W. S. Fitzgerald, '97, was married to Miss Rachel Thomas, near Nashville, Tenn., on August 24, 1899. The bride is a sister-in-law of Bro. J. Vaulx Crockett, '96, and the wedding took place at his country home. Bro. Fitzgerald is professor of English in the New Mexico Military Academy and will reside at Roswell, N. M. He is a son

The Phi soldiers who have seen service in the Philippines will all receive a special medal of honor, as the president has announced his intention of asking congress to order one for the men and officers of the eighth army corps who have served in the far east.

Iowa—Graham W. Lawrence, '95 (law, '96), of Marshalltown, Iowa, was recently appointed referee in bankruptcy for Marshall county by the judge of the United States district court.—Geo. W. Price, '96 (law, '97), is practicing his profession at Langdon, N. D.

Iowa Wesleyan and Kansas—W. E. Vincent, '86, is practicing law in Hutchinson, Kansas, and profitably engaged in lead and zinc mining. Southeastern Kansas and southwestern Missouri, by the way, are now the greatest lead and zinc mining district in the world.

Kansas, '92—A Manila newspaper correspondent writes on the subject of bearded soldiers: 'Kansas leads in the matter of caricature beards. Perhaps it is because the little hero that Kansans dote on, the erstwhile colonel, now General Funston, wore a beard and set the fashion.'

Indianapolis—Gen. Irvin Robbins, '60, was chosen senior vice-commander-in-chief by acclamation at the Philadelphia encampment of the G. A. R. The Indiana delegation was expecting to nominate him for junior vice-commander-in-chief, but the other states went them one better.

Wisconsin—George T. Simpson, '90 (law '94), city attorney for Winona, Minn., announces the arrival of a son on July 10. His old 'pa'dnah' at Wisconsin, Parke Hill Davis, *Pennsylvania*, '93, now a practicing attorney at Easton, Pa., announces the arrival of a daughter five days later.

K. M. I.—Gen. H. V. N. Boynton, '58, since his retirement as brigadier-general of volunteers, has resumed his duties as chairman of the Chickamauga national park commission. He was elected corresponding secretary of the Army of the Cumberland for the ensuing year at the Detroit encampment.

Wisconsin—Milton Updegraff, '84, for the last eight years professor of astronomy of the University of Missouri, has been appointed professor of mathematics in the navy. He is stationed at the naval observatory and associated with that other Phi astronomer and mathematician, Dr. T. J. J. Lee, *Missouri*, '89. Both are appointed for life and hold the rank of lieutenant

Iowa Wesleyan—E. S. Havighorst, '87, received the degree of D. D. at commencement this year.—Chas. N. Pace, '99, and Miss Lenore Estella Lee were married on June 16, 1899, near Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Bro. Pace is pastor of the M. E. church at Thornburg, Iowa. Mrs. Pace is a member of $\Pi B \Phi$.

Central—Thomas H. Jones, Jr., '99, is deputy city treasurer of Spokane, Washington. He writes that the Spokane alumni are to hold weekly meetings this winter. Bro. Jones, like every Phi the editor has met in the last year, announces his intention of being at Louisville when the convention of 1900 meets.

Indiana—J. W. Fesler, '87, late clerk of Marion county, has entered the law firm of W. H. H. Miller (attorney-general during the Harrison administration) and John B. Elam, *Miami*, '70. This is the firm of which Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*, '52, was a member. It will now be known as Miller, Elam & Fesler.

Nebraska—Lieut. Philip W. Russell, '98, has returned from Manila with the First Nebraska, and after a short rest at home and in the wilds of Michigan has entered the Columbia University law school. Bro. Russell was during the latter part of his service in the east an aide on the staff of Gen. Irving Hale.

Wabash—Hugh H. Hanna, '69, as chairman of the executive committee of the monetary conference, attended the meetings of the monetary legislation subcommittee of the senate finance committee at Narragansett Pier this summer. He will return to Washington in December to look after financial legislation.

Pennsylvania—President J. Clark Moore, Jr., '93, of the G. C., has found real estate too slow of late and has become manager of the bond department of F. T. and Percy M. Chandler, stock and bond brokers, corner Fifth and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, specialists in high-grade state, municipal, gas and traction bonds.

Emory, '99—Robert Campbell is professor of modern languages in Centenary College, Jackson, La.—L. W. Jarman occupies the chair of mathematics in Granbury College, Granbury, Texas.—H. S. Smith is superintendent of schools at Bridgeport, Ala.—A. J. Little is president of Cherokee Wesleyan Institute, Cave Spring, Ga.—A. G. Fort is librarian

Centre—Haydon Young Grubbs, '92, who was lieutenant colonel of the 2d U. S. V. I., Colonel Duncan Hood's immune regiment, last year, and promoted from second to first lieutenant in the regular army at the close of the war, was killed in the Philippines on October 1, while with his regiment, the 6th Infantry, in an engagement.

De Pauw—Dr. Frank W. Foxworthy, '94, late assistant surgeon of the 160th Indiana, is now captain and assistant surgeon in the 34th Infantry, U. S. A., and on his way to Manila. He was in the U. S. A. general hospital at San Francisco from May till July 15, then was ordered to Ft. Logan, Colo., till his regiment was recruited.

Indiana—Homer Woolery, '97, who will be remembered as delegate from his chapter at Philadelphia, was graduated in osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo., this summer, and has been engaged as a member of the faculty of the American School of Osteopathy, of which he is now an alumnus. The school last year enrolled 675 students, and now has 700 graduates.

Indianapolis—Alfred Lauter, '92, was married on June 28, 1899, to Miss Stella Seidensticker, at Indianapolis, Ind. After a northern trip they returned to live at 127 W. 21st street, Indianapolis. Bro. Lauter is engaged in the manufacture of furniture and wooden ware.—George Gould Wright, '96, and Miss Mary Irene Abell were married on June 22, 1899, at Peoria, Ill. They will reside at Monroe, Wis.

Vanderbilt—Dr. Paul M. Jones, '90, professor of biology at Vanderbilt and once president of Gamma province, was drowned on July 1 while in bathing at Wood's Hall, Mass. Bro. Jones was well known to convention goers of recent years and one of the most popular southern Phis. He was secretary of the southern inter-collegiate athletic association and thoroughly identified with all student enterprises. We shall present a sketch of his life in a later issue.

In a discussion of maximum salaries and incomes in various professions, W. E. Curtis recently stated in the *Chicago Record* that Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*, '52, will receive \$50,000 for his services in Paris as chief counsel for Venezuela before the arbitration commission, and that John Watson Foster, *Indiana*, '55, received \$100,000 as adviser of China in making peace with Japan. The newspapers are saying now that General Harrison's fee from Venezuela is to be \$250,000.

Vanderbilt—The Bryan silverites of Alabama will present the name of John W. Tomlinson, '82, of Birmingham, for the vice-presidential nomination in 1900. Bro. Tomlinson is chairman of the national bimetallic committee and an original silver man. He has also long been a strong personal friend of Mr. Bryan, and accompanied him on his speech-making tour of the country in 1896. He is now a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of Alabama.

De Pauw—B. F. Roller, '98, is a second year medical student at the University of Pennsylvania.—Chas. B. Campbell, who has but a part of a year's work to complete before receiving his degree, will spend the fall and winter at his home in Arcola, Ill.—Foster V. Smith, '99, and Porter Smith, '02, have gone to a ranch in New Mexico for the winter. They will travel extensively in the west before returning. Bro. Porter Smith will re-enter De Pauw in 1900.

Centre—The anti-Goebel Democrats in Kentucky are bending their energies toward defeating Joseph C. S. Blackburn, '57, for the United States senate at the same time they overthrow the candidate for governor, who is their pet aversion. Mr. Bryan will stump the state for Blackburn and Goebel, it is said. Bro. Blackburn was United States senator for a number of years, retiring in a drawn contest in which St. John Boyle, '66, another Centre Phi, was his chief opponent.

Northwestern—F. W. McCaskey, '97, and Miss Catherine Mayme Patterson were married on August 16, 1899, at Chicago, Ill. They spent the honeymoon at Lake Minnetonka and now reside at 491 West 44th street, Chicago.—Clay M. C. Buntain, '99, and Miss Alice G. Bellinger were married on June 22, 1899, at Momence, Ill. Bro. F. J. R. Mitchell, '96, president of Zeta province, was best man, and Bro. Chas. B. Campbell, '94, was an usher. Bro. Buntain was delegate from Illinois Alpha to the Columbus convention.

Indianapolis—Hon. Addison C. Harris, '62, minister to Austria-Hungary, entertained Admiral Dewey during the latter's stay at Trieste in July. He visited the *Olympia*, drove the admiral about the city and gave an elaborate banquet in his honor. The admiral in turn gave him a banquet on the *Olympia*, and paid him further attentions on his return from Vienna a week later to witness the departure of the cruiser. Bro. Harris celebrated July 4 by dining a number of Americans at Marienbad. After a month's vaca-

Central—James M. Bains, '97, is with the wholesale drug firm of Lampton, Crane & Ramsey, at Louisville, Ky. (813-815 West Main street); M. M. Bardwell, *Mississippi*, '95, travels in Kentucky and Tennessee for the same house. Bro. Bains has lost his father and two brothers within the last year. One brother, who was with the Tenth Infantry at Santiago, died of typhoid fever at Montauk Point. His father, who commanded a Mississippi regiment at Shiloh, died last May. His other brother, Lieut. W. S. Bains, was chief of the Key West naval station and was the first victim of the yellow fever epidemic there this summer.

Lafayette—D. H. Lovell, '79, formerly superintendent of the Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania railroad and recently superintendent of the Delaware extension and Kensington division, was promoted on August 29 to be acting general agent of the Pennsylvania. Bro. Lovell was a railroad man before he went to college, having begun at the age of ten as an office boy and becoming successively messenger and clerk by 1870, when he stopped for three years of school. He then became a stenographer till 1875, when he entered Lafayette and was made a Phi. In 1878 he went back to the Pennsylvania and has been rising from one responsible position to one higher with clockwork regularity ever since.

Ohio Wesleyan, '84—Dr. John Edwin Brown and Mrs. Brown, who sailed for Europe on July 27 on the *Barbarossa*, reported meeting a Phi on board in the person of Rev. F. M. Kerr, *Allegheny*, '88, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Hempstead, L. I., who was starting for a summer trip of the continent with his wife and son. Dr. and Mrs. Brown, on the day they sailed, were wished *bon voyage* by a large company of friends, among whom were Walter B. Palmer, *Emory*, '77; H. A. Kahler, *Ohio State*, '87; H. V. Swope, *Hanover*, '89, and Miss Swope, whom delegates and visitors to the conventions at Atlanta and Indianapolis will remember so pleasantly. The Browns were also greeted as they passed through Philadelphia by President Moore and Historian Radcliffe, of the G. C., and Bro. J. M. West, Jr., *Pennsylvania*, '91. In Paris, the Doctor writes, he met Bro. A. Y. Hoy, *Chicago*, '02, and on Lake Geneva, Bro. Miller, *Northwestern*, who was doing the continent on his wheel. Dr. and Mrs. Brown are now in Vienna, and will remain there till October 15, returning home by way of Prague, Dresden, Leipzig, Halle, Berlin and Bremen. They will reach Columbus some time in November.

W. and J.—Lieut. Frank B. Hawkins, '96, now at Manila with the Third Cavalry, U. S. A., is the oldest son of Col. Hawkins of the Tenth Pennsylvania, who died on the voyage home with his regiment. Col. Hawkins distinguished himself in the civil war at Antietam and Nashville and in the Pittsburgh railroad riots of twenty years ago. He had received many political honors and would have been nominated for state treasurer by the Pennsylvania Republicans had he returned alive. His son was captain of a company in his regiment and so distinguished himself in the war with Aguinaldo that he was recommended by General Otis for his commission in the regular army.

Miami—Another victim of politics in college management is Dr. Alston Ellis, '67, under whose management as president the Colorado State Agricultural College has been making wonderful progress. The Populist state board of agriculture lopped off his official head on August 1 and first attempted to supplant him with Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, who was forced to resign at Brown because of his free silver views. Dr. Andrews will remain at Chicago as superintendent of schools, however. The last annual catalogue issued under Bro. Ellis's management is a handsome volume of 117 pages, with 27 full page half-tones. There has been an increase in the number of students every year of his administration, the enrollment last year reaching 345, with 18 graduates. The total value of college property is now \$250,000 and the annual income of the institution \$86,000.

Miami, '52—Since last May ex-President Benjamin Harrison has been in Paris as counsel for Venezuela before the boundary arbitration commission. On May 30 he was orator of the day at the tomb of Lafayette, and on July 4 he was first speaker of the evening at the annual banquet of the American chamber of commerce at the American embassy. He spoke of the relations of the United States with France and with England, of the war with Spain and its results and of our duty to the Filipinos. He closed by predicting the rise of arbitration as a means of settling international difficulties. Other speakers were two members of the French ministry, the lord chief justice of England, Justice Brewer of the United States supreme court and Ambassador Porter. In speaking of the attention he attracts in England and France the Philadelphia *Inquirer* recently said: 'The country has no finer American to present for the inspection of foreigners than Benjamin Harrison.' Commenting on his eloquent and masterly closing speech a member of the French

foreign office said: 'General Harrison is one of the greatest authorities on jurisprudence in the world. No man in America ever made more friends in France. His son is popular everywhere from the Elysee down.' At the decision of the tribunal was announced, General Harrison went to Berlin, where he was entertained by Ambassador White and Imperial Chancellor Von Hohenlohe, attending the court fetes in honor of Queen Wilhelmina receiving marked attentions from Emperor William.

Kansas, '92—Some of the Kansas Populist newspapers correspondents have been affording considerable amusement to the country at large by their efforts to belittle General Funston's achievements. They claim, for instance, when he asked the men of his regiment to re-enlist and declined, with the exception of a few, he was so angry kept them on the firing line constantly, though but one-third of their number were fit for duty and Manila was swarmed with regulars who had nothing to do. And they declare if a regular army officer had dashed off with squads of men on exploits like his, they'd have been court-martialed. These tales, the *New York Times* says editorially, 'are without a certain interest to the student of human nature as they come from returning members of the regiment who refused to re-enlist.' The anti-expansionists, however, were claiming Funston, along with many other men in Manila, as their own, were somewhat disconcerted by his declaration that he believes 'strongly in the justice of this war while regretting the circumstances that made it inevitable.'

It appears that after the taking of Calumpit Aguinaldo sent the following message to General Funston: 'You fought splendidly at Calumpit, but, regardless of your superb fighting proclivities, I am going to take San Fernando from your troops on Thursday night.' The 'lawn fete' which was held when this attempt was made lasted two hours and cost the insurgents 500 dead and wounded, the American loss being barely twenty-five.

Special correspondents in reporting the unpopularity of General Otis with his men invariably add that the soldiers idolize Funston and Lawton. Kansas is preparing to turn the state upside down when Funston and his men return. They landed in San Francisco on October 11, and the whole city turned out to greet them. A Topeka newspaper nominated the general for congressman-at-large in 1891. General Funston says he returned because his orders were to that effect, not that he wanted to come away.

Wabash—Dr. Wilbur C. Abbott, '92, was married on September 6, 1899, to Miss Margaret Ellen Smith, at Indianapolis, Ind. Miss Smith was a graduate of De Pauw University and a prominent member of K A ©, having been for some years president of that sorority. Dr. Abbott was for some time fellow and instructor at Cornell and has recently been on the teaching staff of the University of Michigan. He is one of the few Americans who have received degrees from the University of Oxford. He goes this fall to Dartmouth to teach history. Delegate to the Atlanta convention from the Wabash chapter, he became enamored of convention going; but when Cornell sent him to Indianapolis in 1894 he was made chairman of the overworked catalogue committee and discouraged from further attendance. He was chosen as poet of the semi-centennial convention, but was kept away by illness. The Mammoth Cave party of 1891 will be pleased to hear that another of its members has been so fortunate. Mrs. Abbott has been a leader and charming member of Indianapolis society and will be much missed, especially by her Indianapolis Theta sisters.

Lafayette, '00—Richard G. Holmes, color sergeant of the First Colorado, who carried the national flag for his regiment through more than a year of Philippine campaigning, is once more at home in Denver. *The Rocky Mountain News* of September 15 has a column interview with him and a cut of 'the man with the flag.' 'Dick Holmes,' the interviewer says, 'is the friend of every man in the regiment.' The flag he brought home is the same one he started out with (THE SCROLL had a picture of it last October), but it is said to be the worst battered of any that have been in the Philippines. Dick says he has lost flesh (he used to weigh 206) till he is only six feet, five inches tall, but he will soon be back to six feet, six. He says:

'I want no more war in mine. This boy's going to stay at home. It's fierce. Once I thought that carrying the flag would be a great thing. But excuse me from any more of it. When the wind blew the thing flapped in great shape and got as heavy as lead. It's no fun. I can tell you that.'

'Ever feel like dropping it?'

'Not so long as I was with the boys. You see, I was always stationed half way between the two battalions, and so long as the boys were with me I would never have quit it, although it did get fearfully heavy at times.'

Sergeant Holmes had many close calls. The first was on the night the campaign opened, when a bullet went between his cheek and that of the man lying on his face beside him.

Another, of course, was when he swung the colors up Malate on August 13, 1898, after his comrade who had tempted to do the same thing was shot down by his 'More than once,' said the sergeant, 'I used that old flannel pillow; it felt good, too. Made a man feel that he was fighting for something.'

Indianapolis, '97—Frank T. Brown is now practicing law with his brother in the Baldwin block, Indianapolis.—M. Blount is professor of pedagogy at Albion College, Albion, Mich. Bro. John P. Ashley, *Ohio Wesleyan*, president of the institution, from which it will be remembered $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ received two applications for charters simultaneously a few years ago.

Richard Henry Little, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '95, a portrait sketch of whom appeared in THE SCROLL for February, has been spending the summer for the second time in the Philippines as the representative of the Chicago *Tribune*. He was one of the signers of the correspondents' robin, which created such a sensation in July and had to lead to the retirement of Secretary Alger. Bro. Little's letter to the *Tribune* of an earlier date had depicted the situation very forcibly and attracted wide attention. He claimed that after a year's occupation we had gained a square inch of ground; that the army had acquitted itself nobly and accomplished what might have been counted a hard task twice its number, 'as far as desperate fighting and obedience to incomprehensible commands go;' that the insurgents were gaining valuable experience in every engagement; and that a much larger force was immediately necessary to win permanent success. A letter from Manila to the *Indianapolis News*, in which, by the way, General Furbush is said to deserve all his 'boosting,' as he 'knows no defeat' and is all energy though 'not as big as a match,' contains a striking reference to Brother Little, which will be appreciated by those who have seen him tower above a crowd of ordinary mortals. An engagement near Imus was also described.

A laughable thing was the Chicago *Tribune* correspondent, about six and a half feet tall and wears a little black hat, khaki and black top boots. His armament consists of one revolver, plated, about three feet long, and one kodak. To see him wobble down the road with the pistol dragging the ground and the wobbling from side to side, bent double and saying 'O Lord! O Lord!' and 'This is hell!' would make the sphinx laugh.

COLLEGIATE.

The trustees of the University of Georgia defeated co-education by a large majority when it was proposed before them at their June meeting.

Missouri has abolished tuition fees, except for junior and senior law and medical students. For these the fee is \$50 a year. The only charge to other students is the library fee of \$5 and a small deposit for those who take laboratory work.

Pennsylvania won the big boat race at Poughkeepsie on June 27 over Wisconsin, Cornell and Columbia in the order named. Wisconsin made a fine showing. Bro. J. P. Gardiner, '01, quarter-back on the eleven, rowed stroke for Pennsylvania and was one of the heroes of the day.

A woman has been appointed professor of psychology at Stanford, one has been made professor of European history at West Virginia, and one takes the place of the professor of history at Wisconsin, who has leave of absence.—The University of Strassburg has begun to admit women to its lectures.

The men students at Wesleyan, who have protested vigorously for several years against the presence of co-eds, this year omitted all mention of any of them from *Olla Podrida*, the annual. An official investigation of the desirability of continuing co-education has just been undertaken by a committee of the trustees, faculty and alumni.

Colby is to receive \$75,000 as the result of one of John D. Rockefeller's conditional offers. A class of 41 was graduated in June.—Edward Tuck, of the class of '62, has given Dartmouth \$300,000 as a memorial to his father Amos Tuck, '35, an early anti-slavery leader. The annual income (\$12,000) is to be applied exclusively to instructor's salaries.—John D. Rockefeller will give \$250,000 toward the \$2,000,000 to be raised for Brown University.—Tufts has received \$60,000 by the will of Mrs. M. P. Goddard, of Newton, Mass.—Rose Polytechnic is to receive \$50,000 from the estate of Josephus Collett. The original bequest was \$75,000, but has been reduced by litigation.—Duke Joseph Florimond de Loubat, a resident of Paris, has founded a professorship in the University of Berlin for Americans at a cost of 300,000

marks. The Emperor must confirm the foundation if it is valid. The Duke gave Columbia \$1,100,000 in 1862 on condition that he receive a \$60,000 annuity from the university.

The big foot ball games are: for October 21, West Point-Princeton; October 24, Yale-Indians; October 28, Harvard-Indians, Cornell-Princeton; November 4, Pennsylvania-Yale, West Point-Yale; November 7, Columbia-Cornell; November 14, Princeton-Indians (at New York); November 18, Harvard-Yale; November 25, Yale-Princeton; November 30, Pennsylvania-Cornell. The name of the home game is given first in this list, except for the November 11 game. The defeat of Pennsylvania by the Indians on October 28 was a notable event, as was Chicago's victory over Cornell.

The October *Century* announces the three winners of prizes offered for the best essay, poem and story submitted by college graduates of 1898. Last year all the prizes were given to alumnæ of eastern women's colleges. This year they were given to graduates of western institutions, a young woman from Western Reserve winning the poem prize, and men from Chicago and Stanford taking the essay and story prizes respectively. The prize story writer is by birth an Indian and resides in the Indian territory. The essay comes from a member of B @ II at Chicago.

Bowdoin has 72 freshmen, more than ever before, and in the four classes. The medical department is to have two upper classes at Portland after 1900, on account of new clinical facilities.—Syracuse will enroll 600 freshmen in the departments, 225 of these being in the academic class. The alumni are organizing a university club in Syracuse.—Hamilton has 60 freshmen, more than ever before except in the fall of 1895 when 65 entered with '99.—Hobart has increased attendance, two-thirds of the new students taking the classical course.—Union has over 60 freshmen, of whom but 10 wish a classical degree. One Spaniard was admitted but the Cuban and Porto Ricans (six in number) were able to pass the entrance examinations.—Washington Lee, which uses entrance examinations this year for the first time, has a large increase in attendance, about 200 being enrolled already. Nineteen states and the District of Columbia are represented in the list of students.—Princeton has over 300 freshmen, of whom 175 are academic. A suitable man has been found yet for the new chair in physics which was endowed last year by a gift of \$100,000.

Purdue has over 200 freshmen. President Smart is back from California but unable yet to take full charge of his work.—Gettysburg has 36 freshmen, four of them being co-eds.—California has 580 freshmen; Dartmouth, 200; Lafayette, 150.—The entering class at Dickinson has overrun the dormitories, and many students are rooming in the town.—Beloit has 70 freshmen, about 25 being co-eds.—Yale has 550 freshmen, a falling-off of about 40.

The new Republican majority of the board of regents of the Kansas State Agricultural College removed on June 30 President Will, Secretary Phipps and Professors Bemis (who had to leave Chicago, he alleges, because his doctrines displeased Mr. Rockefeller) Parsons and Ward. The reason given was that the institution was being made a theoretical school of politics and economics instead of a practical industrial college. It may be added that two years since, when the Populists removed Republican teachers to make room for the instructors named above, they did it because these men were 'non-progressive in their several lines of work,' teaching perfunctorily 'old-school economics and civics.' It will be remembered that the old board of regents of the college invited Mr. William J. Bryan to speak at commencement, which invitation the new board withdrew promptly. The Populists predict more wholesale removals in 1901. These Kansas professors and some others who have been dismissed recently because, as they claim, of their advanced economic and sociological views, announced at the social and political conference in Buffalo this summer their intention of founding an institution 'where economic subjects may be taught without fear of capitalistic control.' Prof. John R. Commons, who recently lost his chair at Syracuse, is one of this number. Mr. Will has been announced as president of the new institution. The new college may be placed in Chicago and modeled after Ruskin Hall, at Oxford, which was established for free and advanced work in economics, politics and sociology. The University of Chicago has specifically given notice that members of the faculty are free to express their views on topics of public interest, only asking that they do so personally and not officially.

The University of Nebraska is still without a president (or chancellor) as the regents wish to postpone action until after election day, when some new regents will be chosen. Meanwhile Dean Bessey, professor of botany, is in charge. President Hadley, of Yale, will be formally inaugurated on

October 18. The presidents of Harvard, Chicago and Hopkins will be present, as will Senator Depew.—The choir will hereafter wear gowns of the mode worn by Episcopal church choirs. President Hadley will not lead chapel exercises, as his predecessors have done. President Hadley is organizing a council which will share with him the responsibilities of the administration of university affairs. President Faunce, of Brown, will be formally inaugurated on October 17. Presidents Eliot, of Harvard, and Hadley, of Chicago, will speak. President Faunce expects to raise the popularity of chapel exercises and has engaged a director of music in the Providence schools to drill and train a student choir, which will be assisted by soloists from the city.—The new president of the University of Wooster is Prof. L. E. Holden, of the chair of oratory at Beloit. He is a New Yorker who made his way by farming, shoemaking and clerking up to college. He was graduated at Beloit in 1888 and at Princeton in 1891. He has distinguished himself as financial agent for Beloit and has done more for any one else toward increasing the college's endowment from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000 in the last ten years.—The president of Wabash is Dr. W. P. Kane, '66, for ten years a trustee of the institution. He has been a minister in La Fayette, Ind., and Bloomington, Ill., and is president of the Presbyterian Chautauqua of Indiana, Winona Assembly. He is fifty-one years of age and is the first man ever chosen to the presidency of Wabash. Like I. Deut Wheeler, of California, he will be given much more absolute authority over college affairs than his predecessor held.—Col. William Preston Johnston, Yale, '52, president of Tulane and a son of Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston, of the Confederacy, died at Lexington, Va., on July 16. He was formerly a professor at Washington and Lee and later president of Louisiana State, resigning there to become president of Tulane when that university was founded.—Hon. W. B. Hill, of Macon, is the new chancellor of the University of Georgia. He is also a member of the Vanderbilt board of trustees.—President MacCracken, of Westminster, who probably holds the honor of youngest college president in the world for some time, is a member of ΨY . He received his degree of Ph. D. from Halle last summer *magna cum laude*. Miami has chosen Rev. Dr. David Stanton Tappan, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Portsmouth, Ohio, as president to succeed Dr. W. O. Thompson, who has gone to the State University. Dr. Tappan's father and grandfa-

were noted educational workers, and his mother a sister of Edwin M. Stanton, secretary of war under Lincoln.—President Harris, of Amherst, was graduated there in 1866, and is a member of A Δ Φ. He is a minister and has been on the Andover Seminary faculty for sixteen years.—Randolph-Macon has a new president in Dr. W. G. Starr, an alumnus of that institution. He has been lately pastor of the Broad Street M. E. church, of Richmond, Va., and is fifty-eight years old. He was five years president of Wesleyan Female College, at Murfreesboro, N. C.—St. Lawrence also has a new president, Rev. Dr. Almon Gunnison, of Worcester, Mass. He is fifty-five years old and a graduate of Tufts and of St. Lawrence (in theology). He is a Universalist minister.—President W. O. Thompson, of Ohio State, who resigned at Miami last June, was ten years getting his diploma from Muskingum College, staying out three years sometimes to earn money to keep him in college one year. President Harper, of Chicago, is an alumnus of Muskingum, which is a United Presbyterian institution and located at New Concord, Ohio.—President John H. Finley of Knox, who resigned this year, takes charge of the new *Harper-McClure Illustrated Review*, which will appear November 1. The magazine will be a sort of newspaper monthly and contain ninety-six pages, exclusive of advertising. It aims to be popular in contents as well as in price.—Benjamin Ide Wheeler, professor of Greek at Cornell, who has gone to California as president, is an A Δ Φ. He will be given absolute control over university affairs at Berkeley.

HELLENIC.

Δ Γ and K A ⊙ at Nebraska have taken houses.

Φ B K has established its fifty-first chapter at Chicago.

K Σ closed the last college year at Southwestern with four men.

Σ M is a new local medical fraternity at Virginia. Π M there is its rival.

K Σ is 'rumored' at Stanford; Φ Γ Δ at Washington, and Σ A E at Chicago.

There were 17 men graduated with '99 at Wabash: One Φ K Ψ, one B ⊙ Π, one K Σ, two Δ T Δ's, three Φ Δ ⊙'s and nine non-fraternity men. None of the four elected to Φ B K was a Greek.

The ΣX chapter house at Hobart was sold under foreclosure on July 18 for \$6,500.

At DePauw 68 per cent. of the students of the college of arts and science belong to fraternities.

The dental fraternity $\Delta \Sigma \Delta$ hopes to establish chapters in Europe, not only of alumni but of undergraduates.

$\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ has a new \$12,000 house at Worcester Polytechnic. The Union chapter has a new house on the campus.

$\Pi B \Phi$ met in convention at Boulder, Colo., August 30–September 2. $K A \Theta$ met at the same time in Indianapolis.

It is understood that the new $\Phi \Sigma K$ chapter at the University of Maine was a petitioner for a $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ charter for some time.

At the Rensselaer spring elections $\Delta K E$ undertook to combine with the opponents of the other chapters and was left out.

$K K \Gamma$ is the first sorority to build on the campus at Stanford. The house will be two and one-half stories high and cost \$6,000.

$\Pi B \Phi$ had an active membership during 1898–9 of 421, against 376 in 1897–8. At Ohio, Columbian and Lombard she is the only sorority.

$A \Phi$ established her tenth chapter on May 20, at Stanford. The initiates were one graduate, six juniors, two sophomores and two freshmen.

$\Pi B \Phi$ has established two chapters since Mr. Baird's book was issued—one at Vermont and one at Missouri. This gives her a total of 29.

Founder's day was celebrated by entertaining our rival society, P. E. O., in the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ parlors.—Iowa Wesleyan correspondent of the $\Pi B \Phi$ *Arrow*.

$K K \Gamma$ has entered the University of Illinois, where $K A \Theta$ and $\Pi B \Phi$ were already represented. This gives $K K \Gamma$ 28 chapters, counting the one at St. Lawrence, restored 'by order of the court.'

Mr. Frank Chapin Bray, editor of the $\Phi K \Psi$ *Shield*, has been made editor of the *Chautauquan*. He is thirty-three years old and first served an apprenticeship as a printer, using his earnings at that trade to make his way through college.

At the annual university field meet a 100-yard inter-sorority handicap race was run, in which the banner was won by Pat O'Dea [B @ II], for A @.—Wisconsin correspondent of A @ *Quarterly*.

The chapters of Σ N last year at Virginia, Washington and Lee, North Carolina and Texas numbered six members each; at the University of Washington there were five Sigs, and at N. C. A. M. College four.

An urgent appeal is made in the *Quarterly* for new members of the New York Δ K E club. The annual dues have been reduced to \$10 for resident members, and \$5 for non-residents, with no initiation fee.

The fraternities at Arkansas last spring were notified that no freshmen should be initiated until after the trustees' meeting in September, at which the subject of fraternity membership would be considered.

A new tradition was formed at Adelbert last month, when it was decided by the upper classmen that no freshman can sit upon the steps of the main building.—Adelbert correspondent in June *Rainbow* of Δ T Δ.

At St. Lawrence last year there were 127 students. Of the 97 men 24 belonged to B @ II and 29 to A T Ω. Of the 30 women 19 were in K K Γ and 10 in Δ Δ Δ; the thirtieth belonged to a local society, perhaps.

At Lawrence, Kansas, Π B @ has established a loan scholarship in the state university in memory of Mrs. F. E. Buchan, wife of Captain Buchan of the 20th Kansas. Mr. Buchan died on April 17, in Manila.

Σ A E has a house at North Carolina. It is used only for meetings. The lot (40x100) cost \$325 and the house \$800.—The Ohio Wesleyan chapter rents a house.—The Central chapter forbids membership in @ N E.

Brown has had three Δ Y presidents in succession with the accession of Dr. W. H. P. Faunce, '80. Governors Powers, Colby, '61, and Voorhees, Rutgers, '76, of Maine and New Jersey, respectively, belong to Δ Y.

Speaking of the new fraternity of Π Λ @, founded at Yale in 1895, the @ Γ Δ *Quarterly* says it is 'under the impression that there are Gentiles as well as Hebrews in the order, judging from some of the men belonging to the Yale chapter.' It was the @ K Ψ *Shield* that said the membership of the society was restricted to Hebrew students.

The *Caduceus* says that the local society known at Buchtel as K Σ, having been recently refused a charter by the general fraternity of that name 'on account of the low grade of the institution,' has changed its name to Λ P.

Δ Γ held her convention at Albion, May 9-11. The last *Anchora* contains a sketch and many views of Albion. The Δ T Δ *Rainbow* and the A X Ω *Lyre* also, have this year presented illustrated articles on the same institution.

Φ Δ Θ, B Θ Π and Σ A E, comprising the Pan-Hellenic league of the University of Missouri, gave a ball on June 5 in Music Hall at Columbia. This takes the place of the three commencement hops formerly given by these fraternities separately.

K Σ reports 286 initiates for the college year of 1898-9. This does not include any for Tulane, Trinity, Mercer, North Carolina or William-Jewell. One man only was initiated at Davidson and at Hampden-Sidney. But two were taken at Purdue, Michigan and Southwestern.

Never has the batallion attained a higher degree of proficiency than this year, as was shown by the competitive drill which was held May 20. Company B won first place by a narrow margin.—Nebraska correspondent of Δ T Δ *Rainbow*. The captain of company B was Bro. Joel Stebbins, '99.

This from the Φ Γ Δ *Quarterly* is a pleasant variation on news of other fraternities as presented in the average chapter letter:

We meet here [at Denison] Σ X, a chapter of thirteen active and two pledged men, a set of fellows of whom any fraternity might well be proud.

B Θ Π had but three members at the University of North Carolina the past session, all seniors. But one member remains at the University of Mississippi, and no mention was made of the Beta chapter in the *Comet*, Vanderbilt's annual. At each of the three institutions above named the Betas were once a prominent factor.—*The Caduceus* of K Σ.

Bartlett Tripp, of the Samoan commission, is a Δ Y from Colby, '61. In the June *Quarterly* is a sketch of the late Stephen J. Field, who is said to have belonged to the 'electrical' commission which seated President Hayes. That reminds us of the statement of THE SCROLL once, that the University of Illinois was offering the first course in 'literary' instruction ever given in the west. We wrote 'library,' but at least one exchange copied the item uncorrected.

A Chicago man some time since offered Marietta College \$25,000 if all college debts should be paid and \$75,000 additional raised. This was done, and the endowment now amounts to over \$200,000. Δ Y is the only national fraternity there since the withdrawal of A T Ω and Φ Γ Δ. Φ Δ ⊙ refused an application for charter from Marietta some years ago.

Fraternity affairs at Wabash seem to have been sadly mixed last year. First there was an alleged lift of a member of K Σ by B ⊙ Π. Then there was 'much excitement' caused by the resignation of a member of B ⊙ Π. A man expelled by Φ Δ ⊙ was initiated by K Σ, and lastly we hear of the expulsion and withdrawal of two members of the K Σ chapter.

The editor of the Δ Γ *Anchora* was made a fifth member of the grand council at the recent convention in Albion. The present efficient editor, Miss Ross, was re-elected: She reported a balance of \$324.97 in the *Anchora* treasury. Its circulation is 600, 232 of these copies going to officers and chapters of other sororities and to exchanges. Each issue brings in \$62.50 for advertisements.

The *Christian Cynosure* is a religious weekly which is largely devoted to anti-secret-society literature. It publishes 'exposures' of Masonic, I. O. O. F., K. of P. and many other rituals, and in a recent issue had a cut of 'The Modern Baal,' a goat mounted on a pedestal bearing the names or symbols of several secret societies, among others the college fraternities B ⊙ Π and Σ X.

The Vanderbilt chapter of Δ T Δ reports that 'Lambda has passed through one of her hardest years. Since a very distinct misfortune to the chapter several years ago there has never been that buoyant spirit and delight in fraternity life that characterized her before.' The chapter, however, has made a good record of late, considering all circumstances, and looks forward with much confidence to the coming year.

Mr. F. M. Crossett, of Δ Y, who was associated with Bro. E. H. L. Randolph, *C. C. N. Y.*, '84, in the publication of *The College Fraternity*, states that the anti-secret movement was something that developed 'many years after the founding, in 1834,' of the 'social fraternity,' of which Δ Y claims to be the direct descendant. He says that the late Justice Stephen J. Field, '37, and many of his associates 'were greatly interested in the fraternity which developed from their undergraduate efforts.'

Following are some of the suggestive subjects discussed at a B @ II district reunion at Ithaca last April: Methods of rushing, chapter organization, the chapter library, chapter finances, cost of a chapter house, social relations, inter-fraternity relations, the status of @ N E, the chapter in a large city, numerical strength of chapters, general condition of chapters, establishment of new chapters, revoking of old charters.

The letter from the Brown chapter in the last *Caduceus* covers five and one-half pages. It states that last year Brown had 925 students, of whom 99 were graduates and 165 women. The faculty numbers 87. There are 317 fraternity men, 46.4 per cent. of undergraduate men. An unsuccessful attempt was made to install Φ Γ Δ recently. There are now 13 men's fraternities at Brown, besides the Catholic local, Φ Κ Σ.

All members of the Yale chapter of Α Δ Φ wear the original form of Alpha Delt pin—an oblong slab with rounded corners, displaying a crescent bearing the letters 'Α Δ Φ' on a field of black enamel; above the crescent a green star, and below the date '1832' in gold. The members of all other chapters wear the badge which was officially recognized in 1875—a jewelled crescent, displaying the letters 'Α Δ Φ,' holding a star between its horns.

President Hadley of Yale was a society man in each year of his course, being in Δ Κ, Δ Β Ψ, Δ Κ Ε and Skull and Bones. By inheritance he should have been a neutral, as his father was always bitterly opposed to the secret society system. It is said that a wholesale dread of the professor's indignation kept the sophomores from roughly initiating Arthur into his freshman society. However, he entered heartily into the Δ Κ frolics, taking part in the peanut rushes and theatricals. At a fancy dress ball, given at the fraternity room, only members, of course, being present, he appeared as the jack of clubs. It is safe to say that this right bower took the trick for grotesqueness. In his junior year he was a candidate for the *Lit.* editorship from Δ Κ Ε, but failed to gain it, much to his disappointment. At times, before the different society elections, he was worried about his chances, like many a less prominent man, recalling perhaps certain strictures which he had made against the system when his father was alive, and before he himself had learned how desirable were its honors; but this worry was quite as needless as that regarding his standing.—*New York Sun*, June 4, 1899.

'We lose no men by graduation. Two of last year's absentees will be with us again. In striking contrast with this $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, practically our only rival, will lose eight men, the pick of their chapter. They were unable to enter a house this year and can scarcely do so next. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ is very weak, with internal dissensions.'—Knox correspondent of *The Beta Theta Pi*. We may add that Illinois Delta is now settled in the handsomest chapter house at Knox.

The Greeks of Lake Charles, La., fifteen in number, held a Pan-Hellenic banquet on the evening of September 2, at the Hotel Theaux. The Phis began the uproar of the evening with a 'Phi-kei-a!' that raised the roof. An elaborate menu was served, and at the close all were so satisfied with the dinner and songs and speeches that a Pan-Hellenic association was formed. The Phis present were Dr. A. J. Perkins, *Southwestern*, '86; Rev. F. O. H. Boberg, *Sewanee*, '99; Orville L. Simmons, *Purdue*, '93. Other societies represented were $Z \Psi$, $K A$, ΣN , $\Sigma A E$ and $\Delta T \Delta$. Bro. Perkins was made vice-president of the association. We are indebted to Bro. Simmons, of the Lake Charles *Daily American*, for a report of the meeting.

The biennial convention of $\Delta T \Delta$ was held at the Hotel Victoria, Chicago, August 23–25, 1899. It was the most largely attended convention in the history of the fraternity. All but two of the chapters were represented. It is said that no effort whatever was made to change the legislation of two years ago by which members of $\Delta T \Delta$ were forbidden to join $\Theta N E$. Certain constitutional changes were proposed, information concerning which will be given out later if the changes are finally made. The banquet was the most elaborate yet held, special attention having been given to the list of toasts. Among the speakers were Congressmen Hopkins, Mann and Gardner. The officers elected were as follows: president, Edwin H. Hughes, Ohio Wesleyan; secretary, Henry T. Bruck, Stevens; treasurer, Alvan E. Duerr, Williams; ritualist, Frederick C. Hodgdon, Tufts; editor of *The Rainbow*, Frank F. Rogers, Stanford. We are sorry to note the retirement of Mr. Hughes from the editorship of *The Rainbow* after four years of most effective service. The new editor will keep the magazine in the east, moving it from Boston to New York. Mr. Hughes and Dr. K. C. Babcock, who has just retired as president, are the only Deltas who have served as long as four years on the *Rainbow*. The June issue of the magazine contained a letter from each of the forty chapters of $\Delta T \Delta$.

K Σ now has 50 chapters. Her latest is at the University of Alabama, where a chapter lived from 1867 to 1869, having been founded in the first year of the fraternity's exist- It was the death of this first branch that apparently discouraged the parent chapter from extension and led it to remain a local society for six years. The new chapter was organized on June 3, by a Vanderbilt K Σ. It had five members; so that there was a chapter office for each one. Since Mr. Baird's book was issued K Σ has entered Wisconsin, withdrawn from U. S. Grant University and revived at Alabama.

Φ Σ K has established its Iota chapter at Stevens Institute and Kappa at Pennsylvania State, initiating at the latter institution the local society, Φ Δ E, which was for some years an unsuccessful applicant for a charter from Φ Δ Θ. This gives Φ Σ K ten chapters. The fraternity was founded in 1873 at Massachusetts Agricultural and is now represented in Union, Cornell, West Virginia, Yale, C. C. N. Y., Maryland and Columbia, besides the three already named. Pennsylvania State now has seven chapters: B Θ Π, Φ Γ Δ, Φ K Σ, Σ X, K Σ, Σ A E, Φ Σ K. Stevens has Θ Ξ, Δ T Δ, B Θ Π, X Ψ, X Φ, Φ Σ K.

The May Σ X *Quarterly* contains an abstract of the most important acts of twenty-three grand chapters (conventions)—1857-'97. Some of the information thus furnished is not given in Baird's sketch of Σ X. The records of the first convention in 1857 are lost. The original chapter at Miami, founded 1855, disbanded in the summer of 1858. Blue and gold were adopted as fraternity colors in 1870. The first catalogue was printed in 1872, the first song book in 1884. The convention of 1872 'added to the constitution provisions for the establishment of alumni chapters,' also 'provided for three degrees of membership,' which were 'found too cumbersome and discarded.' In 1874, a 'state parent' or presiding chapter system of government was adopted. The *Sigma Chi* was first issued in 1881, the *Bulletin* (secret) in 1887. A new constitution was adopted in 1882, the first general revision since 1859; it provided for an executive committee. Another new constitution was adopted in 1884; under it the provincial system was substituted for the division by states. In 1892, 'provision was made for the adoption of a flag.' Concerning the special convention held at New York in 1893, when it is understood the initiation of ex-President Grover Cleveland was sanctioned, the only mention is: 'The attendance was not

large, and nothing further than a slight amendment to the constitution was attempted.' At Chicago in the same year, a constitutional amendment was adopted requiring for the adoption of such amendments a three-fifths vote of the convention or of the chapters. In 1897, 'all existing statutes were repealed, and new statutes to 'take immediate effect were enacted.' The ritual was finally revised at the same time.

The new B @ II catalogue, which first appeared at the Niagara Falls convention this summer, will be reviewed in the December SCROLL by Bro. Walter B. Palmer. It is very elaborate and contains nearly 11,000 names. A committee of three, including J. Cal. Hanna, editor of the edition just published, was appointed to consider plans for the next edition, which will be much smaller in scope, and which will probably not take eleven years for completion, as this did. Mr. Hanna, general secretary since 1884, was defeated as noted elsewhere, by Mr. F. H. Sisson, who was elected treasurer against another 'wheel horse', Prof. C. L. Thornburg, in 1898.

The following very pleasant letter explains itself. There is good reason why Σ X, B @ II and Φ Δ @ should be the best of friends, and we are glad to know that both the undergraduate members of the 'Miami triad' chapters and the alumni and officers of the societies that went out from Oxford, when occasion offers, give evidence of a feeling of genuine kinship.

CHICAGO, September 23, 1899.

*Mr. J. Clark Moore, Jr., President of the General Council,
Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, Philadelphia, Pa.:*

DEAR SIR—The twenty-fourth grand chapter of the Σ X fraternity, which met recently in Philadelphia, received with great pleasure the cordial greetings and best wishes for a pleasant and successful convention which you and Historian McCluney Radcliffe so kindly sent to the grand chapter under date of September 11. I was directed by the grand chapter to assure you both of its cordial appreciation of your recognition of its meeting.

We did have an extremely enjoyable and profitable convention and were royally entertained by our brothers in the City of Brotherly Love.

I am very glad to note on your stationery the name of Frank D. Swope, secretary of the general council. He and I were classmates at Hanover College, being graduated together in 1885. I have always had a warm place in my heart for him and congratulate your fraternity on retaining his experienced services.

Yours very truly,
CHARLES ALLING,
Grand Tribune of Σ X.

The general men's fraternities at the University of Minnesota are: X Ψ, 1874; Φ Δ Θ, 1881; Δ T Δ, 1885; Φ K Ψ, 1888; Σ X, 1888; B Θ Π, 1889; Δ K E, 1889; Φ Γ Δ, 1890; Δ Y, 1890; Ψ Y, 1891; Θ Δ X, 1892; A Δ Φ, 1892. An article in the June *Beta Theta Pi* says:

The fraternities this year, with the exception of X Ψ, Δ T Δ and B Θ Π, are in a very weak condition, the average undergraduate membership being eleven. There is no good excuse for this condition, as there are many desirable non-fraternity men. From recent indications, at least two new fraternities will be chartered in the near future. K Φ T, a local society, has petitioned Z Ψ for several years, and the members now assert that they will have a charter very soon. The sororities are in fine condition, and there is a local society petitioning Γ Φ B, for which there is a place. About 25 per cent. of the male undergraduates and about 16 per cent. of the young ladies belong to fraternities. Only about 15 per cent. of the entire student body are members of fraternities.

After the June SCROLL went to press the following letter was received by the editor:

VILLA NOVA, PA., June 10, 1899.

Mr. Hugh Th. Miller,

DEAR SIR: I am very sorry that any article or statement about your fraternity which appeared in our pages should have been untrue. The misstatement was due to a clipping taken from some other fraternity magazine. Your letter of May 10 did not reach us in time for us to put an apology to you in our pages, as our May issue came out on May 15.

Very truly yours,

OGLESBY PAUL.

This refers to a statement which appeared in the Φ K Σ *Quarterly* to the effect that General Harrison was only an honorary member of Φ Δ Θ, and to which reference was made in the last SCROLL, page 707. The note above is from the editor of the *Quarterly*. We had never happened to see a similar misstatement as to General Harrison's membership in the Greek press and shall have to leave it to Mr. Paul to correct his informant.

The Φ Γ Δ chapter at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, established 1889, and suspended 1895, was revived May 27, 1899, with thirteen charter members. The institute has chapters of X Φ, Δ Ψ, Δ K E, Δ Y, Φ B E (local five years old with designs on Ψ Y), Θ Ξ, Σ X, Σ A E, Δ T Δ and Φ Γ Δ. Δ Ψ owns a house; the others, with the exception of Δ T Δ and Φ Γ Δ, rent. Θ Ξ has withdrawn from the national society of that name. There are over 1,200 students in the institute. The section (province) convention of Φ Γ Δ at Madison, Wis., last April recommended the revival, under favorable conditions, of the dead chapters, especially those at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Texas and Stanford. The *Quarterly* editorially opposes granting an

application for charter from 'an eastern state college,' which 'has been almost exclusively an agricultural and mechanical college,' but which 'now promises to enlarge its course to include the classical curricula.'

Σ X held her convention at Philadelphia, September 14-16, meeting at the Hotel Hamilton. The banquet was held at the Windsor, in Atlantic City. The newspapers reported 'ninety per cent.' of the chapters as represented. J. C. Nate of Chicago, retiring treasurer, was elected president over Dr. S. L. Ziegler of Philadelphia, who was a candidate at Nashville in 1897, also. There seems to have been some sectional feeling, as the reports announce that an eastern candidate will probably be elected at the next convention, which will be held in Cleveland or Detroit in 1901. The headquarters and general officers are still located at Chicago. Mr. Newman Miller, of Albion, Mich., was re-elected editor of the *Quarterly*. It was decided 'to put more of the organization's energy into establishing additional alumni chapters throughout the county,' particularly in the west, the east being considered well organized already. The Sigs found time for much more sight-seeing than Φ Δ Θ did at her Philadelphia convention, in 1896. But we had a constitution to discuss that year.

From the February *Delta* of Σ N, the last one issued at the time we go to press, we take the following items of general interest in the chapter letters:

K A has no chapter here [at Central], but has three very popular members. . . . This has been an off year for fraternities in the University of Kansas, as a noted murder trial of a Beta, found guilty of killing his father last spring, had prejudiced new students against fraternity life as pictured by evidence introduced at the time. . . . Beta Xi [at William Jewell] has recently installed herself in a chapter house. This is the first in the college. . . . For some of the impressions [from a recent initiation] that the boys will carry with them longest we are indebted to K K Γ and Π B Φ, who lent some valuable assistance in a part of the ceremonies. . . . Φ Σ Φ (local) has retired from the field [at Rose Polytechnic]. It has been left by the faculty in the hands of the fraternities to decide in regard to freshman initiations. If no decision is reached the faculty will make a regulation. We have fourteen men against eleven of A T Ω. . . . We are sorry that our last letter [from Lombard] implies that we took five men in, simply to increase our numbers. Of course we did no such thing. What we meant to say was that, our chapter being already strong, we had no desire to initiate any but first-class men, and made little attempt to discover the true worth of the men in college till aroused by the efforts of our rivals. We then found seven men of the stamp that we desired and initiated five of them.

B @ II held her convention at Niagara Falls, July 28–August 1. The banquet was held at the International Monday night, July 31, the session running over Sunday. The eastern members were defeated at base ball by the westerners. No new chapters were established, but the charter of the chapter at Cumberland University was withdrawn. This chapter was established in 1854. It is B @ II's twentieth dead chapter. Cumberland University is situated at Lebanon, Tenn., and supports chapters of Σ A E, A T Ω and K Σ. It was something of a fraternity graveyard before B @ II succumbed, chapters of Δ K E, Δ Ψ, A Δ Φ, Φ K Σ, Φ K Ψ, X Φ, Φ Γ Δ, Σ X and II K A having died there. B @ II now has sixty-one living chapters. Mr. Baird, we are happy to say, continues in charge of the *Beta Theta Pi*. Seven chapters were unrepresented at the convention: Ohio Wesleyan, Harvard, North Carolina, Mississippi, Vanderbilt, Hampden-Sidney and Cumberland.

A T Ω has adopted provisionally the province system, and in the June *Palm* presents biographies of the new province chiefs. The longest and (we will venture to say) the best of these is written by a Phi, Bro. W. W. Davies, *North Carolina*, '91. Chief R. W. Bingham of 'province four' and he were classmates when they first met at Chapel Hill. One was already an A T Ω and the other a Φ Δ @, or as Bro. Davies puts it: 'The goat had chewed our coat-tails before we met.' He adds: 'If that had not been true this pen might now be scribbling this article for THE SCROLL, or I might have been signing myself—I don't know how you Alpha Tau people sign yourselves, we do it this way: "Yours in the Bond."' After all it meant this between our chapters—"Alpha Tau's scrap is Φ Δ @'s private, personal and highly prized property, with all its college political results and black eyes in the bargain and *vice versa*.'" Davies and Bingham organized North Carolina's first football team, as well as the ribbon society known as Gimghoul.

The *X Ψ Purple and Gold* is published quarterly at Clinton, N. Y., the site of Hamilton College. It does not exchange with other journals, but copies of the last three issues have accidentally fallen into our hands. The issue for February gives an account of the organization of the X Ψ chapter at the University of Chicago last November. The charter members were bolters from Σ N, though the *Purple and Gold* does not mention this fact. The University of Georgia correspondent writes: 'Since fraternities have been killed at

Furman University, we feel the need of re-establishing Sigma at the University of North Carolina just as soon as practicable.'

The February issue contains an interesting letter written by Judge Patrick U. Major, in reply to an inquiry as to the part of Union College in which X Ψ was founded, and as to incidents connected with the event. Judge Major is the only surviving founder of the fraternity. Following is a portion of his letter, dated Frankfort, Ky., November 17, 1898:

It was No. 43 South College, and had plainly cut in the stone window-sill the name, 'J. F. Cooper.' . . . Philip Spencer and I were bosom friends. . . . He proposed to me the getting up of a new secret society. . . . We talked it over . . . and finally agreed . . . that it should be a band of brothers, not only in college, but through life, a band into which none should be admitted unless they were manly, truthful and generous gentlemen—these were about Phil's own words. Our boyish ideas of the word gentleman was that one must have blood, brains, culture—social and intellectual—well mixed with undaunted courage, both moral and physical.

We set about to look for recruits. Phil. gathered in some two or three, and I one or two. . . . After we had received some half a dozen for a start, we all met in my room (as I then had no roommate), No. 43 South College. . . . We formulated some sort of an oath, which was first administered to me by Phil., and then I administered the same oath to Phil. and the others present. That same night, we proceeded to organize by choosing me chairman. Committees were appointed . . . Spencer was on the committee on qualifications, constitution and by-laws; I was on that to select mottoes, emblems, badges, etc.; and Terhune, on taking the oath, was placed on that on initiation, grips, etc.

My friends here had a hard time to keep me from going east at the time to avenge Phil.'s dastardly murder, and all that prevented me was that Slidell Mackenzie would not accept my challenge to mortal combat, as I was assured by those who knew.

An editorial in the April issue says that there is 'a distressing state of affairs' in the Stanford chapter, which 'demands the attention of every X Ψ.' A correspondent disputes the claim of Δ K E to have erected the first chapter house in the United States. He says that the Michigan chapter of X Ψ (established 1845) occupied a log cabin in 1846, while the Kenyon chapter of Δ K E (established 1852) erected its log cabin in 1853. The X Ψ log cabin was somewhere about the present site of Forrest Hill cemetery near Ann Arbor; it was 20x24 feet, with a large fireplace, and was built in three weeks. In the April issue forty-eight pages are devoted to a list of members in classes from 1892 to 1902, as a supplement to the last general catalogue issued in 1892, the members being arranged by chapters and classes and also by states and towns.

The April issue also gives an account of the annual convention at Washington, February 1, March 2, 1899. Twenty-three delegates were present from seventeen chapters, the unrepresented chapters being those at Bowdoin and Stanford. There were also two delegates from the Washington and Albany alumni associations, and thirty-three other Chi Psis are mentioned as being present. However, the convention group photograph includes only thirty-six members. Among resolutions adopted was one to the effect that all active members of X Ψ must wear their badges at all times except when engaged in bathing, athletics or shop-work; and that the place for wearing the badge be uniform—as nearly over the heart as possible, and between the second and the third buttons of the vest.' Hon. Elbridge T. Gerry, *Columbia*, '57, was re-elected president of the fraternity. A. R. Warner, *Hamilton*, '99, was elected catalogue editor, with instructions to issue the book in 1901, the last edition having been published in 1892. 'Over sixty Chi Psis sat down to the banquet.' Mr. Gerry was toast-master. Letters regretting absence were read from Speaker T. B. Reed, *Bowdoin*, '60, and Chief-Justice M. W. Fuller, *Bowdoin*, '53. 'On the outside of the menu card was a likeness of Philip Spencer,' and the motto at the top of the card was 'Once a X Ψ, always a X Ψ.' The next annual convention will be held at New York.

The June issue contains a thirty page instalment of quotations from the works of the novelist James Fenimore Cooper, who wrote a review of the incidents leading up to the execution of Philip Spencer, maintaining his innocence of the charge of mutiny. Young Spencer was a midshipman on board the United States brig-of-war *Sowers*. The execution was ordered by the commander of the vessel, Captain Slidell Mackenzie, and Spencer with two others of the crew was hanged from the yard arms on December 1, 1842. Cooper says that Spencer was 'a youth then in his nineteenth year,' and that he was 'the son of the secretary of war, and the grandson of one of the most distinguished jurists New York has ever produced.' Senator Benton in his 'Thirty Years' View,' Gail Hamilton and others have also denounced the execution of Spencer, because of insufficiency of evidence to convict him. Spencer had founded X Ψ at Union College in the spring of 1841, when it seems he was about seventeen years of age.

THE PYX.

Missouri Alpha has ordered a number of extra copies of the September *Palladium* and will profit by President Moore's chapter house suggestions at once.—Vermont Alpha, Georgia Alpha, Illinois Alpha and Missouri Alpha have all rented better houses than they had last year.

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The reports of chapter historians to the historian of the general council from 1885 to 1898 inclusive have been bound in permanent and convenient form for the fraternity library. The reports from 1885 to 1892 are in the old blanket-sheet form so familiar to chapter historians of a decade ago. These had to be pasted on muslin and bound in atlas form, at considerable expense. It seems that the first printed blanks date from 1885 (a few are preserved from 1883 and 1884 in irregular form); in 1888 their size was doubled. Since 1892 the pamphlet-form blanks have been used, and they are, of course, made into books with ease. The reports are at present in the hands of the editors of the catalogue, who are securing the names of men initiated since the printing of the 1894 catalogue.

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The editor of THE SCROLL would like very much to acquire by exchange, purchase or donation a few copies of *The Palladium* for September, 1897. Can any one supply this number?

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A small dance was given at the Phi chapter house last evening complimentary to Miss Aune Washington and her guests, Miss Jane Helm, of Elizabethtown, Ky., and Miss Tompkins, of Atlanta. Mrs. James S. Pilcher and Mr. and Mrs. Pope Taylor were chaperons. Among the guests were Misses Washington, Helm, Tompkins, Susie Richardson, Tommie Wrenne, Trevania Dallas, Bessie Dake, Louise Caldwell, Anna Mary Dudley, Williams, of Knoxville, Sallie Richardson, Eunice Fite, Messrs. George Frazer, Richard Dake, Will Blount, of Florida, Charlie Buntin, 'Jake' Crider, Grantland Rice, Charlie Caldwell, Wiley, of Kentucky, Moses Bonner, Stuart and Campbell Pilcher.—*Nashville American*, August 1, 1899.

THE SCROLL desires to publish a list of chapters and clubs that have been incorporated under state laws. Such chapters and clubs will oblige by sending us their legal corporation titles, dates of state charters and names of incorporators; and if corporation by-laws have been printed we hope to be favored with copies of the same.

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Bro. W. T. Morris, president of Delta province, has been forced by pressure of business affairs to resign his office. The general council appointed, on October 17, as his successor Bro. John B. Ballou, of Bowling Green, Ohio. Brother Ballou was initiated by Ohio Delta and later affiliated with Ohio Zeta. He is an enthusiastic Phi and attended the Columbus convention, the installation of the Case chapter and the last Detroit alumni banquet. It was with regret that Brother Morris's resignation was accepted, but he finds a worthy successor in Brother Ballou.

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The banquet given by Iowa Alpha on the night of June 13 was a memorable event. About thirty Phis and as many ladies assembled in the Phi hall at 9:30, where the reception was given. The guests were received by Misses Martha Robinson, Edna Needham, Frank D. Throop and J. M. Beck. An hour was spent in renewing old acquaintances and making new ones. At 10:30 it was announced that the guests would repair to Luberger's to the more substantial part of the evening's program. Two long tables were set the length of the room and one across the end. At the back and side of the room were two beautiful candelabra with white and blue candles. Along the tables burned colored candles. The colors were artistically draped about the room. The tables were loaded with white carnations and other flowers. Palms were placed here and there. During the serving of the courses there was orchestral music. After the menu was disposed of the following toast program was given: Dr. W. R. Gray—'Tis fifty years, and the Bond endures;' Charles P. Frantz—'Our founders—they builded better than they knew;' Frank D. Throop—'It's a way we have in our chapter;' John W. Palm—'Phis beneath the flag'; Frank S. Robinson—'Phi girls are the best.' The toastmaster, Bro. Roth, was unusually happy in his introductions and the speeches excellent. All in all, the banquet

was admitted to be the most successful and enjoyable affair of the kind ever held at Iowa Wesleyan.

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The Milwaukee *Sentinel* of August 20 devotes two columns and a picture to the Honourable Peter Stirling, otherwise known as the 'frat. pup' and mascot of Wisconsin Alpha. The Hon. Peter, the *Sentinel* says, 'disproves the old adage about the impossibility of serving more than one master,' for he serves twenty-six. At the home of Bro. William Biersach, an unwilling guest, the Hon. Peter, like the summer girl, was 'lonesome for just twenty-five young men.' Hearing the university yell one day he disappeared and was found later trying to board a train for Madison. It might be interesting to present a collection of photos of chapter mascots. The editor has made the acquaintance of the guardian of Chicago's hearthstone, who is kept carefully indoors all day lest he perish at the hands of enraged owners of other dogs that are no more. Michigan, too, seems to have had some interesting experiences in a canine way, judging from Bro. Bleazby's letters last year.

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A number of chapter letters arrived too late for use in this issue, the one from Knox telling of a chapter house, and those from Vermont and Georgia of better houses rented. The three Georgia chapters seem to be in fine shape, Georgia Alpha in particular deserving great praise for her fine showing in cutting down her debts and securing new men. The Indianapolis chapter is now engaged in a law suit with ΣX over the hall and suite of rooms rented at the beginning of the year.

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We have been forced to omit in the Greek news a few very interesting items, which we may be able to discuss in December. Among these is the outcome of the action at law of the St. Lawrence chapter of K K Γ against the general fraternity—the injunction of Judge Russell, which forces the restoration of the chapter to its former position. Another interesting theme is the last convention of southern K A, which terminated the journalistic career of Editor Wilson, and apparently abounded in wire-pulling and 'ribbon' society politics.

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THE SCROLL is just in receipt of an offer from Mr. Roehm of a badge to be given as a prize for the best chapter letters.

If we can agree on conditions with him, his offer will be accepted, and the competition will begin in the December issue and continue till commencement. Further announcement will be made in the November *Palladium*.

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Reporters who have not yet sent in copies of the college annual for 1898-9 will please do so at once, that the review in the December SCROLL may be as complete as possible. Please see, also, that the college or university daily, weekly or monthly is mailed regularly to the editor.

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The editor has changed his address from Irvington, Indiana, to Columbus, Indiana (Box 141). All correspondents and exchanges will please note the fact.

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The editor has also changed his occupation, and this fact, coupled with the one noted in the preceding paragraph, has delayed the present issue to an extent that he regrets very much.

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RECENT FRATERNITY CATALOGUES.

A SECTIONAL FRATERNITY.

CATALOGUE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FRATERNITY OF DELTA PSI. Revised and corrected to January, 1898. New York city, 1898. 8vo; pp. viii+348; cloth.

On July 4, 1899, while looking through a second-hand book store near the Grand Central Station, New York city, I came across a catalogue of ΨY , the last edition, printed in 1888, and a catalogue of $\Delta \Psi$ printed in 1898. The dealer asked \$2 for the ΨY book, the price of which originally was \$5, but I did not purchase it as there is a copy in our fraternity library. He asked only 50 cents for the $\Delta \Psi$ book, which probably cost several dollars originally. Having never before seen a catalogue of that fraternity, I purchased it to send to our library. We are told by Baird that this is the third edition and that $\Delta \Psi$ has no other publication. The editor is a New York lawyer, Robert Thorne, Esq., Trinity, '85.

As a specimen of catalogue making, the book has several crudities and some serious omissions. For instance, there is no residence directory. While most names are given in full, many addresses are altogether lacking. Most chapter lists are printed in a single column to the page, but some in two columns, showing little regard for regularity in typographical appearance. The great waste of valuable space throughout the book is exhibited in the following entry being spread out over five lines of brevier, about equal in length to those of THE SCROLL:

ARTHUR LATHAM CHURCH, B. S., Univ. Penn. (T. S. S.), 1878. Mechanical engineer, Pulaski ave., Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

If all had been run in one paragraph, as above, three lines would have been saved. However, my object in writing this article is not to review this catalogue, which has so little to commend it, but to call attention to $\Delta \Psi$ itself as an

example of the 'conservative' or sectional fraternities. $\Delta \Psi$ is undoubtedly very 'conservative,' having established but three chapters since 1860 (one now being extinct). During the same period $\Sigma \Phi$ has had but two new chapters, northern $K \Lambda$ but four, and $\Delta \Phi$ but six (one now extinct). These are the four small eastern fraternities.

The fraternity system originated in the east, and for many years the eastern fraternities were leaders, but times have changed. Since the civil war, eastern fraternities have not extended with the rapidity which they previously displayed. As a rule, their policy seems to have been a very hap-hazard one. Many institutions in which they are not represented are far superior in every way to some in which they have chapters. They have allowed many important institutions to be pre-empted by western and southern fraternities that have followed a broader and more intelligent policy.

Most of the western and southern fraternities are now national in extent, but the eastern fraternities have failed to keep up with the educational progress of the country. $\Delta K E$ has made more advancement than any other of the eastern fraternities, and is the only one of them that has any claim to nationality. While $\Delta \Psi$, $\Delta \Phi$, $\Sigma \Phi$ and $K \Lambda$ have good chapters in the east, their positions are not prominent even there, as each of them is unrepresented in many leading eastern institutions.

Let us see what 'conservatism,' as it is called, has done for $\Delta \Psi$, which was founded in January, 1847, nearly two years earlier than $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. It now has only eight active chapters, located at Columbia, 1847; Trinity, 1850; Williams, 1853; Peunsylvania, 1854; Mississippi, 1855; Virginia, 1860; Sheffield Scientific School (Yale), 1868; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1889. It may be noted that the only two chapters established within the last thirty-nine years and now active are in technological schools.

The inactive chapters were at New York University, 1847-53; Rutgers, 1848-50; Burlington, 1849-54; South Carolina, 1850-61; Princeton, 1851-53; Rochester, 1851-95; Brown, 1852-53; Randolph-Macon, 1853-61; North Carolina, 1854-62; Cumberland, 1858-61; Washington and Lee, 1869-88. The Rutgers chapter had but six members, the Princeton chapter but six, and the Brown chapter but two. Burlington is an unheard of college in New Jersey. Over 58 per cent. of the chapters of $\Delta \Psi$ are dead, which is a larger percentage of mortality than has fallen to the lot of any other

fraternity except $\Phi K \Sigma$. It appears that $\Delta \Psi$ has been either very unwise or very unfortunate in locating its chapters.

Seven chapters were established in southern institutions, but only two—Mississippi and Virginia—are now active. It happened that the alumni of these two chapters reorganized them soon after the civil war. The alumni of other southern chapters probably made no effort at reorganization, else there might now have been several other active chapters in the south. The fact that $\Delta \Psi$ is so sectional is doubtless largely due to accident.

$\Delta \Psi$ has never had any northern chapter west of the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia. It is hard to understand how anyone can have respect for the policy of fraternities of which $\Delta \Psi$ is a type. There is nothing about such a policy that is logical, consistent or sensible, nothing to show progress, nothing but inertia. Really $\Delta \Psi$ has retrograded compared with other fraternities. It was relatively much stronger forty to fifty years ago than it is today. It was not 'conservative' before the war, but since then it has boasted of 'conservatism,' which, however, might more properly be called a want of energy, a failure to advance with the times. In remaining so sectional and 'conservative,' it has missed many golden opportunities that will never return, and this observation applies to all other eastern fraternities, $\Delta K E$ alone perhaps excepted.

A NATIONAL FRATERNITY.

CATALOGUE OF BETA THETA PI, in the sixtieth year of the fraternity. Ann Arbor, Mich., 1899. 8 vo; pp. xvi+1278; cloth, \$5.

This is the fifth edition of the catalogue of $B \Theta \Pi$, the previous editions having been issued in 1855, 1859, 1870, and 1881. The edition of 1881 was an undisguised imitation of the catalogue issued by ΨY in 1879. A supplement to the edition of 1881 was printed in 1886. The editor of the new edition was Mr. J. Cal. Hanna, Wooster, '81, now principal of the high school at Oak Park, a suburb of Chicago. This edition is a great improvement over that of 1881. It is far more complete, and it does not imitate the catalogue of any other fraternity or previous catalogues of $B \Theta \Pi$. Evidently Mr. Hanna has plenty of original ideas, and he carried some of them into good effect in compiling this work. In this edition, as in every previous edition, the names of members in each chapter list are arranged in the order of their initiation or affiliation. Members who belonged to two or more chapters are enrolled in the list of each, as has

been customary with all or nearly all fraternities, but the code adopted by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ last year provides that hereafter members shall be catalogued with their original chapters only.

The new catalogue of $B \Theta \Pi$ gives all degrees, including baccalaureate degrees, with years when they were conferred. The institution which conferred each degree is mentioned, unless it was the institution where the chapter of the member was located, when of course it would be understood. If a member left college before receiving a degree, his class is given, which is a feature new to this edition. By the 1881 edition it was impossible to decide to which classes many members belonged. However, as in previous editions, honorary members are catalogued with regular members, so that it is difficult, and in some cases impossible, to distinguish them. The fact of honorary membership is nowhere distinctly stated, but can be guessed at only by comparing the dates in the biographical records. For instance, a close examination is necessary to learn that Schuyler Colfax was an honorary member. Mr. Colfax was vice-president of the United States, 1869-73, and was an honorary member of the De Pauw chapter. It is true that the catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ does not make much plainer distinction between honorary and regular members. It would be far better if all fraternities would indicate their honorary members as plainly as do $A \Delta \Phi$ and $\Delta K E$ in their catalogues.

Each chapter list of the new catalogue of $B \Theta \Pi$ is preceded by a page giving information about: (a) the institution where the chapter is established, such as year the institution was organized, denominational control, value of buildings, grounds, equipment, apparatus, amount of productive funds, income from all sources, tuition, number of volumes in library, number of professors and students in collegiate department, total in all departments, proportion of lady students; (b) the fraternities established at the institution, with years of establishment and suspension; (c) the name of the society which became a chapter of $B \Theta \Pi$, the date of the establishment of the chapter, changes of the chapter's title, and if a chapter house was owned or rented the fact is stated. The statistics are for the year 1893-94, and of course there have been many changes since then. It seems rather singular that the names of charter members of the various chapters are not mentioned among other details.

Chapter lists are arranged in the order of the establishment of chapters, beginning with the Alpha chapter founded at Miami in 1839, and ending with Lambda Sigma, estab-

lished at Stanford in 1894. This is the usual order of arrangement in the catalogues of all fraternities, but, when a fraternity has as many chapters as B Θ II, it makes the consultation of any particular chapter list inconvenient. To find such list in the catalogue of B Θ II, without turning the pages at random, it is necessary, first, to consult an introductory page, to ascertain on which page the particular list begins. A great improvement on this would be to arrange the chapter lists alphabetically by colleges, and a still better plan for Φ Δ Θ and other fraternities which entitle their chapters by the names of states and the Greek letters, would be to arrange the chapter lists alphabetically, first, according to the names of states, and second, according to the Greek letters. Thus, Alabama Alpha would come first in the book, and Wisconsin Beta last; and, with the running head at the top of every page, any chapter list could be found without the least difficulty. Our new catalogue editors, Brothers Shlesinger and Hulett, thought of this excellent plan some time ago.

On the page immediately preceding the list of the original, the Miami, chapter of B Θ II is the following note:

The Miami chapter, the Alpha of B Θ II; the parent chapter of the fraternity; founded by John Reily Knox and Samuel Taylor Marshall. Informal meetings were held between July 4 and August 8, 1839, when the first formal recorded meeting was held. Alpha was presiding chapter in 1847-48; it was inactive from 1848 to 1851, and from the closing of the university in 1873 until June 22, 1886, when it was revived. The charter was never withdrawn.

At the time when Φ Δ Θ was founded at Miami in December, 1848, no fraternity was in existence there, as both A Δ Φ and B Θ II had suspended early in the year. Both returned during the collegiate year 1851-52. Within a year from the time that B Θ II was founded, its second chapter was placed at Cincinnati. It seems that it was a very anomalous chapter, not being connected with any particular institution. The catalogue contains this note:

The University of Cincinnati chapter, the Beta Nu of B Θ II. The second chapter of the B Θ II, called Beta, was founded in Cincinnati April 8, 1840. It was not connected with any school or college. Its members, however, were young men and college men. Several of these were undergraduates in the academic department of Cincinnati College, which was abolished within a few years, no department of this college now remaining, except that of the law. One was in Woodward College. Several were from the Miami chapter, and several were in the law school named above. Some of them were Kenyon students. Formal records of the chapter exist down to October 12, 1844. The convention of 1847 declared the chapter extinct. The present Cincinnati chapter was established May 14, 1890, upon direct vote of the

chapters, and was formally recognized as a revival of the old Cincinnati chapter. The first fifteen names on the roll are of the original Cincinnati chapter.

The third chapter was established at Western Reserve in 1841; the fourth at Ohio University, 1841; the fifth at Transylvania (now Kentucky University, Lexington, Ky.), 1842; the sixth at Jefferson College, 1842. The catalogue contains this note:

The Washington and Jefferson chapter, the Gamma of $B \Theta \Pi$. The Gamma at Jefferson was founded June 1, 1842. The Nu at Washington was founded in January, 1855. When the colleges were united the two chapters were united as Nu; changed in 1873 to Gamma Nu, and in 1876 to Gamma. Gamma was the presiding chapter, 1851-54. The whole number of chapters established by $B \Theta \Pi$ is eighty-two, but by doubling up the rolls of the old and new Cincinnati chapters, and of the Jefferson and Washington chapters, the number appears in the catalogue to be eighty. This does not include the University of Georgia and Emory chapters of Mystical Seven, the names of whose members conclude the chapter lists.

$B \Theta \Pi$ seems to have had no end of trouble with the titles of its chapters—more even than $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Tinkering with the titles began in $B \Theta \Pi$ as early as 1847, and changes have been made by many conventions since then. Starting out on the plan of entitling chapters with Greek letters in alphabetical order, the nomenclature has become hopelessly confused, so that the Greek letter title does not indicate the chronological order of a chapter. It is as much as the average Greek can do to remember the titles of the chapters of his fraternity, even when they are perfectly regular; when they are mixed up it is too much to expect him to carry them in his mind. This catalogue of $B \Theta \Pi$ contains a list of titles formerly held by chapters, so that those who use it may ascertain the various titles which certain chapters have borne. It was the bad example which $B \Theta \Pi$ set us that made $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ change the titles of a lot of our chapters in 1880, an act of historic vandalism of which we have since sadly repented. In the *Beta Theta Pi*, and other publications of the fraternity during recent years, there has been evident a purpose to discard the use of Greek letter titles as much as possible, chapters being mentioned by the names of their colleges, as with ΔY . But oftentimes it is very convenient to use the titles of chapters; they save misunderstandings as to whether the chapters or colleges are meant, and they avoid repetitions of phraseology. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has the best system of chapter nomenclature for a large fraternity. It is the eas-

iest to remember, as the states in which certain colleges are located are generally known, and it is comparatively easy to remember the order the Greek letters are used for titles, there being only a few chapters in any state. Would that we could get back to our original nomenclature.

The new catalogue of B @ II includes the names of members initiated during 1898-99. It contains no table of statistics, but, from a review in the October *Beta Theta Pi*, we learn that, counting but once each member who belonged to two or more chapters, the total membership at the close of the year was 11,812. Counting affiliates with their last chapters, the membership of chapters having 200 or over is as follows: Dartmouth, 465; Virginia, 428; De Pauw, 352; O. W. U., 319; Indiana, 304; Cumberland, 292; W. & J., 292; Missouri, 272; Centre, 272; Miami, 237; Wabash, 213; Hanover, 211; Ohio, 205; Cornell, 204; Hampden-Sidney, 203; Brown, 202. The number of affiliates of chapters with ten or more is as follows: Virginia, 147; Michigan, 90; Harvard, 59; Columbia, 49; Johns Hopkins, 46; Pennsylvania, 32; Cumberland, 31; Cornell, 22; Indiana, 17; Ohio State, 14; O. W. U., 13; Wooster, 13; Centre, 13; Vanderbilt, 12; Iowa, 11; Hampden-Sidney, 11; W. & J., 10.

Among all fraternities B @ II is prominent for the number of smaller fraternities which it has absorbed. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ absorbed the last surviving chapters of $\Phi \Sigma$ at Lombard in 1878; of ΔK at Centre in 1879; of Rainbow or W. W. W. at Southwestern and Texas in 1885; of $K \Sigma K$ at Washington and Lee, Randolph-Macon, and Richmond in 1887; and local societies at Colby, Syracuse, Tulane, Washington, Illinois, Case and Cincinnati, at different times. But the number of alumni members of these orders added to the rolls of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ does not exceed 100, most of them at Lombard. Other fraternities have absorbed local societies, and frequently have added the names of their members, but if my memory is correct, none except B @ II, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and $\Delta T \Delta$ have absorbed two or more chapters of the same organization. $\Delta T \Delta$ captured the other two active chapters of Rainbow, at Mississippi and Vanderbilt, and includes in its catalogue the names of the members of all inactive Rainbow chapters. But no other fraternity has absorbed small fraternities by wholesale as has B @ II. The list of fraternities and societies which it has attached, with the membership of each, is as follows:

1874. The Independents—Dickinson	8
1879. A K Φ —Mississippi	10
1879. A Σ X—Rutgers, 41; Cornell, 35; Stevens, 27; St. Lawrence, 30; Maine, 20; Princeton, 10	163
1880. Φ K A—Brown	64
1880. Adelpian—Colgate	37
1883. Torch and Crown—Amherst	35
1889. Mystical Seven—Wesleyan, 85; Syracuse, 108; Mississippi, 74; Cumberland, 9; Virginia, 106; North Carolina, 40; Davidson, 38; Emory, 55; Georgia, 38	553
1889. Σ Δ II—Dartmouth	364
1890. Z Φ —Missouri	198
Total	1,432

The figures for the Independents, A K Φ , A Σ X, Φ K A, Adelpian, and Torch and Crown, are approximately correct, it being impossible to distinguish in the catalogue exactly what members of these societies are now enrolled with B Θ II. The Denison, Randolph-Macon, Ohio State, Cincinnati, Madison, Dickinson and Union chapters also were formed from local organizations. B Θ II has thus added about 1,500 members, to about 100 that have thus been added by Φ Δ Θ . The total membership of Φ Δ Θ to February 1, 1899, as shown by the last reports to the H. G. C., was 10,012. Deducting the 100 who came from other societies into Φ Δ Θ , there were 9,912 members who never belonged to such societies. Deducting from the 11,812 members the 1,500 who came from other societies into B Θ II, there were 10,312 members who never belonged to such societies. So it appears that, not counting the members thus added, the membership of B Θ II exceeds that of Φ Δ Θ by just 400. By acquiring these members B Θ II added Gen. John B. Gordon, Georgia, '52, ex-United States senator from Georgia; David J. Brewer, Wesleyan, '55, associate justice of the United States supreme court, and many other men who are prominent though not so well known. The entire rolls of the absorbed societies seem to have been added, including the names of members who died many years ago.

The addition of lengthy rolls produces some curious results. Thus the Dartmouth chapter is credited with 465 members, and appears as the biggest chapter in the fraternity, though B Θ II did not enter Dartmouth until 1889, when it absorbed Σ Δ II. Thus the Missouri chapter is credited with 272 members, and appears as the eighth chapter in size, though B Θ II did not enter the University of Missouri until 1890, when it absorbed Σ Φ . Thus the Wesleyan chapter is credited with 178 members, though B Θ II

did not enter Wesleyan until 1890, when B © II absorbed Mystical Seven. Of the 178 members, 85 belonged to Mystical Seven.

The last edition of 'American College Fraternities' says: 'Soon after the foundation of Δ T Δ, some of its members became charter members of a chapter of B © II. Their membership has been considered legitimate by both fraternities, in consideration of the fact that Δ T Δ was then a local society.' Comparing the Bethany chapter lists in the latest catalogues of both B © II and Δ T Δ, the only name found in both is that of Mr. J. L. N. Hunt, '62, one of the founders of Δ T Δ.

Mr. Hanna has certainly done a magnificent work for B © II; his industry and perseverance have been prodigious, and he richly deserves the warmest gratitude of the fraternity. He has been general secretary, which is the most responsible executive office in B © II, during fifteen years, from 1884 to 1899, and catalogue editor for eleven years, from 1888 to 1899. It is doubtful if B © II will ever have another man who will be so ready to make personal sacrifices, and to labor so hard and long for the benefit of the fraternity. It was, therefore, with some surprise that we learned that he was retired as an officer by the convention at Niagara Falls last July. It would seem that B © II could not afford to dispense with the services of one whose intelligently directed efforts have contributed so materially towards the fraternity's advancement. It has been a long and undoubtedly tedious and toilsome task to get the rolls of B © II in such excellent shape. In a circular dated November 15, 1888, Mr. Hanna said :

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.

Instead of being issued in the fiftieth year of the fraternity as expected, the book was not completed until July, 1899, in the sixtieth year of the fraternity. The first copy was sent to the printers in 1894, so that the volume was in press five years. It will not do to jump to the conclusion that all the blame for the long delay should be laid at the door of Mr. Hanna. In the introduction or preface to the book, dated July 12, 1899, he says :

This is not the place for explaining the reasons for the long delay in

publishing the catalogue, for that is wholly a business matter, as fraternities are likely to discover by experience.

In the last volume of *THE SCROLL*, Brother Swope wrote most interestingly of the trials and tribulations experienced in compiling the 1894 catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and referred to the editors, who were Brother Randolph and himself, as 'the two young fellows who had gone out after butterflies and caught a herd of elephants.' No doubt Mr. Hanna has run up against a good many Beta individuals who would not turn a hand to render any assistance, but expended all their energies in kicking. That is the great trouble which catalogue editors experience—too many kickers and not enough helpers. In the introduction Mr. Hanna mentions by name about a score who rendered him valuable assistance, including Mr. Wm. R. Baird, Stevens, '78, who prepared the Mystical Seven lists; Mr. John I. Covington, Miami, '70, rightly called a 'prince of Betas,' who died while the catalogue was in press; Mr. Ralph K. Jones, '86, who worked with the editor constantly for many months, and Mr. Junius E. Beal, Michigan, '82, for financial support. In 1894 Mr. Beal, who is an editor and publisher, and also an electric light, gas and street railway magnate at Ann Arbor, stepped forward and assumed the risk connected with printing and binding the big volume, counting on future sales to make him financially whole. As few fraternities have had such self-sacrificing editors as Mr. Hanna, so very few have had members who would financially back a fraternity enterprise to the extent that Mr. Beal did. Mr. Hanna also acknowledges the 'help and encouragement of his wife, who has given many days of labor to the seemingly endless task.' When he had finally laid down the burden, he wrote as a conclusion to the introduction:

As the last of the copy goes from my hands, and the promise of completion seems near fulfillment, an immense relief is the first sensation, because all my leisure time for ten years, and much that was needed for other matters, has been given to the task; and yet there is, of course, a certain sense of loss and sadness mingled with it. I hope that the usefulness of the book may be the reward of the members for their patience in waiting for it, as the wonderful revelation of fraternity spirit among the members has been the reward for my labors.

Only one who has been a catalogue editor himself can thoroughly appreciate Mr. Hanna's herculean labors. Having been engaged in all lines of fraternity work myself, I can testify that none is so engrossing, difficult and vexatious as that of catalogue editorship. At the end of this catalogue of $B \Theta \Pi$ is a list of 88 members for whom no addresses are

given, but this is a small proportion among 11,812 members. Besides there are a number of addresses which are uncertain, as is inevitable with a work of this character, and these are marked with a dagger. The editor says:

Of course, many addresses are wrong. Little fault, however, can be found by the members themselves with the editor for failure to secure perfection in this particular, for he has one unflinching answer, 'Why did you not spend one cent on a postal card to notify me of your removal?' When we bear in mind that probably two-thirds of the membership make a change of address every five years, and many of them change several times within that period, and when we stop to consider that not one man in twenty ever thinks of notifying the catalogue editor or anybody else of such change, the only wonder is that anything in the general direction of accuracy in this particular is ever attained.

Some members are 'lost;' that is, none of their fellow-members seem to know where they are. The amount of time, labor and money expended in the effort to find 'that which is lost' would hardly be believed if it were told. Many have been found who were for a time lost. Many others in all probability are dead, but no one has been so marked unless a positive statement has been received from what seemed to be a reliable source, and in all cases a very earnest effort has been made to learn the date and other important facts. . . . An especial effort has been made to supply the names for which initials stand. The degree of success attained is only moderate. The carelessness of some people about this, and the apparent desire of others to conceal their own names, are the chief obstacles.

A large proportion of the incomplete names are those of the older members of $\Sigma \Delta \Pi$ at Dartmouth and $Z \Phi$ at Missouri. The whole number of incomplete names in the new catalogue of $B \Theta \Pi$ is several times greater than the number in the last catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, which contained twenty-one such names, the number now being reduced by four or five. Undoubtedly Mr. Hanna learned to his sorrow that he had undertaken a much bigger job than he had realized at the outset. The trouble about his book is that it is too bulky and too costly; it goes too much into detail.

In 1879, ΨY issued a catalogue which was a marvel in the fullness of its biographical data, and since then most fraternities have strained themselves to produce catalogues which would compare with ΨY 's in completeness. The exceptions have been $\Theta \Delta X$ and perhaps two or three other fraternities, also $\Delta T \Delta$, which in 1897 issued a catalogue that is a model of compactness and convenience. The new catalogue of $\Delta T \Delta$ will be reviewed in a later number of *THE SCROLL*. In an article entitled 'A Practicable Fraternity Catalogue,' printed in *THE SCROLL* for April, 1898, I expressed disapproval of the big catalogues which ΨY , $A \Delta \Phi$, $\Delta K E$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and some other fraternities had issued.

The article has been quoted in nearly every fraternity journal and received general endorsement. It is believed that the day for fraternity catalogues which are practically biographical dictionaries has passed. Certainly it is a great mistake for a fraternity with as many as 10,000 members to undertake to publish a catalogue with such a large number of biographical notes. It involves more editorial labor than any man, or any two or three men, could be expected to give on account of fraternity loyalty, or without ample compensation for the services rendered. It also involves a greater financial venture than a college fraternity can with safety assume.

The new catalogue of B @ II was projected when all fraternities still thought that catalogues should be as complete in details as the work of Ψ Y. Mr. Hanna has what he calls major data and minor data, printed respectively in long primer and brevier. The cost of typesetting would have been much decreased by using only one size of type, and having only one paragraph for each entry. There is great waste of type space also on account of deep indentions at both the right and left-hand margins. Here is a sample entry in the Centre chapter list:

AARON PARKER FORMAN. A. B., 1849; D. D. (Westminster); Grad. Princeton T. S., 1852. Presb. clergyman. (Canton, Miss.) Author of 'Lectures on Prophecy.' Died at Courtland, Ala., Oct. 14, 1870. What are called the major data were set in long primer down to the word 'author'; the remainder were considered minor data and set in brevier. Frequently the minor data exceed the major data in length, and some of them are of very little value as, 'Contributor to leading religious journals,' 'Author of various addresses and musical compositions and contributor to numerous newspapers,' etc. The entry of Dr. Forman, with unnecessary paragraphs and indentions, takes up five lines in the catalogue, but it appears here in one paragraph and three lines of brevier. 'Westminster' is in parentheses because he received the degree of D. D. from that college instead of from Centre. For some reason not explained, the residences of deceased members are put in parentheses. Another rule in the catalogue is to mention the place of death if it is different from the place of residence.

The book could have been considerably reduced in size and cost by a greater use of abbreviations. For instance, among the minor data of one member is, 'Physician Missouri State Lunatic Asylum, 1863-81.' This could have been

shortened without any misunderstanding to 'Phys. Mo. St. Lun. Asy., '63-81.' The elimination might have been carried even further by omitting the words entirely without much loss to anybody concerned. A good rule for catalogue editors is to omit all details that do not interest the fraternity at large. For this reason it seems unnecessary to give the exact time and place of death. The fact of death is the important fact, and it ought to be sufficient to give only the year of death.

This catalogue is evidently a thoroughly honest piece of work, and represents much labor, long nights of it, whole years of it, conscientiously performed. If it had been narrowed in scope, little fault could have been found with it. Certainly no one can complain that it is not voluminous enough. And yet it is not as voluminous as some others, and in general design it is a considerable improvement on most other big books of similar character. I venture to predict, however, that B @ II will never get out another book like it. Mr. Hanna says in his introduction :

It is not wise to occupy space in discussing what modifications should be made hereafter in the getting up of our catalogues. The editor has had a long and varied experience, and feels that he has learned some things by his experience. It is to be hoped that the fraternity may profit also by the experience of past years, and in the future adopt plans that will secure better results with less expenditure of time and toil.

The November *Beta Theta Pi* says :

The catalogue problem is pressing hard upon the fraternities with a large alumni membership. The expense of preparing and publishing such works is enormous. It is unappreciated; the books do not sell, and as campaign documents they do not have the force they did in years gone by. We all have our senators and authors, our prominent professors and railway men, and every prominent name mentioned as a trump card by the adherents of one fraternity is promptly capped by the adherents of its rivals. Small name lists, accurate, easy to handle, and frequently issued, are more desirable than these bulky volumes.

Doubtless this catalogue could have been issued at a much earlier date if it had been more condensed. Going to press in 1894, and being in press five years, much of the matter is stale, and owing to changes, many addresses are now incorrect. The main chapter lists include all initiates up to the close of 1893-94, but, owing to delays in publication, it became necessary to compile and print supplementary rolls pending the completion of the work. The first supplementary roll was for all who were initiated during 1894-95-96-97-98, the second for those who were initiated during 1898

-99. So painstaking, however, was the editor that at the end of the book he gives a list of about 1,500 corrections, most of them changes of addresses that took place while the book was in press. These corrections will be of very great service to the editor or editors of the next edition. It is to be regretted that additions and correction are not included in the sixth (1894) edition of the catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, which was begun in 1888, and the first forms of which went to press in 1891.

The $B \Theta \Pi$ catalogue seems to be reasonably free from typographical errors, but the following mistakes have been noticed: $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is erroneously reported as having been inactive at Dartmouth and at North Carolina; our Indiana chapter was established in 1849, not 1848. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ was established at Hanover in 1864, not 1860. The date of $B \Theta \Pi$'s entry at California was 1879, not 1874, as given in one place. The chapter at Randolph-Macon was established in 1873, not 1874, as stated.

Many secret signs and symbols were used in the 1879 catalogue of ΨY , but the $B \Theta \Pi$ catalogue of 1881 went it one better. It had all sorts of astronomical and other signs, a greater profusion of them in fact than is found in any other fraternity catalogue. In the new edition they are discarded altogether. The 1881 edition was elaborately and richly illustrated, mostly with steel plate engravings, one engraving of symbolic design preceding each chapter list. These also are discarded in the edition of 1899, and the only illustrations it contains are a wood-cut of a plain Beta badge on the title page, the official coat-of-arms from a steel-plate and also a steel-plate frontispiece. The arms, which were adopted two or three years ago, may be described as a heraldic shield, divided quarterly; two quarters red, the diagonally opposite corners white; thereon a chevron, blue, bearing three gold stars; crest, a dragon; motto, '— και —.'

The frontispiece is a very elaborate picture. It represents a court formed by the facades of Greek temples and a peristyle; in the front of the court a vase, at the far end a fountain; between the columns of the peristyle is seen a sail-boat; beyond the water on which it floats is a hill, ascended by stairs and crowned with a Greek temple; in the sky is ' $B \Theta \Pi$,' behind which is a sunburst; on the steps of one of the temples facing the court is a sage, handing a scroll to a youth, the sage apparently pointing toward the temple on the hill and the youth to the ' $B \Theta \Pi$ ' in the sky; in the foreground a damsel pouring flowers from a cornucopia on a

blazing altar ; to the right three maidens holding hands and seemingly unconscious of the darts of Cupid, who, with bent bow, flies before them ; at the left three young men armed as knights, all gazing at the maidens, and one flourishing a sword. Whatever may be its symbolic meaning the picture has a very over-crowded effect. From an artistic standpoint it does not begin to compare with some of the simpler designs in the 1881 edition. But it seems that this frontispiece is a sort of Beta institution. It has been the frontispiece of each of the five editions of the catalogue, beginning with the first in 1855. We find in the catalogue that Mr. U. T. Curran, Miami, '56, was the author of the 'Legend of the Frontispiece.' It is also noticed that Rev. J. H. Lozier, De Pauw, '57, was the author of the 'Legend of Wooglin,' to which we see frequent reference in Beta literature. Wooglin, it seems, is the tutelary deity of B @ Π, and has something to do with a dog—usually spelled 'dorg' or 'δοργ'—but just what it is the uninitiated do not pretend to understand. It may also be mentioned here that the catalogue shows that Mr. G. G. McConahey, Washington (now W. & J.), '69, was the originator of the Beta signature, 'In ——— και ———.' It appears, therefore, that Φ Δ @ had a distinctive signature at a considerably earlier time, as 'Yours in the Bond' was written back in the fifties, which is shown by 'Old Fraternity Records' already printed in THE SCROLL.

The new B @ Π catalogue does not contain any table of consanguinity, such as appears in most modern fraternity catalogues. A table of this kind would take up some room but not a great deal, and would be very interesting and even valuable, for if one brother should become 'lost,' he might be traced by the other. The book has a well arranged alphabetical index and a geographical index, in both of which the chapters of members are not given by titles but by abbreviations of the names of their colleges. In the geographical index it looks strange to see Hawaii among the states and territories instead of among foreign countries. This index or residence directory would have been more convenient if the name of each state had been used as a running head at the top of the page, and some space would have been saved by omitting the names of deceased members. Streets and numbers are not given in the chapter list entries for members living in large cities, but are given in the geographical index, and the introduction states that they were revised up to last March. This is a handy ar-

rangement, but it involves much more work for the always over-worked catalogue editor.

The catalogue contains no summaries showing membership by states and cities, but the October *Beta Theta Pi* gives the membership in all cities and towns having ten or more Betas, not counting deceased members. There are 124 such places, those having 50 or over being: New York, 347; Chicago, 344; St. Louis, 147; Boston, 140; Cincinnati, 106; Philadelphia, 103; Indianapolis, 98; Baltimore, 95; Washington, 93; Cleveland, 88; Kansas City, 83; San Francisco, 75; Columbus, 71; Denver, 65; Minneapolis, 65; Nashville, 57; Milwaukee, 53. For a fraternity founded in the west, it is somewhat surprising to note such a large membership in the eastern cities, and it indicates how national in extent B Θ II has become.

The paper is thin but opaque, as it should be to make the 1,300-page volume as light as possible. The press work is very good. The cloth binding is substantial but not handsome. On the side appear the arms stamped in gilt. The external appearance would be much improved if the back stamp for the title of the book was in bolder letters.

It may be acknowledged that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has always taken a great interest in B Θ II. The reasons are numerous; among them may be mentioned the fact that both originated at the same university, both have operated in the same sections of country, they meet each other in more colleges than any other two fraternities, and, having active chapters in more states than any other, they are the most national in extent. Among all fraternities $\Delta K E$ is first in number of members, B Θ II second and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ third, but in number of active chapters $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is first and B Θ II second, while $\Delta K E$ is twelfth.

B Θ II has had a remarkable history in several respects. Born in Ohio in 1839, it soon entrenched itself in western institutions, and within eight years had planted chapters at Harvard, Brown and Williams. This seems to have been too great a leap, however, for the isolation of these chapters was the chief cause of their suspension within a few years. We can not refrain from speculating as to what would have been the effect upon the fraternity system if these early established eastern chapters of B Θ II had lived. In 1879 B Θ II again entered the east by absorbing the five chapters of a young fraternity called A Σ X. After this, other eastern chapters were established and B Θ II took a prominent place among eastern fraternities. The success of B Θ II in the east opened the way for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and other fraternities

from the west to follow, and now B Θ Π and Φ Δ Θ each have more chapters in the New England and Middle states than either A Δ Φ or Ψ Υ . When B Θ Π annexed A Σ X it annexed therewith Mr. Wm. R. Baird, and some might be inclined to consider him the biggest part of the annexation, because he has done more than anyone else to build up the fraternity in the east, and he has been foremost in many fraternity enterprises. He is the author of 'American College Fraternities,' five editions of which have appeared, and of 'Fraternity Studies,' a history of B Θ Π , issued in 1894. He is now, and for a number of years has been, editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*.

In the west B Θ Π has been and probably always will be a fraternity giant. Why it has failed to a great extent in the south is a question difficult to answer. Perhaps the reason is that its chapters in that section have been too scattered to afford one another mutual support. At the convention last July the charter of the Cumberland chapter was withdrawn. The chapters at North Carolina, Vanderbilt and Mississippi, all of which were strong several years ago, are reduced to almost the vanishing point, though still retained in the directory of the magazine.

On the contrary the chapter at Centre has always flourished since its revival in 1871, the chapter at Virginia has been among the very best there for a number of years, while the Texas chapter is said to be in fine condition. The fraternity also supports chapters at Davidson and Hampden-Sidney, which probably are as good as the rather limited amount of material at those colleges affords. Φ Δ Θ has succeeded far better in the south than any other fraternity of either eastern or western origin which has entered southern institutions. At every southern institution where it has a chapter it stands on an equality with the most popular chapters of southern fraternities, and at many places it ranks above them. Δ K E also is classed among the best at every southern institution where it is represented—Virginia, Central, Vanderbilt, Alabama, Mississippi and Tulane, except possibly at Tulane, which it entered only last year.

From the civil war B Θ Π emerged with about ten active chapters, to the five which Φ Δ Θ then had. In 1865 B Θ Π entered upon a period of active extension, and in ten years or less it had more chapters than any other fraternity. In 1868 Φ Δ Θ also started on an era of phenomenal development, but it took fifteen years to overtake B Θ Π . During the sixteen years since 1883 Φ Δ Θ has been the largest fra-

ternity in number of active college chapters. B @ II displayed great courage in its vigorous eastern campaign, thus making it much easier for other fraternities from the west to establish themselves in eastern institutions. It exhibited great boldness and self-confidence in entering Johns Hopkins, which is distinctively a graduate institution, in re-organizing at Harvard, where local societies are strong, and in organizing a chapter to initiate from the four classes in the academic department at Yale, in competition with the strong class societies. It displayed courage also in entering Pennsylvania State College in 1887, and the University of Cincinnati in 1890. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ rejected Pennsylvania State in 1887 and several times since, but may live to regret it. The University of Cincinnati $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ did not conclude to enter until 1898.

Like every other fraternity B @ II has made mistakes. It acted with bad judgment in entering Virginia State A. and M. College, Howard College (Ala.) and Trinity University (Texas), but these mistakes were corrected by withdrawing the charters of chapters at these institutions. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ also existed for a time at this Trinity University. There is little doubt that B @ II would improve its position materially by withdrawing the charters of a few other chapters, especially those at Bethany and Hampden-Sidney. There is no doubt also that it would make a most progressive step if it could restore the chapters at North Carolina, Vanderbilt and Mississippi to their former prosperity, and if it would establish good chapters at Georgia, Alabama, Purdue, Illinois and perhaps two or three other places. Not that it would be to the advantage of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ for B @ II to enter these institutions, for they are very well filled up already, and we usually find B @ II a pretty strong competitor. But of late years there seems to have grown up in B @ II a very conservative sentiment which prevents withdrawal from weak colleges as well as entrance at growing universities. It is hard to understand B @ II's present extension policy, it is so inconsistent with the history of the fraternity. It begins to look as if the fraternity had lost some of its courage during the last five years. Counting the Cumberland chapter as dead, and the North Carolina, Vanderbilt and Mississippi chapters as alive, B @ II has 61 chapters in 28 states, while $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has 64 chapters in 27 states. B @ II has 10 active chapters in Ohio alone, a remarkably large number, and more chapters than any other fraternity has in a single state.

B @ II has been a leader in many lines of fraternity work,

and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has not hesitated to follow its leadership as to a number of matters. The oldest fraternity journal still in existence is the *Beta Theta Pi*, established in 1872, suspended 1874-75, and published continuously since. The second oldest is THE SCROLL, established 1875, suspended 1876-78, and published continuously since. The first fraternity to require members to subscribe for its journal was $B \Theta \Pi$ in 1875; the second was $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1878. The first fraternity to divide chapters into districts was $B \Theta \Pi$ in 1874; the second was $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1880. The first fraternity to require chapters to send circular-letters annually to alumni members was $B \Theta \Pi$, and the second was $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, but some years ago the former adopted a new plan. Instead of chapters mailing circular letters to alumni members direct, the chapters forward annual reports to the general secretary, who edits them, and then they are printed and issued as a special *sub rosa* number of the *Beta Theta Pi*. We have not thought it best to adopt this plan, for it is improbable that the special number of the magazine reaches the greater proportion of the alumni. It is too much to expect any officer to direct and mail 10,000 copies or more every year, even if he had a correct list of addresses.

$B \Theta \Pi$ established its first alumni chapter in 1868, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1871. $B \Theta \Pi$ was incorporated under the laws of Ohio in 1879, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1881. The first fraternity to adopt a flower was $B \Theta \Pi$, which adopted the rose in 1889; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ adopted the white carnation in 1891.

On the other hand, $B \Theta \Pi$ seems to have profited by some examples set by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Azure and white were chosen as fraternity colors by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1871, pink and azure by $B \Theta \Pi$ in 1879. In 1865 $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was the first fraternity to hold a state convention with chapter representation. In 1873, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was the first fraternity to provide by capitation assessment a transportation fund for delegates to national conventions, a plan not adopted by $B \Theta \Pi$ until many years later. In 1868 $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ established an executive committee, though the powers of the presiding or national grand chapter were not abolished until 1880, when the executive committee was changed to the general council. $B \Theta \Pi$ continued to have the presiding chapter system until 1879. In 1872 a general secretary and a general treasurer were elected, but $B \Theta \Pi$ had no executive board until 1879, when its board of directors was created with headquarters at Cincinnati. The government of the fraternity between conventions was then vested in this board, two-thirds of the directors being

required to be Cincinnati Betas. But this centralization scheme seems never to have given great satisfaction, and in 1891 it was abolished. The directors are now only the legal representatives of the fraternity. The functions of governing the fraternity at large are exercised by an executive committee, composed of three officers, the general secretary, the general treasurer and the alumni secretary. These officers instead of all living at Cincinnati or any other city, usually live in different states. It will be seen, therefore, that in the most important respects the executive committee of B @ II is a similar body to the general council of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

In number of chapter houses occupied, B @ II exceeds all fraternities, having 35 (10 owned, 25 rented); $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ with 29 (10 owned, 19 rented) is second. There is no doubt about B @ II being a good fraternity. No fraternity has a larger roll of distinguished members, and every member of B @ II has many reasons for being proud of it. It has always commanded our respect and frequently our admiration. At times, perhaps, we may have been a bit envious of its success in certain directions. However, honest rivalry will not hurt either of us, and we hope that we shall always remain good friends.

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(*To be continued.*)

COLLEGE ANNUALS.

The college annual is a peculiar institution. One may read the official catalogue and obtain a fair idea of the curriculum, endowment and attendance of a given institution; one may make a flying visit and see the student body, the campus and the buildings; but next to living for a whole college year in the heart of a student community, the best and only means of arriving at an appreciation of the standards and spirit of colleges and students is to examine closely the publication known generally as the 'annual,' and known individually by the eccentric names which appear in the list we present. The annual alone will tell whether athletic distinction or scholarship prizes are most sought; whether the moral tone is low or high; whether the social graces are widely diffused; whether the administration is loyally supported; whether the college is a machine or a living soul.

College annuals are issued by almost all the institutions in which $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented, and making allowance for

irregularity in appearance, the number possible to include in a given review is between forty and fifty each year. Thirty-seven were noticed in THE SCROLL of December, 1897. Of those issued in 1898, thirty-six were received, two of them coming too late to be included in the regular review. The annuals omitted one year are very likely to appear the next, and, as in the case of chapter letters, two or three successive reviews are almost certain to cover the entire field.

<i>Orade</i> (Colby),	<i>Calyx</i> (Washington and Lee),
<i>Ægis</i> (Dartmouth),	<i>Bijou</i> (Ohio Wesleyan),
<i>Ariel</i> (Vermont),	<i>Differential</i> (Case),
<i>Ohio</i> (Amherst),	<i>Cincinnatian</i> (Cincinnati),
<i>Cornellian</i> (Cornell),	<i>Arbutus</i> (Indiana),
<i>Garnet</i> (Union),	<i>Drift</i> (Indianapolis),
<i>Columbian</i> (Columbia),	<i>Blue and Gold</i> (Franklin),
<i>Onondagan</i> (Syracuse),	<i>Crowe</i> (Hanover),
<i>Mélange</i> (Lafayette),	<i>Mirage</i> (De Pauw),
<i>Spectrum</i> (Gettysburg),	<i>Debris</i> (Purdue),
<i>Pandora</i> (Washington and Jefferson),	<i>Syllabus</i> (Northwestern),
<i>Kaldron</i> (Allegheny),	<i>Cap and Gown</i> (Chicago),
<i>Microcosm</i> (Dickinson),	<i>Gopher</i> (Minnesota),
<i>Corks and Curls</i> (Virginia),	<i>Savitar</i> (Missouri),
<i>Yellow Jacket</i> (Randolph-Macon),	<i>Sombrero</i> (Nebraska),
<i>Corolla</i> (Alabama),	<i>Cactus</i> (Texas),
	<i>Quad</i> (Stanford).

The *Calyx* for this year is the fourth that has come from Washington and Lee. Its name is said to have been chosen not only for its literal meaning, but also as a compliment to the bewitching element in student society known at Virginia as 'calico' but at Washington and Lee as 'calic' or 'calics.' An illustration significant of this fact is one which shows a charming maiden's face smiling out from among the petals of a lily. The *Calyx* of preceding years having found progress hindered rather than promoted by editorial boards of twenty men, is issued this year by about half that number. Among the illustrators we note Brother D. Caldwell McBride, '96. Among the instructors is Brother Robert Granville Campbell, '98, in mathematics. Brother Campbell also appears as a candidate for the degree of A. M. on the roll of the graduating class (which has charge of the annual at Washington and Lee). It is noteworthy that when 'roasts' and 'grinds' are distributed none ever goes to Campbell. He is evidently one of the most genuinely popular men in the

university. Washington and Lee seems to be breaking away from the 'no-class' system, as 1900 and 1901 are organized. Bro. H. R. Keeble is president of the latter. One characteristic feature is a full-page half-tone made up of photographs of southern belles, each representing a state. Besides the publications and the fraternities, the chief centers of student interest at Washington and Lee are society, athletics and literary societies. Bro. Campbell was a member of the executive committee of the final ball. Bro. Keeble was coxswain of the Albert Sidney crew. Bro. Campbell was again full-back of the eleven and shortstop of the nine, and captain of the former. Bro. Graybill was secretary of the Washington society. Bro. Campbell was a member of $\Theta N E$. This organization seems to flourish still, as it gave a ball again this year at commencement. The ribbon society seems dead, but there is a law ribbon society, and an old one in the academic department has been revived. The fraternities at Washington and Lee last year numbered: $\Phi K \Psi$, 8; $K A$, 15; $A T \Omega$, 8; ΣX , 8; $\Sigma A E$, 9; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 6; ΣN , 6; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 6 (with 5 resident alumni); $K \Sigma$, 3; $\Phi K \Sigma$, 3; $M I I \Lambda$, 11; $\Delta T \Delta$, 9. The impression seems to be abroad that the 'barbarian' is an unknown quantity at Washington and Lee, but seven of the seventeen members of the graduating class were non-fraternity men, and of the others two belonged to fraternities that have no chapters at Washington and Lee ($I I K A$ and $B \Theta I I$). Much space is devoted to a hoax perpetrated by the editors of the college paper in 1873 on the metropolitan press, in which the destruction of the Natural Bridge by fire in underlying coal deposits was reported. One of the most exciting events of commencement week seems to be the annual boat race between the Albert Sidney and the Harry Lee crews. By winning the race this year, Harry Lee pulls up on equal terms with her old-time rival, as the red and the blue have eleven victories apiece. This year's *Calyx* is excellent both in matter and in finish and excels the publications of many institutions of greater wealth than Washington and Lee.

The *Onondagan* comes from the Syracuse juniors in more compact form than usual, with smaller pages and with flexible 'alligator' cover. Bro. A. D. Burnham is a member of the board of editors, on which there are seven 'co-eds.' Bro. Albert Leonard, *Ohio*, '88, is dean of the college of liberal arts and professor of pedagogy, while 'Uncle' Sibley, whom every one at Atlanta in '91 will remember, is still instructor in library economics. Our Syracuse chapter comes out strong

in athletics, though it seems to be well represented in class offices, Y. M. C. A. and a number of miscellaneous organizations. Bro. Burnham is on the glee club, and Bro. Marriott is an editor of the *University Forum*. Among the athletic Phis we find seven members of the fencing club, including all the officers, one member of the basket ball team, five members of the nine, including the battery and captain as well as the captain for the preceding year, and a number of the eleven. Class secret societies flourish at Syracuse. Two Phis belong to B Δ B, a freshman society founded in 1887. Θ N E also claims two. The fraternities number: Δ K E, 21, with 76 resident alumni; Δ Y, 30, with 61 resident alumni; Ψ Y, 34, with 63 resident alumni; Φ K Ψ, 39, with 39 resident alumni; Φ Δ Θ, 29, with 20 resident alumni; B Θ Π, 26, with 17 resident alumni; N Σ N, 17 (two Phis); Φ Δ Φ, 24 (one Phi); A Φ, 28, with 53 resident alumnæ; K A Θ, 28, with 24 resident alumnæ; Γ Φ B, 36, with 58 resident alumnæ; K K Γ, 28, with 38 resident alumnæ; Π B Φ, 25, with 13 resident alumnæ; Δ Δ Δ, 25, with 7 resident alumnæ. Brother Leonard is one of the members of Φ B K. After the chapter rolls we have some up-to-date statistics. The total number of members of Δ K E is given as 13,184; B Θ Π, 10,557; Φ Δ Θ, 10,033; Ψ Y, 9,163.

Cap and Gown is still retained at Chicago in spite of Swanee's protest of prior use. This, the fourth volume, is published as the last one was, by the local organization known as 'The Order of the Iron Mask,' and is dedicated to President McKinley, who is presumably counted an alumnus since receiving his honorary degree. Bro. C. W. Chase is a member of the board of editors. Bro. Frederick A. Smith, '67, is a member of the board of trustees, and in the faculty list we find Bros. John W. Moncrief, *Franklin*, Jas. D. Bruner, *Illinois*, T. J. J. See, *Missouri*, and O. W. Caldwell, *Franklin*. Among the fellows are W. E. Garry, '98, Chas. E. Goodell, *Franklin*, Clarence F. Ross, *Allegheny*, and Henry W. Stuart, *California*. Bro. C. W. Chase holds one of the twelve undergraduate scholarships, seven of them going to women, and Bro. F. H. Calhoun, '98, is graduate scholar. Chicago is unique in her four commencements a year. The formal exercises are known as 'convocations,' and special convocations are sometimes held between these, as on October 17, 1898, when the degree of L. L. D. was conferred upon President McKinley. The Quadrangle club is an organization of the faculty which has a handsome house across the street from the campus, and entertains and is entertained with

great frequency. The institution abounds in departmental clubs and supports a university settlement. The literary portion of the book possesses considerable merit, but all the latter part is printed on pages facing advertisements. The calendar is devoted chiefly to a chronicle of fraternity matters and social functions, no roasts being inserted. Bros. Flanders and Ramsey belong to the fencing club. Bro. Calhoun was athletic captain in 1898, and Bro. Leake was a member of the track team as pole vaulter. Each fraternity house has a member of the faculty for counselor and another as head. For $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ Bros. J. W. Moncrief and O. W. Caldwell hold these positions, respectively. Bro. Ramsey is a member of the mandolin club, and Bro. Graves is student counselor. The fraternities are: $\Delta K E$, 24, besides 11 graduates; $\Phi K \Psi$, 17 (7 graduates); $B \Theta II$, 19 (2 graduates); $A \Delta \Phi$, 18 (5 graduates); ΣX , 12; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 9 (7 graduates); ΨY , 15; $\Delta T \Delta$, 16 (4 graduates); $X \Psi$, 10 (3 graduates); $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ has three members in the university and southern $K A$ one. The general sororities are not permitted among the young women, but there are a number of local sororities. There are also freshman, junior and senior societies, the Order of the Iron Mask being the junior one.

The *Microcosm* begins with statistics of the alumni of Dickinson College. Their whole number is 3,886. Incomplete returns show that 570 of these are lawyers, 500 ministers and 190 physicians. Eighty-eight are professors in colleges; 71 are army officers; '92 are in the state legislatures; 44, representatives in congress; 9, United States senators; 5, cabinet officers; 6, state officers (of these 2 governors). Five have been bishops, 1 chief justice of the United States supreme court, and 1 president of the United States. Bro. W. W. Landis, '91, is in the faculty as professor of mathematics and astronomy; Bro. H. M. Stephens, '92, is in the department of biological science; Bro. A. F. Whiting, '89, is in the department of Latin. The fraternities at Dickinson number: $\Phi K \Sigma$, 16; $\Phi K \Psi$, 18; ΣX (revived this year), 12; $B \Theta II$, 15; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 22 (only three freshmen); $\Sigma A E$, 22 (only three freshmen). $\Theta N E$ seems to flourish chiefly in the law department. The Phis stay out of it. $\Phi A \Phi$ is a local sorority. $A \Delta \Phi$ has one stray member. The Phis are well represented in $\Phi B K$. Dickinson's two literary societies are important. Belles-Lettres was founded in 1786, and the Union Philosophical in 1789. The Phis hold prominent positions in each society, though their representation does not seem to be as numerous as it was two years ago. The chap-

ter is well represented in the Y. M. C. A., the glee club and the class oratorical contests. Among the commencement prize-winners were Bros. Presby, Mallalieu and Gottschall. Bro. Presby was one of the editors of the *Dickinsonian* and Bro. Gottschall editor-in-chief of the *Microcosm*, Bro. Stephens being an associate. An exhaustive history of foot ball at Dickinson is given, which shows great improvement in the last few years, the score against Lafayette having been modified as follows: 0-52, 0-18, 0-19, 12-6; and against Gettysburg: 0-4, 0-16, 44-0; against Lehigh: 0-52, 0-5; against Franklin and Marshall: 0-40, 0-0, 42-0, 22-0. This improvement is attributed by the writer to the aid of Bro. Stephens. It may be added that the Carlisle Indian school is situated in the same town as Dickinson, and that this school has been showing even more rapid improvement, as the following *Dickinsonian* scores against it will testify: 16-0, 10-10, 6-28, 0-36, 0-46. In 1898 the Phis had the manager and assistant manager of the nine and three members of the team; one Phi was on the eleven, and the captain and two other members of the second eleven were Phis. Bro. Sterrett was a member of the relay team. The 'Yellow Kid,' so prominent last year in many annuals, appears again here. The proximity of the Indian school seems to exert considerable influence on college jokes and customs. The law school enrolled last year 114 students. In it ΔX has a chapter of 23 members. The preparatory department has a four years' course with a literary society, Y. M. C. A. and a foot ball team of its own. It is given separate space in the annual.

Volume VI of the *Arbutus* is dedicated by the Indiana University seniors to 'a loyal and staunch supporter of his *alma mater*,' who is also a loyal Phi, the Hon. John Watson Foster, '55, ex-secretary of state. Several pages are devoted to the trailing arbutus, which is found in the hills near Bloomington. The faculty is grouped and illustrated by departments, the names of graduates-to-be following the professors. In the department of Greek we find one professor, one assistant professor and one senior, although we should add that the number of seniors in German and French is not strikingly large, being three and four, respectively. Bro. Ruby, province president, is tutor in French. In the department of physics and geology is one senior, while English enrolls 13 and history 29. Bro. R. E. Lyons, '89, is professor of chemistry, and Bro. E. E. Griffith, '85, assistant professor of English. The half-tone illustrations throughout the book are unusually good. In the list of fraternities

the sororities precede and enroll: K A @, 25; K K Γ, 25; Π B Φ, 25; Δ Γ, 13. The fraternities enroll: B @ Π, 16; Φ Δ @, 21; Σ X, 14; Φ K Ψ, 21; Φ Γ Δ, 15; Δ T Δ, 17; Σ N, 14. Of these, Σ X has but two freshmen and B @ Π, Φ Δ @ and Δ T Δ but three. Δ A Δ is a new law fraternity. A Δ Σ is a junior fraternity, one member being a Phi. The 'barbs' have two strong organizations: the Independent literary society and the Century literary club. Bro. Dodge was on the eleven and Bro. Alsop on the nine. The glee club, which took four tours and gave fifty-four concerts (three of them were given in Kentucky, four in Florida and two in Maryland), had Bro. C. M. Dickey for its advertising manager. Bro. Edwards was a member. A new comic publication, *The Bumblebee*, has appeared. In the first nine contests of the Indiana state oratorical association, Indiana University took first prize six times. Since 1883 she has done so but once, De Pauw having supplanted her. Considerable space is devoted to a discussion of this problem. As in many co-educational schools, the literary contributions show clearly the influence of the 'co-ed.' Considerable space is devoted to the biological station on Turkey Lake. A number of students live there. The faculty gets even more of its usual share of roasts, it would seem.

The 1900 *Columbian* was, as last year, one of the earliest comers, appearing before Christmas. In the faculty list we find Bro. Matthews in chemistry and Bro. E. J. Riederer, '97, in analytical chemistry. The fraternity lists follow immediately the faculty, and show a membership of: A Δ Φ, 32; Ψ Y, 33; Δ Φ, 24; Δ Ψ, 27; Φ Γ Δ, 23; Φ K Ψ, 16; Δ K E, 47; Z Ψ, 18, @ Δ X, 33; Φ Δ @, 31 (a revised list in pen and ink of all Phis in the university, however, shows 49, including faculty members); Δ Y, 25; Σ X, 32; Σ A E, 18; B @ Π, 22; Π A Φ, 16; Φ Σ K, 19. Π A Φ is the Hebrew fraternity previously mentioned in THE SCROLL, and seems to have been established at Yale in 1895. The next year chapters were installed at Columbia, College of the City of New York, New York University, Cornell and Pennsylvania. Barnard College receives a liberal allowance of space, and shows chapters of K K Γ (16), K A @ (9), and A O Π, local, (7). Barnard also issues an annual. Bro. Ernst was business manager of the *Columbia Literary Monthly*, Bro. Hinck secretary of the Philolexian society, of which Bros. Ernst and Hackett were leading members. In this society Bro. Ernst won first prize in debate and second in oration, besides leading the team which defeated the University of

Chicago in debate. Bro. Hackett was a member of the university chorus and Bros. Hinck and Ernst of the Philharmonic society. Bro. Bell was a member of the mandolin club and Bro. E. W. Lebaire, '94, director of the guitar club. It is interesting to note that three of the members of the chapter belong to the southern society, which enrolls 50 of the 129 southerners in Columbia. Bro. Hinck is vice-president of the press club and representative of the *Sun and World*. The chapter is represented in various miscellaneous organizations. The university shows that it is preparing to enter the foot ball arena this year. Bro. Hackett is a member of the student board and president of the senior class.

The *Garnet* has seen fit to copyright its contents, but we trust that nothing that follows will subject us to prosecution. Bro. L. L. Boorn is our representative on this year's board. It is, perhaps, needless to mention again the pleasing custom of the different classes forming class colors by a combination of one other with the college color—garnet. The Phis have their share of class offices, and boast of four wearers of the 'varsity 'U' out of thirty-two. Two are members of the track team, and two of the five members of the Cooperstown team, made up of Union men, which defeated the track team, were Phis. Bro. Bergen, '95, holds the record for the high jump. Bro. Gambee was manager of the nine last year, and Bro. Grout played third base. Union won the pennant in the inter-collegiate league, of which Hobart and Hamilton were also members. Bro. Willis was a member of the eleven, and three members of the second eleven were Phis, besides five members of the class teams. Bro. Gambee was a member of the student athletic advisory board. In fact, the chapter seems to be unusually strong in athletics. Bro. Hegeman was secretary of the Y. M. C. A. and vice-president of the oldest literary society, founded in 1793, its rival having been established in 1796. Bro. Barrett was on the glee club.

Randolph-Macon, like Washington and Lee, has shown us that the small institution may rival the best of them even, in the quality of its work. The *Yellow Jacket*, which appears for the first time this year, from the press of Elliott, of Philadelphia, is an excellent piece of work and is most creditable to its editors. The illustrations are remarkably good. A history of the college shows us that the institution was incorporated in 1830, and was named for John Randolph, of Roanoke, and Nathaniel Macon, of North Carolina. The work of the college was suspended from November 5, 1863,

until September, 1864. The college property was occupied for some time by Federal troops and was considerably damaged. The college funds, having been deeply invested in Confederate securities, were reduced at the close of the war to \$60,000. Since that time there has been slow but steady growth. Randolph-Macon is very proud of its women's college, which is ranked by the United States commissioner of education as one of the fourteen leading women's colleges in the United States, being the only one south of the Potomac so classed, and which, though the youngest of the fourteen, ranks eighth in resources and attendance, and is said to be the least expensive of all. Bro. Davis is president of '99, which seems to have 18 members. Bro. Lavinder is president of '00, which enrolls 26. There are 26 sophomores and no freshmen; in fact, the new students of last fall, known at Randolph-Macon as 'fish,' seem to have been enrolled as members of '01 instead of '02. This is probably due, as it is at Washington and Lee, to a partial adoption of the class system. Bros. Lavinder and Rucker are members of the nine. Bro. Davis is a member of the eleven, Bro. Lavinder being manager. Three Phis are members of the track team, four of the tennis club; three are on the glee club and two on the mandolin club, while Bro. Lavinder is president of the Calico club, whose colors are 'lavender' and gray. The fraternities enroll: K A, 7; K Σ, 9; Φ Δ Θ, 7; Φ K Σ, 11; Σ X, 8. The Phis all belong to the Franklin literary society, the Washington being its rival.

The Washington and Jefferson editors dedicate the *Pandora* this year to 'an honored alumnus,' Judge M. W. Atcheson, of the United States circuit court. Bro. A. M. Carline is a member of the editorial board. The editors present their baby pictures and their present likenesses. On the faculty we find Bro. W. C. McClelland, '92, of the department of English and also in charge of the library. Phi Delta Theta enrolled no seniors last year. These numbered 48; juniors, 35; sophomores, 54; freshmen, 75, besides 36 pursuing a partial course, making a total in college of 248, besides 89 in the preparatory classes. Of the regular college students, two-thirds follow the classical course. Forty-six of the 337 students were from other states, 15 coming from Ohio, 10 from West Virginia and 8 from Illinois. In addition to the general alumni association, there are organizations in Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Chicago and Southern California. Washington College, which was chartered in 1806, had 853 alumni, and Jefferson College, char-

tered in 1802, had 910 when the colleges were united in 1865. The total number now on the roll is 3,848. Ex-Governor Beaver is president of the general association. B @ II has 16 members, besides three in the army at Manila; Φ K Σ has 18, three of whom are 'preps'; Φ K Ψ, 16; Φ Γ Δ, 13; Φ Δ @, 16, besides two in the army at Manila. There are 14 resident Phi alumni; Δ T Δ has 14 members; K Σ, 17. @ N E flourishes—two Phis are members. The Phis are represented on the glee club, Bro. Lindsay being secretary. Four of the Phis belong to the Franklin and Marshall literary society. It was founded in 1797. Its rival, Philo and Union, dates from the same year. These compound names arose from the union of literary societies when the two colleges were united. Bro. Carline belongs to the dramatic association, and Bro. Lindsay is in charge of the cotillion club. Of the 46 members of the Y. M. C. A., three belong to K Σ, one to Δ T Δ and the rest to the non-fraternity element. The *Pandora* board has representatives of most of the fraternities, but the editor-in-chief, business manager and secretary of the board are non-fraternity men. The same is practically true of the college monthly. At the last commencement Bros. Rule and Bell were graduated with honors, Bro. Rule being class historian. The roll of honor of W. and J. soldiers in the Spanish war shows eight members of '98, seven of '99, seven of '00, five of '01 and three of '02. Eighteen of the thirty were members of Co. H of the Tenth Pennsylvania. Two died at Manila. Prof. McClelland is secretary of the faculty athletic committee. Bro. Matthews, who has been initiated since the annual was published, was full-back of the eleven and captain-elect for this fall. Washington and Jefferson defeated Lafayette, 16-0, Allegheny, 67-0, and Western Reserve, 8-6, but lost the last two games of the season to Pennsylvania State and the Pittsburgh athletic club. A complete list of all foot ball scores and teams is given, showing that Washington and Jefferson in nine years has won fifty-four games, lost ten and tied three. Bro. Carline was manager of the nine, having been assistant manager the year before. Bro. Grubbs was a member of the track team. Class spirit seems to run high, and rushes are extremely vigorous. The department of 'roasts' is called 'scorchers,' accompanied by a proper illustration. A poem entitled 'Who Caught the Freshman?' is borrowed almost entirely, but without credit, from last year's Colby *Oracle*.

The second volume of the *Drift* is dedicated by the Butler

seniors to the founder of the academic department of the University of Indianapolis: Ovid Butler. Bro. D. C. Brown is one of the five members of the academic senate. Three of the fifteen trustees: H. U. Brown, '80, A. C. Harris, '62, and Benj. Harrison, *Miami*, '52, are Phis. On the Butler board of directors there are four Phis, and two on the faculty, one being secretary of that body and the other librarian. The editor-in-chief of the annual is Bro. Hobbs, who was also editor-in-chief of the university paper, the *Collegian*. Bro. A. L. Ward is an associate editor of the annual. The Phis have the oldest chapter at Butler, chartered forty years ago, and enrolled last year eleven members, having no junior representatives. In the law department of the university were thirteen Phis, two in the medical and one in the dental. Twelve Phi alumni reside at Irvington. Σ X enrolled five members during the year, with two pledged. The chapter has nine resident alumni. Δ T Δ has twelve members, with one pledged and three members in the faculty. K K Γ enrolled thirteen and II B Φ seven. There is but one literary society. The illustrations, most of them by a Σ X, are unusually good. In the inter-collegiate debate last year Bro. Hobbs was a member and leader of both teams, the first winning from De Pauw and the second losing to Notre Dame. It appears that Butler has been represented in the state oratorical contest twelve times by Phis, three times by Σ X, four times by 'barbs,' three times by Δ T Δ, twice by K K Γ and once by K Σ. Bro. Cunningham is captain and Bro. McGaughey a member of the nine. Bro. McGaughey was also on the tennis team and captain of the basket ball team, of which Bro. Van Sickle was also a member. In the university glee club were two Phis: F. G. Wishard, *Wabash*, '94, and T. C. Whallon, *Hanover*, '98, Bro. Wishard being president. Bro. Whallon was a member of the guitar club. Bro. Cunningham was president of the athletic association, and Bros. Cunningham, Atkinson, McGaughey, Hancock and Loop were assistant editors of the *Collegian*.

The *Cincinnatian* is published by the senior class. Its business manager is Bro. Wm. Owen Stovall. In this connection we may call attention to the fact that his administration was so successful as to secure the election of another Phi, Bro. Lange, as manager of next year's issue. The class lists are preceded by an old woman blessing four typical figures which surmount the old shoe she evidently inhabits. The Cincinnati plan of classifying all irregular students as freshmen results naturally in a great many members of '02.

Of these there are 141 in the academic department, while the sophomores number but 76, the juniors 72 and the seniors 59. In the medical department are two Phis and in the law school six. The total enrollment during the past year was 1,145, 238 being in the medical department, 216 in the pathological, 190 in the dental and 123 in the law. The fraternities number: ΣX , 7 (two sophomores and five freshmen); $\Sigma A E$, 17; $B \odot II$, 15; $\Phi \Delta \odot$, 11. These figures represent the number of undergraduate academic members. ΣX has thirteen men in the professional departments, $\Sigma A E$ twelve professional and graduate students, $B \odot II$ seventeen, and $\Phi \Delta \odot$ seven. There is also a class society known as $\Sigma \Sigma$. Its three sophomore members are all Betas. Its one other undergraduate member is a 'barb.' $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ has eighteen members, and the two local sororities, V. C. P. and ΓB , twenty-four and nine, respectively. There are chapters of $N \Sigma N$ and $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, in each of which one Phi is enrolled. The members of the newly-established chapter of $\Phi B K$ are about half 'co-eds,' and these preponderate largely in the elections from the last half-dozen classes, numbering twenty-four to thirteen of the other sex. Among the back elections, we note that of Bro. Edward V. Clingman, *Miami*, of the class of '80. Bro. Lange is a member of the editorial staff of the university monthly, *The McMicken Review*, and an assistant manager of this year's annual. Bro. Schlemmer was a member of the mandolin club, and two Phis seem to have belonged to a much-ridiculed golf club. The captain of the foot ball team was a Dartmouth $A \Delta \Phi$, and his team defeated that of his *alma mater* on its western trip. Bro. Kemper was a member of the track team, and Bro. Schlemmer holds two of the bicycle records, besides being a member of the athletic council. $\Phi \Delta \odot$ and $B \odot II$ are the only fraternities represented on the junior 'prom' committee. As last year, the half-tones are unusually excellent. Cincinnati had eight students in the Spanish-American war.

The 1900 *Syllabus* is published for the junior class of the college of liberal arts of Northwestern by two alumni of the class of '96. Northwestern is another school in which the 'co-ed.' plays a prominent role. Of seventeen members of $\Phi B K$ from the class of 1898, nine were young women. Debating is cultivated extensively among the young men, four societies holding annual championship contests. Bro. C. M. C. Buntain, '99, was one of the successful representatives of the Rogers society. Bro. Andrew E. Cooke was a member of the university team which debated with Michigan. Chi-

cago and Minnesota are the other two members of the central debating league. Northwestern is also a member of the northern oratorical league, made up of Oberlin, Wisconsin, Michigan, Chicago, Iowa and Northwestern. Northwestern took second prize in 1898. The Pan-Hellenic promenade association is still a close corporation, with ΣX , $\Phi K \Sigma$, $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi K \Psi$ and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ as members, and ΔY , $\Delta T \Delta$, $\Sigma A E$ and ΣN on the outside. Bro. Case figured in the trig. cremation and was secretary of his class. Bro. Buntain was a member of the senior society, Deru. All the officers of the class of '00 were young women, though they were outnumbered by the young men 32 to 30. One striking feature of the book is a series of thirty-two full page half-tone illustrations of the college buildings and grounds, making a most handsome collection. In athletics Bro. R. S. Sturgeon, '00, is the leading Phi on the track team. Bro. McCaskey was captain of the tennis team. $\Phi K \Sigma$ comes in for a good roast for her exploits in lifting from ΣX . The editors of the *Syllabus* continue their unjust policy of beginning their fraternity lists with the ΣX chapter, whereas our own was founded ten years earlier, and that of $\Phi K \Psi$ five years before. The Sig chapter enrolled last year five members, but three of whom were in attendance when the year closed. It will be remembered that they lost their chapter house by foreclosure. $\Phi K \Sigma$ is also reduced in numbers, with but six men in the college classes. It is noteworthy that whereas in former years she occasionally enrolled a member of $\Phi B K$, she runs exclusively to $\Theta N E$ nowadays. The other chapters number: $B \Theta \Pi$, 25; $\Phi K \Psi$, 13; ΔY , 16; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 15; $\Delta T \Delta$, 14; $\Sigma A E$, 9; ΣN , 12. Each of these has a number of members in the professional schools, most of which are situated in Chicago. The sororities number: $A \Phi$, 14; $\Delta \Gamma$, 13; $K K \Gamma$, 8; $K A \Theta$, 10; $\Gamma \Phi B$, 10; $A X \Omega$ (musical), 13; $\Pi B \Phi$, 10; $\Delta \Delta \Delta$, 8. Bro. J. W. R. Connor is a member of the faculty. There are 15 resident Phi alumni, nine Phis in the medical college, four in the law school and one each in the schools of pharmacy and oratory. $\Theta N E$ flourishes. Bros. Mitchell, Noble, Webb and Buntain are members. No Phis were elected from '00, however. $\Omega \Psi$ is the feminine counterpart of this society, and has chapters at Northwestern and Michigan. The medical fraternities are $\Phi P \Sigma$ and $N \Sigma N$. Bros. Wheeler and Noble belong to the former and Bro. Cubbins to the latter. In the medical department are $\Delta \Sigma \Delta$ and $\Psi \Omega$. Bro. Sturgeon represents $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on this year's *Syllabus* board, and is one of the literary editors. The

Northwestern life-saving crew seems to be still active. Appropos of certain social regulations, we have a picture of a girl dressed for basket ball, with the explanation that she can get through playing that kind of ball before eleven o'clock. In the glossary, 'frat' is defined as 'me and my chum, you and your chum, us four and no more.' The academy has a good share of space, with its literary societies, Christian associations, athletic teams and a newspaper.

The *Sombrero* reappears this year, having been temporarily eclipsed in 1898 by a senior class book. Out of sixteen editors five are fraternity men, and two of the young women belong to sororities. Considerable space is devoted to the history of the institution and to descriptive matter. Since the last volume of the *Sombrero* appeared, two years ago, A T Ω, Φ Γ Δ and Δ Y have been organized at the university. The twelve fraternities and five sororities have a total membership of about three hundred. There are six chapter houses, four having been taken within the last two years. The three literary societies continue to flourish, enrolling about 200 students. The university made a wonderful record in the Spanish-American war, 172 students having enlisted, 93 of these being officers and 79 privates. Ten died in the service. Since the *Sombrero* appeared Chancellor McLean has resigned to accept the presidency of the University of Iowa. Bros. Parmelee and True hold fellowships, and Bro. R. H. Wolcott, *Michigan*, is instructor in zoology. The senior class roll is given in autograph. The classes elect officers each semester, and we note that a Phi is chosen occasionally. Bro. Tukey is manager of the glee club, and Bros. J. T. and C. B. Sumner are members. The same thing is true of the mandolin club. The fraternity lists are preceded by half-tone illustrations of the fraternity pins. Φ Δ ⊙ comes first, her group picture including her canine mascot and the ebony 'Buttons' of the chapter house. The fraternities enroll: Φ Δ ⊙, 15 (12 resident alumni); Β ⊙ Π, 22 (17 resident alumni); Σ X, 17; Σ A E, 14; Δ T Δ, 19; A ⊙ X (local), 15; Φ K Ψ, 24; K Σ, 11; Φ Γ Δ, 13; A T Ω, 11; Δ Y, 15. The sororities are: K K Γ, 16; Δ Γ, 19; Δ Δ Δ, 12; Π Β Φ, 17; K A ⊙, 16. In the Φ Δ Φ chapter we find Bro. Roddy. We have pictures of five of the six chapter houses. They belong to Φ Δ ⊙, Φ K Ψ, Δ T Δ, Φ Γ Δ and Σ A E. Φ Β K and Σ Ξ are classified with the literary societies, to which large space is devoted. Bro. Phil Russell was elected to Φ Β K from '98. Bro. Carl C. Randall was a member of Σ Ξ. When the latter was established Bros. C. G. McMillan,

'85, and G. B. Frankforter, '86, both now on the Minnesota faculty, were among the back elections. Bro. Stebbins was one of the student members of the athletic board. Bro. Oury was manager and Bro. Hayward a member of the '97 ball team and Bro. Hastie assistant manager of the '98 team. Bro. Hastie won the gold medal as best drilled infantryman. Bro. Sumner is first lieutenant and adjutant of the university battalion, and Bros. Hastie and Stebbins are captains of two of the four companies, Bros. Mansfelde and McCreery being first lieutenants in the same companies. Bro. Sumner is president of the officers' club. There are two Phis also among the non-commissioned officers. The Pershing Rifles, an independent military organization, has a number of Phis on its roster, and its last two captains were Phis. Full honor is paid the university soldiers.

Ohio Wesleyan University also has waited two years since issuing the last edition of her annual. This volume of the *Bijou* is claimed by 'ye century class,' and it is dedicated to the memory of the three student soldiers who lost their lives in the late war. Thirty enlisted in all. On the faculty we find Bro. W. E. Clark, instructor in mathematics. The medical department of the university is located in Cleveland. The senior class enrolls 111 members, the junior 106. The literary societies flourish, and two of them, at least, enroll several Phis among their members. One seems to be taken up by non-fraternity men. The fraternities number: B Θ Π, 16 (nine resident alumni); Σ X, 11 (nine *in urbe*); Φ Δ Θ, 14 (two *in urbe*); Φ K Ψ, 15 (16 *in urbe*); Δ T Δ, 9 (five seniors and five *in urbe*); Φ Γ Δ, 13 (8 *in urbe*); A T Ω, 14 (3 *in urbe*); Σ A E, 21 (2 *in urbe*). The university has oratorical, musical, business and art departments. Bro. Pyke was manager of the foot ball team, Bro. Dolbey a member of the tennis team. Bros. Whitney, Cherington, Pauley and Bayes were on the *Transcript* board. Bro. Cherington tied for first place in the oratorical contest. Bros. Karr and Tenny were on the mandolin and guitar clubs. Bros. Carson and Blackman were in the band. Bro. Pyke was first lieutenant in the battalion and Bros. Bayes and Ewing non-commissioned officers. A record is given of faculty attendance at chapel during two of the winter months. The 'co-ed' is evidently an important factor. Among the famous alumni of O. W. U. are Senator Foraker of Ohio, who was a Φ K Ψ, and Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, who was a Φ Γ Δ.

This is the forty-third volume of the *Olio*. Its first number in 1855 appeared in simple four-page newspaper form.

For the first time the book prints individual pictures of the faculty. This was of course before President Harris was chosen to succeed Dr. Gates. They are both members of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$. The Phi member on the faculty is Bro. J. R. S. Sterrett, *Texas*. The classes number: seniors, 89; juniors, 77; sophomores, 88; freshmen, 122; total, 380, with four graduates. The Phi class officers seem to be confined to the seniors. Twenty-seven Amherst men took part in the Spanish-American war. The most prominent one of them was Hon. Chas. H. Allen, '69, assistant secretary of the navy. The fraternities number: $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$, 33, with seven members on the faculty; ΨY , 41, with seven members on the faculty; $\Delta K E$, 30, with five members on the faculty; ΔY , 33, with one on the faculty; $X \Psi$, 23, one on the faculty; $X \Phi$, 29, three on the faculty; $B \Theta \Pi$, 25; $\Theta \Delta X$, 28, two on the faculty; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 32, one on the faculty; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 9; $\Phi K \Psi$, 35. Among the stray Greeks are two members of $Z \Psi$ and one of $\Sigma A E$. Bro. Austin won the junior prize in Latin last year and Bro. Marsh the classical admission prize for '01. Bros. Hurd and Gladwin were chosen for the Kellogg contests in declamation, and Bro. Strong competed for the Hyde prize in oratory. Bro. Bliss and Bro. Lyman were chosen to $\Phi B K$ from '98 and Bro. Austin from '99. Bro. Brooks is president for '99. Bro. Strong was in the senior play. Bro. Cooke was one of the editors of the *Olio*. Bro. Marriott was editor-in-chief of the *Student*, as Bro. Strong was last year; and Bros. King and Raymond associate editors. Bro. King was captain of the fencing club, Bro. Porter assistant leader of the glee club and Bros. Brooks, Smith, McAllister and Porter, members of the latter in '97-'98; Bro. Irwin was also a member in '98-'99. Bros. Irwin and Sharp belonged to the banjo club, Bro. Baker to the mandolin club and Bro. Phillips to the college choir. There were Phi speakers at each of the class banquets. Five members of the athletic teams were Phis, and three others were prize-winners in the fall meet of '98. All three of the special athletic prizes were won by Phis. Bros. Gladwin and Strong were members of the relay teams, Bro. Whitney of the nine and Bro. Gladwin and Whitney (captain) of the eleven. The *Olio* also records faculty attendance at chapel. The mysterious goddess Sabrina, first stolen from her pedestal in the campus by the class of '82 and made a center of class rivalries by '88, was last heard of in the hands of '00, who expects to turn her over to '02 in due season. This the odd-year classes will try desperately to prevent.

The *Cornellian* is a handsome volume in black and gold, with over three hundred pages of text and fifty of advertisements. The dedication page bears this inscription: 'Greeting from the Junior Class to all who hold in honor and in reverence our fair Cornell, and with the greeting this book, which is an epitome of the college year.' The frontispiece shows the soldiers and sailors to whom the book is more specifically dedicated. The book's contents are copyrighted. In the faculty lists we find the new president of the University of California, who has degrees from Brown, Heidelberg and Princeton. Dr. Wheeler is an A Δ Φ. The Phis on the faculty are Profs. Durand and Bailey, both members of Σ Ξ. Among the instructors is Bro. B. F. Kingsbury, *Buchtel*, '93. One of the fellows is Dr. Vladimir Grigoriewitsch Simkhowitsch! Bro. W. C. Bagley, *Lansing*, '95, is a candidate for the degree of Ph. D. Many of our readers will remember his eloquent speech before the Columbus convention. Bro. Virgil S. Dalrymple, *Indianapolis*, '98, is also a graduate student, as are Bros. Guy M. Whipple, *Brown*, '97; J. H. Wynue, *Cornell*, '98; W. C. Abbott, *Wabash*, '92, and Wm. S. Franklin, *Kansas*, '87. We reach page 75 before we are past the lists of teachers and graduate students. Bro. Coit is president of '00 and assistant commodore of the Cornell navy, and Bro. White is director of junior base ball. Bro. McBride is president and Bro. Couch treasurer of '01. The total number of students during last year was 2,038, not counting nearly 300 in summer and other short courses. Of these 173 were graduates and 616 undergraduates in the college of arts and sciences. The new medical college enrolls 204 students. Forty-four states and territories are represented and nineteen foreign countries. Over 1,000 of the students live outside of New York. The fraternities number: Z Ψ, 22; X Φ, 15; K A, 20; A Δ Φ, 26; Φ K Ψ, 24; X Ψ, 25; Δ Y, 24; Δ K E, 24; Θ Δ X, 22; Φ Δ Θ, 24 (besides two graduate members); B Θ Π, 24; Ψ Y, 22; A T Ω, 20; Φ Γ Δ, 26; Φ Σ K, 20; Δ T Δ, 23; Σ Φ, 21; Σ X, 14; Σ A E, 23; Δ Φ, 11; K Σ, 25. The sororities number: K A Θ, 16; K K Γ, 21 (the St. Lawrence chapter being omitted from the chapter list); Δ Γ, 18; A Φ, 22. Φ Δ Φ and Δ X also have chapters, and there are eight class societies and other similar organizations, besides Φ B K and Σ Ξ. Bro. Zeller belongs to the Sphinx Head, the senior society, and Bro. Whiting to Quill and Dagger, its rival. Bros. Coit and Starbuck are members of Aleph Samach, the junior society, but this year the Phis are not represented in Θ N E. Bros.

Coit and Starbuck are also enrolled in Rod and Bob. The 'co-eds' are in the minority in $\Phi B K$, but only slightly so. There are clubs galore, and to the Mermaid, which heads the list and seems the club *par excellence*, Bros. Zeller and Wynne belong. Bro. Short is a member of the Mummy club. In the Masque, the dramatic club, we find Bros. Brower and Morrison. Bro. Wynne is leader and first tenor of the glee club, Bro. Morrison also being a member. Bro. Starbuck is a member of the athletic council. Bro. Whiting was captain of the eleven and Bro. Starbuck full back and captain for next year. The team lost but two games: to Princeton and Pennsylvania by close scores. Bro. Haskell was a member of the nine, and Bros. Fay and English of the freshman crew, the latter being stroke. 'Bros. Zeller holds the Cornell record for the mile walk. Bros. Ihlder and Zeller are vice-president and treasurer, respectively, of the fencing club, and there are five Phis in the tennis club. Eight Phis wear the 'varsity 'C.' Bro. Coit was on the junior prom. committee, and Bro. McBride on the sophomore cotillion committee. Bro. Ihlder is a member of the *Daily Sun* staff, and Prof. Durand an editor of the *Sibley Journal*. A list of 169 Cornell men who took part in the late war is given. Five of these were Phis, but there were more than five Cornell Phis in the Spanish war.

The Stanford *Quad* is one of our handsomest volumes, bound in red and brown and exquisitely printed and illustrated. In the faculty list we find Bros. L. M. Hoskins, *Wisconsin*, V. L. Kellogg, *Kansas*, E. P. Cubberley, *Indiana*, D. E. Spencer, *Wisconsin*, and Harold Heath, *Pennsylvania*. Bro. Edwards is a member of the executive committee of seven chosen by the associated students to manage all university enterprises. The Phis do not seem to take much to class offices or the musical organizations, but Bro. Hill was full back on the eleven and Bro. Victor an editor of the daily. Four of the Phis belong to one of the literary societies, of which there are a number. Bro. Page is vice-president of the press club, Bro. Victor a director of the students' guild; Bros. Edwards and Fox were members of the junior prom. committee. The fraternities number: $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 19; $Z \Psi$, 14; $\Phi K \Psi$, 12; ΣN , 17; ΣX , 14; $\Sigma A E$, 16; $\Delta T \Delta$, 19; $B \Theta \Pi$, 14; $K A$, 11; ΔY , 20; $\Sigma P H$ (the bolting Fijis), 6; $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, 15, Bro. Victor being one. Of the local fraternity Alif Ha but three members survive. Other societies are $\Sigma \Sigma$ and Snake and Key. The sororities number: $K A \Theta$, 16; $K K \Gamma$, 16; $\Delta \Gamma$, 13, and the local $E X$, 8. The

women have a Pan-Hellenic association. X Ψ is not listed. The number of students last year was 1,153, 94 being graduates, and 348 coming from states outside of California. There were 463 women, or a little over 40 per cent. It will be remembered that Mrs. Stanford has fixed the limit at 500. The total attendance was somewhat smaller than that of the year preceding. The average age of graduate students was 29.7; of freshmen, 20.6. The names of 39 Stanford men in the late war are given. One of the closing pictures is an allusion to the Stanford axe which the California rooters stole at the close of the athletic season last fall and which Stanford made an unsuccessful attempt to recover.

The *Gopher*, like the *Quad*, is a newcomer to the present editor. In the preface it significantly expresses its obligations to the '97 board for information in regard to keeping out of debt; to the '98 board for suggestions in the line of peace and harmony; to the '99 board for advice as to what to leave out. The volume is dedicated to the 'varsity soldiers, five of whom died in the service. Pictures of new professors follow the faculty lists, in which the names of Bros. Harry Snyder, Geo. B. Frankforter and Conway Mac-Millan appear. The professional departments are given large space. The number of Scandinavian names among the students is large, but not surprisingly so. The literary articles are included between two colored cover pages and adorned in many cases with illustrations on the margin. The fraternities number: X Ψ, 20 (eight in medicine and law); Φ Δ Θ, 9, besides 10 in medicine and law (there are also on the professional faculties the following Phis: T. G. Lee, T. B. Hartzell, H. A. Sanders, E. P. Harding); Δ T Δ, 18, twelve of these being laws and medics; Φ K Ψ, 14, five of them in the professional schools; Σ X, 16, nine of them laws and medics; B Θ Π, 32, eight being laws and medics; Δ K E, 14, eight being laws and medics; Φ Γ Δ, 12, besides seven laws and medics; Δ Y, 22, besides eight laws and medics; Ψ Y, 10, besides nine laws and medics; A Δ Φ, 10, besides six laws and medics; Θ Δ X, 8, besides nine laws and medics. The sororities number: K K Γ, 20; Δ Γ, 19; K A Θ, 17; A Φ, 18; Δ Δ Δ, 13. Besides these there are chapters of Δ X, Φ B K and Σ Ξ. There are three faculty Phis in Φ B K and three in Σ Ξ. The literary societies seem to flourish, as do the debating clubs. Minnesota belongs to the central debating league and the northern oratorical league, and debated besides with Iowa. Bro. Mackusik is an editor of the *Minnesota Magazine* and managing editor of the *Engineers'*

Year Book. He is also manager of the mandolin club and captain of Co. A of the battalion. Bro. Leary was coach of the eleven.

The Dartmouth juniors issue the *Ægis* six months earlier than most annuals of the same college year appear. The *Olio* and the *Columbian* are the only other two that appear in the fall. The cover of this volume uses the Dartmouth coat-of-arms as a frame for the title, and the frontispiece is a portrait of the Earl of Dartmouth, from whom the college takes its name. The book is dedicated 'To those brave men of Dartmouth who so lately took up arms in defense of their country.' Bro. Salinger represents $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the board of editors, and Bro. F. H. Dixon, *Michigan*, '92, on the faculty. One of the college preachers is the Rev. George Harris, the new president of Amherst. Dartmouth alumni keep up eighteen local associations. Three of these are in San Francisco, Helena and Denver. Bro. Rollins is president of '01, but practically all the class officers are non-fraternity men. The annual was issued before any initiations were made from the freshman class. The senior class in the engineering school has a year's leave of absence because of 'the desire of some of the members to retain paying positions, enlistment in the Spanish war, and other sufficient reasons.' The fraternities number (omitting the freshman delegation) ΨY , 25; $K K K$ (local), 27; $A \Delta \Phi$, 24; $\Delta K E$, 25; $\Theta \Delta X$, 31; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 30 (eight resident alumni); $B \Theta \Pi$, 26; ΣX , 29; $\Phi K \Psi$, 30; $A A \Omega$ (a local established in 1898), 15. The Phis have considerably more resident alumni than any other chapter. $\Theta N E$ continues to flourish, having 37 undergraduate members. Bro. McCartney is a member. In the medical college are $A K K$ and the Ace of Spades. Of the senior society, Casque and Gauntlet, Bros. Barney, Graham, Sanborn and Musgrove are four of the fifteen members. There are two smaller and younger rival senior societies. The Phis are well represented on the honor and prize list, and furnished four of the twenty-three undergraduate soldiers. The freshmen captured the fall athletic meet in 1898. Bro. Rich is manager of the track team, of which Bro. Salinger is a member. Bro. L. A. Salinger is one of the foot ball directors and Bro. McCartin a member of the nine. The Phis are prominent in tennis, well represented in the musical clubs and in the dramatics. They are also debaters and whist and chess fiends. Dartmouth won from Brown in debate and lost to Williams. The *Ægis*, it seems, appeared three times a year from 1860 to 1874, since which

time it has been an annual. Bro. Graham is managing editor of the *Literary Monthly*, and Bro. Musgrove managing editor and Bro. V. R. Salinger assistant manager of the *Dartmouth*, the college weekly. The 'chinning' season at Dartmouth is still limited to the 25th day of October. The initiation banquets are held in November, Phi Delta Theta celebrating on the 15th. Regulations must have been adopted recently against hazing and other hilarity, as a sarcastic set of rules is printed, among them this one: 'Owing to the necessity of distinguishing them from recent additions to the faculty, freshmen must carry neither canes nor blank books.' In a list of college expenses the item 'society expenses' is reckoned at from zero to \$200.00. 'This charge varies from that of the non-fraternity debating society to that which at chinning season some societies claim that other sportier societies charge.' Dartmouth college dates from 1754. Its formal charter was given by Gov. Wentworth in the name of King George III on December 13, 1769.

It is the senior class at Purdue which edits the *Debris*. This volume, like the annuals issued this year by Butler and Franklin, comes from the press of THE SCROLL'S printers and is an excellent piece of work. It is dedicated to 'the eleven and the nine.' There are but three fraternity men on the board of twelve editors, and one of these is a stray Beta. President Smart has been ill and on leave of absence for some time, and the university work is in charge of Vice-President Stone. On the board of trustees we note Benj. Harrison, *Miami*, '52, and on the faculty C. B. Peterson and Robt. S. Miller. An exhaustive historical sketch of the institution is given, introduced by one of Senator Morrill. In this, as in many other annuals of this year, several of the pictures of the college buildings and grounds were taken in time of heavy snow fall. The effect is very satisfactory. In the historical sketch it is related how in the early days of the institution several of the faculty families lived together in one of the dormitories, and it is said that a genuine faculty war arose over the right to use a horse and spring wagon, which were considered common property. At this time one of the professors came near losing his place because he sacrificed his dignity by riding one of the old-fashioned high bicycles. In the graduating class we find Bros. Peck, Knight, Lennox and Wallace. The average college expenses of the class of '99 were: for the freshman year, \$252; sophomore, \$256; junior, \$288; senior, \$356. The Phis still fight somewhat shy of foot ball but are coming on in base ball with

Bros. McGregor, Laidlaw and Hill. Bro. Batten was on the track team, winning the pole vault and 120-yard hurdles. He holds the Purdue record for the pole vault. Bros. Dill and Laidlaw are prominent in tennis, and Bros. Lynch and Green also come out strong in athletics, so that this branch of college activity is well looked after by the chapter. Bro. Dill is on the glee club, and Bro. Peck is manager of the mandolin club, of which Bros. Wilson and Waite are also members, the former being treasurer. The fraternities number: Σ X, 14; K Σ, 10; Σ N, 14; Φ Δ Θ, 18 (17 resident alumni); Σ A E, 18. There is also a chapter of T B II and of the Skulls of Thirteen, a junior society. Σ X has withdrawn from the latter, and Bros. Peck and Knight, the Phi members, withdrew about a year ago. B K K is a new local organized in 1898 for the purpose of obtaining a charter from Φ K Ψ. They have 24 members. Some of them are quite prominent in the university. The Phis are well represented in the various departmental societies but inform the editor in a marginal note that they have not improved any since last writing in the way of Y. M. C. A. membership. Pictures of many students' rooms are given, including one of a room that has been turned upside down in its owner's absence. The literary societies flourish among the non-fraternity students. In the cadet corps, Bro. Lennox is a first lieutenant and was one of the Purdue volunteers, a very incomplete list of whom is given.

One of the great handicaps with which the colleges in smaller cities formerly struggled was the lack of good printers close at hand. Editors have discovered that distance need not be regarded in this matter, and we now find annuals printed hundreds and even thousands of miles, almost, away from the institution they represent. The *Cactus* comes this year to us from Texas by way of Philadelphia, and the gilt-edged volume justifies in its success the length of its journey. It is dedicated to Sir Swante Palm, the Swedish nobleman who last year gave his library to the university. The athletic association is publisher. On the faculty are Bros. Morgan Calloway, *Emory*, '81; D. F. Houston, *South Carolina*, '87, and John A. Lomax, *Texas*, '97, the university registrar. The academic seniors number 21, eight of the fifteen men being Greeks (four Phis, two Sigma Chis, one Beta and one Kappa Sigma.) The names of the co-eds. in the class list are preceded by 'Miss.' The academic juniors number 29; the sophomores, 79; the freshmen 226. Bro. Winston, this year at North Carolina, was the first

freshman class president. Bro. Hardy, the delegate to the Columbus convention, whose death was reported in the April SCROLL, was one of the '58 senior laws. The page devoted to his memory tells us that 'he died at the end of a beautiful day—so typical of his life.' There were 84 junior laws, the course being a two-year one. There are 160 medics—30 co-eds. and 130 boys.' The course is a four-year one. In the two-year pharmacy course there are 40. The total number in the university last year was 794, the whole number of co-eds being 190. The faculty numbers 65. Sir Swante Palm bears the title of 'assistant librarian.' $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ heads the fraternity lists with 18 men. The others are: $B \Theta \Pi$, 18; $K \Sigma$, 18; $\Sigma A E$, 14; ΣX , 10; $K A$, 11; ΣN , 9; $X \Phi$, 12; $\Phi \Phi \Phi$, 14; $A T \Omega$, 11. The Phis have 13 resident alumni, being exceeded in this respect by $K \Sigma$ only. $\Theta N E$ is still alive here. In the university are three stray members of $Z \Psi$ (from Cornell, Harvard and North Carolina); two of $\Delta T \Delta$, both from Mississippi; two members of $\Theta \Delta X$ at Dartmouth; one Mississippi $\Delta K E$; one Virginia $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$; one ΨY , credited to Johns Hopkins. There is a medical fraternity. $A M \Pi \Omega$, and two medical ribbon societies flourish. In Σ we note Bro. W. F. Starley and other Phis. There is a club of 28 men, who have attended other universities. Bro. Lomax, our Eta province president, is a member. Bro. Winston is in the german club, and Bro. Hardy was on the musical club. The names of 52 students and alumni who served in the late war are given. They include five young women as trained nurses. Two Phis only are given, the list being incomplete. We note three Phis on the final ball committees. Bro. Creager was editor-in-chief of the *Magazine*. Bro. Lomax was business manager of the *University Record*. Several Phis belong to the men's literary society. Texas belongs to the southern inter-collegiate athletic association, which now has 19 members. Bro. Houston is faculty member of the athletic council and chairman thereof. The foot ball coaches were from Dartmouth and Princeton, and the average age of the team was 21.4, but one man being under 20 and two-thirds being from the law school. Bros. Moore and Winston were on the nine. Pictures of the battleship *Texas* and her commander are given. The co-ed. is evidently a strong factor in Texas society, judging from the literary contributions. The 'finis' illustration is good—a candle burned down and flickering out.

The *Ariel* is this year dedicated to Mr. W. Seward Webb, president of the Wagner Palace Car Co., a trustee and bene-

factor of the University of Vermont, and resident of Burlington. None of the older chapters is represented on the board of editors, except one of the locals. Among the alumni who have died in the last year we note two Phis, Bros. E. C. Lane, '82, and H. M. C. Chase, '88. On the faculty are Bros. Doten, '95, and Eno, *Brown*, '95. Of the four class presidents three belong to A T Ω, and one is a non-fraternity man. The fraternities number: Δ I (local), 13 (20 resident alumni); Σ Φ, 16 (24 resident alumni); Δ Ψ (local), 19 (27 resident alumni); Φ Δ ⊙, 26 (17 resident alumni); A T Ω, 18 (10 *in urbe*); K Σ, 24 (4 *in urbe*); Σ N, 20 (1 *in urbe*). The sororities are K A ⊙, 17; Δ Δ Δ, 13; Π B Φ, 14. In the medical department are Δ M (local), A K K and ⊙ N E. Φ Ψ is a pharmaceutical fraternity. Bros. Jackson and Sabin belong to Δ M. Φ B K has three resident Phis, and Bro. Ray was chosen from '98. Bro. Beebe is sergeant-major of the battalion. Bro. Blair is a first lieutenant, and there are five Phis among the non-coms. Bro. Andrews is manager of the musical clubs, and Bro. Blair, who was delegate to Columbus, is director of the glee club. Four of the sixteen members of the latter are Phis, and Bro. Blair is also on the university quartette. The Dartmouth and Vermont clubs gave a joint concert at Burlington last winter. Bro. R. E. Beebe was business manager of the *Cynic*. Bro. Ufford was treasurer of the Y. M. C. A., and Bros. Peck and Ufford two of the five delegates to Northfield. Vermont is an all-around chapter, for along with the preceding we find Bros. Blair and Morse on the cotillion club. Bro. Blair is president of the French club and leader of the chapel choir. The Phis are represented in the departmental clubs and societies and on the official staff of both political clubs. A portrait of Senator Morrill is given. Phis were on the committee for the military and the sophomore hops, and there were three on the freshman banquet toast list, to say nothing of their prominence in the minstrel show. The two lower classes banqueted last year at Plattsburgh. At '98's class day Bro. Ray had the president's address (we may add that Bro. Dodge was '01's freshman president), and Bro. Patrick was boulder orator. The Howe twins took special honors at commencement, and Bro. Andrews the junior prize for progress. In athletics Phis were secretary of the athletic association, manager of the nine, left fielder, captains of two class nines, manager of one, right end on the eleven, captain of the sophomore eleven and players on nearly all class teams. Bro. Beebe was tennis

director. Two pages of snap shots of Vermont volunteers are given, and several scenes from student life. The kodak is destined to do much in the evolution of the annual. The last page has a cut of Satan consigning the '00 *Ariel* to the flames.

The twelfth volume of *Corks and Curls*, like the tenth, the last with which we were favored, is quite an artistic triumph. The half-tones are charming, and several of the original drawings are far above the average. The literary department has more finish than we sometimes see, too. On the faculty we find Bros. Hedges and H. D. Furniss in the medical department. At commencement Bros. Siler and Sutherland took degrees in medicine. Bro. McLester was historian of the medics. The fraternities at Virginia are: $\Phi K \Sigma$, 1 academic, 7 laws, 7 medics; $\Delta K E$, 8 academics, 3 laws, 4 medics; $\Phi K \Psi$, 9 academics, 2 laws, 3 medics; $B \Theta \Pi$, 7 academics, 7 laws, 6 medics; $X \Phi$, 6 academics, 4 laws, 2 medics; $\Sigma A E$, 9 academics, 2 laws, 3 medics; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 9 academics, 7 laws, 3 medics; $\Delta \Psi$, 8 academics, 2 laws, 3 medics; $K \Sigma$, 2 academics, 6 laws, 5 medics; ΣX , 5 academics, 5 laws, 10 medics; $A T \Omega$, 5 academics, 8 laws, 5 medics; $Z \Psi$, 6 academics, 3 laws, 5 medics; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 4 academics, 4 laws, 8 medics; $K A$, 5 academics, 10 laws, 5 medics; $\Delta T \Delta$, 6 academics, 7 medics; $M \Pi \Lambda$, 3 laws, 3 medics. Besides these we have $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, ΠM and $\Lambda \Pi$ in the law, medical and academic departments, respectively. Bro. H. D. Furniss is a ΠM . Bro. Eugene Davis has the presidency of the general athletic association, the highest honor in the university. The whole student body votes in his election, and a man must have personal popularity and strong political influence to win. Bro. Davis was again left guard on the eleven, and was offered the captaincy at the close of the last season, but declined it. Bro. Carter was a pitcher on the nine. Washington and Jefferson have given their names to the two rival literary societies. Bro. Lea was vice-president of the former and on its final ball committee. Bro. Walke is secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Bro. Lea was the Phi editor of *Corks and Curls*. We learn from an editorial that this last honor comes unsought at Virginia—that when the chapters want to choose their representatives they almost invariably select an absent member, who thus can not decline. It is then very difficult to persuade two of those chosen to accept the leading positions. We have excellent reproductions in colors of the ribbons of Eli Banana, T. I. L. K. A. and Z. To the first and last Bro. Davis belongs, and to the

second Bro. Hedges. Bros. Price and Burrow are in the dramatic club. The German club is accompanied by a charming full page half-tone of the Virginia girls, in Easter hats and light dresses, as they came down for the Easter dance. Bro. H. D. Furniss belongs to the cotillion club. Phis are numerous in the state clubs, and we notice some who are not active members of Virginia Beta. Bros. Frederick and Martin, from Georgia, and Foot, from Louisiana, are among them. In the Episcopal High-School club (of Alexandria, Va.), which represents the source from which some of Virginia's and W. and L.'s very best men come, we find four Phis. The 'want' column begins: 'Wanted—A new faculty.' The last few pages are filled with pen drawings of animals with marked characteristics, on which half-tone heads of well-known students are placed. The closing illustration is a sunset on a marshy plain, with some lonely waterfowl dozing on one leg in the foreground.

The Hanover juniors have rejected the name (*Quid*) used by last year's class and gone back to *The Crowe*, which was the title of the first annual issued by the college, several years ago. The book is dedicated to the alumni, and the editor-in-chief, as last year, is a Phi—Bro. F. S. Deibler. Bro. E. T. Sherman is art editor. Among the trustees are four Phis, and Bro. Sherman is director of the gymnasium. Dr. Crowe, for whom the annual is named, was the founder of the school from which the college sprang. An interesting history of the institution and a biography of Dr. Crowe are given. The present president (since 1879) is Dr. D. W. Fisher, a $\Phi K \Psi$, whose sons are prominent in ΣX . Photographs of all the presidents are given. The scenery in the limestone hills along the Ohio is romantic to a high degree and furnishes many fine illustrations. Considerable space here, as in the Purdue and other annuals, is devoted to matter descriptive of the work in the various departments. In the senior class of thirteen there are two Phis (both officers), three Betas, three Fijis, one ΣX . There are 15 juniors, 26 sophs, 43 freshmen. On the page labeled 'preps' we find this: 'In the search for matter for this annual the editors were not compelled to go outside of the college proper.' ΣX , however, enrolls three men in '03. The literary societies seem to flourish. The Betas, Phis and Sigs belong to one, and the Fijis to the other. It is related of the former society that when the college was removed in 1843 to Madison, which is the railroad station for Hanover, six miles away by stage, the members became discontented with the

change and moved back to Hanover before the college decided to do so. A K X is a new senior society. It included all the Greeks in '99 and has pledged one from each chapter in '00. The fraternities are B @ Π, 12; Σ X, 11 (besides three preps); Φ Γ Δ, 12; Φ Δ @, 10. K A @ has 11. This leaves 41 outside of fraternities—20 men and 20 co-eds. In athletics Bro. Demaree was treasurer of the association, Bro. Oldfather captain of the eleven and manager of the track team. The latter was also state champion in tennis. This won four events out of twelve on field day, had one man on the nine and two on the eleven. The increased size of the lower classes, the new building and the two successive editions of the annual show that Hanover is making steady progress. Indiana Epsilon is near the front of the procession.

The *Mirage* of the class of '00 is the first De Pauw has issued since 1897, and so covers the events of two years, as do the *Bijou* and the *Sombrero*. It is dedicated to De Pauw orators who have won in the state and inter-state contests. There are five of these double winners. One is a Phi—J. H. Wilkerson, '89; one is Indiana's new senator, A. J. Beveridge, '85, and Δ K E. One is a young woman and a K K Γ. The editorial board give us their baby pictures along with the others. Bro. J. E. Thomas is editor-in-chief. Bro. Stults was business manager of the last issue. A review of previous volumes covers some space, showing that the first came out in 1887 and that there have been but two classes that have undertaken an issue after but twelve months' interval. The university song, 'In Praise of Old De Pauw,' appears. This was a source of much acrimonious discussion because of a song closely resembling it which was adopted by Indiana University, De Pauw's near and bitter rival. Among the trustees is Bro. Geo. F. Keiper. On the faculty we find Bros. Andrew Stephenson, '82, and John M. Walker, '96, both members of Φ B K. President Gobin is a B @ Π. Among the tutors are Bros. Foxworthy, '99; Peters, '98; Takasugi, '96. Bro. Smith is vice-president of '99; Bro. Campbell, treasurer of '00; Bro. Cartwright, president of '01; Bro. Bryan, vice-president of '02. No capitals are used in setting up the names of the freshmen. The Phis do not seem to go in for military honors, but they capture the others. The sororities precede the fraternities. They are K A @ (founded at De Pauw), 31, with 28 resident alumnæ and 2 in the faculty; K K Γ, 21, with 16 *in urbe* and one on the faculty; A Φ, 14, with 9 *in urbe*; A X Ω (founded at De Pauw—musical), 21, with 6 *in urbe*; Φ M E (founded at De Pauw—musical),

20 (3 *in urbe*). The fraternities are B © II, 18 (9 *in urbe*); Δ K E, 22 (4 *in urbe*); Φ Δ ©, 21 (8 *in urbe*); Φ Γ Δ, 11 (10 *in urbe*); Φ K Ψ, 21 (6 *in urbe*); Σ X, 13 (11 *in urbe*); Δ T Δ, 7 (5 *in urbe*); Δ Y, 17; Σ N, 12. In the roll of Φ B K we find 16 Phis. Two of the three faculty athletic directors are Phis, Bro. Stephenson being treasurer of the association. There was one Phi on the eleven, and Phis won seven of the thirteen track events, Bro. Roller being captain of the track team. Much space is devoted to De Pauw's record in oratory. Since 1875 she has won twelve state and five interstate contests. Pictures are given of the last three professors of oratory, all Phis—Wilkerson, '89; Priest, '91; Walker, '96. Bros. Wilkerson and Bastian are the Phis among the orators. In debate De Pauw has thrice overthrown Indiana, but lost this year to Butler, whose team was led by a Phi, R. W. Hobbs. A forensic club has been organized by Bro. Walker; ten Phis are members. Phis are numerous in the departmental societies. Bro. Cartwright is treasurer of the Y. M. C. A. Three Phis appear among the charter members of © N E, but none among the undergraduates. Among these we find members of Δ T Δ, B © II and non-secret Δ Y. Bros. Smith and Thomas are on the *Palladium* (weekly) board. There are various freak societies with Greek names, one claiming chapters in five Indiana institutions, and alumni associations in the penitentiaries and reformatories. The leader and all but one member of the mandolin club are Phis, as are the manager and five members of the glee club. Pictures are given of students from India, Switzerland, China and Japan. Two are in native costume. It is brought out in one of the jokes that the Dekes arranged to give a reception in honor of Bishop Fowler, but had to call it off when he came, as he turned out to be a B © II. Another tells how a member of Φ K Ψ gave his two pins to two different girls to wear. This is the conclusion :

'Willie had two frat. pins; thought the joke immense.
Willie has no girls now, but he has more sense.'

The cap-and-gown row, which resulted in the absence of a part of the senior class from the commencement stage, receives full notice. The fraternities are defined as parts of speech. Φ Δ © is a collective noun, Δ K E is a personal pronoun of the first person, Δ T Δ is an indefinite article. The social regulations are soundly scored. Among alumni contributions, of which there are several, we note two by Bros. Frank I. Walker, '96, and T. C. Hopkins, '87. The co-ed gets into all of the stories and verse, with few exceptions.

The *Savitar* is dedicated to company I, which was made up almost entirely of student volunteers, officered largely by Phis and captained by George H. English, Jr., '97. Bro. Broderick is business manager of this issue. On the Missouri faculty we find Bros. Updegraff (recently appointed professor of mathematics in the navy) and Cary. President Jesse is a Σ X. Professor Ayers, a Δ Y, is now president of the University of Cincinnati. Bro. Smiley, *Westminster*, '97, is now with Missouri Alpha, and president of the freshman medics. Bro. Ruffner is vice-president and secretary of the junior engineers. Bro. Edmunds is major of the cadet battalion, Bro. Ruffner is a lieutenant, and there are four Phi non-coms. Considerable attention is paid at Missouri to debating. Bro. English, delegate to Columbus, has won many laurels in both debate and oratory. Two Phis are in the dramatic club and two in the senior society, Q E B H. Bro. Broderick is secretary of the athletic association. Φ Δ ⊙ leads the fraternity lists with 23 in the university and 11 *in urbe*. Σ A E has 19 (3 *in urbe*); Σ N, 17 (4 *in urbe*); B ⊙ II, 17 (17 *in urbe*); K A, 13 (2 *in urbe* and 3 'associate' members); K Σ, 12; Σ X, 18. There are two Phis in Φ Δ Φ; ⊙ N E claims 5. K K Γ has 15 members. II B Φ has since been established. The professional departments receive a liberal share of text and illustrations. Under the head of 'wanted' we find one man wishing to exchange his 'faculty to fascinate college girls for initiation into Φ Δ ⊙.' The advertisements are liberally interspersed with illustrations of college scenes.

The fifth volume of the *Differential*, like the fourth, has a Phi as editor-in-chief. Bro. Backus is secretary of the editorial board, of which Bro. Nissen is the head. In the faculty list we find Bros. Carter, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '92, and Springsteen, *Case*, '97. This is a better faculty representation than any of the other Case chapters have. The earlier pages of the annual are devoted to a history of the school's growth and to the description of its work by departments—the usual plan in annuals of technical schools. In the class of '99 three of the six officers, including the president, are Phis. The other three are non-fraternity men. In '00 two out of six positions go to Φ Δ ⊙ and the others to non-fraternity men. In '01 the president, secretary and treasurer are Phis; the other officers non-fraternity men. None of the freshman officers are fraternity men yet. The seniors number 41, the juniors 46, the sophomores 55, the freshmen 71. There are nine graduate students. Z Ψ, in spite of her

strong body of forty-seven resident alumni, continues weak, with but five members. ΛK (local) shows up well with thirteen men. $\Omega \Psi$ (local), who has been very unfortunate in losing undergraduate members, has but two representatives. Our own chapter has nineteen men, and the number of resident alumni is now 56. Three of the eight members of $\Theta N E$ belong to $Z \Psi$; the rest to no fraternity. A page is given to the memory of Bro. A. W. Diebold, who died in February of this year. Bro. Braggins is a member of the student senate. Bro. Bassett is on the *Integral* board. Three of the chapter are enrolled in the Y. M. C. A. Two of the seven Case men who went to war were Phis; both were non commissioned officers. The Phis keep up their interest in the camera club. As last year, this club furnishes a photograph of Western Reserve—Case's rival across the street—taken from a point of view which brings the warning sign 'SLOW!' intended for passing motormen, directly above the Adelbert main building. Half the student officers of the athletic association are Phis. The captain of the Case track team was a Phi, as were two others of the point-winning members of the team. Bro. Jones made the best record for Case against Western Reserve, and holds two Case records, Bro. Braggins holding another. Bro. Nieding was captain of the eleven, on which Bros. Quarrie and Ammon also played. Bros. Gifford and Cline were prominent in tennis. Bro. Jones was manager of the nine, of which Bros. Braggins, Diebold and Quarrie were members. Bro. Gleason was gymnasium instructor. At the annual school reception two of the four student members of the reception committee were Phis. Bro. Stephan was one of the members of the glee club. Adelbert college comes in for another roast in a snap shot of a kindergarten wagon standing before its front door. To 'spike' at Case evidently means to neglect study. As in very many other annuals, a comic calendar is run at the top and bottom of the advertising pages.

We had understood that out of deference to California's prior claim, Franklin was intending this year to change the title of her annual from *Blue and Gold* to *Gold and Blue*. It was not done, however, and with the Sewanee-Chicago conflict we have two cases of duplicated titles. The Franklin juniors dedicate their book to President W. T. Stott of the college, a Phi of the class of '61. Like the *Debris* and the *Drift*, this book comes from the Hollenbeck press, THE SCROLL'S printer. On the board of editors we find Bro.

Covert and Bro. Holman, whose sad death was reported in the last issue of *THE SCROLL*. We have a picture of the proposed library building to be erected from a fund just raised with the assistance of John D. Rockefeller. Besides President Stott, we find on the faculty Bros. Hall, Owen, Goodell and Parker. Dr. Stott and Bro. C. M. Carter are on the board of directors. Bro. Goodell, '88, and Bro. Owen, '78, are president and secretary, respectively, of the alumni association. In a conclusive article Dr. Stott shows that a college is the best thing in which a man of wealth can invest his money. The editor-in-chief this year is a member of Webster literary society, an anti-fraternity organization of considerable strength at Franklin. The literary societies, consequently, precede the fraternities in the make-up of the book. The society to which the fraternity men and women belong is the Periclesian. A full-page illustration is given of the Phi orchestra. Bro. Wilson was business manager of the *Kodak*, Bro. Slack associate editor, and Bro. Covert a member of the publication board. Bro. Slack was secretary of the oratorical association, and Bro. Holman president of the state oratorical association. Bro. Parker was director of the glee club, Bro. Demaree business manager, and the accompanists were both Phis. Bro. Parker was also on the college quartette. The glee club gave eighteen concerts and had six Phi members. The co-eds come out strong in class offices, but the Phis have their share. The sororities are placed first in the chapter lists and number: $\Pi B \Phi$, 21; $A \Gamma A$ (local), 16. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has thirteen active members, with nine pledged and thirty resident alumni. $\Sigma A E$ has 16 active members, four pledged and two resident alumni. Bro. Covert was president of the athletic association, and Bro. Edwards treasurer. Bro. Wilson was manager of the eleven, on which two Phis played. There were three Phis on the nine and two on the track team. Bro. Wilson was president of the bicycle club, and there was a tennis club made up exclusively of Phis. Frequent references are made to a skirmish between the glee club and certain of the inhabitants of one of the towns in which they gave a concert. The following would apply, we believe, to other institutions where there is a preparatory department: "Well, Minnie, now that I have been initiated, may I drop my freshman work? You said it would be all right if I took it for three days."

The Gettysburg *Spectrum* has two noteworthy new features. One is a literary record of Gettysburg's alumni—their contributions to literature. The list is long and highly

creditable. Most of the books are on religious subjects, and most of the contributions to religious periodical literature, though some deal with medicine and other sciences, and a few are historical and purely literary. Many of the alumni seem to have become editors. Among those named in this record are several Phis: Rev. J. C. Jacoby, '76; Rev. H. M. Lentz, '78; Rev. J. C. F. Rupp, '78; Rev. Dr. J. B. Fox, '80; Rev. H. H. Weber, '82; Rev. H. L. Yarger, '83; Rev. Geo. E. Faber, '84. The other special feature is a record of Gettysburg men in the late war, giving all the details of their enlistment and service. There are 28, three of them Phis—Lieut. T. B. Seigle, '86. Ensign W. H. Ulsh, '90; Lieut. H. E. Gettier, '93. Gettysburg makes a special feature each year in the *Spectrum* and the college paper of alumni statistics and news. There can be no doubt that this policy insures strong alumni interest in college enterprises. The Pen and Sword society, founded by an alumnus, and made up of those designated by general vote as benefactors of the institution, has done much in the last year or two to rouse college spirit and bring the alumni into closer touch with *alma mater*. It has established prizes, made contributions, arranged inter-collegiate contests, revived the literary societies and the alumni associations. This is an honorable record. Of the seven members of the society, from the class of '99 two are Phis—Bros. Beerits and Klinefelter. Elections are announced on Washington's birthday, when some alumnus member delivers an address. Bro. Markel is associate editor of the *Spectrum* and president of the junior class. The classes number: senior, 33; junior, 42; sophomore, 54; freshman, 49. There are 3 graduate students, 6 special, 35 preparatory and 39 theological—261 in all. Co-eds are still scarce. There is one in '99, one in '00 and one in '02. There are 3 among the preps. and 4 among the specials. They are not despised, however. Three belong to the dramatic club and one is on the *Spectrum* board. The fraternities are: $\Phi K \Psi$, 8; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 18; ΣX , 10 (besides 2 preps); $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 9 (besides 2 in the seminary); $A T \Omega$, 9. $\Sigma A E$ had not yet appeared. The resident and seminary Phis seem to be still interested, as they are almost always photographed with the chapter. The chapter is well represented in literary societies, debate and the Y. M. C. A. Bro. Ott is on the glee club and Bro. Huber on the mandolin club. Bro. Keller is on the *Gettysburgian* staff. Bro. Beerits is president of the athletic association, and Bro. Bickel is on the track team. The Phis play good tennis, but lose out by

a small margin to $\Phi K \Psi$. The local societies are the Druids and $B K \Sigma$, to the latter of which one Phi belongs.

This is the first issue of the *Mélange* that has come from Lafayette to the present editor of THE SCROLL. It is published by the junior class, on whose board of editors are representatives of each fraternity (Bro. Hubley for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$) and four non-fraternity men. Lafayette enrolled last year 47 seniors, 26 being Greeks; 53 juniors (29 in fraternities); 89 sophomores (42 Greeks); 84 freshmen (45 fraternity men)—a total, including 32 graduate students, of 305. Of these 206 are from Pennsylvania, 44 from New Jersey and 22 from New York. The lone Japanese student belongs to $\Phi K \Psi$, the Brazilian to $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, the Cuban to $\Delta K E$. The chapters are $\Delta K E$, 19 (14 *in urbe*); $Z \Psi$, 11 (27 *in urbe*); $\Theta \Delta X$, 13 (11 *in urbe*); $\Phi K \Psi$, 22 (10 *in urbe*); $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 17 (9 *in urbe*); $X \Phi$, 19 (32 *in urbe*); $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 21 (17 *in urbe*); ΔY , 20 (12 *in urbe*). Among the alumni on the board of trustees we note three Phis: Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, '77, H. G. C.; C. Ph. Bassett, '83, who was P. G. C. in 1886-'89, and James R. Hogg, '78. With each chapter list is given the name of the fraternity's magazine. $Z \Psi$ claims the *Z \Psi Quarterly*, and $X \Phi$ the *Chackett* and *X \Phi Year Book*. The Phi chapter list credits us with 70 chapters, including the dead ones at Roanoke, Richmond, Wooster, Southern, Buchtel, Illinois Wesleyan, Hillsdale and Lansing, and omitting the new ones at Chicago and Cincinnati. Bro. Hubley belongs to $\Theta N E$ and Bro. Bray to ΦN , which seems to be a freshman society. $Z \Psi$ has an engraving to accompany her chapter list, which is as badly overloaded as the time-honored Beta picture described by Bro. Palmer in his review in this issue. The Phis seem to divide their allegiance about equally between the two literary societies, Franklin and Washington. These societies hold annual prize contests in oratory for juniors and in debate for seniors. The Y. M. C. A. has a large Phi contingent. Indeed, the chapter seems to have one or more men in every organization. Bro. Hultgren leads the mandolin club. Bro. Pierce is manager of the nine, and Bro. Bray is captain of the eleven that has won such fame this year by defeating Pennsylvania and Cornell. Bro. P. H. Davis was coach of the '98 team, and Bros. Rosenberger and Pierce were also members of it. Lafayette's foot ball record is given in full, showing how she defeated U. of P. and Annapolis and tied Princeton and U. of P. under the coaching of Bro. Davis. It will be seen from the foregoing that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is easily the athletic chapter at Lafayette. On

this year's nine Bros. Hubley and Bray played. Under Bro. Pierce's management, Cornell, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Yale and Harvard were defeated in 1898. Bros. Bray and Hagney are on the track team, and Bro. Hubley is captain of the junior nine which defeated all the other classes. Bro. Hagney was a member of the winning team in the class relay race. Two pages of verse and a picture are devoted to Bro. Bray's kicking, which won the Lehigh Thanksgiving game, and his home-run in a base ball game with Pennsylvania receives further mention. Another Lafayette Phi who comes in for a page of verse and a picture is R. G. Holmes, '00, who first raised the American flag over the captured outposts of Manila. It is stated that a full length portrait of the gallant color-sergeant of the First Colorado is to be placed in the state-house at Denver. The *Melange* poet, who is very versatile, also pays his respects to 'The Pardee Hall Firebug,' Professor Stephens.

Volume VII of the *Corolla*, like volume V, has a Phi editor-in-chief, Bro. F. C. Owen, who will be remembered as delegate to the Columbus convention from Alabama Alpha. The editor complains of restrictive rules, this year abolished, which killed athletics by not allowing teams to play away from home. The passing of hazing, as the result of an inter-fraternity agreement, is also noted. On the faculty are two Phis: H. A. Sayre, '86, and W. B. Saffold, '87. The military organization at Alabama is extremely important, and all group pictures abound in uniforms; we miss, however, in the roster of cadet officers, the Phis who have always looked after that line of activity so well, as is shown by the chapter's wonderful record in the war with Spain. The Alabama co-eds now number 23, and seem to be well received. The fraternities are: $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 18 (4 of these in law); $\Sigma A E$, 20 (2 in law); $\Delta K E$, 24 (2 laws); ΣN , 17 (2 laws and 2 graduates); $A T \Omega$, 8; $K A$, 13 (5 laws). $A T \Omega$ (12), $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ (8) and ΣN (8) have the most resident alumni. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and ΣN have the best representation on the faculty. Bro. Owen is manager of the nine, of which Bros. Forman and Clements are members. There are three Phis on the track team. The german clubs claim about half the chapter. Judging from the literary department, society is cultivated extensively at Alabama. Bro. Forman was voted the most popular cadet. Among Alabama's distinguished alumni, as enumerated by the *Corolla*, we find several Phis: A. A. Evans, '85, judge of the third circuit; W. W. Quarles, '87, solicitor of the fourth circuit; W. B. Oliver, '87, solicitor of the sixth circuit; A. M. Garber, '86, solicitor of the

city court of Talladega; S. C. Jenkins, '89, in the state senate; G. W. L. Smith, '91, and A. M. Tunstall, '83, in the house of representatives.

The *Kaldron*, like the *Corolla*, is edited by the senior class. Bro. F. B. Stolzenbach is editor-in-chief. Allegheny, by faculty decree, has seen the last of $\Theta N E$, as the annual is 'affectionally dedicated' to its memory. In the faculty list we find Prof. W. A. Elliott, '89, Bro. C. F. Ross, '91, assistant professor, Bro. H. H. Wright, *Amherst*, '98, physical instructor, and Bro. D. B. Casteel, '99, assistant in biology. President Crawford is a member of $\Phi K \Psi$. Last year there were 33 seniors, of whom 9 belonged to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 6 to $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 2 to $\Sigma A E$ and 3 to $K A \Theta$. The juniors number but 24, and it would seem that several of the members of '99 have completed the course by extra work in three years. The sophomores number 39 and the freshmen 62, of whom 18 belong to fraternities and 11 to sororities. There are 13 specials and a large number of preparatory students. Three lonely members of $\Delta T \Delta$ survive, and that fraternity has no chapter list. The fraternity lists are preceded by a hand of four cards, in which clubs are badges of $\Theta N E$; diamonds, of $\Sigma A E$; spades, adaptations of the badges of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and $\Phi K \Psi$. The drawing is by Bro. Casteel. The chapters enroll: $\Phi K \Psi$, 13 (and 2 pledged); $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 14 (1 pledged); $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 17 (2 pledged); $\Sigma A E$, 15, of whom 4 are preps. The sorority badges are still further 'adapted,' $K A \Theta$ to a diamond, $K K \Gamma$ to a club (the fleur de lys), and so on. $K A \Theta$ has 16 members, and $K K \Gamma$ 14 (4 of them special students). $A X \Omega$ flourishes in the musical department, and there are two local sororities. The whole Phi chapter seems to belong to the Y. M. C. A., and Bro. A. R. Elliott is president, as Bro. Swisher was last year and Bro. Weyand the year before. Bro. Swisher won the oratorical contest in April and represented Allegheny in the western Pennsylvania and West Virginia inter-collegiate contest, composed of Geneva, Waynesburg, Thiel, Bethany, Westminster, Allegheny and West Virginia University. The manager, assistant manager and three members of the glee club are Phis. Nearly all the Phis belong to the Philo-Franklin literary society, of which Bros. Wilkinson and Swisher were presidents during the year, with Bro. Phillips chosen for this fall. Bro. Phillips was editor-in-chief of the *Campus*. There were three Phis on the eleven and two on the crack basket ball team, which defeated all the teams in western Pennsylvania. Of the latter Bro. Wolstoncroft was captain and Bro. Lampe captain-elect. The Phis play good tennis, too. Of twelve

speakers at commencement, 1898, three were Phis and seven co-eds. In the literary department we find Mr. Dooley for the first time this season. He will probably figure extensively this year, in place of the Yellow Kid and Chimmie Fadden. A large number of the literary pages are from Phi pens.

The Colby *Oracle* for 1899, the 33d volume, after a dedication to ex-President Pepper and a brief greeting, goes into the fraternity lists, letting the faculty and classes come in later. $\Delta K E$ enrolls 25 members, with 15 *in urbe*; $Z \Psi$ has 17, 21 *in urbe*; ΔY has 21, 10 *in urbe*; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has 20, 3 *in urbe*, one being Prof. A. J. Roberts, '90; $A T \Omega$ has 16, 6 *in urbe*. There is one stray ΨY and one $\Theta \Delta X$. Barbarians are almost unknown, there being but one in '99, one in '00, 4 in '01 and 5 in '02. Among the women students ΣK and $B \Phi$ flourish, as well as a senior sorority, $K A$. President Butler is a member of $\Delta K E$. Bros. Browne and Linscott were elected to $\Phi B K$ from '99. Bro. Towne is president of the athletic association, and Bro. Brown of the class of '99. There are two Phis on the eleven, which won from the University of Maine and lost to Bates, Brown and Bowdoin, after winning the pennant in 1897. The nine, however, won the state college championship. Bro. Chase won the cup in the cross-country run. There are Phis on the orchestra, on the mandolin and guitar clubs, and on the glee club. Bro. Towne is an editor of the *Echo*, and Bro. Doughty represents $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the *Oracle*. Bro. Towne was on the junior prom. committee. Another rival of Mr. Dooley *et al.* appears here in Sir John Mandeville, Kt., who writes a letter in old English to his friend Baron Munchausen, telling him how they do things at Colby. President Butler, in a review of the year's work, comments on the change of name from Colby University to Colby College, on the revision of the curriculum, so as to make Greek and Latin elective above the freshman year, on the erection of a chemical laboratory—all marked steps in advance for the institution.

After the form containing the names of the annuals to be reviewed had been printed, the Lehigh *Epitome* arrived. This is the first time the present editor has been thus favored by Pennsylvania Eta, and as the book has many points of interest we shall add a paragraph in its honor. The junior class dedicates volume XXIV to Prof. Benjamin W. Frazier. We find in the faculty list Bro. W. S. Franklin, *Kansas*, '87, as professor of physics and electrical engineering. Another professor well known to fraternity men is Dr. C. L. Thornburg, for many years treasurer of

B © II. There are 44 resident members of the faculty. The graduate students number 21 and the specials 7. There are 54 seniors, 87 juniors, 80 sophomores, 76 freshmen—325 in all. Of these the fraternities enroll 5 graduate students, 33 seniors, 46 juniors, 38 sophomores, 30 freshmen—152 in all. It will be thus seen that non-fraternity men are much more numerous in Lehigh than is generally supposed. The stray Greeks belong to A T Ω (2), Φ K Σ (2), Σ A E and K Σ. The chapters number: X Φ, 6; Δ T Δ, 10; Φ Δ ©, 10; Δ Φ, 9; Ψ Y, 15; © Δ X, 13; Δ Y, 12 and 2 graduates; Σ N, 12; Φ Γ Δ, 12; Σ Φ, 7; Σ X, 9, and 3 graduates; B © II, 6 (no freshmen); K A, 9; X Ψ, 11. The only chapter that has succumbed in the struggle for existence in the last few years is A T Ω, Φ K Σ having fallen out in 1887. Φ Δ © and Δ T Δ, which were originally established at Lehigh in 1876 and 1874 respectively, are not given the order and the dates to which they are entitled, being dated from the year of re-establishment and arranged accordingly. The Phi chapter is the best balanced of all in its membership by classes and has its share of honors. Bro. Becerra is left guard on the eleven, as in the two preceding seasons; Bro. Wilkinson is president of '01 and a member of the sophomore cotillion club; Bro. A. T. Brice is treasurer of '00; Bro. Leroux is on the mandolin club; Bro. Grubbs is on the track team, as are Bros. J. J. and A. T. Brice, making 3 Phis on a team of 14 men. The Phis are also represented in the Y. M. C. A., the debating society and other organizations. Nine of the ten members live in the chapter house. But half of the fraternities are represented on the faculty, Ψ Y having 5, B © II, Φ Γ Δ and Δ Y 2 each, and Φ Δ ©, K A and X Ψ 1 each. Σ Φ, Ψ Y and © Δ X are strongest in resident alumni. Φ Δ © is a little below the average with 3. The attendance from Spanish-America is large, 21 students being enrolled. Of these 4 belong to Δ Y and 1 to Φ Δ ©. Bro. Becerra is from Venezuela. Peru, Ecuador, Brazil, Venezuela, Nicaragua, Mexico, Cuba and Porto Rico are represented.

This closes the list for the college year of 1898-'99. The issues of the present year will be appearing or well under way before this review reaches our readers. Some will probably pronounce it inexcusably long, and so it is, doubtless. We trust, however, that what we have chosen as of special interest may prove so to others beside the editor. He wishes to thank each of his friends, the reporter or editor or manager, who has so generously remembered THE SCROLL and to bespeak a repetition of the favor. The thirty-four volumes before us make a handsome and valuable addition to the fraternity library.

EDITORIAL.

THE TEMPTATION to delay publication of this issue until a letter could be secured for it from every college chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has been responsible for a certain tardiness in appearance. But after the earnest fraternity man has finished his reading of these sixty-four reports we believe he will agree that they were worth waiting for. They show that the chapters have commenced the year with spirit and industry; there has never been a more uniformly vigorous rushing season in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. The increased attendance at practically every Phi college and university has been partly responsible for this, in furnishing abundant material, but the energy which has been displayed in seizing the opportunity has been roused, we think, by a better understanding of fraternity problems and policy on the part of the chapters, and by patient and earnest work on the part of province presidents, general officers and other alumni in cultivating this understanding. Hence we feel a satisfaction in reviewing the season's successes that looks into the future. We expect to have very little trouble this year with chapters who try to drone 'conservatism' as an excuse for laziness. The chapters, practically without exception, deserve the congratulations and gratitude of the officers and the alumni, for the earnest and intelligent manner in which they have gone about the selection of four hundred new Phis. The fall campaign has been an unqualified success.

IT GOES without saying that this must not be the end of the season's rushing. Good men, men who develop, overlooked in the contest for those who showed up well at the outset, are to be found in every college in the winter and spring terms. The chapter that says it wants no more men is fatally blind. So long as there are good men outside of it, men who are excellent fraternity material, the chapter needs more members. The men just initiated will gain valuable experience by helping to rush these mid-year in-

initiates. Give the freshmen a humble share in this, as in every other form of chapter work. Get them ready for the fraternity examination; put one new man on every committee. In forming your plans for next year's rushing the freshmen will be able to give you much information and possibly a little advice. Don't give them reason to believe that the work of the chapter for the year is over, simply because six or eight men have been initiated.

TO ENGAGE a chapter's superfluous energy no work is more fascinating or more profitable than house hunting or building. If a rented house has already been secured the theme should be how best to buy a lot and build a house. If in the past energy has been devoted to making excuses, to lauding the glories of a hall with a hard-wood floor, to poking fun at rival chapters who have taken the best thing they could find in the way of a house while looking for something better—if the chapter, in other words, is not up to date, the topic for serious discussion should be which house to choose of those available. January 1 is an excellent time to take a house. It usually marks the beginning of a term and new boarding arrangements; it is an excellent opportunity to get the freshmen in with the upper-class men, who are probably rooming together already. Iowa expects to begin the new year in a house of her own. Indianapolis is to be back in the ranks. Ohio is hopeful, and Iowa Wesleyan is aroused. If you really lack a plan, write to President Moore, or to your province president. Study the September *Palladium*.

OUR THREE conventions in Alpha, Epsilon and Zeta provinces were notable events. At each there was a large attendance, an interesting series of sessions, a roud of delightful social functions. Each was attended by the province president and by at least one member of the general council. And they do say that these senior members seemed to enjoy the occasion in every respect more than any one else. Delta province should have a meeting soon without fail, as Theta is sure to do, and when spring comes we hope

to hear from Gamma and Beta, if not from Eta. At these province meetings there is more time than at a national convention for discussion of questions of chapter policy, chapter finances, the secret work, house plans and problems. We are pleased to hear how the delegates came with note-book and pencil and recorded every item of interest and value to the home chapter, to report it on their return.

IT SEEMED last year that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ had made an unusual record in athletics, but this year goes farther. Cornell's team, captained again by a Phi (who has just received the unusual honor of a re-election), defeated Princeton and Columbia, who had defeated Yale. Cornell, in turn, fell before Bro. Bray's team from Lafayette, which defeated Pennsylvania as well. Princeton could score but once on W. & J., captained by Bro. Core. And Iowa, one of the only two teams that so much as tied Chicago during the season, was led by Bro. Eby. Bro. Nieding's team from Case scored on Michigan. And on the Pennsylvania eleven two of the best ground gainers were Bros. Gardiner and Outland (last year's captain). Bro. Johnston, of Illinois, is one of the backs on the all-western eleven. Almost every team a Phi college has sent out has contained, one, two, three or more Phi players. We do not think that foot ball is what men go to college for. We believe its importance has been exaggerated in recent years. We hope to see less time and money devoted to it in the future, fewer hard games played by each team, less talk of championships and all-American elevens; but within proper limits the game is a great one, with benefits in many directions, and those Phis who have trained and toiled with the scrubs and the 'varsity have done good work for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, for *alma mater* and for themselves. We have said before that every Phi owes it to himself, his college and his chapter to take an active part in whatever form of student enterprise he is best fitted for. We are all proud of what our Phi athletes have done. Now let us hear from the debaters and orators and $\Phi \beta \kappa$ men.

AN EVENT of general interest to fraternity men this fall was the death of a student at Cornell while following the directions of a fraternity man who had him in charge preliminary to his initiation. The seriousness of this affair, which many have sought to explain away, is best shown by the fact that the fraternities at Cornell met and passed resolutions approved by the faculty which pledged abstinence from dangerous practices in future initiations. The recklessness and tom-foolery attendant on certain Θ Ν Ε 'initiations' so-called, and on those of certain secret societies which are extra-collegiate, have been gradually taken up as attendant features in the initiation ceremonies of nearly all college fraternities, and of some sororities, even. Hazing has been outlawed by the college only to crop out again in the chapter. There is no more excuse for public parade in ridiculous garb or attitudes of a man about to be initiated than there is for exposing his life or limbs to danger in order that his 'nerve' may be tested or that some would-be joker may have what he calls 'fun' at the expense of another. We hope that this nonsense and recklessness may pass away together. There is no place for them in the ritual of Φ Δ Θ. It is due to wonderful good luck alone that other men besides Edward Fairfax Berkeley have not been killed or injured during initiation pranks. Some Phi chapters have been offenders in various ways, but we trust that this sad lesson which has come now for the second time to Κ Α may prove of final benefit to Φ Δ Θ and other societies. These excesses are no more a necessary part of a fraternity initiation than is hazing essential to a college education or a freshman's experience. It is not the slightest argument against the fraternity system as a system that this accident happened, but it is a conclusive argument against the perpetuation of practices that fraternity men have thoughtlessly picked up and cultivated without realizing their tendency. We can not help laughing at many things we see and hear of in fraternity initiations of the present day, but sober second thought tells us that fraternity life is too good and serious a thing to be begun in ridiculous or in dangerous fashion.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

Colby enters upon the work of its eightieth year under auspicious circumstances. The handsome new chemical building was dedicated in June and occupied for the first time this fall. During the summer Old South College was renovated and fitted with steam heat, lavatory and bath rooms.

The entering class, which numbers about 70, has entered heartily into the different lines of work at Colby. Our various defeats of last year showed to us the need of more college spirit and hard work, and there has been a decided improvement in these lines. Dr. Pepper's resignation on account of failing health is regretted by all. Prof. Hull also leaves us in December; his place will be supplied by Prof. Drisko of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, '95.

The season in foot ball has been disastrous to Colby; our victory over Bowdoin, 6-0, being the only redeeming feature. The formation of class teams is a new departure, and has done much to awaken interest in the game. Bro. Towne is president of the athletic association, captain of his class team, and left tackle on the 'varsity, where we also have Bro. Atchley at guard and Bro. Doughty as substitute.

The glee club is hard at work, and here we are represented by Bros. Teague, Richardson, Doughty, Towne and Boyadjieff. In the banjo, mandolin and guitar club by Bros. Furbush and Richardson.

Our chapter meetings this term have been full of interest and pleasure, and this year promises to be one of the best for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ here; the fact that we have the cleanest and best society in Colby is one we are taking pains to impress upon prospective students. Our new men have already taken active part in society and college work, and our delegation is one of which we are justly proud. We take pleasure in introducing: Arthur Davenport Cox, Walter Lewis Glover, Lelan Porter Knapp, Wm. Marston Huse Teague, Kristie L. Boyadjieff, all of '03.

Yours in the Bond,

Waterville, November 18, 1899.

WILL H. STURTEVANT.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The annual chinning season is now over, and New Hampshire Alpha has again settled down to active work after an exciting and highly successful campaign. We take great pleasure in introducing the following freshman delegation: A. G. Decatur, Rochester, N. H.; F. R. Guardineer, Albany, N. Y.; P. W. Howard, Brockton, Mass.; R. E. Lewers, Brooklyn, N. Y.; O. A. Mechlin, Washington, D. C.; C. E. Newell, Derry, N. H.; C. Paul, Washington, D. C.; H. H. Scudder, Washington, D. C.; M. B. Wiley, St. Albans, Vt.; with H. N. Sanborn, '02, of Boston, Mass. Of the above initiates, Bro. Lewers is captain of his class track team; Bro. Newell is captain of his class basket ball team, and also played guard on the freshman foot ball team, lining up against Bro. Stanley, '02, in the freshman-sophomore

game. Bro. Paul is class secretary. Bro. Sanborn, '02, enters Dartmouth this year from Harvard. At the initiation banquet, held on the 15th, we were glad to welcome Bro. Lovett, of Vermont Alpha, and Bro. White, of Rhode Island Alpha, besides a number of alumni.

Since our last letter the faculty of the college has been strengthened by the acquisition of Bro. W. C. Abbott, *Wabash*, '92, who will teach in the department of history. Bro. Abbott has been connected with the teaching staffs of Cornell and Michigan, and is one of the few Americans to receive degrees from Oxford. He has always been active in the interests of the fraternity, and the value of his presence has already been felt by the chapter. He has long been an intimate friend of Bro. Dixon, who now holds the chair of economics.

At the recent trials for positions on the Buskin dramatic club, Bro. Sanborn, '02, succeeded in securing the leading rôle, while Bro. Rich, '00, also has an important part. Bro. Salinger, '00, and Bro. Wood, '01, are respectively manager and assistant manager. Bro. Abbott, '02, is captain of his class basket ball team. Bro. Balkam has been elected a member of the senior book committee. The excellent work of Bro. Rich, '00, as manager of the 'varsity track team should also receive comment. Bro. Rich has secured for the winter the services of a well-known professional trainer and coach, an innovation which has met with marked approval, and which will undoubtedly prove of great advantage to the athletic interests of the college.

Yours in the Bond,

Hanover, November 17, 1899.

KENDALL BANNING.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The University of Vermont opened this year with an entering class of eighty-five. Nineteen loyal Phis returned and entered at once upon a vigorous campaign of 'horse shedding,' which terminated with the initiation of the following men on the evening of October 27: Nathaniel Preston Brooks, Charlestown, N. H.; Hollis Edward Gray, Cambridge, Vt.; William Harding Hahn, Rockland, Me.; Asa Hanghton Harris, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; George Abel Pierce, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; George Ernest Robbins, Gallupville, N. Y.; Charles Holmes Wheeler, South Burlington, Vt.,—all of the class of '03. Besides the active chapter we have with us in the house Bro. C. D. Howe, '98, who returned this year as instructor in biology, and Bro. McKinnon, '02, who entered the sophomore class from Dartmouth. Bros. Dodge and Marvin, '01, and Hayward, '02, did not return this year, and Bro. Adams, '02, soon leaves to take a position in Providence, R. I.

Last commencement a gift of \$50,000 from John Heman Converse, '61, was announced, to endow a chair of economics and commerce, as well as a conditional gift of \$5,000 for a gymnasium, to be available when \$15,000 are raised in addition. On the commencement stage $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ranked high. There were but two Phis in the class of '99. Bro. Blair stood fourth, receiving honors for general high standing and his degree *cum laude*. Bro. Andrews stood sixth, taking special honors in English and German. Both were commencement speakers and members of $\Phi \beta \kappa$. Bros. R. E. Lewis, '92, C. W. Doten, '95, and A. L. Eno, *Brown*, '95, received the degree of A. M., and Bro. M. N. Baker, '86, that of C. E.

The sale of the house so long occupied by the chapter forced us to seek a new home last spring. We were very fortunate in securing a better house than the old one. At a convenient distance from college,

with magnificent views of mountains and lake, it is all that could be desired. Pleasantly situated as we are, we are not satisfied with a rented home and hope soon to report the purchase of a lot or house.

In early October Vermont turned out *en masse* to welcome home the hero of Manila. In the University of Vermont battalion, which attended the Dewey celebration, this are prominent. Bro. Beebe, '00, has entire charge of the drill, with the rank of major; Bros. Gould and Lovett, '00, are first and second lieutenants, respectively; Bros. Perry, Morse, Parker and Ufford, '01, are sergeants, the first mentioned a first sergeant; Bros. Adams, Peck, Munson and Rice, '02, are corporals.

Foot ball has claimed a large share of our attention this fall. The 'varsity team has shown marked improvement over that of last year and the year before. By the defeat of Colgate in Albany, November 11, the New York colleges were shown that they have an opponent worthy of their steel in Vermont. Bro. Morse, '01, has played right end, Bro. Hahn, '03, left half, and Bro. Pierce, '03, has shown that he is capable of playing speedy foot ball, when tried in the game. Bro. Morse has been elected captain for 1900. On the class team our representatives were Bros. Welch and McKinnon, '02, and Bros. Hahn and Pierce, '03.

Miscellaneous honors occasionally come our way. Bro. Beebe, '00, continues to manage ably the university *Cynic*, while Bro. Perry, '01, holds the same position on the *Ariel*, our annual. Both are members of the military hop committee. Bro. Peck, '03, is a member of the sophomore hop committee. The president of the university musical clubs is Bro. Gould, '00, and Bro. Robbins, '03, is president of the freshman class. Bro. Lovett, '00, is a member of the conference committee.

Yours in the Bond,

Burlington, November 21, 1899.

ALBERT FRANK UFFORD.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Williams College, after graduating one of the largest classes in her history, began the season of 1899-1900 with an entering class of 109 and a total enrollment of 385.

Several changes have been made in the personnel of the faculty. In the biological department Dr. James L. Kellogg has been appointed assistant professor, with Mr. Roy S. Richardson as assistant instructor. Professor Russell is in Europe on a year's vacation, and Dr. Ralph B. Perry has taken his courses in philosophy. Assistant Professor Milham has been granted a two years' leave of absence for study abroad, and Dr. Frederick C. Ferry has taken his work in mathematics. The following new instructors have been appointed: Mr. E. W. Billet-cloux in French, Mr. Albert A. Reynolds in chemistry and Mr. Charles J. Waidner in physics.

Work on Jesup Hall is progressing rapidly, and the building is expected to be ready for occupancy soon after the Christmas recess. The purpose of this building is to centralize and unify college spirit by affording an attractive and convenient meeting place for the non-fraternity men and the men from the different fraternities. The narrowing and confining tendency of fraternity life, at Williams at least, can not be denied. Whether such a building can overcome this tendency remains to be seen. For the good of college spirit we all hope it may.

The \$10,000 for the improvement of Weston athletic field has been raised, and work will be begun immediately after commencement. In

spite of the disadvantage of the field in the past we turned out exceedingly successful base ball and track teams last spring, and so far this year the foot ball team has won eight of the eleven games played.

Massachusetts Alpha has kept pace with the general advance in college life. There is a more united spirit in the chapter as a whole, and a sincerer interest in the work of each individual member. A keener appreciation of the worth and ability of our alumni and their loyalty to the fraternity is present among the active members. It is this spirit of unity that has made the chapter an acknowledged factor in college. Every branch of college work receives attention from some member. Bro. Stoddard, '00, is manager of the track team, member of Gargoyle and one of the senior editors of the *Williams Weekly*. Bro. Wilbur, '02, is playing half hack on the second eleven and on his class team. Bro. Waller, '03, plays on the second eleven and his class team. Bro. L. Squires is a member of the *Gul* board and one of the *Weekly* editors. Bros. Brown, '01, Marvin, '01, Ely, '02, and Wills, '02, are members of the musical clubs.

We lost six men by graduation in June, and Bro. Mead, '01, left to enter the class of '01 at Harvard. We have initiated five good men: Bros. Percy J. King, '03, of Northampton, Mass.; Clarence McMillan, '03, of New York City; James G. Orr, '03, of Pittsfield, Mass.; Hayden Talbot, '03, of Greenfield, Mass.; Julius E. Waller, '03, of Skanateles, New York.

We wish to express our thanks to all the brothers who have given us information concerning entering men and to urge them to continue the practice, as the assistance is invaluable to us.

Yours in the Bond,

Williamstown, November 16, 1899.

CHARLES A. SQUIRES.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst has entered upon the present year under unusually favorable auspices. With the new administration of President Harris, who was formally inaugurated October 11, has come a closer union of faculty, alumni and students and the dawn of a new era of prosperity and progress. While no great improvements have been made during the summer, much has been done to beautify the grounds and to place the different departments of the college in the most efficient condition. Our athletic field grand stand, which was burned early this fall, is to be replaced by a structure to cost about \$10,000 and even more up-to-date and convenient than before. The entering class has shown more than ordinary athletic ability and, though many good men were lost last year, the new ones promise to keep up the standard of the teams.

With the graduation of the '99 delegation the chapter lost nine strong men. Bro. Austin and Bro. Brooks represented us on the commencement stage, Bro. Brooks being president of Φ B K and winning the Woods prize for development. Bro. Austin won the Bond prize for the best production on the commencement stage. Bro. Whitney was ivy orator, catcher on the 'varsity nine and captain of the eleven during his junior year. Bro. Marriott was editor-in-chief of the *Student*, and Bros. King and Raymond were also on the staff. Bros. Smith, Sharpe and Brooks were on the musical clubs.

As a result of the present rushing season we have initiated and take pleasure in presenting Bros. J. W. Smith, '02, Leicester, Mass., and F. K. Bixby, Woburn, Mass.; T. F. Burke, Holyoke, Mass.; E. K. Clark, Binghamton, N. Y.; L. E. Cadieux, Holyoke, Mass.; A. H.

Favour, Natick, Mass.; W. A. Hildreth, Pomfret Centre, Conn.; W. C. Morgan, Plainfield, N. J.; J. M. Murdock, Woburn, Mass.; H. G. Whitburn, Marblehead, Mass., all of the class of '03.

While it is yet early to enumerate college honors, it seems probable that the chapter will receive its full share both in rewards for scholarship, in which we received \$500 out of the \$2,000 in prizes awarded last year, and in athletics, in which we scored nearly a third of the total number of points. Bro. Klaer, '00, holds the athletic captaincy for the second time and has been chosen permanent class secretary. Bro. Hurd represents us on the *Student* board. Bros. Gladwin, '01, Wiggins, '01, and Dennen, '02, are on the foot ball squad. Bros. Couch, '01, Gladwin, '01, Kenly, '02, Dennen, '02, and Favour, '03, play on their class base ball teams, and Bros. Ennever, '01, Couch '01, Cray, '01, Phillips, '02, Herrick, '02, and Favour, '03, took points in the fall athletic meet. Bro. Loomis, '96, has returned after studying in Germany and acts as assistant in the biological department.

The many external improvements in the chapter house made during the last few years have been supplemented this year by the repapering and refitting of nearly all the rooms, and the addition of a new steam heating plant. With these improvements and the additional value of our location, due to the enlargement of the campus, we feel better prepared than ever to take a prominent part in college affairs.

Yours in the Bond,

Amherst, November 6, 1899.

A. FOSTER HAMILTON.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

When the chapel bell rang in the one hundred-and-thirty-fifth year of old Brown's history on September 20, it heralded the advent of a new era of activity and prosperity under the leadership of our recently elected president, Rev. William Herbert Perry Faunce, A. M., D. D., of the class of 1880. That the choice of the corporation receives the unanimous approval of the undergraduate body is shown by the deep respect and outward enthusiasm of all students, new and old, and the intense appreciation which follows Dr. Faunce's attempts to meet the personal needs of the undergraduates. The formal inauguration of the president occurred on Tuesday, October 17. By his own wish, Dr. Faunce arranged a part of the exercises for the undergraduates exclusively, the main gathering being held at the First Baptist church in the afternoon, with speeches by Presidents Eliot of Harvard, Harper of Chicago, Patton of Princeton, besides the introduction by Chancellor Goddard and the oration by Dr. Faunce.

The endowment fund is continually receiving additions, not only from alumni but also from men prominent in the business world. Some of the latest gifts are: \$250,000 by John D. Rockefeller of New York, conditional upon the raising of the rest of the endowment; \$10,000 by the heirs of Lucien W. Sharpe, unconditional. The faculty has not been materially changed since last year. Prof. Williams has a leave of absence for two years, during which time he will remain abroad for study and recreation. Prof. O. E. Randall is enjoying a year in Germany and other European countries. In his absence, the department of mechanical drawing is in charge of Bro. W. H. Kenerston, '96. Professors Manatt and Bronson are also in foreign countries for the year. At the commencement exercises last June Bro. Fred-

erick Slocum, '95, of the department of astronomy, received the degree of Ph. D. and Bro. E. E. Bucklin, '96, that of A. M.

Twenty of us returned this fall to set about the task of seeking out new men in the class of '03 to replace the six Phis who became alumni in June. Since then we have located the '99 men as follows: Bro. N. T. Ewer, at the Textile School, Lowell, Mass.; N. H. Gifford, at Harvard Medical; D. H. Hall in business in Bridgeport, Conn. Bro. T. M. Phetteplace has accepted a call to a position as instructor in the department of mechanical drawing. Bro. F. Putney, Jr., while in business in this city, still continues his literary work. Bro. H. H. Mallory, the first of '99 to achieve renown, was initiated into another bond on October 5, when he was married to Miss Harriet Bassett, of Evanston, Ill. Bro. Mallory is with the American Straw Board Co., of Chicago. Bro. Truesdell, '00, has left college to engage in business in Suncook, N. H. The graduation of these men left the active chapter as follows: Seven seniors—Bros. Bass, Boynton, Downs, Moseley, Norton, Stillman, White; four juniors—Bros. Evans, Hapgood, Harvey, Melendy; nine sophomores—Bros. Burdick, Buxton, Drury, Greene, Holmes, Natsch, Newcomb, Paige, Putney. Not dismayed by the death of one man who was to become a Phi, we made the rushing season the most active one for several years. As a result we are pleased to introduce five new Phis: Bros. Alexander Hewes Abbott, Watertown, Mass.; Fred Judson Cox, Bradford, Mass.; Jerry Dearborn Drew, Haverhill, Mass.; Lewis Frederic Hall, Bridgeport, Conn., and Leslie Hunt Sutherland, Natick, Mass., all of '03. Besides these we should mention Bro. Charles Bartlett Moseley, '00, Needham, Mass., whom we initiated last June just before class day. Three other men are now pledged and will soon become Phis.

Φ Δ Θ, as ever, is receiving due recognition in all departments of college life. Bro. C. C. White is manager of the nine and a member of the editorial board of the *Brown Daily Herald*. Bro. Bass was elected managing editor of that paper, but was obliged to decline on account of ill health. Bro. Moseley is artist for the *Brunonian*. Bro. Norton was awarded the George Ide Chace scholarship and will deliver the first address at the class tree on class day. Bros. Boynton and White were elected last June to the Cammarian club, the honorary senior society. Bro. Melendy is secretary of the chemical society. Bro. Harvey is treasurer of the Sears reading room. Bro. Paige is on the sophomore cane committee. Bro. Abbott has been honored with the presidency of the freshman class. Bro. Sutherland has won distinction in the strength tests required of the entering class, having first place in several measurements. On the gridiron Φ Δ Θ is unusually well represented, not only by Bros. Hapgood and Melendy, of last year's team, but by two new candidates, Bros. Boynton and Stillman, who have kept their positions on the 'varsity squad during the whole season. Bro. Abbott was obliged to cease practice early in the fall. On the sophomore class team are Bros. Buxton and Greene. Bro. Greene is captain of his class relay team and won a first and second prize in the annual inter-class athletic meet in October. At this event Bro. Melendy won a first prize and Bro. Hapgood two third prizes. The prominence of the chapter in a musical way has won positions on the glee club for three Phis, Bros. Paige, Cox and Abbott.

It has been the pleasure of the chapter to have more than usual interest in the fraternity at large. Bro. Paige attended the Alpha province convention at Gettysburg, and Bro. White was present at the initiation banquet of the Dartmouth chapter. In return we enter-

tained at our initiation banquet, October 27, Bros. Sears of Dartmouth and Hurd of Amherst.

Yours in the Bond,
 Providence, November 20, 1899. ARTHUR E. NORTON.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Owing to the excellent work of the chapter in this fall's rushing we have been successful in getting an unusually fine delegation of initiates. We take pleasure in introducing Bros. Prescott D. Hoard, '03, Herkimer, N. Y.; Clarence B. Kugler, '03, Philadelphia, Pa.; John P. Frenzel, Jr., '03, Indianapolis, Ind.; Edward E. Walker, '03, Erie, Pa.; Allen Mosher, '03, Aurora, N. Y.; Ira J. Owen, '03, Chicago, Ill.; Edward J. Snow, '03, Montclair, N. J.; Francis W. Mastin, '01, Piermont, N. Y.; Edwin B. Nell, '03, Rochester, N. Y. We are also pleased to announce the affiliation of Bro. Maurice F. Bayard, '02, of Illinois Eta. Besides these men New York Alpha has three other freshmen pledged.

At the recent convention of Alpha province Bro. C. W. Coit, '00, was our delegate.

At this time of year almost every collegian's mind is filled more or less with the work of his 'varsity eleven. With the Cornellians this is so, and especially with New York Alpha, for it is one of our own men, Bro. R. D. Starbuck, '00, who is full back and captain of the team. The team this year, while it has met with two defeats, is by all odds the strongest Cornell ever had. It is only in justice to Bro. Starbuck and his men that we say that the team was in very poor condition for both of these games. This is not said, however, to detract from the honor and glory due Chicago and Lafayette for their victories. What has placed Cornell so high in the football world this year is her victory over Princeton, 5 to 0, and Columbia, 29 to 0. This is the first time in the history of our foot ball career that we have defeated Princeton, so we can feel justly proud of it. Great credit is due Coach Percy H. Haughton, of Harvard, for the excellent showing of the team. Many difficulties have confronted the management this year, but all have been overcome wonderfully well. Besides Bro. Starbuck, we have Bro. Short, '00, at sub-quarter back on the team.

In the under-class games this year the sophomores were victorious, winning the base ball game and track meet and playing a tie game of foot ball. Two of our pledged men won their numerals in the last mentioned game.

On the musical clubs $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is better represented than ever before with Bros. Fay, Kinsey and Morrison on the glee club, Bro. Owen on the mandolin club, and Bro. Frenzel on the banjo club. At the last competition of the Masque, the Cornell dramatic club, Bros. Miller, Kinsey and C. B. Kugler were elected to membership.

As a result of the fall class elections New York Alpha is well represented on the different committees appointed by the presidents; Bro. White is on the senior ball committee, Bro. Ihlder, business manager of the '00 class book, Bro. Fay, chairman of the junior prom. committee, Bro. J. H. Stevens, on the '01 smoker committee, Bro. W. B. Kugler, leader of the sophomore cotillion, Bro. Powley, a member of the cotillion committee, Bro. C. B. Kugler, chairman of the freshman banquet committee, Bro. Snow, athletic director of his class.

This year promises to be a record breaker in many ways for New York Alpha.

Ithaca, November 19, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
 W. H. MORRISON, JR.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

The college has received the largest freshman class since that of 1895, the total registration of '03 men being seventy-three. Of this number one could not help noticing the decrease of classical and Latin-scientific students and a greater increase even of electrical engineering students. This is due doubtless to the advantages offered by the proximity of the large plant of the General Electric company.

By a recent decision of the court of appeals Union receives the benefit of a large estate left by Mr. Thomas Armstrong of Plattsburgh, N. Y., which has been in litigation for some time. A conservative estimate has placed its value at about \$150,000.

We are sorry to miss this year Bro. Willis, '00, who has been with the engineering department of the state all summer, and Bro. Keens, '02, who has been obliged to leave college by illness. But it is with great pleasure that we introduce our new initiates: Bros. Laforest George Robinson, '00, Plattsburgh, N. Y.; Robert Finney Barrett, '03; Lansingburg, N. Y.; Arthur Ernest Bishop, '03, Oneonta, N. Y.; Clinton Benjamin Hawn, '03, Albany, N. Y.; John Edward Healey, Jr., '03, Troy, N. Y.; Arthur Guy Pickens, '03, Cooperstown, N. Y.; Gail Borden Jenkins, '03, Honesdale, Pa. We have also with us Bro. Gordon, '03, *Syracuse*, '02. We now have the strongest chapter at Union in numbers, and as we have always had regard to quality rather than quantity, we think in quality also. No other fraternity is so largely and generally interested in the various student movements as New York Beta. In foot ball we were represented by Bros. Gordon, '03, and Robinson, '00, on the 'varsity and on the class teams by Bros. Boorn, '00, Ripley, '00, Barrett, '01, Grout, '01, Shelley, '01, Woolworth, '02, (Captain) Griffith, '02, Hays, '02, Pickins, '03. Bros. Griffith, '02, Hays, '02, and Pickins, '03, represent us on the *Concordiensis*. Bros. Boorn, '00, Shelley, '01, and Griffith, '02, are in Y. M. C. A. work. And in the musical association we have Bros. Ripley, '00, Robinson, '00, Barrett, '01 (vice-president), Grout, '01; Shelley, '01 (leader of the glee club). At a trial for positions on the college quartette we secured all four positions: Bros. Shelley, first tenor; Barrett, second tenor; Robinson, first bass; Ripley, second bass.

Among the other fraternities at Union our strongest rival is A Δ Φ, who has 18 men. The other fraternities are K A, 8; Σ Φ, 6; Δ Φ, 7; Ψ T, 13; Δ T, 15; X Ψ, 13; B Θ Π, 10; Φ Γ Δ, 11.

Yours in the Bond,

Schenectady, November 29, 1899.

G. L. R. ROY SHELLEY.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Just before the opening of the university, New York Delta moved into its new home at 371 West 123d St. This event marks an epoch in the history of the chapter. About fifty Phis assembled on October 6, in response to invitations for a house warming, Bro. Walter B. Palmer being among those present.

We take the pleasure in introducing Bros. Atkins, Bullard, Hubbard and Updike, recent initiates. Bros. Hoppes and Russell, of the law school, have affiliated. Two men are now pledged, and we look for further additions before December.

Among the positions held by Phis at Columbia are the following: Bro. Geo. Farish is president of the class of '02, mines; Bro. Roland Jackson is treasurer of '02, college; Bros. Ernst and Buhler are busi-

ness managers of the *Literary Monthly* and the *Morningside*, respectively; Bro. Atkins is on the track and cross-country teams; Bro. Ernst is on the track team; Bros. Bullard and Buhler are members of the glee club; Bro. Allen is captain of the cycle team, and Bro. Buhler is manager.

The future was never so bright for New York Delta, and with the proper support of our alumni we expect to take a leading position among the fraternities at Columbia.

Fraternally yours,

New York, November 20, 1899.

A. R. ALLAN.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The entering class this year is the largest in our history. The faculty has been increased and strengthened. Several new courses have been added in the departments of chemistry, sociology, Greek, English and the fine arts. A magnificent new dormitory is being erected by the university, to be known as Winchell Hall. It is a four-story brick building, and, when completed, will be occupied by women students. A complete new law library of 1,500 volumes has been presented to the college of law by Hon. Louis Marshall, of New York.

In keeping with the progress of the university, New York Epsilon is also entering upon a very promising year. We have initiated nine excellent men: James H. Cornell, Jr., Asbury Park, N. J., law; Frank M. Edson, Binghamton, N. Y., classical; Horace B. Hening, St. Louis, Mo., philosophical; Emmett M. House, Arkport, N. Y., philosophical; Albert R. Seaman, Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., philosophical; Herbert A. Smith, New Haven, N. Y., classical; Harry H. Stansel, Herkimer, N. Y., architecture; Ward N. Truesdell, Norwich, N. Y., philosophical, and Walter N. Nestall, Cornwall, N. Y., law. Our initiation banquet was attended by many of our alumni.

Bros. Low and Smith represent us on the glee club; Bro. Waffle is president of the chess club; Bro. Stansel is captain of the basket ball team; Bro. Hening is associate editor of *The University Herald*; Bro. Marriott is alumni editor of *The University Forum*, and Bros. Low and Scrafford are members of the golf club. Besides these we have several new men who will make promising candidates for the track and base ball teams.

Our foot ball team closed the season of '99 by defeating Dickinson, 18-7. While the victories for the orange have not been as many as we had hoped, still the season has been one marked by greater enthusiasm and interest on the part of the student body than ever before and by hard and faithful training on the part of the teams.

The navy is arousing much enthusiasm. Syracuse will take her place among the aquatic colleges this year. The new club house of the Lakeside yacht and boat club was formally opened recently by a reception, at which time our new shells were upon exhibition. These will be launched and manned in the spring. We hope to have New York Epsilon represented in the shells.

We are gratified to announce the establishment of a new prize for public speaking. Howard P. Denison, a prominent lawyer in Syracuse, is the donor. It is offered to men of the freshman class of the liberal arts college for excellence in declamation.

On the evening of November 22, our chapter entertained informally a few of its friends. A very pleasant evening was spent.

During the summer Bro. Palmer, '01, was married. He is now living in the city and is a frequent caller at the chapter house.

Bro. Burnham, our delegate to the province convention; came back from Gettysburg full of fraternity enthusiasm. He reports the Pennsylvania Beta Phis to be royal entertainers..

We have had the pleasure of having with us, since our last letter, Bros. Ed. Rich, '92; Gillespie, *Union*, '91; Wilbur, *Williams*, '01; Coons, '94; Hutchinson, '01, and Ripley, *Union*, '00.

Yours in the Bond,
Syracuse, November 28, 1899.

CLAUDE M. MARRIOTT.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

We have initiated seven good men so far, and are still rushing a few who have been taking plenty of time to investigate the standing of the different fraternities, and gain the consent of their parents to join. We know $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will not suffer any in the investigation. Two more men have been pledged, whom we hope to initiate after the Christmas vacation. It gives us pleasure to introduce Bros. A. L. Brodhead, Delaware Water Gap, Pa.; H. F. Laub, Nazareth, Pa., and H. E. Trout, Lykens, Pa., all of the class of '03, whom we have initiated since our last letter.

This has been one of the most successful seasons of foot ball we have ever had, and Pennsylvania Alpha has had her share of the glory. The famous run of ninety-five yards which Bro. Bray made in our game with the U. of P., in which the score was 6-0 in favor of Lafayette, will long be spoken of with pride by those interested in our college. Bro. Bray well deserves the praise which is being given him for the way in which he has captained the '99 team. Bro. Trout has also done good work as left guard. He was elected president of his class for the ensuing term. We have long been in the lead in athletics and hope to lead in other things as well.

A chapter of ΣX was organized here recently. They have started with a membership of seven men who are now in college, and a few members of the class of '99. There was a ΣX chapter here some time ago, but it has been out of existence since 1887.

Two of our undergraduate members did not return this fall. Bro. Thomas Wilson entered Cornell University, and Bro. C. H. Van Allen entered business in Schenectady, N. Y.

Easton, November 30, 1899.

Yours in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$,
WILLIAM C. ISETT.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The year at Gettysburg thus far has been marked by an unusual activity along all lines. Foot ball is the all absorbing topic. Contrary to expectation we have developed a team that easily takes the lead of the colleges of our class. We were defeated in but two games, one of them being with the Carlisle Indians, in which we held our opponents down to twenty points. Possibly the greatest game of the season was the one with Dickinson, our old-time rivals, in which we came off victorious. This was a surprise to the college world, and great credit is due the captain of our team, who on account of the failure of the coach to put in his appearance, was compelled to fill the positions of both coach and captain.

A movement is on foot to secure funds for a department of physics

and engineering. This has for a long time been a most pressing need of the college.

Pennsylvania Beta recently had the pleasure of entertaining the Alpha province convention, which was in session October 18-20. Twelve of the seventeen chapters in the province were represented. The business sessions occupied all of Wednesday and Thursday and part of Friday. The greater part of Friday, however, was taken up with a drive over the battlefield. The social events for the week included a smoker on Wednesday evening, a reception on Thursday evening, and the convention banquet on Friday evening. We were very much pleased to have Bro. J. Clarke Moore, P. G. C., with us, and his presence and talks added not a little to the interest of the convention. It was Bro. Case's first convention as president of the province. We as a chapter feel that the convention has been of great advantage in our work here at Gettysburg.

Since my last letter the college glee and mandolin clubs have reorganized for the year. We are represented on the former by Bro. Markel, '00, and on the latter by Bro. Huber, '01. A trip through the western part of the state immediately after the holidays is now being arranged. The latest musical organization in college is the orchestra. This was organized but a short time ago, but it already promises to become a permanent fixture. Bro. Floto, '03, is our representative.

During the recent meeting of the western Pennsylvania synod of the Lutheran church, held in Gettysburg, we had the pleasure of having with us quite a number of our alumni, among whom were Bros. Bell, '78, McSherry, '80, Weber, '82, Hoshour, '85, Crouse, '87, and Reinewald, '86.

The chapter was very much grieved to hear of the severe illness of Bro. Kain, '97, who was taken ill with typhoid fever on the very day of his intended return to Harvard. We are glad to note, however, that he is gradually recovering.

That our chapter is taking a lead in social activity is shown by the receptions and dances given by us, since we are occupying our new house. Several parties have lately been given in our honor.

Bro. Krafft, '98, who had entered the theological seminary at this place immediately after graduation, has decided to change his career and will enter into business at his home in Glen Rock, Pa. We wish him success in his new enterprise. Bro. J. A. Singmaster, '98, who took a graduate course in chemistry at Lehigh, last year, has lately been offered a position of instructor in chemistry at that institution, but has declined it, as he occupies a position as chemist in a large manufacturing establishment in Philadelphia.

Yours in the Bond,

Gettysburg, November 20, 1899.

HIRAM H. KELLER.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Gamma is pleased to introduce Bros. Samuel Davis Foster, McKeesport, Pa.; McLean Libby, Pittsburg; Hartley Berry Woods, McKeesport, Pa., and Roland Lee Goldthorp, Wilkinsburg, Pa., all of the class of '08. We now have nineteen men, and are among the largest chapters at Washington and Jefferson, being well represented in all the fields of college life.

Bro. Core is captain of our foot ball team, and Bro. Duff is a substitute end, and promises well for next year. Our team has had many very hard games, but has been very successful. We have been beaten

only once this year, and the Princeton eleven had to exert all their strength to do it. This has been the only time we have been scored against this season. Our next and last game will be played against the D. C. and A. C. on Thanksgiving day. Coach Black deserves much credit for his work with the team this fall.

Bro. Brown was our delegate to the Alpha province convention at Gettysburg, and he reports a most profitable and entertaining visit.

Yours in the Bond,

Washington, November 24, 1899.

W. C. GRUBBS.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have pledged Rob Roy Rist, '04, Vanderbilt, Pa.; James Van Horn Ballantyne, '04, Derry, Pa., and Edward Lincoln Sutton, '04, Allegheny, Pa., and have initiated Tracy Thomas Allen, Fredonia, N. Y.; Richard Nye Merrill, Buffalo, N. Y.; and Will Skelton, Meadville, Pa.—all of '03, and Samuel Lampe, '03, who was pledged to us last year. We have also pledged three others whom we hope soon to introduce to the fraternity.

A new building is to be erected on the campus in memory of Capt. Newton, who matriculated in the college in 1849. It is to be a \$10,000 building and will be known as the Newton observatory.

This term the Pennsylvania College of Music, connected with Allegheny, moved into its new building. It is much larger and better adapted for the work.

This foot ball season has been the most exciting and interesting Allegheny has ever seen. Our team has been very successful, having already scored three times as many points as our opponents. Bros. Wolstoncroft, Douglass and Lampe are on the first team, and Bro. Allen is sub-quarter. Interest is already being centered in basket ball. Careful work is developing a strong team which promises to be equally as good if not better than last year's team, which won the championship of western Pennsylvania. Bro. Masters has been elected manager of the team and is arranging a fine schedule of games.

This year's class elections have been more hotly contested than any in the history of the college. Bro. Womer, '00, was elected class prophet, the reporter was elected treasurer of the sophomore class, and Bro. Lampe was chosen president of the freshman class. In the sophomore-freshman color rush the class of '03 won by a small margin after a hard struggle; but in the class foot ball game the sophomores won by a score of 12 to 6.

The chapter has enjoyed visits from Bros. Lowstuter and Weyand, '98, Couse, Oakes and Soult, of '99, Swearer, '01, and Soper, *Dickinson*, '98. We welcome to Meadville Bro. Wilbur, *Vermont*, '86, who is the new pastor of the Unitarian church.

Bro. Swisher represented the class of '99 at the alumni dinner given in New York, November 10, 1899.

On the evening of October 23 Pennsylvania Delta entertained about fifty of her friends. The various rooms of the chapter house were decorated as for a harvest party, and the games and other entertainment were in accord with the decorations. The idea followed was very unique and added much to the pleasure of the evening.

Again the chapter extends an invitation to all this passing through Meadville to make our house their headquarters.

Yours in the Bond,

Meadville, November 18, 1899.

ROGER H. MOTTEN.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. Fred E. Malick, '08, Shamokin, Pa.; Robert Stewart, '08, and Hugh Stewart, '08, Carlisle, Pa. We have now twenty-two men in the chapter.

Bro. Presby, '01, brought new honor to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ a few days ago by being chosen inter-society debater. He now stands a good chance of being one of the Dickinson inter-collegiate debaters. This year Dickinson will meet in debate Pennsylvania State and Syracuse.

We regret very much the loss of Bro. Ivins, '01, who left college recently to accept a position in a bank in Camden, New Jersey. During the recent Spanish-American war Bro. Ivins was sergeant-major in one of the New Jersey regiments stationed at Sea Girt.

This year two of the class presidencies fell to us, Bro. Gottschall being president of '00 and Bro. Hoffman of the '02.

Bro. Shiffer, '01, represents $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the 'varsity eleven. Bro. Ganoë, '02, has been playing a star game with the scrubs. At the present time Dickinson is fortunate in having as coaches Boyle, Brooke and Garnett, all old University of Pennsylvania players.

The musical clubs have organized, and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is as well represented in these organizations as she is in all other parts of college work. We have Bros. Sterrett, '00, Smucker, '01, and Ganoë, '02, in the glee club. Bro. Loose, '01, represents us in the orchestra, and Bros. Smucker, '01, and Ganoë, '02, sing in the chapel choir.

We had the pleasure of entertaining President Case on his way home from the Alpha province convention. We were greatly benefited and enthused by his visit, and are very much indebted to him for a beautiful stained glass window for our new house. The design of the window is to be a fac-simile of our pin.

Our house is nearing completion, and we hope to celebrate alumni day by holding a reception and house-warming. We have had an excellent piece of good fortune in being presented with a granolithic pavement around the house by Mr. John Lindner. The gift is a most valuable one and is highly appreciated by us.

In the faculty one change has recently taken place. Dr. Pilcher has been called to the chair of economics and geology to succeed Dr. Gooding, who continues his work here along other lines.

Of last year's graduates we have good news. Bro. Mallalieu has won a scholarship at Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. Bro. Wertz is at the Baltimore Medical College. Bro. West is teaching school in Piedmont, West Virginia.

Owing to the resignation of Bro. Presby on account of overwork the undersigned was elected to his place.

Yours in the Bond of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$,
 Carlisle, November 27, 1899. JAMES TILGHMAN EARLE.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Pennsylvania Zeta began the year with nineteen of last year's chapter. We lost twelve men at commencement, among whom were some of the most enthusiastic Phis the chapter has ever known. Bros. Davison, McKinley, Dorey, Lessig and Stiles were graduated from the law department, Bro. Cutts from the medical department, Bros. Lober and Siegel from the college. Bro. Barker, '97, has completed his graduate course. Bros. Poole, Myers and Fertig did not return.

Last June, just before college closed, we initiated S. J. Deehan, '02,

medical. Bro. Deehan took one of the leading roles in the Mask and Wig club play last year, in which Bros. Warthman, Paxson and Jayne also took part.

On October 20 we initiated B. N. Stevens, '03, college; Clarence A. Godshalk, '03, college, and Joseph H. DeFrees, '02, medical. These three men have the honor of being the first to be initiated in our new chapter-house. We have one pledged man, Mr. Wm. Gardiner, who is a brother of Bro. J. P. Gardiner.

Φ Δ Θ's record for '98-'99 in the various college activities was an excellent one, and this year it promises to be even better. In athletics we are represented by Bro. Gardiner, half back on the 'varsity foot ball team, stroke of the '98 and '99 victorious crews, and member of the gymnasium team; Bro. Outland, captain of last year's eleven and prominent member of this year's team; Bro. Diefendorf, member of the 'varsity scrubs; Bro. Davison, manager of the 'varsity cricket team of '99; Bro. McClain, member of the track team; Bro. Long, member of the hockey team.

In other college activities we continue to hold our own; Bros. Outland and Roller are presidents of their respective classes in the medical department; Bro. Read is vice-president of '00, college, and Bro. Acker is vice-president of '01, college; Bros. Deehan and Warthman will represent us in the Mask and Wig play this year. Bros. Long and Yasukawa are on the membership committee of Houston club; Bro. Diefendorf is a member of the mandolin club, and Bro. Brevillier of the glee club.

We are practically without a home at present, but expect to be permanently established in our beautiful new house some time in December. When once settled we intend to make rapid progress. We have been holding our meetings rather informally in one of the brother's rooms in the dormitories. We have had two very enjoyable and most successful smokers at the Hotel Colonnade.

Tendering all visiting Phis a most cordial invitation to call on us, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

T. B. MCCLAIN.

Philadelphia, November 23, 1899.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Pennsylvania Eta starts out this year with eleven members and one man pledged. The freshman class is unusually large, and we are confident of securing several more men before the close of the term. We take pleasure in introducing Bros. A. B. Schwenk, '03, Schwenksville, Pa., and R. D. Kavanaugh, '03, Williamsport, Pa.

Early in the term we received visits from Bros. F. D. Hallock, '94; F. A. Daboll, '96; J. P. Reynolds, Jr., '97, and A. H. Serrell, '97.

The chapter is well represented in college affairs. Bro. Grubbe, '00, was unanimously elected captain of the track team for the season of 1900; Bro. Wilkinson, '01, is editor-in-chief of the *Epitome* and a member of the *Brown and White* board; Bro. Harleman, '01, is assistant business manager of the *Brown and White*, and also of the '01 *Epitome*. Bros. Leroux, '02, and Schwenk, '03, represented their respective classes in the Founders' day games, which were easily won by '02. Bro. Wilkinson won the Wilbur scholarship for highest rank in the sophomore class. We are also represented in the banjo club, and have the junior historian and athletic representative.

Prospects have been brighter than ever, and the chapter expects to do good work this year.

Yours in the Bond,
South Bethlehem, November 1, 1899. SAM T. HARLEMAN.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The university opened on September 15, with an increase of attendance in all departments. Virginia Beta returned only eight men, and as all of these did not show up at once, things looked a little gloomy for the first few days. This did not last long, however, and I can now say that we have, without doubt, the best chapter that we have had for a good many years. At our first meeting this year we were more than pleased to find that Bro. Owsley Brown, of Louisville, Ky., a member of this chapter in 1896, had returned to take the two years' law course. Although Bro. Brown has been out of college for several years he has lost none of his fraternity spirit. He brought with him Bro. John Greenleaf, of Kentucky Delta, who is an enthusiastic Phi and who was of much assistance to us during the rushing season. We were also glad to welcome Bro. Edmonson, of Alabama Beta, who will take the four years' course in medicine, and Bro. Bryant, of Virginia Gamma, who was with us year before last.

There was plenty of good material among the new men, so we set right to work. In consequence we have initiated five men of whom we are justly proud. The first goating was on Friday night, October 6, the goats being Charley C. Haskell, Columbia, S. C.; Charles P. Stearns, Richmond, Va.; Henry A. Mathews, Lewisburg, W. Va., and Walter V. S. Scott, Charlottesville, Va. Afterward we enjoyed a spread in Bros. Furniss and Moseley's room. On Saturday night, October 14, Agnew Cheetham, Louisville, Ky., underwent the same initiation, and a like spread followed.

We lost five faithful members by graduation. Bros. John Lea and Willie Stearns are practicing law in Richmond, Va.; Bro. Dawson Furniss is interne in the New York Postgraduate Hospital. Bro. McClester has a similar position at the Philadelphia Polyclinic Hospital. We are sorry to note that Bro. Eugene Davis, who has also been graduated in medicine, is quite sick at Johns-Hopkins Hospital, where he was operated upon a day or so ago.

Although our foot ball team was unsuccessful at first it is now in good form, as was shown in the great game at Georgetown last Saturday. It will be in better form still by Thanksgiving, when we play Lehigh, instead of North Carolina as formerly, at Richmond. Bro. Macgill on right end and Bro. Haskell at left guard very ably represent $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the team, while Bro. Carter, one of the pitchers of last year's base ball nine, is a prominent player on the scrubs.

October 7, the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Edgar Allen Poe, Virginia's famous alumnus, was celebrated by the suspension of all lectures, suitable exercises being conducted in the morning and evening. At the morning exercises the beautiful Zolnay bust of Poe was unveiled. The principal address was delivered by Hon. Hamilton Mable, of New York. In the absence of Robert Burns Wilson, of Kentucky, the poem written by him for the occasion was read by Willoughby Reade, Esq., of the Episcopal High School. The bust has

since been placed in an alcove in the library set apart for copies of Poe's works.

The Randall building was completed just before the session opened. It contains forty-three bed rooms, five bath rooms, has gas and electric lights and steam heat, and is furnished with all modern conveniences.

The complications of the Fayerweather will have been cleared up lately. Virginia will get her share and thus be able to go right ahead with the hospital, for which ground has already been broken. They propose to put up an \$80,000 building. When this is completed the course here in medicine will equal any in the country.

There have been a good many changes in the faculty since my last letter. Prof. Graves, of Washington and Lee, has succeeded Prof. Dabney in the law faculty. Prof. Wilson, of Johns Hopkins, has the chair of Romance languages. Prof. Young, of Chicago, is the first teacher of Hebrew and Sanscrit that we have had. Prof. Harrison, our former professor of English and French, now teaches the Teutonic languages only. Dr. Lambert, who has been instructor in physiculture for some years, has been added to the medical faculty. Virginia is evidently on a boom, and we hope that Virginia Beta is, too.

Bros. John Lea, Willie Stearns, Dawson Furniss and Eugene Davis were with us for some time at the beginning of the session. Their presence during the spiking season was of much service.

Yours in the Bond,

Charlottesville, November 21, 1899.

J. WOODS PRICE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

There is an increase in attendance of about fifteen per cent. over that of last session, and the year promises well at Randolph-Macon.

Since last commencement there have been several changes in the faculty, owing to the resignation of Dr. J. A. Kern, our former president, who has accepted the chair of practical theology at Vanderbilt University. His loss is very keenly felt, not only by the student body in general, but by the whole community. Dr. W. G. Starr, of the Virginia conference, is our new president. He is an alumnus of this college, having received the A. M. degree in 1862. He is an able man in every respect, and we are sure that under his guidance our college will continue to prosper. Dr. W. E. Edwards, also of the Virginia conference, has been elected to the chair of moral philosophy and English Bible. He, too, is an enthusiastic alumnus.

During the past year the college has received a gift of \$35,000 and several large donations to the library.

Virginia Gamma returned but four men this session, losing by graduation Bros. Carl H. Davis and M. Pierce Rucker, both receiving the A. M. degree. Bro. David A. Clements did not return this year, but we hope to have him with us next session. Bro. Davis is, at present, surveying in North Carolina, but next session he will attend the University of Virginia, where he will study law. Bro. Rucker is studying medicine at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond. Bro. Clements, we hear, is farming at his home on the eastern shore of Maryland.

Up to the present we have initiated three fine men: Garnett Peatross, '02, Danville, Va., brother of Bro. H. Peatross; Hartley Poe Sanders, '02, Clarksburg, Md.; and John C. Copenhaver, '02, Baltimore, Md. We had a hard struggle for all of them, having as our rivals most of the fraternities in college.

Virginia Gamma has, as usual, her share of honors: Bro. Lavinder is president of the class of '00, president of the athletic association, and president of the Franklin literary society for the next term; Bros. H. Peatross, G. Peatross and Copenhaver are members of the glee club. Bro. Copenhaver is an associate editor of our college annual.

Bros. M. P. Rucker and C. H. Davis paid us flying visits several weeks ago. Owing to the sickness of Bro. Lavinder, our semi-annual banquet has been indefinitely postponed.

Yours in the Bond,

Ashland, October 31, 1899.

W. P. CARTER.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated two good men and have pledged another. I take pleasure in introducing Bro. Stockton Heath, Washington, D. C., and Bro. George Seth Guion, Napoleonsville, La.

Bro. T. E. Marshall and Bro. Epes have been forced to leave college on account of ill health. Both expect to return after Christmas.

Virginia Zeta has already begun to take her old share of college honors. Bro. Speers is business manager of our foot ball team and of the *Southern Collegian*. Bro. MacLeod played full back and Bro. Guion right half on our eleven. While the season has not been a very successful one for our team, we have no reason to be ashamed of it. It was decidedly outclassed by every team against which it played, in both weight and experience.

In the Bond,

Lexington, November 30, 1899.

H. R. KEEBLE.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The university opened this fall with the largest number of students in her history, and by next commencement she will probably have 550.

Our foot ball prospects are fine. We have beaten every team that we have played so far except the Naval Cadets and Princeton, and the college is very well satisfied with the game the team put up against them, but the big games, which will determine who is to get the championship of the south, are to be played in Atlanta, on Thanksgiving day, against Georgia, and on December 2 against Sewanee.

Work on the new building donated by Mr. J. S. Carr, of Durham, is being rapidly pushed forward, so that the university expects to put it into use next year.

North Carolina Beta only had four men to return this fall. Bros. Coxe, Askew, Donnelly, Winston and Kittrell were graduated last June, and Bro. Newby has stopped and gone into the cotton mill business. Bro. Coxe, however, has entered the law department, making our fourth man. Bro. P. H. Winston, of Texas Beta, has affiliated with us, and we are proud to introduce Bros. Wall, Exum and Blue, all of the class of '02, and men who will be valuable additions to the chapter.

Yours in the Bond,

Chapel Hill, November 12, 1899.

J. J. ASBURY.

KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

We have initiated five men to date and have three pledged. Of the five only four are still in college, Bro. Ingram having removed to Lexington, Ky., and gone into business. The other new Phis whom the reporter, though one of them, wishes to introduce, are G. Thurston Welsh, Kansas City, Mo.; Henry G. Sandifer and Jake Huguely, Danville, Ky., and W. P. Hayes, Louisville, Ky.

On account of debts, left for us to shoulder by the graduates of '98 and '99, the chapter is now in rather straitened circumstances. Still we hope to pull out and 'owe not any man' by the end of the year at the very latest.

Four men returned to college this fall: Bros. James A. Monks, Bogle O. Rodes, Jr., Jesse C. Caldwell, Jr., and Eugene W. Lee, Jr. During the rushing season there were with us Bros. Robert M. Mayes, St. John Boyle, Jr., and Peyton B. Bethel. These men assisted us very much in rushing.

All the other fraternities at Centre are doing very well. K A leads the list in numbers with sixteen men. B Θ II runs her a close second with fifteen, while Σ X has only eight.

We have not been at all prominent on the foot ball field, having only two pledged men on the team. Next year we hope to make a much better showing.

Yours in the Bond,

Danville, December 15, 1899.

W. P. HAYES.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Increased prosperity in all lines, fraternal and collegiate, has characterized the year thus far at Central. The enrollment is larger than it has been for some time. Although only two of our old men returned, Φ Δ Θ has succeeded in increasing her numbers to eight by initiating six of the best of the new men. We also have one good man pledged. It is with pleasure that we introduce Bros. Elliott Poe Smith, '03, Richmond, Ky.; Trueheart P. Bourne, '03, Stanford, Ky.; Thomas Hampton Robertson, '01, Elizabethtown, Ky.; Augur Nedom Eastman, '03, Atlanta, Ga.; James Russell Miller, '03, Little Rock, Ark.; Thomas Hogan Collins, law, Richmond, Ky.

Bro. Robertson made the 'varsity team and has been playing a star game for Central at right half. Bro. H. M. Blanton is back at his old place at quarter and is excelled by none in the south. Bro. W. F. Booker commenced the law course here this year and was elected manager of the team, but leaving school shortly afterward gave Δ K E the management. Bro. Blanton was elected captain, but has resigned. We have a good team this year, and Kentucky Delta has much to be proud of in the work of her men on it.

At the opening of college our prospects seemed a little dark, but by earnest work and the aid of some of our alumni we succeeded in getting the very best men. In this connection we wish to thank Bros. J. J. Greenleaf, W. F. Booker, L. M. Smith and J. D. Allen for their valuable assistance to us during the rushing season.

Our last year's men are considerably scattered. Bro. G. K. Speed is now with the *Philadelphia Times*; Bro. L. M. Smith is practicing law at Harrodsburg, Ky., having received his degree last year; Bro. J. D. Allen is in business at Carlisle, Ky.; Bro. S. C. Cardwell has accepted a position in Louisville; Bro. T. J. Robb is attending school in

Virginia, and Bro. J. J. Greenleaf is taking a course in law at the University of Virginia.

Richmond, November 24, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
LEWIS B. HERRINGTON.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Vanderbilt opened this year with probably the largest enrollment in the history of the university. From the last year's chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ only fifteen men returned out of twenty-five. Nevertheless, we have done exceedingly well in our spiking season, having taken seven men. We have several Phis in the university who have not yet affiliated.

We have five men on the 'varsity foot ball squad. We have been very successful in securing three class presidents out of four.

The new Phis that we introduce are Bros. H. Farrel, '03, J. L. Reed, '03, F. Rogan, '03, M. H. Bonner, '01, M. Richardson, '01, R. Dake, '03, H. Davis, '02. Bro. Bonner is captain of the track team.

Vanderbilt will probably have the best base ball team this year that the university has ever had, having returned seven of last year's team and several new men who are old players. Bro. Foster is manager.

The foot ball team up to date has won four games and lost two. We have as coach Mr. James L. Crane, of Princeton, and he is the best coach we have had, making a good team out of raw material. We hope to secure an efficient coach from the national league for base ball.

Nashville, November 13, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
H. G. RICE.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Since my last letter Sewanee has developed one of the finest foot ball teams in the south, and has earned the reputation of having given its team the most remarkable trip ever made by an American college eleven. The 'varsity traveled two thousand five hundred miles, played five games in six days with the leading universities of the south, and succeeded in every case in shutting her opponents out. On November 9 the University of Texas went down by a score of 12 to 0. On November 10 Texas A. and M. college was defeated, 10 to 0. On November 11 Tulane University scored 0 to our 23. On November 13 Louisiana State University failed to score, while Sewanee rolled up 34 points. The trip ended in Memphis on November 14, where we beat the University of Mississippi 12 to 0. The team has now a total score of 311 points to its opponents' nothing. Mr. H. M. Suter, Princeton, '99, is coaching the team, and deserves more credit than we can possibly give him, while Captain Seibles has earned the admiration of the mountain and the reputation of being one of the finest half backs in the south. Tennessee Beta is represented on the 'varsity by Bro. Kirby-Smith, who is playing sub. end and tackle.

I take great pleasure in introducing Bro. Cox, who is our latest initiate. He is studying theology, and expects to be in Sewanee for some time.

Sewanee is in a furore of excitement over the much-heralded and long-expected golf tournament, in which Bro. Hodgson is an odds-on favorite, with Bro. Parrott a close second.

Final examinations begin on December 12 and continue until December 21, when vacation begins. The university reopens on March 18, 1900.

All of Tennessee Beta's members expect to be back then with the possible exception of Bros. Gillett, Parrott and Hodgson, who have completed their respective courses. The chapter, at present, contains fifteen men, with prospects for more next year. Tennessee Beta will hold her first regular meeting of 1900 on the first Tuesday in April.

Yours in the Bond,

Sewanee, November 24, 1899.

LAWRENCE M. WILLIAMS.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

The University of Georgia opened on September 20 with an attendance which seems to indicate that the year of '99-'00 is to be an exceedingly prosperous one. During the summer our institution passed under the supervision of our new chancellor, Mr. W. B. Hill, an alumnus of this university, who formerly resided in Macon, Ga. Under his able directorship the university promises to prosper more than ever in its history. Of last year's men Georgia Alpha returned eight, having lost by graduation Bros. Brightwell, Hopps and Sanders, by 'quotation' Bros. H. McWhorter, Garrett, Nunnally and Newsom. Bro. Johnson, having received a commission in the regular army, left us in May. He is at present in Puerto Rico.

Φ Δ Θ took a large share of the college honors in '98-'99. Bro. Sanders was graduated with second honor and won the French prize. Bro. Blun was editor-in-chief of the *Red and Black*, the college paper. Bro. Thurman was exchange editor of the same journal. Bro. Shannon was athletic editor. Bro. Thurman was the president of the Phi Kappa literary society. Bro. R. L. McWhorter was elected manager of the '99 foot ball team. Bro. H. McWhorter was assistant business manager of the *Georgian*, our magazine, during last year, and Bro. Thurman was elected to fill the position of manager for '99-'00.

In the military department Bro. Blun was a lieutenant, Bro. Thurman first sergeant and Bro. Newsom first corporal. In the appointments for '99-'00 the Phis again showed their superiority. Bro. Thurman was appointed captain of Co. A. Bro. Nunnally is first sergeant of Co. A, and Bro. Claghorn, first corporal.

In the college organizations Bro. R. B. McWhorter was president of the athletic association; Bro. Blun, vice-president. Bro. H. McWhorter was president of the press club, and Bros. H. and R. B. McWhorter were officers in the oratorical association.

In the musical line Phis were also well represented, Bros. Hopps and Blun being officers in the Thalian dramatic and glee club, in the mandolin-guitar club and in the university orchestra. Bros. Shannon and Garrett were also Thilians.

It now becomes my pleasant duty to introduce to the Phi world our new initiates: Bros. E. W. Young, '01, W. H. Young, '01, and S. B. Goff, Jr., '01, of New Jersey; H. J. Lamar, Jr., '02, Macon, Ga.; R. B. and J. R. Rounsaville, '03, Rome, Ga.; Chas. H. Whitfield, '03, Mill-edgeville, Ga.; W. B. Cheatham, '03, Dawson, Ga.; G. C. Legwen, '03, Crawfordsville, Ga.; and D. I. Watson, law, Thompson, Ga. Rushing has been exceedingly active here this year, but Φ Δ Θ has held her own with her rivals and got the men she went after.

We are now installed in a new chapter house—one of the most desirable buildings in the city. It is a large house with spacious grounds. Its architecture is of the old southern style, so much admired to-day.

Bros. H. McWhorter, N. E. Harris, Jr., E. G. Hallman and W. D. and Jordan Sanford spent a few days with us during the spiking season, and much of our success in obtaining new men is due to their earnest efforts.

From present indications Georgia will hold her own on the gridiron this year. Bro. McWhorter, manager of the team, has arranged an excellent schedule. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will have three men on the eleven, with a possibility of six.

Yours in the Bond of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$,

Athens, October 13, 1899.

W. STAFFORD BLUN.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Although weakened by the loss of nine seniors in June and several of the brothers who did not return this term, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Emory is again able to send in a favorable report. With eleven enthusiastic Phis returned we went to work in earnest, and when the spiking season closed we had added to our roll eight fine men: Bros. L. E. Baldwin, '02, Dawson, Ga.; J. W. Marshall, '02, Americus, Ga.; G. A. Myers, '02, Atlanta, Ga.; C. M. Mason, '03, Macon, Ga.; B. H. Fletcher, '03, Columbus, Ga.; T. B. Cavanaugh, '03, Savannah, Ga.; with Rawson Dent, Newnan, Ga., and George Winship, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., both of '04, and pledged. Our seniors last term were Bros. F. S. Palmer, H. P. Park, R. Campbell, L. W. Jarman, H. S. Smith, A. J. Little, A. G. Fort, M. C. Austin and A. P. Griffin. As has been our custom here for the past fifteen years $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ had more men on the stage commencement day than any other fraternity. In the senior class we had the third honor man, Bro. H. S. Smith, besides three others of the twelve speakers, and Bro. Campbell captured the medal for composition. This year we have the senior class poet, Bro. Houser, also the sophomore class poet, Bro. Jenkins, who is fall term debater. Bro. Branham represents us on the college orchestra. Bro. Wood was on the impromptu debate held in October.

While we lead in the class room and all literary lines we are not forgetful of the social side of our fraternity. Last commencement our club house was the scene of a delightful house party, which was recognized as one of the leading social events of the week. So great was our success that we are already looking forward to the time next commencement when we can again have our friends visit us.

Yours in the Bond,

Oxford, November 21, 1899.

GUYTON PARKS.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Mercer now has an enrollment of 267 men, which is the largest number she has ever had. Under the efficient direction of Bro. P. D. Pollock she has forged rapidly to the front, and now claims the position of leader of the three higher institutions of learning in the state.

On November 15 the third annual contest for the state championship in oratory was held in Atlanta. For the third time Mercer bore off the laurels. On this occasion we had the pleasure of meeting and mingling with a number of Phis from Georgia and Emory, prominent among whom were Bros. Tindall, from Emory, and Davenport, from Georgia. Bro. F. S. Palmer, *Emory*, '99, was present as president of the oratorical association. Bro. Hallman was also on hand with a smile and hearty handshake for all the Phis.

Georgia Γ has maintained her usual high standing here, having returned 15 men and initiated 5, whom I introduce with much pleasure: Bros. John H. Peek, '03, and G. E. Williams, special, Macon, Ga.; Wm. Erastus Gay, '03, Cuthbert, Ga.; Frank H. Bell, '03, and Arch W. Little, '03, Atlanta, Ga.

In all the classes names of *Phis* are found on the roll of officers. In athletics *Phis* are numerous. Inter-collegiate foot ball games being forbidden by the faculty, we have recourse to class games. Several highly interesting ones have been played. On the junior team we are represented by Bros. Mason, Ledbetter (captain), Roberts, Taylor, Bell and Stetson. This is virtually a $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ team. On the freshman team we have Bros. Erminger (manager), Peek, Little and Gunn.

We are already making arrangements for next year's base ball team. A challenge from Cornell has been accepted, and we hope to have several other big teams visit us. Several *Phis* will try for the team. Bro. Stetson has been appointed assistant manager and Bro. Coates, treasurer.

In the literary societies we have won recent honors. Bro. Hatcher, in the Ciceronian society, was elected debater. In the Phi Delta society, after the most exciting contest ever held in a society at Mercer, the $\mathbf{K} \mathbf{A}$ who was opposing Bro. Coates for anniversary and who was giving a great deal of time and attention to the race, was defeated by the overwhelming vote of 60 to 37.

Being forced by the faculty to give up our chapter-house, we have refitted our old hall and are once again in the room where $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was established at Mercer. Visiting *Phis* are always welcome.

Yours in the Bond,

Macon, November 24, 1899.

EUGENE W. STETSON.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

The university opened so late that we were unable to get a letter in the October SCROLL, but we are glad to report that old Alabama is not behind the rest of the college world, having opened with the most flattering prospects she has had for many years. All departments have a larger attendance than usual.

Thirteen old members returned, and with these we began the rushing season in earnest. We take great pleasure now in introducing Bros. P. M. Abercrombie, '03, Tuskegee, Ala.; B. S. Catchings, '00, Birmingham, Ala.; W. J. Conniff, '02, Montgomery, Ala.; M. P. Hughes, '02; M. R. Heflin, '01, Roanoke, Ala.; J. L. Meade, '03, Birmingham, Ala.; M. H. Screws, law; A. S. Taylor, '02, Mobile, Ala.; W. S. White, Jr., '03, Montgomery, Ala.; H. B. Searcy, '03, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Bro. Frank White, of Birmingham, is again with us, having come to take law.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has come in this year, as usual, for her share of the honors. Bro. Forman was elected captain of the foot ball team, but resigned later. He is also vice-president of the athletic association and of the german club. Bro. Montgomery is manager of his class base ball team, Bro. Walker is secretary and treasurer of '01, Bro. Jordan is vice-president of '02, Bro. Abercrombie is secretary and treasurer of '03, and Bro. McQueen is president of '02.

In the cadet corps Bro. Catchings is captain, Bro. Forman second lieutenant, Bro. McQueen first sergeant and Bro. Brown second sergeant.

A change in rules was made last year by the trustees, permitting the

foot ball and base ball teams to travel, and so this year there is quite a great deal of interest in athletics. We have secured a coach for the eleven and can say that he has done some effectual work, as has been shown by successes up to date.

We are well represented in the law, as well as in the academic department this year.

Yours in the Bond,
University, November 24, 1899. CARL A. BROWN.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Since our last letter we have initiated Brother E. Taylor, of Demopolis, Alabama.

This year Auburn has done remarkably well in foot ball, having been scored against but once all season. We hope that Brother Feagin, captain of the team, will lead them on to victory against Sewanee on Thanksgiving day and win the championship of the south.

In the corporal examination in the corps of cadets our chapter received six out of the seventeen corporals, a very remarkable record. The winners were Bros. Askew, Garber, Coles, Peabody, Park and Dawson. In the election of class officers Bro. Flowers was chosen secretary of the senior class. Of the sophomore class Bro. Park is president and Bro. Garber secretary. The latter is leader of the german club.

Yours in the Bond,
Auburn, November 26, 1899. DOUGLASS W. PEABODY.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Alpha began the present school year with eight members and during the rushing season secured three more. We are pleased to introduce Bros. Lee Sohngen, initiated October 7, J. G. Melsh, initiated October 28, and L. M. Bourne, initiated November 17. An informal smoker was held after the initiation on October 28, and quite a pleasant evening was spent. We regret to announce that Bro. Heistand, '02, has left school and is now filling a position in the Eaton Bank, and that Bro. Sohngen is very ill at his home in Hamilton, Ohio.

We are pleased to announce the marriage of Bro. H. M. Moore, '95, to Miss Burril, of Oxford, Ohio. The ceremony took place at the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening, November 1. We are also pleased to acknowledge visits from Bros. Little, Zwick and Vorhees, and we extend to every Phi a cordial invitation to visit us.

On November 28 the chapter was entertained by the Betas in their new home.

Ohio Alpha was well represented on the foot ball field, having four men on the regular team and the captaincy of the second eleven.

Yours in the Bond,
Oxford, December 13, 1899. OTIS P. FLOWER.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

From every point of view Ohio Beta is in better condition than for years past. She is well represented in every phase of college life. As

the rushing season draws to a close she is happy in introducing, beside the two initiates and one pledged man introduced in the October SCROLL, Bro. W. E. Lowther, '02, Kensico, N. Y.; Bro. E. L. Steele, '03, Cleveland, Ohio; Bro. J. M. Dolby, '03, Delphos, Ohio; Bro. C. C. Whitney, '03, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, and Mr. J. A. Rardon, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mr. C. McKellip, Sheldon, Iowa (pledged). Bro. W. R. C. Kendrick affiliates from Iowa Wesleyan.

During the term the chapter enjoyed visits from Bro. Metcalf, one of Colby's charter members, now of Columbus, and Bro. P. G. Jones, '96, of Toledo.

Our college gymnasium is being equipped with new apparatus, lockers and baths. Regular class work will be resumed at the first of the year. Considering the lack of support and the lack of interest of the student body in the team, our foot ball record for this fall so far is fair. Bros. Ewing and Steele are on the 'varsity, and Bro. Whitney captains the second team.

Bro. W. R. Bayes was recently elected president of the senior lecture course committee for '00-'01.

Delaware, November 29, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
WILLIAM P. BAIRD.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Gamma takes great pleasure in presenting the following new Phis: Bros. Fred Pickering, Watson Craig and Floyd E. Coultrap, of Athens, J. Milton Zang, of Lancaster, Pa., and Will E. Mitchell, of Jobs, Ohio. We have now thirteen men (including two pledged) in the chapter, and will probably add another before the close of this term. We entertained with a Hallowe'en party at the home of Bro. I. M. Foster in honor of our initiates, and about forty Phis enjoyed the occasion.

Athletics seem to be on the decline just at present, due to the poor showing made by the foot ball team. But we expect to redeem ourselves to some extent with a good basket ball team, which is now being organized. Bro. Walter Sheldon has been elected manager.

All discussions at recent meetings have been devoted to the advisability of securing a chapter house, and for this we are all working zealously. We are determined to have a house if we can find a desirable location, and indications are that we will be successful. We are always glad to see visiting Phis, and assure a hearty welcome to any who chance to come our way.

Athens, November 21, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
JAS. P. WOOD, JR.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

As was promised in our last letter, we have two new men to report: Chas. C. Wise, '02, Millersburg, Ohio, initiated on November 8, and J. C. Royan, '02, Sydney, Ohio, to be initiated in the near future. In the case of both, we entered into competition with other fraternities, and so in securing them have double cause for self-gratulations. This makes ten men for the year, and as only two out of the number are above the freshman class, we can look forward into the future with a feeling of confidence. Another thing that bodes well for the life of the chapter is the lively interest which the new men take in the fra-

ternity, and the active part they are already commencing to assume in the details of fraternity work.

The social side of O. S. U. life has been prominent this year, more so than usual, perhaps. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, ΣN and $\Sigma A E$ have each entertained with dancing parties, and Ohio Zeta has gone them one better, having given its second informal last Saturday night. $K A \Theta$ entertained last Friday evening at the house of one of her members, and has invitations out for November 27. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has been represented, as was also the case at the Hallowe'en party given by $\Pi B \Phi$.

Foot ball has taken a decided boom here this year, because we have what promises to be the champion team of Ohio; we have not been defeated, and have played but one tie game, 5-5, against Case School; this 5 being, by the way, the one touch down scored against us during the whole season. Such strong teams as Oberlin, Adelbert, Marietta and O. M. U. have alike found us unsolvable propositions. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented on the team by Captain Del Sayers. During the course of the season we have received visits from many Phis who were either members of the teams or visiting devotees, among whom were Jones, Adelbert's crack half back, Williams, quarter on the Keuyon team, and Wood and Welch, of Athens.

Bro Dowd, '00, has been appointed assistant in French here, and Bro. Stilling has received the remunerative position of assistant in industrial arts, materially increasing the number of our *fratres in facultate*. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is in the winning combination which will control the college annual this year, the office of treasurer falling to our lot. Bro. DeWitt represents the law school as correspondent on the *Lantern*, the weekly, and has also been honored in his selection by the senior class as ivy orator. A new musical organization has made its way into college, and will play for the first time on November 25; this is the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ quintette, composed of Bros. Jack and Lawrence Barringer, Dann, Dowd and Royan. They will hold up their end of the program nicely.

We were sorry to hear of Bro. Morris's resignation as province president, as he has been of material aid to us in many ways; but we believe that the fraternity is to be congratulated upon having secured so worthy a successor to him as Bro. Ballou.

Fraternally yours,

Columbus, November 25, 1899.

CHARLES H. WOODS.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

The opening of the fall term of Case School of Applied Science found Ohio Eta in a most prosperous condition. The chapter house was kept over the summer, Bros. Gifford and French living there most of the time in order to hold it for the chapter. They are still there, reinforced by Bros. Backus, Ammon, Gibson, Gleason and Nissen. Bro. Gleason will spend a short time in Cleveland in the interests of his new mining project. A set of new furniture has been procured for the parlor and a piano rented.

On the second day of college an elaborate reception was given to a number of freshmen. Several members of the alumni were also present.

On Saturday evening, September 30, we initiated Bros. Cowdery, '03, Chandler, '03, Farr, '02, and Grothe, '99. Bro. Farr was on the 'varsity foot ball team last year, as he is this year. Bro. Grothe is taking a graduate course in civil engineering and last year was manager of the foot ball team.

All the Phis who were graduated last spring have obtained desirable positions. The other members of the chapter have all returned except Bros. Bates and Bassett. Bro. Cleveland is with us again and is taking a special course at Case. He is also assistant instructor in surveying.

Bros. Braggins, Vost and Ewing are members of the '01 annual board. Bro. Black is on the *Integral* board. Bro. Quarrie is president, Bro. Vost historian, and Bro. Braggins treasurer of the class of '01. Bro. Farr is president of the class of '02. Bro. Gibson is marshal of the foot ball team.

The freshman class this year is a large one, numbering about ninety men, and there is some very good fraternity material among them. Our latest initiates are Bros. Northrop, Selby and Dill, all freshmen. After initiation an informal dinner was given in their honor. Many members of the alumni of our chapter were present, as well as Bro. Ward, T. G. C., who presided as toast-master. Ohio Eta is now twenty strong, five of our number being freshmen. We have by far the strongest chapter at Case.

We are represented in the faculty by Bros. Springsteen, Carter and Stanford. Bros. Chandler, Cowdery and Dill are members of the mandolin club. As usual our Phis are very prominent in foot ball. Under the able captaincy of Bro. Nieding the team tied O. S. U., won from Oberlin by a score of 11 to 0 and scored on Michigan. One more game will be played this season—with Reserve on Thanksgiving day. The Oberlin game was a great victory, and Bro. Quarrie distinguished himself by making a 95-yard run for a touch down. Bro. Farr also did excellent work in this game. More than half of our chapter visited Ann Arbor to see the Michigan-Case game, in which, besides those mentioned, Bro. Grothe took part. The visiting Phis were sociably entertained by Michigan Alpha and had the opportunity of witnessing an initiation. Bro. Alexander, who was formerly of Ohio Eta, and who was graduated from Case last spring, is now a member of Michigan Alpha and attending the law school of the university.

On the evening of the day of the Oberlin game the chapter was most enjoyably entertained at the home of Bro. Bassett.

We are happy to announce the marriage of Bro. French, '98, who has so long been with us. Bro. French's home is still in Cleveland.

Many alumni of our chapter and many Phis from other colleges have visited us this year. We again extend to all Phis a cordial invitation to call on us at any time at the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ house on Fairmount street.

Yours in the Bond,

C. M. NISSEN.

Cleveland, November 21, 1899.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The university is once more the beneficiary of a generous gift. David Sinton, a prominent and wealthy citizen of Cincinnati, has presented the institution with \$100,000. At this rate we shall soon have a large endowment. The present donation is for the maintenance of the academic department.

Ohio Theta has two new initiates, Bro. Durr, '03, and Bro. Vos, '00. Besides Mr. Fillmore, '01, pledged, we have two men ready to join as soon as parental objections are overcome.

On September 30 the chapter entertained with an informal smoker. The speaker of the evening, Bro. Bonham, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '82, gave us a vivid picture of the German Fräulein.

A goodly share of college honors has fallen to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Bro. Burke, '03, was elected treasurer of his class, and by vote of the student body was chosen a member of the athletic council. Bro. O. Schlemmer, '00, is playing on the foot ball team, and Bro. Lange, '00, is business manager of the annual. The writer was elected to preside over the senior class.

The record of the foot ball team is not as good this season as in former years. While this is due in part to the lack of the best material, the invariable presence of rain at games has had a dampening effect on the interest.

The strength of the fraternities here is as follows: ΣX , 12; $\Sigma A E$, 18; $B \Theta \Pi$, 13; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 11.

Yours in the Bond,
STUART A. MCGILL.

Cincinnati, November 17, 1899.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The University of Michigan opened September 26 with a large enrollment, which has steadily increased until it now stands at about 3,300. To all outward appearances the campus looks the same as last year, although the university has erected a large homeopathic hospital a few blocks away.

Michigan Alpha started the year with thirteen old men, and thus far has initiated three: Bros. Paul Steketeer, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Todd Ward, Mt. Vernon, Ill.; Ward Montgomery, Aurora, Ill. Besides these we have at present nine men pledged, some of whom we hope soon to see active members. Bro. Alexander, *Case*, '99, has entered the law department here and will be affiliated in the near future.

From the faculty we lost Bro. Abbott, *Cornell*, '93, who left to take a professorship at Dartmouth; while we have been augmented in that same body by Bro. Sanders, *Michigan*, '90, who becomes a special instructor in Latin.

Of our '99 graduates Bro. Hoover is a civil engineer in Kansas City, Mo.; Bro. Barr displays his shingle at Joliet, Ill.; Bro. Blatt has returned to pursue law studies. Bros. Ross, of Toledo, and Stewart, of Rock Island, did not return.

Michigan played Virginia on November 4, at Detroit, and several of the Ann Arbor boys were able to meet Bros. Macgill and Haskell, who played on the Virginia team. On November 18 Michigan played Case here, and at that time we had with us eleven Phis from Cleveland, four of whom were members of the team. We enjoyed their visit, and hope to have more Phis call.

Although the university has barely opened, Michigan Alpha has already secured several positions in the college world. Bro. Eversman was elected director of the athletic association. Bro. Bayley is on the 'varsity banjo club, Bro. Chapin is on the *Wrinkle*, and Bro. Ned Begle is chairman of the decoration committee of the junior hop, as well as captain of the '01 foot ball team.

We wish to thank all Phis who have recommended desirable men to us this year. This is always a great aid in securing new men.

Yours in the Bond,
F. L. LOWRIE.

Ann Arbor, November 18, 1899.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter, we have initiated Bro. Ernest Strange, of Marion, Ind.

On December 5, Bro. E. E. Ruby, our province president, was married to Miss Blanche Blynn, a charming young woman of Fort Wayne. We give them a reception Thursday evening at our hall.

On last Friday evening the faculty and student body gave an elaborate reception to our foot ball team, the champions of Indiana for '99. Our successful season has been duly and justly recognized by the admission of Indiana into the 'big seven,' now the 'big nine.'

The Phis have not been left out of college honors this year. Bro. Folsom is president of the state oratorical and an editor of the *Arbutus*; Bro. Patten is a promising candidate for the debating team; Bro. Harry Dickey is leader of the college band; Bro. McGinnis is president of the freshman class; Bro. Alsop is secretary of the publishing board, a director of the lecture board, business manager of the *Arbutus* and president of the senior class.

We were very sorry to lose Bro. Schofield, who has returned to Purdue. Our loss is Indiana Theta's gain.

The good effects of the recent province convention are still felt by all of us, and we can only say, 'come again.'

Yours in the Bond,

Bloomington, December 13, 1899.

W. McCLELLAN ALSOP.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

We have initiated four good men and have the largest chapter in college. Our new Phis are Bros. Homer and Porter Jones, Wabash, Ind.; Mandel Lowenstein, Valparaiso, Ind.; Thomas Howard, Valparaiso, Ind., all of the class of '03. We have one man pledged and expect to increase our number still further next term.

We gave a very successful musical last week and have entertained with several dances.

The glee and mandolin clubs start on their holiday tour next week with a Phi as manager and five Phis as members. Wabash's representative on the executive board of the state oratorical association is a Phi.

We were represented at the recent Epsilon province convention by Bros. Hays, Todd, Peter and Bartholomew. Indiana Beta will be delighted to entertain the next one.

The fraternities here number: $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 9; $B \Theta \Pi$, 8; $K \Sigma$, 6; $\Delta T \Delta$, 6; $\Phi K \Psi$, 5.

Yours in the Bond,

Crawfordsville, December 14, 1899.

J. S. BARTHOLOMEW.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

Indiana Gamma was compelled to enter upon the present school year under very peculiar and unfavorable circumstances, owing to the fact that our house was sold last year and no other suitable location was to be had anywhere in the town. Although we were thus severely hand-

icapped through the rushing season we have succeeded in adding three new men to our list, two of whom were spiked by both the other fraternities. Before this letter appears we will have initiated into the mysteries of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ Mr. Guy Foster, '02, Blue Mound, Ill.; and Mr. Samuel Wallace Moore, Brazil, Ind. We have as our only pledged member Mr. Albert Goodale, '05, Blue Mound, Ill. Mr. Foster was formerly a pupil of Bro. Lister, '97, in Eureka College and while there was a member of the local fraternity K K K.

At the beginning of the next term we will enter a handsome house which we are having built just outside the campus in one of the prettiest and most desirable places in the town. The house will be fitted throughout with all modern conveniences and with hardwood floors, and will be in all respects an ideal chapter house.

At present $\Delta T \Delta$ has twelve members, ΣX has seven, while we strike the average with nine. In the social and political activities of the college $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ as usual holds a large number of honorable and important positions. Bro. Longley is manager of the base ball team and pianist on the glee club. Bro. McGaughey is captain of the basket ball team, while your correspondent is business manager of the weekly *University Brief* and the monthly *Butler Collegian*, as well as president of the athletic association. Bro. McGaughey is also an associate editor on the *Brief*.

The young ladies of the college are taking quite a lively interest in basket ball this year, and have organized two teams, one of them being coached by Bro. McGaughey and the other by the 'author.' The teams are evenly matched, and the games are being watched with great interest by a large crowd of spectators and sympathizers.

Of our last year's men who did not return this year, Bro. Hobbs, '99, is in Denver, Colo., for his health. Bro. Ward, '99, is preaching at Rensselaer, Ind., and doing some work in the University of Chicago, where he took his degree during the summer; Bro. Hadley, '02, has entered the Medical College of Indiana; Bro. Adkinson, '02, has a lucrative position in Indianapolis; Bro. Wheatcraft, '02, is in Hanover.

Hereafter there will be no more pledging done among the preparatory students at Butler, as the fraternities have made an agreement to that effect at the request of the faculty. The faculty has also asked that the fraternities enter into an agreement not to spike a student until he has been in college a certain length of time. This extent of time is to be decided by the fraternities.

We were very much pleased to have with us quite a number of the Phis from Franklin at the time of the Butler-Franklin foot ball game, and also to receive a visit not long since from Bro. Macauley, of the Miami chapter.

Yours in the Bond,
JNO. M. CUNNINGHAM.

Irvington, November 20, 1899.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have enjoyed a very successful spiking season, but owing to the small number of new students deemed worthy of an invitation, the number is not as large as in some previous years. The new Phis are Will Jeffrey, '01, Raymond H. Sellers, '03, and Russel R. Huffman, '02, whom we initiated October 14, and Carl Scott, '03, and L. W. Oliver, '03, whom we also initiated on October 21. We announce as pledges Messrs. McFarland, '03, and Wiley, '03. This makes our chapter number fourteen, with three pledges.

In the Periclesian literary society we have four officers out of seven. In the oratorical association we have Bro. House as vice-president. Bro. Thurston represents the student body on the college board of athletics. Bro. Williams has been elected to fill the place of our deceased Bro. Jesse L. Holman, as editor-in-chief of the *Kodak*. On the publication board we are represented by Bro. Goodell as president. On the junior annual we have Bro. Wilson, business manager, the office of editor-in-chief being held by one of our $\Pi B \Phi$ sisters, with Bro. Jeffrey as society editor of the staff. Prof. Goodell is general manager of athletics, with Bro. Covert as president, and Bro. Sellers, treasurer of the athletic association. On the foot ball team we have Bro. Sellers, business manager and left end, Bro. Bowser, right guard, Bro. Covert, quarter back, and Bro. Jeffrey, substitute. Although the classes are not all organized as yet, Bro. House is president of '02, and Mr. Hall (pledged), vice-president of '04. Bros. Parker and Demaree have both been elected to serve their second terms as director and business manager of the glee club. We are also represented on the college quartette by Bros. Parker and Fisher, and will have quite a number on the glee club.

We have had visits during the past month from Bro. Shields, of Indiana Beta, and Bros. McGaughey, Foster and Goodale, of Indiana Gamma.

Our chapter has added much to the appearance of its rooms by new furniture and pictures. We entertained in honor of the new students at the opening of this term.

We were represented at the province convention by Bro. Covert, delegate, and Bros. Wilson and Weyl, visitors. They report a fine time and praise Indiana Alpha's hospitality warmly.

In the Bond,

Franklin, November 1, 1899.

OTIS B. SELLERS.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Indiana Epsilon takes pleasure in introducing Bro. Ferdinand Litterer, of Madison, Ind. Bro. Litterer, '03, is the only man whom we have initiated up to this date. Our pledges are E. W. Newton and E. R. Patty, Bowling Green, Ohio; J. A. Prier, Indianapolis, Ind.; W. H. Smith, Lexington, Ind.; S. I. Green, Hanover, Ind.; W. A. Little, Wabash, Ind., all of '04. We have our eyes on a few others.

Bro. Demaree recently attended a meeting of the state oratorical association board held at Indianapolis. A great deal of interest in oratory is being manifested here this year. There are five contestants, one from each fraternity and one non-fraternity man.

Our juniors are quietly working on their annual, and it is reported that the sophomores have elected officers for an annual the following year.

Franklin and Hanover are endeavoring to meet in debate this year. As we have several good debaters we should be glad to see the two colleges measure swords.

Hanover has seen more foot ball this season than she has for some time, six games having been played on the home gridiron. Although our team has not been as successful as was hoped, yet it has shown the true sportsman's spirit by working daily on in the face of many difficulties. Two games have been played with the champions of Kentucky. In the first they ran wild with us, scoring 27-6. After three days' coaching under Mr. Marshall, of Purdue, we held them to 16-5,

and were we to meet again, we feel confident that we could win. Our final game was played November 25 with Moore's Hill College, resulting in a score of 35-0 in our favor.

We regret that Bro. Garber has had to quit college on account of sickness. He will probably not be back this year. Mr. Smith, one of our pledged men, is also ill. We expect him back after Thanksgiving.

Yours in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$,

Hanover, November 27, 1899.

F. S. DEIBLER.

INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

The attendance at DePauw is considerably larger than last year in all departments. Since the movement to raise \$500,000 for the endowment fund of the university was set on foot over \$103,000 have been subscribed. The latest scheme for raising money is to secure 100,000 subscribers for \$5 each. The list, which is to be known as 'the long roll,' is to be open until 1903, then to be closed and remain sealed until the year 2000. The list has so far been presented at three places and over 500 names secured.

At the beginning of the year H. J. McIntire was secured as physical director. The gymnasium has been repaired and refitted.

More enthusiasm has been shown for foot ball this year than last, and our team, under the management of Coach Ford and Director McIntire, has made a fairly good showing. Class spirit showed itself in the game between the '03 and '02, the latter winning.

A new society, known as the K B Φ , has made its appearance. It selects its members from the senior class and is secret. Its badge is a silver key.

The chapter has the pleasure of introducing the following new Phis: G. C. Tolin, '03, Coxville, Ind.; Bernard Moore, '03, Tipton, Ind., and Fred Williams, '03, Fincastle, Ind. We have two men pledged: G. Throop, '02, and L. B. Hawthorne, '04.

Bro. J. E. Thomas is editor-in-chief of the *Palladium*, secretary of the athletic board and secretary of the state oratorical association. Bro. S. E. Dove is treasurer of the sophomore class. Bros. F. S. Cartwright at quarter back and Fred Williams at left guard represent us on the gridiron. Bro. L. R. Cartwright is treasurer of the college Y. M. C. A. W. A. Collings is vice-president of Der Deutsche Bund.

Yours in the Bond,

Greencastle, November 30, 1899.

S. E. DOVE.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Purdue began work this fall with very flattering prospects, having an enrollment of nearly 900 students, an increase over last year of about 200. The faculty has been increased in the same proportion.

The foot ball team is showing up in good form this year. It has beaten the alumni, 10-5, for the first time; Earlham, 30-5; De Pauw, 38-0; Illinois, 5-0, Notre Dame was tied, and we were defeated by Oberlin and Chicago. Bro. Davidson plays a star game at center.

We regret the loss of our last year's seniors: Bros. Knight, Lennox, Peck and Wallace. Bro. Knight now holds lucrative position with the Western Electric Co., of Chicago. Bro. Lennox has entered Rush Medical at Chicago. Bro. Peck is with the Peck-Williamson Ventilating Co., of Cincinnati. Bro. Wallace holds a position with the Wallace Machine and Foundry Co., of La Fayette.

We opened the fall season with 12 active members, and the affiliation of Bro. Bartholomew, of Indiana Beta, gave us 13. Bro. Russell left later because of illness, and Bro. Schofield returned from Indiana University. We have initiated Curtis Foote, '02, of Chicago, the only one of our pledged men now eligible, and have pledged five others, whom we will introduce when the spring term rolls around, as they are freshmen.

Bro. Hill, of last year's chapter, is in Florida, and Bro. Waite holds a position with the Michigan Central R. R.

Since the beginning of the term we have given several dances, and on October 1 we gave a smoker at our hall, inviting principally new students and members of the faculty. A musical program was rendered by the members and certain 'rag-time' coons.

The mandolin and glee clubs are proving to be two of the best college clubs in the west. Bros. Wilson and Dill were elected to the respective offices of manager and treasurer. Purdue is also blessed with a good band of about 30 pieces this year. One of our pledged men has been appointed director.

Yours in the Bond,

La Fayette, November 25, 1899.

C. M. MCGREGOR.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL we have initiated three men: Bros. Malcolm Baird, '02; Elmer Kinney, '03, and Vern Blair, '03. With these we have fifteen members.

Foot ball this year has been somewhat disappointing, as we have won but two college games. One more is to be played, which we hope to win. No Thanksgiving game has been arranged. We are represented on the team by Bro. Scheiner.

The glee and mandolin clubs have already accomplished some good work in selecting and training new men. Bros. Crawford and Kinney are members of the glee club, and Bros. Wheat, Weese, Brown, Skiles and Blair of the mandolin club. A holiday trip has been arranged.

In the junior play to be given December 8, we are represented by Bro. Lloyd. Bro. Webb is drilling the cast.

The social season has not opened yet, although a few parties have been given by the sororities, at which we were well represented.

Bros. Sturgeon and Wheat have been elected to represent $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the Pan-Hellenic committee.

Several Phis from other chapters have visited us recently, among them Bro. Ward, T. G. C., and Bro. Tallman, of Wisconsin Alpha.

Yours in the Bond,

Evanson, November 22, 1899.

WALLACE S. GRAYSTON.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

President Harper met representatives from each of the fraternities here the other day and put before them a plan for erecting permanent chapter houses. The university owns several hundred feet of land on Ellis avenue, facing the campus. President Harper said that the university would gladly lease portions of this ground to each of the fraternities if they would build chapter houses. He also intimated if any of the fraternities should get into difficulty in paying for these

houses the university might come to its aid. None of the chapters here is wealthy enough or has a large enough list of alumni to start a house. As far as we know, none of the fraternities has taken any definite action yet.

President Harper has called the attention of under-graduates to the rule of the university that forbids fraternities to solicit the membership of under-graduates in any secret society until they have completed three majors' work in the university, or, in other words, until they have been in the university three months and have passed on three courses. It seems that some of the fraternities here are breaking this rule right along, and of course thus taking an unfair advantage over the others. However, the general feeling is that it is a good rule both for the fraternities and for the freshmen, and most of the students want to see it kept. It is reported that one chapter has been caught breaking this regulation and has been warned that a repetition of the offense will result in the confiscation of its charter.

Bro. James Sbeldon, '02, is playing left end on the famous maroon foot ball team this year. He did great work in the Cornell game. Bro. D. A. Morris, '02, will play C. B. Herschberger Tuesday in the finals for the golf championship of the university.

Class spirit has been very evident in the university this year for the first time. The night of the 'freshman presentation' there was a good-natured rush about the senior bench; the freshmen turned out in great numbers, and it was all that the three upper classes could do to handle them. This spirit has resulted in the formation of freshman and sophomore foot ball teams.

Bro. Ward, T. G. C., and Bro. Mitchell, president of Zeta province, honored Illinois Beta with a visit the other day. They both attended an informal dinner given by the alumni club at the Pullman café on the evening of November 22.

We have been taking our meals in the chapter house for six weeks now, and under Bro. Laval's skillful management it has been a great success and a great convenience to the nine men in the house. Bro. Stuart, of California Alpha, who is doing graduate work in philosophy in the university, eats with us regularly.

Yours in the Bond,

Chicago, November 25, 1899.

AUSTIN YOUNG HOY.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Illinois Delta commenced the college year with nine active members and one pledged man, having lost by graduation Bros. Finley, Strain, Blodgett, Rex and Wilson. Bro. Green, '00, is at Chicago University, and Bro. Lewis, '00, is at Lake Forest. We have been very successful in securing new men this fall and are happy to introduce Bros. Porter, '02, Webster, '03, Groves, '01, Shurtleff, '03, and Brown, '03.

We are well represented in all walks of college life at Knox this year. Bro. R. W. McCormack, '01, is editor-in-chief of the college annual, *The Gale*. Bro. Porter, '02, is business manager of the *Knox Student*.

We have been busied the past month with the work of moving into our newly leased chapter house. We are just beginning to feel at home in our new quarters, and while the house is not yet entirely furnished, the work is progressing rapidly in that direction. We hope to have our formal opening before Thanksgiving. The increase in fraternity spirit since we moved into the house is quite marked, and we

must also give credit to the same source for bringing us into closer contact with our alumni. While the relations between the alumni and the active chapter at Knox have never been strained, yet during the last few years they have not been of the most intimate nature. The alumni's sensitiveness about intruding and a foolish spirit of independence in the active chapter kept the two apart. Very seldom did the alumni attend the active chapter's initiations or parties. Happily, that state of affairs has now changed completely.

The Knox foot ball team is enjoying a most successful season under the management of Bro. R. W. McCormack. The most interesting games yet to be played are those with the University of Iowa and Beloit, the latter being an annual Thanksgiving society event. Bro. C. W. McCormack plays left end on the 'varsity.

A Φ Δ Θ mandolin and guitar club has been organized, and concerts are given every evening at the chapter house. Bros. Heinly and Webster also belong to the Knox band, which is considered one of the best bands in the west. A Phi glee club is now in process of formation. Bros. Parkin and Emory are members of the Pundit club. Bro. Parkin, as representative of Knox, received third place in the inter-collegiate oratorical contest at Jacksonville. This are prominent in all the literary societies here.

In the Bond,

Galesburg, November 5, 1899.

HERMAN H. POTTER.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

We began with a small chapter this year, but have initiated four good men. They are Brothers Lothian, Holroyd, Gingrich and Stratton.

Illinois Zeta is proud of her foot ball showing this year, as four of Lombard's best players are Phis. They are Brothers Weeks, Gingrich, Holroyd and Lothian. The team has made a fine record, and it is largely through the skill and pluck of the above-mentioned Phis that Lombard has not yet met with a defeat. Brother Holroyd is now suffering with a broken leg, but it will merely throw him out of the Thanksgiving game.

The chapter recently enjoyed a brief visit from Bros. Hubert H Ward, T. G. C., and F. J. R. Mitchell, president of Zeta province.

The year 1901 is the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Lombard, and as a sort of jubilee fund the trustees are attempting to increase the endowment by \$100,000. There is a fair prospect of the end being attained and of much being done for old Lombard.

In the Bond,

Galesburg, November 29, 1899.

FAY A. BULLUCK.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

When the university opened the last of September Illinois Eta found sixteen old members back, a more substantial start than she has ever before had. The large incoming freshman class did not bring a wealth of fraternity material, and in the early rushing season we found but three men entirely acceptable to the chapter. These were W. O. Doud and R. Siler, of Englewood, both freshmen and fine athletes, and T. A. Scott, of Bethany, Ill., who entered as a junior from Lincoln University. However, before Christmas arrives we hope to have one or two more names added to the list.

We were exceedingly unfortunate last year in losing several men

who have been prominent members of the university for years, as well as composing the strongest element of last year's chapter. All are favorably located as follows: Bros. Hill and Nevins have opened an architect's office in Houston, Texas. Bros. H. D. and F. T. Sheean are studying law at their home in Galeua, Illinois. Bro. S. M. Bayard has a lucrative position with Steele, Waddle & Co., in Chicago. Bro. Ralph W. Mills is studying medicine at the Marion Simms Medical College in St. Louis, that city being his home. The above mentioned men were all lost by graduation. We also suffered a severe loss in Bro. Maurice F. Bayard, '02, who has entered Cornell and affiliated with New York Alpha.

The attendance at the university shows a material increase over last year's registration, and a most prosperous year is expected. The foot ball season was a keen disappointment, the team making the poorest showing of any Illinois eleven for years. Bro. A. R. Johnston was the backbone of the whole team and was very justly awarded the position of half back on the all-western eleven by the majority of critics. Mr. Doud, whom we will initiate soon, also made end rush on the varsity, but was injured in the first game, only recovering in time to play in the last two or three contests. He promises to be a star next season.

Mr. Siler, another pledge, won both the distance runs in all the fall track meets and will be a valuable addition to the track team next spring. In other branches of university affairs Illinois Eta is more strongly represented than any other fraternity here. Bro. Kirkpatrick has been elected president of '01, and Bro. Ward, of '02. Bro. Boyd was elected president of the law school association. Bro. Bruce Fulton is chairman of the junior promenade committee, and Bro. Tuthill is chairman of the sophomore cotillion committee. Bro. Johnston is president of the students' dancing club for the coming season.

We still retain our comfortable quarters in the same house we occupied last year and opened our social career this fall with the aid of our patronesses by giving a house-warming party on October 30.

Yours in the Bond,

Champaign, December 2, 1899.

WM. J. FULTON.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since the opening of the school year we have initiated four men: Bros. Fairchild, Tourtellotte, McKinnon and Wilkins. Bro. Ed. C. Griesel, of Iudiana Beta, has affiliated with us. His brother, Mr. Julius Griesel, '03, is pledged, as is also Mr. Walter Lyman, who enters the university next fall.

The work of our foot ball team this year has been of a high order. The schedule has been hard and the season long. We have won from Northwestern, Illinois, Beloit and Michigan and lost two games, one to Yale and one to Chicago. The former defeat was due to some extent to the long Eastern trip and the consequent loss of form. The latter was a fair defeat by what is considered to day at Wisconsin one of the very strongest teams in the country. Since the last issue of THE SCROLL we have seen the athletic difficulties that have existed among the four big western universities, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan and Chicago, swept away, we hope never to return.

This is the last year we shall have Bro. Phil. King with us, as he has announced that this season of coaching is his last.

Brother Pardee is now assistant editor of the *Ægis*, and also a

member of the junior prom. committee. Brother Niles has been chosen leader of the mandolin club.

Yours in the Bond,
 Madison, December 14, 1899. MARK H. NEWMAN.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

This year finds Minnesota Alpha in new and comfortable quarters, in a fairly prosperous condition with ten old and two new men. It is with pleasure that we introduce Bros. Homer T. Horton, '02, and Otto Poirer, law, '02. Our chapter will be enlarged at the beginning of next term by the initiation of three pledged men and the return of Bro. Earle Simpson, who will enter the law department.

The chapter graduated last June four brothers who contributed much to its prosperity during their college course. Bro. E. M. Mackusick, manager of the mandolin club and managing editor of the *Engineer's Year Book*, Bros. Wm. H. Condit, W. T. Donaldson and Henry Lane. We still receive the benefit of their association, however, as all are employed in one or other of the twin cities. Bro. Mackusick is with the Minneapolis Electric Co. Bro. Condit is a practicing physician in the Minneapolis city hospital. Bro. Lane is a practicing attorney in the city, and Bro. Donaldson is at work in an electrical line in St. Paul.

Bro. Dodge of Vermont Alpha is taking night work in the law department and occasionally favors us with his pleasing company.

Our new quarters are a great improvement over our previous ones and are situated in the Cambridge, a new building erected at the edge of the campus for fraternity purposes.

The Phis look with pride upon the showing made by the foot ball eleven during the past season, realizing that it was due in a great part to the efforts of Bro. Wm. Leary, '96, who as head coach produced from a squad of green material a team which made a creditable showing against the veteran elevens of Wisconsin and Chicago. College spirit, which seemed to have been put asleep by the disastrous foot ball seasons of the past two years, awoke with renewed vigor and reached a higher point than ever experienced in the history of the university. As a result the treasury of the athletic association shows a large balance on the proper side, and the prospects for a winning team for the next season are brighter than ever before.

At the request of the superintendent of the city schools, President Northrop has issued an order restraining the practice of rushing in the high schools. As a result a fraternity conference was called and an attempt made to define the term 'rushing.' This proved a difficult problem. Articles were signed by all of the leading fraternities, containing an agreement to refrain from rushing high school students, and a resolution not to begin rushing in the college until after registration week. A committee was appointed by President Northrop to attend to the enforcement of these promises.

Yours in the Bond,
 Minneapolis, December 11, 1899. CHARLES A. PITKIN.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Iowa Alpha wishes to introduce Bro. Hugh B. McCoy, '02. Bro. McCoy was formerly a student at Penn College, Oskaloosa, Iowa, and he is a brother-in-law of L. A. Blue, professor of political and social sci-

ence in Iowa Wesleyan. We also announce six pledged men, the pick of the new students, whom we shall be able to introduce in the spring term. We have succeeded in getting all we have asked.

Φ Δ Θ is holding her own here in all the student enterprises. Bro. Stafford is manager of the college lecture course, which is proving very popular with the public as well as to the students. In the literary societies we hold the principal offices, especially in Hamline, where the entire list of officers is made up of Phis. The university glee and mandolin clubs are prospering, and Φ Δ Θ is represented in both.

Our late war has materially affected the military department, but in all probability it will be reorganized after Christmas under the direct management of Bro. Charles E. Hearne, who has recently returned from the Philippines with the 51st Iowa. Lieut. Hearne will be a member of the class of '01. Iowa Alpha is proud of her soldiers; next term we expect with us Bros. Hearne and Hooper.

On the evening of November 11, we gave our annual fall reception in our down-town parlors. We enjoyed the presence of Bro. W. N. Winter, of Missouri Alpha. Bro. Winter is assistant surveyor on the railroad improvements west of here.

At present the chapter is considering entering a chapter house. Committees have been appointed to look up desirable locations. The only question is whether a suitable one can be found, for the chapter is determined to enter a house, and the fact that the majority of the Phis and pledged men are non-residents makes this an opportune time. A building fund plan will soon be launched. The chapter is out of debt and is enjoying a strong and healthy growth, and the prospects are good for next year.

Iowa Wesleyan, in the midst of her rejoicing over the promising opening of a new era in her history, was called upon to mourn the death of her firm friend and patron, ex-Senator James Harlan, late chancellor of the university. Too great to be claimed by community or state, he was one of the giants of a glorious period in our nation's history. A friend and counsellor of the immortal Lincoln, he won recognition and distinction along with Sumner and Seward. In 1853 he was elected president of Iowa Wesleyan, and has ever been identified with educational work in the state. The funeral services were held in the university chapel on October 9.

On November 20 Iowa Alpha was agreeably surprised by a visit from Bros. Hubert H. Ward, treasurer of the general council, and Frank J. R. Mitchell, president of Zeta province. Our chapter and pledged men were introduced to our visitors in the dining-room of the Harlan hotel, after which we, a merry company, repaired to our Phi parlors and were gratified by speeches from Bros. Ward and Mitchell. They have done a great amount of good here and are largely responsible for the birth of our present chapter house inclinations.

Yours in Φι-κεία,

Mt. Pleasant, November 25, 1899.

A. BALFOUR JEFFREY.

IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

S. U. I. has just finished a very successful season in foot ball. Bro. Eby was captain, and Bro. Hobbs assistant coach. We gave a banquet to the team December 8, which was attended by President MacLean and several of our alumni professors.

We have just rented an eleven-room chapter house, which we will enter on January 1. Ten or twelve men will room in it, and most of us will take our meals there.

Iowa Beta has been very successful this fall in getting new members. We have initiated five and have two pledged. We introduce Bros. Maurice F. Birdsall, law, '00; Alden I. Van Epps Wessels, law, '00; James D. Shaw, '01; John Raymond Howard, law, '00; Otis George Hebers, '03.

In the Bond,
H. G. HUNTINGTON.

Iowa City, December 11, 1899.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

It is a pleasure to introduce to the fraternity Bros. E. F. Bishop, '01, Chas. J. White, '03, Geo. H. Moore, '01, who have been initiated since our last letter. The chapter now numbers twenty-one men and is in good condition.

We are well represented in all departments of the university and in the various societies and organizations incidental thereto. We are able to boast of three members in Q E B H, the honorary senior society, in which no other fraternity has ever been represented by more than two. Bro. Harry Smiley has been elected to the *Savitar* board, and more recently he has been chosen to represent the university as inter-collegiate committeeman, the highest office within the gift of the student corps. Bro. Burruss was a member of the victorious crew in the first annual double-scul races. Bro. White's crew was a close second.

We report with some reluctance the concluding event of the season's foot ball, wherein Missouri suffered defeat at the hands of Kansas.

The annual meeting and banquet of the Phis occurred at Kansas City on the evening of November 29.

Bros. Chas. B. Newcomer, Nebraska Alpha, '89, has been elected to succeed Dr. Burnham of the Latin department.

In the Bond,
RAYMOND S. EDMONDS.

Columbia, December 8, 1899.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Bro. Walker, '02, has discontinued his college work for the present, on account of ill health, but will again join us after Christmas.

We have been very successful this year, not having lost a single spike, and have repeatedly walked off with the prize from our would-be rivals. B Θ Π numbers 7; K A, 9; Φ Δ Θ, 15. I take great pleasure in presenting Bro. L. M. White, '03, Bro. Robinson, '03, Bro. Byrd, '03, Bro. Knox, '02, Bro. Burch, '03, Bro. Noland, '03, Bro. Baker, '03, and Bro. Hope, '01.

In a game of foot ball recently played with Blee's Military Academy, seven Phis were on the eleven, and the game was won, 51-0.

On the staff of the college paper, the *Collegian*, Bro. Caruthers is our representative. Bro. L. M. White is assistant manager.

We give a hop Friday evening at our handsomely refitted suite of rooms.

Father Morrison made us a pleasant visit some time ago and he was as interesting as usual. His presence and good advice are always welcome.

The chapter house project we find to be a pleasant subject for discussion now, and it is probable that after Christmas a rented house will be our home.

Yours in the Bond,
A. B. CARUTHERS.

Fulton, November 20, 1899.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Missouri Gamma was represented by eight enthusiastic Phis at the beginning of this year's session. We lost by graduation Bro. Adkins, now with the United Railways Co., of St. Louis; Bro. Stuart, with the Stuart Construction Co.; Bro. Petfus, who has been in the west since graduation, and Bros. Chaplin and Wilfley, who are practicing law in this city. Bro. Eliot is this year in Harvard.

We are proud to introduce Bros. Kossuth Weber, of Farmington, Mo.; Edwin Harrison, Jr., and Clemens Glasgow, of St. Louis. Bro. Clemens Glasgow is the third of three brothers at present in our chapter. There is one left in this family.

There have been changes in our faculty. Dr. E. B. Keiser succeeds Dr. Sanger, professor of chemistry, who has been called to Harvard. Maj. J. L. Van Ornum, of the 3d U. S. V. Engineers, succeeds Professor J. B. Johnson in the department of engineering.

The Missouri Medical College and the St. Louis Medical College, the old medical department of Washington University, have been united and both become the medical department of Washington.

The competition of the architects to determine who should draw the plans of the new university buildings has resulted in the selection of Cope and Stewardson, of Philadelphia. The university expects to occupy these buildings by the fall of 1901.

Yours in the Bond,

St. Louis, November 22, 1899.

EDWIN F. CARTER.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The rushing season at the University of Kansas is over, and we find ourselves enriched by the acquisition of seven good men. One of these was pledged last spring, but was not initiated on account of the lateness of the season. I take great pleasure and pride in presenting Bros. Geo. C. Lucas, '01, Emporia, Kan., who is playing full back on the 'varsity; M. G. Cloyes, '01, Atchison, Kan.; H. J. Brownson, '01, Atchison, Kan.; R. G. DeLano, '03, Ft. Scott, Kan.; Fred W. Jameson, '03, Leavenworth, Kan., who has since left school to accept a position with the Kansas City *Star*; J. W. Heinecke, '03, Jewell City, Kan., and R. E. Cullison, '01, Melvern, Kan. The first six were initiated on September 23, while the last one rode the goat on November 20.

We regret very much to lose Bro. Jameson. Bro. Rothrock has also left us, but I am glad to say that his absence is only temporary.

Bro. Crawford, our delegate to the Zeta province convention, has just returned from Lincoln and reports a royal good time. Nebraska Alpha omitted nothing in her courtesies to visiting Phis.

Kansas Alpha is in receipt of an invitation to attend the banquet of our Kansas City alumni club at the Midland on the eve of the annual Thanksgiving foot ball game between Kansas and Missouri. The event is awaited with much interest, and as many of the active chapter as are able will avail themselves of the invitation.

As to university news, it may be said that our new chemistry building is fast assuming size and proportions. Our foot ball team still stands undefeated and bids fair to establish her absolute supremacy over all other western teams.

Bro. Fletcher, '99, has honored us with a number of visits this fall.

We have also received visits from Bro. Addison, of Gettysburg, and Bro. Brown, of Westminster.

Lawrence, November 20, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
MELVIN H. TAYLOR.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

During the past month Nebraska Alpha has been busy entertaining the Zeta province convention, and the chapter never has enjoyed work more. We feel that nothing could have broadened us so much in a fraternal way than as meeting and becoming acquainted with the visitors and delegates from other chapters. We were highly honored by the presence of Brother Ward, T. G. C. During the convention the Phi were entertained by Mrs. Morrison, K K P and A P.

On the first of this month we initiated Bro. Samuel Pinkerton, a junior law.

Again we have with us the battle-scarred bull terrier, Phi-keia the Third, our mascot of last year. He is more than ever ready to fight the battles of the fraternity, and if sharp teeth and a pugnacious disposition could help us we should always be on top.

Lincoln, November 28, 1899.

Yours in the Bond,
CHAS. H. ABBOTT.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

It is with pleasure that I announce further accessions to our chapter. Bro. Francis Conner Martin, '03, of Vicksburg, Miss., was initiated on November 18, and at the same time Bro. Joseph Gaillard Martin, of Louisiana Alpha, was affiliated. We now have nineteen active members, the largest number we have had for many years. We shall have no more initiations until the second term begins, when we lead through the triple gates two most worthy men.

The following honors have fallen to our lot: Bro. Davis Fair has been elected manager of the '01 base ball team, member of the final ball committee and associate editor of the *University Record* for next session; Bro. Garrard was elected historian of the freshman class, Bro. Magruder, manager of the '03 base ball team, and Bro. Will Henry, freshman editor of the *University Record*. Bro. Bem Price, Jr., ably represents us on the editorial staff of the *University Magazine*. Bro. Pat Henry, Jr., is a member of the board of control of the athletic association, in which capacity he served last year. Your correspondent is vice-president of the Blackstone club, and will deliver the anniversary oration at the celebration on February 22.

Bro. W. H. Lyon, who has been coaching our foot ball team for the past two months, has accomplished a great work, having developed out of raw material an unusually strong team. By his gentlemanly conduct and high sense of honor he has impressed every one with whom he has come in contact, and has gained the confidence and respect of the faculty and entire student body. We have defeated Central University, 13-6; Louisiana State University, 11-0; and were defeated by Vanderbilt, 11-0, by University of the South, 12 0; and by University of Nashville, 11-0. The loss of the last game was clearly due to the crippled condition of our team, as a result of our

hard victory over Central the previous day. We will play Tulane in New Orleans on Thanksgiving day. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented by Bros. Pat Henry and G. O. Robinson on the team.

Bro. H. L. McCleskey, who was graduated first in his class last June, is teaching at Shuqulak; Bro. W. O. Pruitt, who won second honor, is professor of physics and chemistry in Austin College, Sherman, Texas; Bro. Walter Weatherby, law, '99, is practicing at Durant, Miss.; Bro. Richmond, ex-'00, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of county treasurer made vacant by the death of his father, Col. T. Y. Richmond. Bro. Carl C. Stingily, ex-'00, was married on October 25 to Miss Ola Bennett, of Pelahatchie, Miss.

The local sorority, ΣT , has recently been admitted into $X \Omega$, and now it is rumored that the local sorority, $T \Delta \Theta$, is applying to a national sorority for a charter. $X \Omega$ has nine members and $T \Delta \Theta$ has 10. The numerical standing of the fraternities is: $\Delta T \Delta$, 20; $\Delta K E$, 27; $\Delta \Psi$, 27; ΣX , 21; $\Phi K \Psi$, 18; $\Sigma A E$, 9; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 19. There are in the university two members of $K \Lambda$, two of $B \Theta \Pi$ and one of $K \Sigma$, but none of these fraternities has an active chapter here.

Yours in the Bond,
University, November 25, 1899. GEORGE LATHAM RAY.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Tulane opened its doors this year in mourning for our lamented president, William Preston Johnston, who died last summer. No successor has yet been named, but it is supposed that the election will take place shortly after the Christmas holidays.

Although the yellow fever plague visited our city again this year, the attendance was very fair at the opening, October 2. The medical, law and Sophie Newcomb departments of Tulane all show much better attendance than has been the case for several years.

A revival of interest among all the associations and societies of our university is a marked feature of this year's progress. The athletic association, at its second meeting, enrolled over 150 new members, including the entire faculty. The association proposes to erect a building on the campus for the ball and track teams. It will be furnished with bath, reading and locker rooms. The Glendy Burke literary society is in a flourishing condition with over 50 members.

We present with pleasure Bro. Laurence C. Levert. Our chapter this year numbers seven, but we expect shortly to initiate three more men. For so small a chapter our list of honors is very good. Bro. Copp is art editor of the *Jambalaya*, Bro. Lewis, editor-in-chief of the *Tulane Collegian*, and Bro. Levert has been the star half-back on the 'varsity eleven, his line bucking being especially good. Bro. Copp is vice-president of the Tulane german club. Bro. C. L. Landry, who obtained the appointment to Annapolis, has returned on a year's leave of absence, owing to an operation performed on his eyes.

Yours in $\Phi \alpha$ -xela,
New Orleans, December 9, 1899. F. H. LEWIS.

TEXES BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The University of Texas opened October 2, and the present attendance of over 850 is the largest in its history. The faculty has been increased, the buildings enlarged and the grounds improved, since last session, and that Texas promises to have—if she does not already possess—the strongest university in the south.

Col. William Lambdin Prather, of Waco, is our newly elected president. His character, scholarship and business ability, and his connection with the university for the past fifteen years in the capacity of regent, have won for his selection the unqualified approval of the press of the state, and of the alumni and students of the university. His son, William L. Prather, Jr., is a member of Texas Beta, and it is a coincidence and a source of gratification that sons of the two preceding presidents are also Texas Phis.

Texas Beta returned twelve old men this session. We take pleasure in introducing Bros. C. C. Cole, '00, Dallas; G. D. Hunt, '03, Dallas; H. B. Duncan, '03, Wharton; G. F. Witt, '03, Bartlett, Texas.

Of our last year's four graduates Bro. Crozier is teaching in the Palestine high school, Bro. Barker is back with us as tutor in history, Bro. Smith is fellow in botany, and Bro. McFarland has returned to take law.

Honors have come early this session, and Texas Beta can boast of more than her usual share. Bro. McFarland has been elected editor-in-chief of the annual, the *Cactus*. Bro. Witt is editor-in-chief of the *Calendar*, a semi-weekly publication; Bro. Steger is business manager of the *University Magazine*. Our brother, Prof. D. F. Houston, has been elected dean of the faculties.

Texas's athletic condition is better than ever before. A splendid athletic field, 316x469 feet, close to the campus, has been purchased by student contributions, and foot ball, base ball, and track athletics have received an increased interest as a result of this addition. A complete girls' gymnasium has been added to the university, and has been placed under the enthusiastic and intelligent direction of Miss Pearl Norvell, who has had experience in teaching, both in Sargent's sanitary gymnasium in Cambridge, and in the University of Missouri. In athletics we are represented by Bro. Cole, who plays full back on the first team, and Bro. Duncan, left end on the second team.

Yours in the Bond,

Austin, November 27, 1899.

EDMUND T. MILLER.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Southwestern University opened on September 6, with a much larger enrollment than usual. Our new \$50,000 building will be ready for occupancy by March 1, 1900. It is to be one of the prettiest university buildings in southern Methodism. The course of study has been revised and extended so as to compare favorably with those of the leading colleges of the country.

Texas Gamma began the year with nine men and has held her own in the rushing season. We are pleased to introduce Bros. L. M. Thomas and Chas. Garrison, '03, and R. F. Young, Jr., and T. B. Stoneham, '02. We believe that we have the best outlook this year that the chapter has ever known. The Phis take prominent parts in every phase of college activity. We have five men in the tennis club and are also represented on the foot ball eleven. Phis also hold prominent positions in the literary societies.

We still meet in the K. of P. hall, but hope soon to be able to build our house.

Bro. John M. Linn, '96, visited Southwestern during the past month and delivered a lecture to the students while here. The west Texas conference sent Bro. Linn back to Corpus Christi this year. Bro. S. P. Ulrich, another of our alumni, has been with us for a few days. The

chief object of his stay in Georgetown was not to visit us, however. He was married to Miss Kate Debardeleben.

Yours in the Bond,
Georgetown, November 19, 1899. GEO. W. FOSTER, JR.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

California Alpha presents two new members, Earle C. Anthony, of Los Angeles, Cal., and D. De Ver McLaren, of Alhambra, Cal., both freshmen. One other man is pledged, and will be initiated after Christmas. The chapter now numbers twenty men, of whom four are members of the class of '03.

Bro. Robert Moulthrop, who has been acting major and in command of the university cadets since the first of the present term, has been appointed major. He is ranking officer. Bro. Rea Hanna and Bro. Victor Henderson have been promoted to be second lieutenants and Bro. J. Maxwell Taft to be first sergeant.

Bro. Duncan McDuffie is to be the 'leading lady' in 'Stanford vs. Vassar,' the curtain-raiser for the Thanksgiving show at the Grand Opera House in San Francisco. His part is that of 'Gwendolyn Two-Smith, captain of the Vassar team.' In the same production Bro. Taft will be 'Sallie Hykik of the Vassar eleven.' Bro. Ben W. Reed will be 'Cholly Beaubrummel of Stanford,' and Bro. McLaren and Bro. Harry Kluegel will be members of the Vassar and Stanford foot ball elevens, respectively. Bro. Harry Paddock is assistant stage manager.

Bro. Hanna is to play 'Reggie Black,' a leading part in the junior day farce, 'James Wobberts—S. S. Boston.'

Bro. Taft, Bro. Moulthrop and Bro. Hanna have been initiated into Skull and Keys, the junior-senior dramatic society. Bro. McLaren has been elected a member of the university glee club and of the university mandolin club. Bro. McDuffie has been appointed on the committee which will lay plans for the erection of a memorial arch on the campus in memory of the university students who lost their lives in the war with Spain.

The marriage was celebrated on October 25 in Los Angeles, Cal., of Bro. Charles F. Parcels, '95, and Miss Jessica Sloan Kimble, the daughter of Mrs. Eliza Kimble.

Bro. McLaren, who returned yesterday from a visit to California Beta at Stanford University, reports that the new Stanford chapter house is picturesque, appropriate and comfortable; that Stanford people have only good words to say of the chapter, and that California Beta's hospitality is as always whole-souled and most enjoyable.

Yours in the Bond,
Berkeley, November 20, 1899. VICTOR HENDERSON.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

Mrs. Stanford has sold her interest in the Southern Pacific for \$11,400,000 cash, which goes to the university. It is now the plan to complete as rapidly as possible the remaining buildings of the outer quadrangle. This means a period of great activity and growth for us.

The time of preparation for our big game with the University of California is rapidly closing. Stanford will send a practically new

team against California's victorious team of last year. Nevada University sent a team against us this fall. The game was played on our campus in the mud and water after a heavy rain. The score was 16-5 in Stanford's favor. The annual Thanksgiving game with Berkeley will be played in San Francisco, as usual.

K Σ is the latest addition to the Greek ranks here. The chapter was established during commencement week last year with seven charter members. The K K Γ house is well under way. They will be our near neighbors on the right. The house is to be built of wood in old English style, with steep roofs and pointed gables.

We have added another to our list of initiates, Bro. Porter Emerson Lamb, '03, of Los Angeles, and have pledged George Charles Dennis, of Riverside, a law special student.

Bro. H. G. Heil has been elected secretary of the senior class; Bro. T. W. Brotherton, Jr., and S. Parker Frisselle are on the freshman glee committees.

We enjoyed a visit recently from Bro. DeVer McLaren, of California Alpha. On October 20, we gave a reception to Gen. Frederick Funston, Kansas Alpha, '92, and his wife, the guests of Prof. V. L. Kellogg, Kansas Alpha, 90. Our house not being finished, through the kindness of President and Mrs. Jordan, the reception was held at the President's house. The rooms were decorated with chrysanthemums, white carnations and palms, and there was orchestral music. The refreshment tables were presided over by young ladies from the Δ Γ, K A Θ and K K Γ sororities. Although the evening proved rainy we considered it a very pleasant affair.

Yours in the Bond,

Stanford University, November 20, 1899. HOWARD G. HILL.

ALUMNI CLUBS.

NEW YORK.

The New York alumni held their bi-monthly dinner at the Columbia chapter house on November 3. Thirty Phis were present. Bros. C. T. Terry, *Williams*, '89, of the Columbia law school faculty, Walter B. Palmer, *Emory*, '77; John Balcom Shaw, *Lafayette*, '85; H. A. Kahler, *Ohio State*, '87; C. W. Blessing, *Union*, '88; Albert Shiels, *C. C. N. Y.*, '86; D. R. Horton, *Cornell*, '75, and F. S. Hackett, *Columbia*, '99, were among the speakers. Dr. Shaw presided. The next dinner will be held about January 15. Any Phi not at present receiving notices will be placed on our mailing list, if he drops a postal to the undersigned at 32 Liberty St., in care of Root, Howard, Winthrop and Stimson.

Yours in the Bond,

New York, November 21, 1899.

D. J. GALLERT.

CHICAGO.

On the evening of November 22 a number of Phis got together at the Albion café, Pullman building, at an informal dinner and drew up and signed an agreement to attend during the year 1900, a course of six Φ Δ Θ dinners. Those signing are as follows: F. F. Soule, *Hillsdale*, '99, 1816 Monadnock Block; J. Guy Latimer, *Knox*, '97, 5740 Monroe Ave.; H. C. Rumery, *Dartmouth*, '95, 242 S. Jefferson St.; L. H. Blanchard, *Dartmouth*, '95, 242 S. Jefferson St.; G. Hallett

Johnson, *Knox*, '99, Illinois Trust and Savings Bank; Lee I. Potter, *Knox*, '96, 172 Washington St.; W. E. Ramsey, *Chicago*, '00, 6605 Harvard Ave.; A. Y. Hoy, *Chicago*, '02, 5750 Madison Ave.; Chas. A. Elliott, *Nebraska*, '95, Mercy Hospital; R. S. Mueller, *Nebraska*, '98, 242 S. Jefferson St.; M. E. Chester, *Illinois*, '97, 242 S. Jefferson St.; E. M. Lubeck, *Chicago*, '00, 5750 Madison Ave.; F. J. R. Mitchell, *Northwestern*, '96, Evanston; W. O. Wilson, *Chicago*, '97, 1605 Ashland Block.

Bro. Ward, who was returning from the province convention at Lincoln, was the guest of the evening. He and Brother Mitchell told of the doings of the convention.

This gathering was the result of action taken at the last annual banquet at the Union League club, when a committee consisting of Bros. Soule, McCaskey and Wilson was appointed to arrange for some additional dinners during the year outside of the annual affair. The chief aim is to get the Phis of Chicago together in a closer bond. The methods to be employed are not yet determined, but with the beginning already made, success must crown our efforts. Any Phi who knows of another Phi locating in Chicago will very materially aid the cause by sending his name to the chairman of the committee, F. F. Soule, or to the secretary, W. O. Wilson.

Yours in the Bond,

Chicago, December 4, 1899.

W. O. WILSON.

MILWAUKEE.

On Saturday, November 11, the foot ball teams of Illinois and Wisconsin met in Milwaukee (a meeting which resulted, by the way, in the defeat of Illinois by a score of 23 to 0). Of equal importance, however, was the fact that the Milwaukee Phis had arranged a dinner at the Plankinton after the game. It was expected that the Illinois Phis could be present, but on account of the departure of their train soon after the game they were unable to do so. About twenty sat at the table, but there would have been over thirty had not a number of unforeseen happenings prevented some of the old stand-bys from being present. We missed Bro. G. W. Hayes, *Wabash*, '60, and Bros. Fehr, Wasweyler and Hilbert, all '84 men of Wisconsin, who have heretofore always been on hand. However, Bro. Phil. King, Wisconsin's coach, and Bro. E. C. Case, of Kansas Alpha, were able to be present, as well as a number of the undergraduates who seized the opportunity afforded of getting some of the good things for which Milwaukee is justly famous.

Sandwiched in between college and fraternity songs and yells was enough conversation for the older men to learn that Wisconsin Alpha had had no share in the recent scandal at the university when Ladies' Hall was stormed and the laundry raided, and also for Bros. Rene Hilbert, Turner and MacDonald to settle the Boer war, and decide that if England saw a golden sunset she could annex it. Bro. MacDonald is a dyed-in-the-wool Canadian and follower of the Queen, but is taking treatment.

The dinner was the pleasantest one we have had in Milwaukee and was thoroughly enjoyed. At the conclusion the guests marched down to the hotel lobby where the university band was playing and later attended the various theaters. Bro. Case has been in Milwaukee three years, but this is the first time he has been dragged to the light of day, so we felt especially proud. It was also a pleasure to have

Bro. King with us, as he says that this is his last year as a coach and that he will next year follow Czar Reed's example and retire from public life in order to practice his profession of the law. We hope this is merely a dream, as with him as our coach we are better equipped than any other western college—even Chicago. I hope that last remark will not be considered sacrilegious!

Yours in the Bond,
Milwaukee, November 14, 1899. FRANKLIN SWEET.

PROVINCE CONVENTIONS.

ALPHA,

October 18, 19, 20.

If Bro. Moore says that the convention at Gettysburg was a success, that settles it, for he knows. Pennsylvania Beta deserves great credit for all her arrangements for the comfort and pleasure of the delegates. Not a delegate arrived or departed without the presence of a Gettysburg Phi. The smoker, the reception, the banquet and the day spent on the battlefield will not soon be forgotten by any of us. By order of the convention its proceedings will be printed in full in the next *Palladium*, so I omit details.

Not a delegate missed a session. No outside engagement was permitted to stand in the way. Note-books were out, and good points of one chapter were noted for the aid of the rest. The beautiful lodge was an inspiration. 'If Gettysburg Phis can do this, why can't we with a large, active chapter and list of alumni?' That question ought to be answered at once by the Dartmouth and Brown chapters.

We expect the Gettysburg chapter to merit always the good things said of it by President McKnight in his address.

One delegate reported that only one man had left college in debt to his chapter since it had received a charter. That's a record! Why should any man leave his debts for another to pay?

President Moore's visit was opportune. He arranged to get all chapters out of old debts to the T. G. C. except one chapter. This one exception will have to show a clean record by June, 1900. Did you read that resolution about neglect to pay dues promptly? That goes in this province, for hereafter no driftwood is allowed. When we meet at Amherst in 1901 we are going to have a clean balance sheet reported from every chapter.

A day spent with Dickinson Phis is another pleasing memory of convention week. The new chapter house, the earnest work of Profs. Landis and Stephens, and the earnest enthusiasm among the active members made us feel that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was accomplishing its mission at Carlisle.

Perhaps Moore and Radcliffe were not pleased to show us that new chapter house in Philadelphia! So are we all, and the fine fellows with whom we spent a pleasant hour will keep us proud of that chapter.

An evening passed with the Columbia chapter gave us an insight into the brave fight they are making for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Columbia. They will succeed. They must have the solid support of the four hundred or more Phis residing in or near New York. That chapter house can be made the greatest rallying place for Phis in the country. It will become such if the efforts of Bros. Shaw, Mayer, Palmer, Gallert and others are only appreciated.

The week among Phis was one full of work and of pleasure. May

the good resolutions made at Gettysburg be carried out, and our fraternity in the east continue its work in making the life of college men brighter and better.

In the Bond,

WALTER W. CASE.

EPSILON,

October 26, 27, 28.

The Epsilon province convention was held in honor of the semi-centennial of Indiana Alpha, founded in October, 1849, and was the second convention the province has held this year. The delegates and visitors were welcomed by Prof. Woodburn, of Indiana University, and Frank D. Swope, S. G. C., responded in their behalf. The morning of the first day was given up to business.

That afternoon receptions were given in our honor by the young women of K A Θ, K K Γ, Π B Φ and Δ Γ, at their respective chapter houses. At night a dance was given in the Φ Δ Θ and Oolite club rooms. The convention banquet followed the close of this festivity, at midnight, and it was four in the morning when we rose from the table. Senator G. H. Gifford was toastmaster. The speakers were J. S. Dodge, A. C. Mellette, R. E. Lyons, L. K. Tuley, A. V. Spivey and E. E. Ruby, of Indiana Alpha, F. D. Swope, of Indiana Epsilon, J. E. Thomas, of Indiana Zeta, W. W. Wilson, of Indiana Delta, and Hugh Th. Miller, of Indiana Gamma. Others present were Bros. Hays, Todd, Bartholomew and Peter, of Indiana Beta; Cartwright and Parker, of Indiana Zeta; Schofield, Foote, Fletchall, Davidson and Russell, of Indiana Theta; Covert and Weyl, of Indiana Delta; Folsom, Wylie, Griffith, Patten, Treher, Mitchell, C. Dickey, Glen Gifford, H. Dickey, Masters, Alsop, Kennedy, Hoover, Rogers, Shaw, McGinnis and Miller, of Indiana Alpha.

A brief session was held on Saturday. The convention was preceded by the initiation of nine freshmen, in which our worthy S. G. C. played a memorable role.

Indiana Alpha made the meeting a striking success in every way and deserves unlimited praise for her energy and good taste. The four sororities were charming hostesses, and some of the delegates were much disappointed that sessions were not to be continued for several days. It was decided to accept Indiana Beta's invitation to see what a good time she could show the next meeting.

In the Bond,

HUGH TH. MILLER.

ZETA,

November 16, 17, 18.

The Zeta province convention met for its first session on Thursday morning, November 16, in Nebraska Alpha's chapter house. Dean Sherman, of the University of Nebraska, and Bro. T. F. Roddy, of the chapter, welcomed us. The convention then settled down to business. A full report of its work has already been printed and circulated among the chapters of the province, and it will only be necessary to state that the great questions of finances, chapter houses, extension and rushing were systematically and profitably investigated. The social side of the convention was looked after by the chapter and its friends in a way that baffles description. A reception was given us on Thursday after-

noon at four at the home of Mrs. W. G. Morrison, sister of Bro. H. A. Tukey, '01. Mrs. Morrison was assisted by young ladies of the $\Delta \Gamma$ and $K \ K \ \Gamma$ sororities, and by Bro. McCreery, who will be remembered by those who were at Columbus in 1898. That night the chapter gave a smoker at its house. Though cider was the strongest beverage dispensed, the smoking room had been transformed into an elaborate bar room, and the signs, furniture and free lunch were planned in masterly style. A box of choice cigars was sent over during the evening by the boys of $\Phi \ K \ \Psi$.

On Friday chapel was attended early, and most of the day given up to business sessions. At four o'clock $K \ K \ \Gamma$ received $\Phi \ \Delta \ \Theta$ at the home of Miss Mabel Richards. Several members of the other sororities were present. At night the convention dance was given at the Lincoln Hotel.

After an early session on Saturday we went to a breakfast at the chapter house of $\Delta \Gamma$, thence to the Phi chapter house for the convention picture. In the afternoon the Kansas-Nebraska foot ball game was attended. The final event was the banquet at the Lincoln Hotel, in the evening. Major William H. Hayward was to have been toastmaster, but the serious illness of his father, Senator Hayward, prevented his being present. Bro. H. H. Ward, T. G. C., took his place. The decorations were enhanced by a beautiful bouquet of roses from the young ladies of $K \ \Lambda \ \Theta$. Among those present were Bros. Ward, of Ohio State, Webster, of Wabash, Lambertson, of Franklin, Wolcott, of Michigan, Tallman and Osborne, of Wisconsin, Parkin, of Knox, Ruffner and English, of Missouri, Morton and St. Clair, of Iowa, Crawford and Lucas, of Kansas, Carter, of Washington, Mitchell, of Northwestern, and Creigh, Mansfelde, J. T. Sumner, Abbott, Lyman, Sowles, Wittman, C. B. Sumner, Farnsworth, Lau, Case, Johnson, Sherman, Welch, Tukey, Raymond, Kennedy, Payne, Thomas, Roddy, Hill, Pinkerton, Sabin, Stebbins and McCreery, of Nebraska. Letters were read from the founders and general officers. The speakers were Bros. English, Parkin, Ruffner, Crawford, Von Mansfelde, Osborne, Morton, Webster, Sumner, Payne, Creigh, Raymond, Wolcott and Mitchell.

Bros. McCreery, Roddy and Johnson, the committee on arrangements, backed up by the whole chapter, proved as ingenious as they were energetic, and crowded a round of gayeties into three short days that would have seemed incredible, had one not witnessed them. If 'southern hospitality' can outdo what the boys and girls of Nebraska showed us, Colonel Swope has an herculean task before him for 1900. If Lincoln ever makes a bid for the national convention, she can count on the solid vote of all who were there at the Zeta province meeting of 1899.

Yours in the Bond,

F. J. R. MITCHELL.

PERSONAL.

Emory—Edgar P. Allen, '85, is a lawyer at 27 William street, New York.

Vermont—G. H. Dalrymple, '95, will be at Essex Junction, Vt., the coming year.

Syracuse—G. D. Coons, '94, has changed his address to 7 Main avenue, Albany, N. Y.

Illinois—Floyd Whittemore, '98, has been appointed assistant state treasurer of Illinois.

Southwestern—Dr. A. J. Perkins, '86, is a member of the Lake Charles, La., city council.

Missouri, '72—A new public school in St. Louis has been named in honor of Eugene Field.

Miami.—F. G. Thompson, '73, is United States revenue agent for the New York district.

Illinois Wesleyan—Leonard A. Straight, '87, has his law offices at 1006 Pioneer Press building, St. Paul, Minn.

Lansing.—Prof. W. M. Munson, '82, of the University of Maine, is president of the Maine pomological society.

Northwestern—F. J. R. Mitchell, '96, was admitted to the bar on October 14 and will soon open an office in Chicago.

Miami.—Elam Fisher, '70, is judge of the court of common pleas of the second judicial district of Ohio, residing at Eaton.

Case.—C. D. Hoyt, '98, is now living at 816 Hemlock street, Helena, Montana. He is in the United States assay office.

California—T. Allen Smith, '97, is headmaster of the Locust Grove School, at Shellville, Sonoma county, California.

Ohio Wesleyan.—W. F. Daggett, Jr., '87, is now at Bristol, Vt., having left Cleveland, where he was with a marble company.

Miami—E. N. Clingman, '74, was elected to $\Phi B K$ when the new chapter was installed at Cincinnati. While state senator he framed the bill which authorizes a city tax levy for the University of Cincinnati.

Lafayette—Lynn M. Saxton, '97, is principal of the business department and instructor in chemistry and physics in Butler College, Butler, Mo.

Vermont—E. C. Morgan, '87, is civil engineer with the S. J. & K. R. Canal and Irrigation company, at Los Banos, Merced county, California.

Vanderbilt—S. Price Gilbert, '83, read a paper on 'The Growth of Criminal Law' before the last annual meeting of the Georgia bar association.

Missouri—Dr. T. J. J. See, '89, now in charge at the naval observatory, calculates that the meteoric shower announced for this year is not due till 1900.

Syracuse.—S. J. B. Sanford, '92, is doing graduate work at Johns Hopkins.—F. R. Hodge (*Harvard*, '95) is principal of the high school in Malden, Mass.

Vanderbilt, '85—Major R. A. Barr has returned with the First Tennessee, the last state regiment to leave Manila. The people of Nashville gave them a great reception.

Wisconsin—Frank A. Wheelihan, '94, and Miss Harriet Burnton, *Wisconsin*, '98, were married on April 27 at Fond du Lac, Wis. Mrs. Wheelihan is a member of A Φ.

Knox—G. M. Strain, '99, won one of the prizes offered this year by the American protective tariff league to senior college students for essays on 'The American Merchant Marine.'

Emory—Walter B. Palmer, '77, has been for some months in New York city, collecting data on trusts for the U. S. department of labor. He goes after the holidays to Philadelphia.

Hanover—F. S. Deibler, '99, captain of the Hanover eleven, won the oratorical contest on December 11. This makes seven contests out of the last eleven that Indiana Epsilon has taken.

Franklin—Samuel L. Overstreet, U. S. district attorney for Oklahoma, died on November 13, 1899, in a sleeping-car between Kansas City and Chicago while on his way to Franklin to attend a family reunion.

Illinois—Samuel M. Bayard, '99, delegate to the Columbus convention, has a position with Steele, Waddle & Co., wholesale grocers, in Chicago. His brother, Maurice F. Bayard, '02, has gone to Cornell this fall.

Indianapolis, '65—John S. Duncan, for some years the leading criminal lawyer of Indianapolis, was chosen as president of the city bar association at its recent annual meeting, to succeed Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*, '52.

Alabama—Prof. C. B. Gibson, '84, of Columbus, Ga., at the recent meeting of the Georgia state teachers' association, was elected president of that body. He is now superintendent of the public schools of Columbus.

De Pauw—Isaac E. Neff, '91, who was at first principal of the high school, then superintendent of schools at Portland, Ind., during the last year, will be principal of the Kankakee, Ill., high school during 1899-1900.

Gettysburg—Dr. F. M. Troxell, '80, formerly editor of THE SCROLL, who has been for some time pastor of Grace Lutheran church in Springfield, Ill., has accepted a call from the First English Lutheran church of St. Joseph, Mo.

Purdue—Dr. R. G. Morgan, '94, was married on October 18, 1899, to Miss Dora Greene, at Plainfield, Indiana. They will reside at 2413 North Illinois street, Indianapolis. Mrs. Morgan is a sister of Otis W. Greene, *Indianapolis*, '90.

Washington—Frederick W. Lemp, '94, and Miss Irene Vir-den were married on August 30, 1889, at St. Louis, Mo. They left for a prolonged stay in the far west, and will be at home on their return at 4330 McPherson avenue, St. Louis.

Indiana, '97—E. E. Ruby, president of Epsilon province, was married on December 5, 1899, to Miss Nellie Blanche Blynn, at Ft. Wayne, Indiana. They will reside in Bloomington, where Bro. Ruby is registrar of Indiana University.

Franklin—H. H. Woodsmall, '97, is president of the Central Printing company, of Indianapolis, Ind. (133 E. Court street). Brother Woodsmall was married on June 25 at Edwardsport, Ind., to Miss Lelia Crim, formerly a student at Franklin. They reside at 14 E. Michigan street, Indianapolis.

Wabash, '62—At the annual reunion of the old soldiers of southern Illinois, at Olney, on October 5, General John C. Black of Chicago made a strong plea in support of President McKinley and both houses of congress in our war with Spain and the Filipinos, which met with hearty and enthusiastic approval. He declared he was an expansionist from head to foot and was cheered to the echo.

Stanford.—Paul H. White, '94, has left the Indiana Bicycle Co., with which he has been for several years, and gone into business independently. He will give most of his attention to gasoline motor vehicles. His address is 1804 North Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis.

Illinois Wesleyan, '95—Richard Henry Little's letters from Manila to the *Chicago Tribune* continue to rouse the ire of the strong supporters of the administration, because of the stress he lays on the scant territory and influence held by the American army in the Philippines.

Tulane—Grantland L. Tebault, '93, was nominated this fall for the judgeship of the city courts in New Orleans by the Democratic convention, but was compelled to decline the honor, as he had not quite completed the five years' practice of the law prescribed by the constitution.

At the Lincoln-Douglas celebration in Galesburg, Ill., on October 7, which was attended by President McKinley and several of his cabinet, the invocation was delivered by President C. E. Nash, *Lombard*, '75, and the address of welcome by Congressman G. W. Prince, *Knox*, '78.

C. C. N. Y.—Louis E. Van Norman, '91, who was a member of the party of scientists that made an expedition through Wyoming during the past summer, has contributed an article to the *Independent* (since reprinted in the *Scientific American*) on 'Fossil Hunting in the Rockies.'

Northwestern, '89—The *New York Sun* of August 27 contained a very favorable review, two columns in length, of 'The Provincial Governor in the English Colonies of North America,' by Prof. Evarts Boutelle Greene, of the University of Illinois. His book is published by Longmans.

Wabash—Prof. J. B. Garner, '93, of the department of chemistry in Bradley Institute, Peoria, Ill., has declined the chair of chemistry in Cornell University, the Bradley Institute having increased his salary.—Edgar W. Olive, '93, had charge of the summer school at Harvard this year.

Emory—At the annual meeting of trustees, H. S. Bradley, '90, professor of biology, was elected vice-president of the college, to succeed Morgan Callaway, Sr., '49 (honorary), who died last January. The trustees also elected Morgan Callaway, '81, to succeed his father as professor of English at Emory, but on account of his health he decided to remain at the University of Texas.

Mercer—Geo. W. Whitney, '99, who is not yet forgotten by those who attended the Columbus convention, we are sure, goes into the cotton business this fall with his father at Augusta, Ga.—N. E. Harris, Jr., has begun to practice law at Macon with the firm of Hill, Harris & Barch.

Miami—In recognition of the services of Capt. Harry Weidner, '89, as a leading member of the committee on entertainment of the recent national convention of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ in Dayton, Ohio, the Fiji alumni chapter there gave him a dinner on November 17 and presented him with a handsome cane.

K. M. I., '58—General H. V. Boynton, as president of the famous Gridiron club of Washington newspaper correspondents, had charge of the December dinner of the organization at the Arlington. The features of the evening were a Kentucky election, the pursuit of Aguinaldo and British-Boer warfare.

California—W. N. Friend, '96, who had become a prominent lawyer, politician and newspaper man of Oakland, has decided to enter the Presbyterian ministry. He has been a leading member of the Y. P. S. C. E. for several years. He will study at the San Anselmo Theological Seminary, near San Francisco.

Central—M. H. Guerrant, '92, formerly president of Beta province, was secretary of the Kentucky anti-Goebel Democratic state executive and campaign committees during the summer and fall, with headquarters in the Equitable building, at Louisville. After the election, in November, he returned to Lexington.

Centre, '57—Ex-Senator J. C. S. Blackburn is leading the movement to contest the election of the Republican state officers in Kentucky. He says that his candidacy for the United States senate is of secondary importance. His health has been seriously impaired of late years, and his friends are much concerned about it.

Ohio State.—A. D. Ingram, '97, who was for some time with the General Electric company at Schenectady, N. Y., is now in Canton, Ohio. He was the leader of the party that made the famous trip to Newark at the time of the Columbus convention. His old roommate in Schenectady, H. M. Van Gelder, *Brown*, '97, is still with the General Electric company. His address is 409 Union street, Schenectady.

Wisconsin—Wardon A. Curtis, '89, had an article in a late number of the New York *Independent* on 'Denominational Colleges.' He says that 'a college of three hundred students, a faculty of twenty-five, a library of 40,000 volumes and the scientific equipment that a college of that size usually has, will give all the average undergraduate can use.' He calls the small college 'the conservator of the classics.'

Indiana—William C. Ball, '67, editor of the *Terre Haute Gazette*, is said by his townsmen to be an exact double of Admiral Dewey in appearance.—Prof. E. E. Griffith, '85, of the department of English at Indiana University, who was compelled by ill health to give up his work before the close of the last college year, will remain in the west for a year recuperating.—John M. Wall, '92, was republican candidate for police judge of Indianapolis at the recent municipal election.

Miami, '52—The honors paid ex-President Benjamin Harrison in Berlin by the Emperor and the German court were followed by like ones in the other European countries he visited on his way home. He was entertained at dinner by King Oscar, of Sweden and Norway, and by King Leopold, of Belgium, as well as by prominent English statesmen. On his return to Indianapolis, the University club, of which he is president, gave an elaborate reception in honor of his home-coming.

Vanderbilt—The Nashville *American* in April published 'A Century of Errors,' containing 100 incorrect statements appertaining to Tennessee history, accompanied by the offer of handsome prizes for their discovery and correction. The contest aroused a great interest in local history, and 152 persons competed for the prizes. The first prize of \$100 was awarded to John H. DeWitt, '94, president of Beta province. Bro. DeWitt was elected to the city council from the 18th ward of Nashville. The Nashville *Banner* urged him for the position in an extremely complimentary editorial:

He is a young lawyer of fine promise, a man of education and of unimpeachable integrity, who is energetic and active, and who, as a citizen of Nashville, has evinced a deep, public-spirited and conscientious interest in the promotion of all that is best for the welfare of the city and the community. Not only is he well qualified for the close and careful study of municipal questions, but he is a man in whom the people of his ward, and all the people of the city who know him, have the utmost confidence in his honesty and his fidelity to any trust that may be reposed in him. Mr. DeWitt was no seeker for the nomination, but yielded to urgent solicitations to accept it.

Oglethorpe, '72—As regularly as October rolls around each year, a dollar comes to THE SCROLL from that veteran Phi, Chas. B. Gaskill, of Atlanta, who has not missed a number of the magazine since the first one was printed. With his last remittance Bro. Gaskill says: 'When at the convention of 1877 a committee wanted to take life subscriptions to THE SCROLL for ten dollars, I flatly refused to take one and opposed the plan, because I most positively do not wish THE SCROLL sent to any Phi after he ceases to love to read it.'

Kansas, '90—In a notice of William Allen White, the *Saturday Evening Post* says that he claims that the highest compliment ever paid him came from a local hack-driver who was asked by an Eastern visitor, 'How does Mr. White stand in Emporia?' 'Oh! he's all right, I guess,' said the man. 'But he's trying to make this town too infernally good to live in.' Scarcely a month passes that a story from Bro. White's pen does not appear in *McClure's* or *Scribner's*. 'The Man on Horseback,' in the November *Scribner's*, was handsomely illustrated.

Knox—T. H. Bidgett, '99, and Harry N. Rex, '99, the latter delegate to the Columbus convention, made a bicycle tour of England this summer.—Harold M. Holland, '00, who since his return has entered the senior class at Dartmouth, where his father was a ΨY , traveled extensively on the continent during his vacation. He wrote the editor from Oxford: 'It has been surprising the number of Phis I have met over here; it is as Brothers Ward and Draper, of the Illinois chapter, whom I saw in Munich, said: "Oh! they're everywhere; you can't hold 'em down."'

Wabash, '69—In an editorial on the currency reform bill now before Congress the Indianapolis *Press* recently said: 'To a citizen of Indianapolis, Hugh H. Hanna, the country owes, more than to any other one man, not only the beginning of the currency reform movement, but the wise and persistent work that is now bearing fruit.' Bro. Hanna has had charge of the work of the executive committee of the monetary conference held in Indianapolis in 1896, spending the last two winters in Washington. He is the head of a large manufacturing establishment in Indianapolis and is often referred to as one of the few examples of leaders in politics and legislation who refuse to accept public office.

Indiana, '55—John W. Foster, ex-secretary of state and member of the Anglo-American joint high commission, delivered a lecture on November 3 before the National Geographic society on the subject of the Alaskan boundary. He reviewed the entire controversy and defended the extreme American claims. The address has been printed in the *National Geographic Magazine* for November.

Williams—Nathan P. Harrington, '93, died of typhoid fever on July 25 in Egypt, while conducting a university zoological expedition up the Nile. He held a fellowship at Columbia, and was a member of the faculty of Adelbert College. He was buried in the cemetery of Atbara, where the famous American bridge was built across the Nile this summer, and his body lies beside that of Henry Cross, the brilliant war correspondent of General Kitchener's campaign in the Sudan a year ago.

Vanderbilt, '94—John H. De Witt, president of Beta province, was married on November 14, 1899, to Miss Rebecca Ward, of Nashville, Tenn. They will reside in Nashville. Bro. De Witt is one of the rising lawyers of the city. He was recently elected to the city council in spite of furious attempts made to defeat him by the street railway and anti-reform elements. He has been placed on the most important committees in the council. During the session of the last legislature Bro. De Witt was secretary of the committee that drafted and secured the passage of Nashville's new charter. He distinguished himself in another line earlier in the year by winning a \$100 prize offered by a Nashville newspaper in a competition involving a knowledge of Tennessee history.

Pennsylvania, '99—Wilbur Morse, who completes his course at Harvard this year, has an almost unparalleled record in inter-collegiate debate. In his first year at Harvard he took part in the freshman debate with Yale, winning easily. As a sophomore he made the 'varsity team for the debate with Yale. Last year he not only made the team which debated with Princeton, but won the newly-established Coolidge prize for the best individual work. Harvard's victory was ascribed largely to his skill. This year, for the fourth consecutive time, he represents his *alma mater*, helping to win from Princeton, on December 15, upholding the difficult side of the English-Boer question in taking the affirmative and championing England's claims. A portrait and sketch of Bro. Morse appeared in THE SCROLL two years ago.

Miami, '53—Dr. Andrew C. Kemper is the author of a song entitled 'The Sword that I Wore,' dedicated to the Ohio commandery of the Loyal Legion and sung at a recent meeting. It is published by Ilsen & Co., Cincinnati. The sword is the one Dr. Kemper wore during the civil war and gave to his son, Lieut. J. B. Kemper, Ohio Theta, '00, now in Manila with the 14th Infantry, U. S. A.

Kansas, '92—General Frederick Funston had not started on his journey from California, where he spent the fortnight after his regiment landed, to Kansas before he was offered a brigadier-generalship in the new regiments being sent to the Philippines. He accepted promptly and sailed on November 24 from San Francisco to take his command. Before leaving California in October he visited Stanford, where he was the guest of Prof. V. L. Kellogg, Kansas Alpha, '90, best man at his wedding. General Funston lectured to the students on Philippine matters and precipitated a lively war of words with Archbishop Ireland and the *Catholic World* by certain references to the friars. California Beta gave a reception in his honor. At Topeka, on November 3, one hundred thousand Kansans turned out to welcome Funston and his men. William Allen White, Kansas Alpha, '90, was a member of the reception committee. A magnificent sword, said to be the finest piece of work ever turned out by Tiffany, was presented to the 'Little Colonel' by his state. On its scabbard are inscribed the names of ten battles in which he distinguished himself, and his famous reply when asked how long he could hold out in an exposed position. The reception was the most elaborate one ever given to a popular hero in the west. In his speech Funston predicted that within a year Luzon would be as peaceful as Massachusetts. At Kansas City, on November 10, another great reception was given him. Meanwhile, on recommendation of General MacArthur, Funston had been brevetted major-general of volunteers 'for gallant and meritorious service through the campaign against the Filipinos, particularly for daring courage at the passage of the Rio Grande de La Pampanga.' It is said that the brigadier-generalship was offered Funston so promptly on his arrival by home politicians and Senator Hanna, in order to remove him as a disturbing element in Kansas or National politics. It is predicted that he will be chosen senator on his return. Before the secretary of war telegraphed his offer it is said that Funston had received an offer of \$10,000 a year to return as

war correspondent for a New York paper, and \$25,000 and expenses for a series of 100 lectures, besides offers from many magazines for special articles, and from large business firms interested in the Spanish-American trade. He telegraphed his acceptance within an hour after Secretary Root's offer reached him. 'I am greatly elated at the prospect of resuming command of a brigade in Manila,' said he. 'I believe in the war from the bottom of my heart, and want to see the finish.'

Indianapolis—Robert A. Bull, '97, better known to Phis of his day as 'John Bull,' is now comfortably settled at Bessemer, Ala., as inspector for the United States Cast Iron Pipe and Foundry Co., which is, he says, 'the long-winded and official appellation of the concern known commonly as the pipe trust,' capitalized at \$30,000,000 and owning fifteen plants, the largest of which, with a capacity of 350 tons of finished material per day, is located at Bessemer. Bro. Bull's sojourn in the Klondike, he reports, froze part of his face, but had not the slightest effect on his Phi spirit. He hasn't missed a number of THE SCROLL since he was initiated.

Lafayette, '85—Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D. D., has been the pastor of West End Presbyterian church, New York city, ever since he was graduated from Union Theological Seminary eleven years ago. During his ministration a splendid church edifice has been erected, and a mortgage of \$55,000 on it was recently liquidated. Dr. Shaw's congregation are devotedly attached to him, as was evidenced by their granting him a leave of absence and all expenses connected with a three-months' trip to the Holy Land and other eastern countries. He will sail on the *Fuerst Bismarck* on February 10, and will spend three weeks in Egypt and five in Palestine, and also visit Constantinople and Athens. He has visited Europe several times, but has never taken the Mediterranean trip. Mrs. Shaw will probably accompany him. Brother Shaw was a delegate to the Nashville convention in 1884, where he met a painful accident in falling from the esplanade of the state capitol. He has been president of the Φ Δ Θ alumni club in New York during 1899, and has made a most efficient officer, the club being much better organized now than ever before in its history.

COLLEGIATE.

Harvard is to have a university club from Major H. L. Higginson's gift of \$150,000.

Cornell's cross-country team has so far defeated Yale, Pennsylvania, Columbia and Princeton.

Dr. H. A. Buchtel, a graduate of DePauw, is the new chancellor of the University of Denver.

Notre Dame has 52 Spanish-American students.—Pennsylvania has so many that an edition of the university catalogue is issued in Spanish.

Harvard has 22,287 graduates; Yale, 18,480; Columbia, 15,981; Dartmouth, 8,504; Princeton, 7,500; Brown, 4,900; Bowdoin, 4,619; Amherst, 4,000.

The plans for the new buildings at Washington University have been selected, and work will be begun in March. They will be completed by September, 1901.

Two Cornell juniors have been appointed to positions in the Chinese customs service. They will complete their courses at Cornell before going to China.

Michigan will debate with Pennsylvania and Chicago this year.—Harvard has just won from Princeton.—Cornell will debate with Columbia hereafter in place of Pennsylvania.

Col. Wm. J. Bryan, who has already established prize funds bearing his name at Indiana, Ohio State and Alabama, has founded another at Arkansas by giving the \$250 promised him for a lecture.

The University of Indianapolis has established a teachers' college similar to the one conducted by the University of Chicago. Lectures are given by the regular faculty late in the afternoon or early in the evening.

Dr. Babbit, of Columbia University, is preparing a dictionary of college slang, and desires the co-operation of students and college men generally in making it as complete and accurate as possible. He will be glad to receive slang words in use in the various colleges, together with their definitions, and any other facts of a kindred nature. Germany has six such dictionaries, but the one existing American dictionary of slang has not been revised since 1853.

It was rumored during the summer that Yale would seek a charter as a national bank, in order to give the university the benefit of all the funds deposited by the students and to secure opportunities to invest university funds to the best advantage.

President Eliot said recently that Harvard should not be restricted in her choice of athletic competitors. 'Two universities,' he went on, 'have more students than Yale, Columbia and Cornell, and in my opinion Cornell is beginning to excel Yale.'

In his address to the graduating class at Cornell in June, Governor Roosevelt said that 'the country could better afford to lose all of the men who have amassed millions than to lose one-half of its college-bred men. We can get along without men of enormous wealth, but not without men of brains.' He made a strong plea for the activity of college men in politics in his usual forceful style.

Cornell's enrollment for 1899 is 2,240, besides 423 in the summer school. This is an increase of 202 over last year. The faculty has increased from 281 to 314.—The enrollment at McGill is 1,056, of whom 447 are in medicine, 67 in law, 231 in science, and 296 in arts. Of the last-named 86 are women.—Princeton enrolls 1,194, against 1,099 last year, though the academic freshman class only numbers 174 to 200 in 1898.—Wellesley enrolls 688.—Harvard's enrollment is 4,067, an increase of 167.—Williams enrolls 386, more than ever before.—The attendance at Yale from the west and south is steadily falling off.

Among recent gifts to institutions of learning are \$100,000 to the University of Cincinnati for the academic department, \$250,000 to the University of Pennsylvania for a physical laboratory, \$200,000 secured by Union as a result of a decision of the court of appeals.—The University of Alabama realizes \$56,000 from the sale of coal lands.—Earlham has received a gift of \$25,000, and Wesleyan a bequest of the same amount.—Mrs. Stanford has sold her Southern Pacific R. R. stock for \$11,400,000, and it is said that the money will immediately become available for the use of Stanford University.—The late Cornelius Vanderbilt left \$100,000 to Yale, which his sons attended, and \$50,000 to Vanderbilt University, which was founded by his grandfather. The U. S. and state inheritance taxes on these two bequests amount to over \$10,000.

The first student's annual issued at a southern institution was *The Bomb*, published by the cadets of Virginia Military Institute in 1885. In 1887 an annual was issued at the University of Virginia, and in 1888 *The Comet* appeared at Vanderbilt.

F. M. Crossett, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, has in press 'The American College Blue Book, 1899-1900.' The prospectus states that it will contain the following features:

The Colleges and Universities of the United States and Canada:—A series of articles on each one, giving the name, location, religious denomination, number of students, income, endowment, property, equipment, library volumes, advantages for students, tuition, courses and degrees, publications, fraternity chapters, student organizations, colors and yell and a complete directory of the officers and instructors.

Law, Medical, Theological and Technical Schools and Canadian Colleges:—A complete list under each heading with location, name of president, dean or registrar and number of students.

College Fraternities:—A complete directory of the various organizations, name and address of each chapter, officers, publications, membership, colors, flower, yell and emblems.

Intercollegiate Associations:—A comprehensive list of athletic, base ball, foot ball, rowing, lacrosse, chess, cricket, tennis, golf, debating, shooting, fencing and hockey associations with officers, members of each and records.

The book will be a 12mo of 500 pages, bound in cloth, and the price will be \$3 delivered. Mr. Crossett was formerly editor of the *Δ Y Quarterly*, and in 1892-94 he was publisher of *The College Fraternity*, of which Bro. E. H. L. Randolph was editor. He intends to publish an edition of the 'Blue Book' in January every year.

HELLENIC.

⊙ N E has a chapter at Columbian.

Σ X has a chapter house this year at Purdue.

A T Ω still initiates preparatory students at Gettysburg.

At Louisiana State freshman initiations are not allowed by the faculty.

The new president of Wabash College, Rev. W. P. Kane, is a member of Φ K Ψ.

For twenty-five cents any member of B ⊙ II may purchase a pamphlet copy of its constitution and code of laws.

To strengthen themselves K A initiated most of the Φ A society, a set of Σ A E petitioners.—Kentucky State letter in the Σ X *Quarterly*.

A T Ω has begun the correction of errors to the last edition of her catalogue by publishing corrected chapter lists serially in the *Palm*. The first instalment covers nineteen pages.

Δ Y has formed a state alumni association in Maine and is planning one for Montana. Such an organization is the proper thing where the alumni are scattered almost equally among several towns.

Γ H K is a high school 'fraternity' on the Pacific coast which boasts of 13 chapters. Eleven are in California, one in Oregon and one in Colorado. It originated at San Francisco in 1882.—Bro. C. F. Lamkin, *Westminster*, '99, is the founder of a similar society.

The Philadelphia *Press* of November 12, in its colored supplement, has pictures of the new house of Φ Δ Θ , Ψ Y and Δ Φ . The Phi house, at the head of the list, seems all but finished, and evidently has a distinct advantage in location. It has a very cozy look about it.

The Kenyon chapter of Δ T Δ pays for one year's subscription to the *Rainbow* for each man who is graduated. It is an excellent plan to keep up alumni interest and is a very tangible evidence of the chapter's appreciation of the benefits it has received from its graduates.

The death of Edward Fairfax Berkeley, who was to have been initiated by K A at Cornell on the evening of the day he was drowned, recalls the fact that Mortimer M. Leggett was killed by a fall into the Cascadilla gorge near Ithaca, in 1873. He was to be initiated into K A later, and fell accidentally while standing blindfolded on the brink of the gorge.

The college annual has just appeared. It records as existing to day at Ann Arbor 33 Greek-letter fraternities. This omits Δ T Δ , which has this year given up the ghost. Z Ψ will build a new house this summer, as will Σ Φ , while Θ Δ X, Φ P Σ and A X Ω will move into more pretentious houses than they now occupy.—Michigan letter in the Σ X *Quarterly*.

At the last A T Ω convention it was decided to raise money for a general chapter house fund by selling certificates of membership at \$5 each. Each chapter assisted was first to own a lot free of incumbrance and raise itself seventy-five per cent. of the cost of building. A writer in a recent *Palm* mentions with approval the 10-year note plan of Φ Δ Θ and the endowment fund plan of Σ X.

The November *Purple and Gold* of X Ψ thus pats X Ψ on the back:

The position of X Ψ among fraternities is illustrated most clearly by the praise which she receives and the respect she commands from her rivals. . . . There is a unity and a coherency in X Ψ that other fraternities recognize and admire, and the lack of which in their own circles they regret. Our internal integrity and widespread influence is (*sic*) respected on all sides.

Notwithstanding its 'internal integrity' (whatever that may mean), X Ψ has some very weak chapters. The Stanford chapter, established in 1894, began this fall with one old member returned and one affiliated from Wisconsin. 'After three weeks of vigorous rushing,' they 'were enabled to initiate four men.' The Stanford Chi Psis do not occupy a house. The chapter at Berkeley was established in 1895, and rents a house. It began this fall with six men, has initiated two and pledged two. The Chicago chapter, composed of deserters from Σ N in 1898, began this fall with six men, has initiated one and pledged two. Stevens began with five and has initiated three, and Wofford and Georgia each began with five and has initiated two.

The following interesting paragraphs are taken from the Brown correspondent's letter in the June *Caduceus* of K Σ:

An attempt was recently made to institute a chapter of Φ Γ Δ, and a number of prominent and desirable students were on the proposed chapter roll, but so far as the writer is aware the plan has been abandoned or indefinitely postponed, at least so far as connection with the above-named fraternity is concerned.

The conditions at Brown seem to be particularly unfavorable for chapter houses. Several causes may be assigned. The population of the city of Providence is over 150,000, and the college campus and buildings are within five minutes' walk of the heart of the city. Hence real estate in the immediate vicinity of the university, whether building lots, or lots with houses, is quoted at very high figures. Another drawback is the fact that so large a percentage of the fraternity men live in Providence, and, of course, room at their own homes. It thus happens that, although there is abundant means among most of the chapters, only a single one, Ψ T, owns a chapter house, and this is used only as an assembly room and club house, not as a lodging house. The only chapter to occupy a chapter house as a permanent apartment is A T Ω, which rents a cottage on George street near the college campus.

On the whole, however, the chapter house plan has not proved popular here at Brown. The chapters prefer to congregate in adjoining rooms in the three most desirable dormitories, Slater Hall, University Hall and Hope College. So firm is the grip of the fraternities on these dormitories that it is very rarely that a non-fraternity freshman can secure a room in either of them. The last named is the rallying point of our chapter, and we have succeeded in securing a very considerable footing therein.

K Σ established a chapter at Stanford last commencement with five charter members. Two more were initiated in September. One of the charter members was a graduate student.—Σ X has revived her chapters at Wooster and Lafayette. The former died in 1893 and the latter in 1887, each having existed for twenty years before those dates.—Σ N has revived her chapter at Bethany, which was founded there in 1883 and died in 1885. This gives B ⊙ Π at last a much-wished-for rival.—Southern K A has a new chapter at Georgia School of Technology, where Σ A E, A T Ω, Σ N, and K Σ are established. K A now has 38 chapters. Her total membership is 4,157.—Z Ψ has entered Minnesota.

Δ K E met at Springfield, Mass., November 16 and 17. The Virginia chapter was not represented. A charter was granted under the influence of Prof. John Bach McMaster, the historian, to twenty-five applicants from the University of Pennsylvania. Δ K E now has thirty-eight chapters, nearly 30 per cent. of which have been established or revived in the last fifteen years. The Springfield *Republican* says that during the convention the Dekes 'disported themselves about the city in an untrammelled but entirely unobjectionable way.'—X Φ met at New York city December 1 and 2. The convention was addressed by a distinguished member, ex-Chief Justice Chambers, of Samoa, on the subject of expansion.—Δ Φ met at New York city December 1 and 2. At the banquet a toast was drunk in silence to the memory of the late Vice-President Hobart, who was a member.—Φ Γ Δ met at Dayton, Ohio, October 19, 20 and 21. Gen. Lew Wallace, who was not present, was re-elected president. Chapters were chartered at Missouri and Maine. The applicants at the latter place were members of Q. T. V., the agricultural-scientific fraternity. But two of the six chapters of Q. T. V. survive now—those at the agricultural colleges of New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The new Φ Γ Δ chapter at Missouri was installed on November 25, with fourteen members. The initiation took place in the Φ Δ ⊙ rooms. The next Fiji convention will be at Niagara.—Δ Y met at Ann Arbor the same week that Φ Γ Δ met at Dayton. The California and Stanford chapters were not represented. A charter was granted to applicants from Toronto, which already supports chapters of Z Ψ, K A, A Δ Φ and Δ K E. A chapter was established last year at McGill, in Montreal, where Z Ψ, A Δ Φ and K A are established. Δ Y now has thirty-four chapters, of which fifteen have been established in the last fifteen years, and seventeen in the

last twenty years. A petition was received at the convention from Dartmouth and referred to the executive committee. The next convention goes to Syracuse. A new coat-of-arms is to be prepared. Stanford and California had evidently been unrepresented before, as 'the standing of chapters continuously neglecting to send undergraduate representatives' was discussed, and the problem referred to the executive committee.

THE PYX.

The editor has received a number of invitations to Phi receptions during the past two months, among them one given by California Beta to Geueal and Mrs. Frederick Funston, on October 20, and one by Ohio Theta, at the Lincoln Club, Cincinnati, on December 22. The menu card of the Amherst chapter's twelfth annual initiation banquet is a beautiful piece of work.

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Among the college and university papers received by THE SCROLL we may mention the *Gettysburgian*, the *De Pauw Palladium*, the *Indianapolis University Brief*, the *Alabama Crimson-White*, the *Syracuse University Forum*, the *Cornell Daily Sun*, the *Lombard Review*, the *Emory Phoenix*, the *Allegheny Campus*, the *Iowa Wesleyan*. We hope to receive these and many others regularly. We miss our old friends, the *Daily Californian*, the *Nebraskan*, the *Dickinsonian*, the *Ohio University Mirror*, the *Integral* and others.

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As the season for college annuals draws near again chapters will remember that by act of the last convention the only coat-of-arms or heraldic plate to be used in such publications is the official coat-of-arms, copyrighted by the fraternity and supplied by Mr. R. B. Lockwood, 203 Broadway, New York city.

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Many personal, collegiate and Hellenic items, as well as illustrations and leading articles, have been crowded out of this issue. We shall try to give the departments and the illustrations a better show in February.

A number of the editor's friends have been expressing a desire that he define more fully his phrase 'change of occupation,' used in the last issue. He has given up teaching for business—banking, to be more specific. Correspondents will please remember to address him at Columbus, Indiana, and not at Columbus, Ohio, Indianapolis, or Irvington.

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The semi-centennial banquet of Ohio Alpha was held in the banquet room of the chapter's suite, in Oxford, last June. The October SCROLL did not name the place definitely.

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Newman is now selling a new scarf-pin, designed by Bro. Walter B. Palmer. It is a blue enameled oval bearing the letters 'Φ Δ Θ' in gold, with a border of white enamel bearing six stars in gold. Heretofore the sword and shield have been frequently worn as a scarf-pin, but it is difficult to make the complete badge small enough for this purpose. The new design is very neat and doubtless will be popular. It is distinctive enough of Φ Δ Θ, as it displays the name, colors and six stars. The same design, only larger, will be used for cuff buttons and ladies' hat-pins.

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THE HOME OF CALIFORNIA BETA.

California Beta's new home is built in mission style in keeping with the architectural *motif* of the university. It is situated on the campus on the western side of the Row, which has been set apart for fraternities and will be in time 'Fraternity Row.' The building is two and one-half stories high, with low projecting roof. The body of the house is in imitation of light adobe and the roof Indian red.

Broad steps lead up to the oaken doors opening into the large reception hall. This is 19 by 25 feet and is furnished in colonial cream color, with the ceiling somewhat darker. In front of the threshold 'Φ Δ Θ' is inlaid in polished walnut, and opposite the doors is a large mantel and fire place of boiler-plate brick. To the left of the fire place is the staircase, and on the right the door opening into the matron's parlor. On the right of the hall a large square archway with sliding doors opens into the dining-room, and on the left into the library and living room, which is finished in natural redwood. The library has a large mantel and fire place similar to the one in the reception hall. This room is 17 by 31 feet. On each side of the fire place are seats, the one on the left extending down the side of the room and across the end in a broad window seat, while on the other side the space is taken up by book-shelves. This room opens by another square archway and sliding doors into a vestibule, out of which stairs go up to join those from the reception hall. From the vestibule a door opens onto a side porch, and one into the chapter room.

The dining-room, which is 17 by 32 feet, is of Douglas fir in natural finish. The floors throughout are of narrow Oregon pine. This arrangement gives us a large and convenient floor space for entertaining and dancing. Back of the dining-room are the pantries, store room and kitchen, with its range and various conveniences.



THE LIBRARY IN THE STANFORD CHAPTER HOUSE.

The servants' quarters and wheel room are in a small building behind the house.

On the second floor are eight double rooms, with a bath-room and lavatory. The third floor has three double rooms and its bath-room and lavatory.

The house is heated by a furnace, and electric lights are in all the rooms, the power coming from the university plant. To the furniture we had in the old house which we rented we have added a new piano, some rugs, chairs and so on, part of which are gifts from some of our alumni and brothers in the faculty.

California Beta is always at home to all Phis, and we hope any who visit Stanford will find a visit with us a pleasant memory.

HOWARD G. HILL, *Stanford*, '00.

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PHI GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER ROLLS AND DIRECTORY—1848-1898. New York, 1898. Royal 8vo; pp. xvi+1440; cloth, \$5.

In 1891, when $\Delta K E$ published its immense tome of 1,750 pages, it was thought that the climax of big fraternity catalogues had been reached, but here is a still bigger book. It lacks about 300 pages of having so many pages, but the pages are larger and the whole work is bulkier. It is $11\frac{1}{2}$ inches long, 9 inches wide and 3 inches thick. It weighs eleven pounds five ounces, and it approaches Webster's unabridged dictionary in size. It is so heavy that it is a burden to handle it, and the weight makes a terrific strain on the cloth binding. From an avoirdupois standpoint it surpasses any fraternity book ever printed.

Besides the catalogue of members, it contains biographical sketches of 211 members, 375 portraits and over 425 other illustrations. The insertion of biographical sketches and portraits of members gives the book the appearance of a local 'history,' in which appear sketches and portraits of prominent citizens who are willing to pay for such advertisement, but the preface to this catalogue says that 'no one was permitted to contribute to the expense of making or printing even his own portrait or biography.' The book also contains historical sketches of the colleges in which are $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ chapters. It would seem that it would have been far preferable to have published sketches of the chapters instead

of sketches of the colleges, for the latter may be found in any good encyclopædia.

Undoubtedly this catalogue is a great show book. It is impressive as to size, and its typography is excellent. It seems to have been gotten up regardless of expense. The paper is of the finest, and the margins are two inches wide. The book is said to have cost \$11,000, and yet as a catalogue it is a great failure. The editor was Mr. Fabius M. Clarke, Indiana, '74, a lawyer in New York. It appears that he had two assistants, and that they worked with great rapidity. The preface, dated October, 1898, states that the volume was authorized by the general convention at Nashville in July, 1897, so that the compilation of materials occupied only fifteen months. Catalogues of other fraternities no larger than $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ have required several years in preparation, and at first sight of this book one wonders that it could have been compiled so quickly. But when one examines the chapter rolls, that is, the catalogue proper, it is seen that they are very imperfect, and hence it is no wonder that the work should have been produced in so short a time. The editor seems to have profited little from an examination of the best catalogues of other fraternities, if indeed he had seen any of them. Among the vital defects of this work are the following: (1) The first and second names of many members are lacking. (2) No occupations of members are given. (3) Very few street addresses are given for members living in the larger cities. (4) The classes of members are not given in the residence directory or general index of names. (5) While the number of members of each chapter is stated under its roll, there is no summary showing the total membership of the fraternity.

In the chapter rolls the names of members are arranged alphabetically, instead of by classes as is customary in most other fraternity catalogues. There is nothing to show whether members were graduated or not, in fact no particulars except the names, addresses and classes, the classes being given in the chapter rolls only. 'Rev.' is prefixed to the names of the clergy, though it appears not in all cases. Deceased members are marked '(Dec.)' The degrees of Ph. D., M. D., D. D., and LL. D. are given, but it seems that in many cases they are not given where they should be.

Careless editing is shown, for example, in the fact that the title of D. D. does not follow the name of Bishop William E. McLaren, '51, in the roll of the Jefferson (now W. & J.) chapter, and there is nothing to show that he is bishop

of Chicago in the P. E. church. True, there is a portrait of him and a two and a half page sketch furnishing very full particulars about him, but it is to be remembered that only 211 members (many of whom could scarcely be considered prominent) are favored with these sketches, while 6,000 or more members have some ground for complaining of discrimination against them. The biographical sketches, however, go into entirely too much detail in many cases. For instance, the sketch of one member includes a long list of articles he has contributed to weekly religious papers.

The book is copyrighted, which is rather comical, for who would duplicate it? As a catalogue, the only commendatory feature is the arrangement of chapter rolls alphabetically by colleges, instead of in the order of establishment of chapters. This arrangement of rolls facilitates finding a name, which otherwise would be very difficult with this catalogue, as neither the residence directory nor general index of names gives classes of members or shows on what pages to look for the names in the chapter rolls. At the top of each chapter roll is the year the chapter was founded, but not the exact date of charter. There is no statement about the withdrawal of charters or suspension of chapters. It is noticeable that the Iota chapter at Williams College has only one member, although it is credited with eleven in Baird's 'American College Fraternities,' from which we learn that it was established in 1880, and most of its members deserted to Z Ψ in 1881.

Illustrations are lavishly used. There are 53 half-tone views of Yale and vicinity (even 'Morey's,' the famous New Haven saloon most frequented by students), and 25 groups and portraits of members of the chapter there. There are 17 views of Cornell and vicinity, 11 exterior and interior views of the $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ chapter house there, 4 floor plans of the house, and 11 groups and portraits of the members. There are 29 views of the University of Wisconsin and vicinity, 3 views of the house, and 12 groups and portraits of members.

As a pictorial album of the colleges in which $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ is represented the book challenges admiration, but from the standpoint of a fraternity catalogue the work is thoroughly impracticable and unsatisfactory. It looks like a great waste of means. No college fraternity can afford to publish such enormous books. There is plenty of evidence that all fraternities that have attempted to print large catalogues have experienced great financial embarrassments in doing so. The very great expense involved in printing even a condensed

catalogue of from 6,000 to 10,000 names would seem to be sufficient reason for making the book a catalogue only, and publishing historical and other matter separately, at a different time, so that the expense will not be so burdensome on the same generation of college men.

But $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ does not have to consider expense. It has what in the slang of theatrical folk is called an 'angel'—somebody that 'puts up the money.' We are informed that 'the entire expense of producing the volume' has been borne by Mr. T. Alfred Vernon, Yale, '75, and that 'no subscriptions were asked until the matter was in the hands of the printers.' Mr. Vernon is a wealthy manufacturer and dealer in paper in New York. Doubtless he has been more generous in financial assistance to his college fraternity than any other man in the United States. His liberality toward $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ is so remarkably munificent that fraternity men generally should be interested in the sketch of him contained in the catalogue, from which the following extract is taken:

To Mr. Vernon more than any other man $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ owes the founding of its chapter at Yale in 1875, and, until the charter of the chapter was taken away later in that year, he was probably its most enthusiastic supporter and worker. Upon the restoration of the charter his interest in the chapter revived, and for some years he has manifested his old time enthusiasm and labor in its behalf. In 1896 he was not only prominent but the moving spirit in the effort to procure a chapter house at New Haven, and when the corporation was formed, called the Fowler Trust Association, for the purpose of raising the funds and holding the title to the property (the members of this association being $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$'s), he was unanimously elected president. Suitable ground has been purchased and paid for, at a cost of some thousands of dollars, the plans prepared and accepted for the erection of a stately and beautiful house, and funds are now being raised for its erection.

In 1898 he purchased the really palatial residence of the late William H. Sage, at Ithaca, N. Y., for a house for the Cornell chapter of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. He advanced some thousands of dollars which were required for a cash payment, contributing himself a large sum, and took the notes of the chapter corporation for the remainder.

To his splendid generosity in the present year the fraternity is indebted for this volume, the only illustrated chapter roll and membership directory of any of the twenty-nine Greek fraternities. He will also publish Brother Stier's $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ songbook at a cost approaching a thousand dollars. He has also been a cheerful and liberal contributor to many other chapter house funds. He was elected a member of the grand chapter in 1897, and is still a member of that body. He is secretary of the Rho (Brooklyn) graduate chapter, and phularkos of phule (province) I.

His elegant residence at 256 Clinton avenue, Brooklyn, is the Mecca of all $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$'s arriving in New York, and he has there entertained members of the fraternity from all parts of the United States. He has visited more chapters probably than any other man in the fraternity, having omitted none within about 500 miles of New York. As he has

said in some of his public writings, he finds that 'to the noonday of life its morning is beautiful.' 'I find delight,' he adds, 'in renewing the memory of my college days, visiting the chapters and brothers, bringing to them the sympathy and encouragement of the alumni, stimulating them to renewed action and vigor, and helping forward the progress of that association of our youth which is so dear to all of us—our beloved fraternity.' His wife is an ardent friend of Fijis and entertains with exquisite grace all the brothers who come, and makes friends of all who meet her.

Mr. Vernon has a billiard room fitted up as a $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ room. The walls of this room are decorated with many pictures of college life, and the room contains many objects of peculiar interest and value to college men, as well as the lares and penates of his own college days. He has fitted up a front room in the fourth story of his residence as a graduate chapter room, covering the walls with many scores of pictures of celebrated men, students and college athletes. It is probable that no fraternity in the United States can point to a man of so much vigor, resource and enthusiasm who takes so much interest in his fraternity as Mr. Vernon does in the growth, prosperity and fame of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. The struggle with the world and for existence having somewhat abated, he often has said, and his life and action certainly show, that his only ambition is to see $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ stand ahead of all other Greek-letter fraternities; and it is the ardent wish and hope of all its brothers that this ambition be gratified in full measure.

Surely every true fraternity man will congratulate $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ upon its good fortune in having an alumnus who is so loyal and liberal.

A MODEL CATALOGUE.

SIXTH GENERAL CATALOGUE OF THE DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY. Philadelphia, 1897. 16mo; pp. xii+528; cloth, \$3.

THE SCROLL for April, 1898, contains an article in which I advocated the publication of a condensed and inexpensive catalogue, instead of the bulky and costly volumes, filled with biographical detail, such as those issued by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Delta K E$, ΣX , ΔY and other fraternities which have taken the 1879 catalogue of ΨY as their model. My reasons as stated were that, in the first place, the labor involved in collecting and arranging the innumerable details is more than could be expected of voluntary catalogue editors, and, secondly, that the expense of printing such a large book is too great for a college fraternity to manage without serious trouble. These reasons I submit are sound, especially for a fraternity with 10,000 members and upward. The article has been largely quoted and generally endorsed by the fraternity press.

When that article was printed I was unaware that $\Delta T \Delta$ had issued a catalogue that filled the bill—very nearly. It is a close approximation of my idea. The editor was Mr. C. Robert Churchill, Tulane, '89, a sugar engineer and chemist

at New Orleans. The preface is dated May 22, 1897. The book is tastefully printed and bound, though there are no illustrations or other attempt at ornamentation. Every detail of the typography is neat, but the beauty of the book consists mainly in its utility and compactness. Only important biographical details are given, and they are closely printed, so that the printers did not find the work such a 'fat job' as if the data had been spread out for purpose of display. In the chapter lists only one size of type is used, and there is only one paragraph for each personal entry. There is no waste of type space, except that the figures for each class in black type stand out down the left margin. Some saving might have been made by not having the class figures project beyond the names. The preface says:

No code or system of symbols is used excepting those set forth in the explanatory notes. The compiler has kept constantly before him the fact that this is simply a business or pocket edition of the catalogue, and has tried to arrange his data as simply as possible, so that members and facts may be easily located and seen at a glance. For the same reason no attempt at giving historical data concerning the fraternity or the chapters, or biographical sketches of the members, has been made. It was deemed best to omit all data pertaining to members excepting the degrees taken at colleges, offices held on the arch chapter or council, work of unusual merit done for the fraternity, where this has been known to the compiler, and a few of the more important business or political offices that they may have held.

When the history of $\Delta T \Delta$ is written, the offices held in the fraternity and a record of specially meritorious fraternity work will of course be included, and then the catalogue can be relieved of such mention. With a rapidly growing fraternity, every detail not absolutely essential should be eliminated from the catalogue, and every economy of publication considered. No small saving would be effected by entering affiliates or transfers in one place only, and not in two chapter lists, as in this catalogue, and in the catalogues of most fraternities. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has decided to enter them only in the lists of chapters that initiated them. The explanatory notes in this book say:

The only abbreviations are: *, which indicates 'deceased'; †, which is used in the residence directory only, and indicates that the person in question is a lawyer; and ‖, § and †, which indicate the relationships of father and son, uncle and nephew, and brothers respectively. For example, 'John Alexander, 3†, 2§, ‖,' would indicate that Mr. Alexander had three brothers, two nephews and one son in the fraternity. These relationships can be traced out further through the table of relationships.

While * appears before the name of each deceased member in the chapter lists, the date and place of death are not fur-

nished. It seems that the year of death might be afforded as a fact of importance. There is, however, little need of including the names of deceased members in the residence directory. Having a sign which occupies little space to denote lawyers in the residence directory is an excellent idea. It is not necessary to specially denote men of other professions. The utility of a sign for lawyers is that it makes the residence directory practically a legal directory, which will be found very convenient by attorneys. As to the table of relationships it is questionable whether it is best to go so far as to include uncles and nephews. The $\Delta T \Delta$ catalogue arranges groups of brothers (and the same way with fathers and sons and with uncles and nephews) in family groups, irrespective of the number of brothers, and in alphabetical order by surnames, which is more convenient for reference than the plan of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ catalogue, which gives the groups of five brothers first, then the groups of four, three and two. The $\Delta T \Delta$ catalogue has the right rule regarding the entry of college degrees, as stated in the explanatory notes :

.Where degrees have been taken in regular order of graduation from the alma mater only, the degree is put down ; if a second one was obtained from the same college, it also is put down, with the year in which it was taken ; if the first or second or other degrees were taken at some other college, the degree, the year and the college, in parenthesis, are all put down. The names of the colleges in such cases are abbreviated as much as is consistent.

The chapters at Illinois, Indiana, Wabash and Lehigh having died and been revived and rechartered with new names, two chapter lists for each are given in different parts of the book. There does not seem to be any good reason for this; at least it is contrary to custom. The chapters at Mississippi and Vanderbilt were established as W. W. W. or Rainbow chapters in 1848 and 1881, respectively. In 1886 they were absorbed by $\Delta T \Delta$, and the roll of each back to its beginning is included in this catalogue. The other two active chapters of W. W. W. were located at Southwestern and the University of Texas, and they were absorbed by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Those who in 1886 were alumni members of W. W. W. at Texas are enrolled in this catalogue. When $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ absorbed the W. W. W. chapter there, only members who were still in the university were accepted. This catalogue contains no names of Rainbows at Southwestern, but under the heading for the chapter there is this: 'Note. For names of members write to the historian.' The entire rolls of the other deceased chapters of W. W. W., including deceased members, are given in this catalogue. These chapters were

located at Emory and Henry College (Va.), Wofford College (S. C.), Erskine College (S. C.), Furman University (S. C.), University of Tennessee, La Grange College (Tenn.), Neophagen College (Tenn.), Stewart College (now Southwestern Presbyterian University, Tenn.), and Chamberlain-Hunt Academy (Miss.).

The dates (in frequent cases the years only) of establishment of chapters, suspension of chapters and reorganization of chapters are given. The dates of incorporation of the Tufts and Tulane chapters also are noted. The names of charter members are not mentioned. Initials only appear preceding a good many surnames in the chapter lists, but $\Delta T \Delta$ is as well off in the matter of full names as most fraternities. A supplemental list at the end of the chapter lists supplies the names omitted by mistake and the names of members initiated while the book was in press. Then come the table of relationships, residence directory, alphabetical index and additions and corrections. The book contains no summaries or tables. Statistical tables require much labor in preparation, and to put them in type costs like smoke, but every fraternity catalogue should at least give the membership by chapters and the total, and the number of living and of deceased members. The number of members enrolled by any chapter of $\Delta T \Delta$ or by the whole fraternity can not be learned from the catalogue without counting the names. A marked defect of the book is that it has no running head, so that it is hard to find a particular chapter list without looking it up in the index of chapters. The page numbers should appear with the running head at the top, instead of being at the bottom of the pages. Convenient reference would have been facilitated also by arranging the chapter lists alphabetically by colleges, as in the $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ catalogue, instead of according to the Greek letter titles of chapters, as few Greeks remember these titles, especially those of suspended chapters. For $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, however, the most convenient arrangement of chapter lists would be to put them in the order of titles, Alabama Alpha first, as the number of chapters in any state is not large.

This is the sixth edition of the catalogue of $\Delta T \Delta$, previous editions having been issued in 1870, 1874, 1876, 1884 and 1889. The defects which have been noted, after a very critical examination, are small compared with the many merits of the book. I admire the book very much, and am free to confess that I consider its general make-up better than that of any similar work I have ever seen. Its size is

just right; and any member starting on a trip would be quite sure to take it along, either in his grip or in his pocket, for it is small enough to carry in the pocket. It weighs one pound as against the eleven pounds and five ounces of the last $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ catalogue and the four pounds ten ounces of the last (1894) $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ catalogue. The $\Delta T \Delta$ book measures $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches by seven. Thin but well finished and opaque paper is used, so that, although there are 540 pages, the book including cloth cover is only one inch thick. There is the greatest contrast between the $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ catalogue and that of $\Delta T \Delta$. The latter has no illustrations, not even a frontispiece; it was made for utility and not for show. As an editor of the 1883 catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, I will say that Mr. Churchill certainly had a more sensible (perhaps I should say more practical) idea of what a fraternity catalogue should be than any other catalogue editor up to date, and I believe that his work will be taken as a model by most fraternities.

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YALE SOCIETIES.

Yale has peculiar traditions, institutions and customs. Its society system, to the minds of those who have seen its influences and who are acquainted with the workings of other colleges, seems a profound mistake, accomplishing no end that helps the individual, college or country. It does not make men in its broadest sense, self-reliant men, men of warmest, broadest minds and sympathetic hearts.

The three academic senior societies, Skull and Bones, Scroll and Keys, and Wolf's Head, dominate the whole academic society system. They are rich, they own houses and lands up into the hundreds of thousands. They are profoundly secret. Their halls are tomb-like in structure. Fifteen men are taken into each.

Each year on a Thursday afternoon in the later part of May, toward five o'clock these societies announce their elections. It takes an hour to an hour and a half. It takes place in front of Durfee Hall, near the northern end of the campus, practically all the 330 members of the senior class assembling there, as well as a large part of the rest of the university—academic, scientific and departmental—with many of the faculty and of the people of New Haven and other parts of Yaledom. The observers are thronged in the windows of Durfee and Farmer and North College, on the steps and roof of Dwight Hall and all about the open campus.



THE DELTA PSI HOUSE, ST. ANTHONY'S, AT THE SHEFFIELD SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL.

Each society has fifteen members, and beginning at five o'clock and at intervals of from two to four minutes' each of the members emerges from his hall and proceeds to the campus, walking alone, recognizing no one. With solemn face he invades the densest part of the crowd, where the most likely of the candidates from the senior class are gathered; finds the one particular man whose election to that particular society has been delegated to that particular senior; claps that man on the back; tells him to go to his room; follows the man through the crowd and across the campus to his room, wherever it may be, preserving still the same unbroken silence and grave countenance; announces within the seclusion of that room, in formal language, the election; leaves the room, the dormitory and the campus, in the same manner and with the same demeanor, and returns to his society hall not again to emerge until the formal breaking up of the regular gathering of that Thursday evening. When this ceremony is over, and for hours and days after, the university talks about it, and this society is congratulated and that is condemned. That afternoon has left on the hearts of a score and more men as sharp and painful and deep wounds as perhaps they will ever suffer in all the battles of life. They have lost generally for reasons which they can not tell, that which they most desired of all the honors their fellows could give them. Many strove from their freshman year for these senior society elections; their every speech and action was formed with that end in view. The members under all circumstances maintain absolute silence about their society. Out of 330 men, 45 is a small number. These forty-five become egotistical and narrow, and the impression of their greatness follows them ever after.

These societies have become famous by their secrecy and exclusiveness. They are the power in Yale life. It has been said the greatest success Yale has had in athletics is caused by the intense desire to excel to gain society elections. The late reverses of 1898 would seem to disprove this statement. Skull and Bones was founded in 1832; Scroll and Keys, in 1842; Wolf's Head, in 1883. The latter has filled up its back list from former classes. These three senior societies have their society homes, which are conspicuous features of the architectural side of New Haven, and which are located on High, College and Prospect streets, respectively.

There are the junior societies and the sophomore societies, and there is a university club; but no one of them furnishes any general rallying point for the students, and not all of them combined hold the place together in a social way. Yale is held together by tradition, by its religious



THE ZETA PSI HOUSE AT YALE.

life and dormitory life. From my four years' experience there I should advise any boy to go to a small college, where every student is known, where he comes into close contact with the professors, where he lives on a large campus—a college like Dartmouth, Wesleyan, Union, Pennsylvania State, Ohio Wesleyan, Knox, Hanover.

The Yale junior societies are lively affairs, four of them: ΨY , $\Delta K E$, $A \Delta \Phi$, $Z \Psi$. The first three are in power and agree among themselves to divide up what they consider the available material in the sophomore class; they so apportion it to each society that it will weigh up about even with the others. These three societies are junior societies pure and simple. They have tomb-like structures for halls, as shown in the illustrations. They have no fraternity life like other chapters of these fraternities situated at other colleges, and they do not care for the others or show any appreciable interest in the rest of the fraternity. The other chapters do not consider the Yale chapters of any strength to them. The governing bodies have for years desired to see these Yale junior chapters abolished. The members who are candid after graduation say they do no good to the student, the fraternity or Yale. The men take little or no interest in these fraternities, either at Yale or elsewhere. Their badge is but a slight mark of respectability in the junior year, an incident in their career, a stepping stone to senior society election, only. The faculty would gladly abolish them, and those members of the faculty who once belonged strive to forget that they ever did. The names of Yale chapters appear in their society catalogue and greatly help to swell the list of men. One prominent member, who has attained one of the highest political positions lately, refused to have his name printed in 'The Greek-letter Men of New York,' with the list of his Yale fraternity society. These three junior societies take 25 men from the sophomore, that is, the incoming junior class; the class adds 10 to 15 more in each case at different times during the rest of the course. The societies announce their elections with peculiar and very pretty ceremonies on the Tuesday preceding Tap day, as it is called—the day the senior societies give out their elections. Each society robes itself in its appropriate color— $\Delta K E$ in red gowns and hats, ΨY in white, $A \Delta \Phi$ in green—and marches with full ranks, double file, behind a large calcium light. Each man is supplied with more or less fireworks, which makes it seem rather more interesting as the procession trails its way in and out of the campus and to the different rooms in the various dormitories, where the candidates are quar-

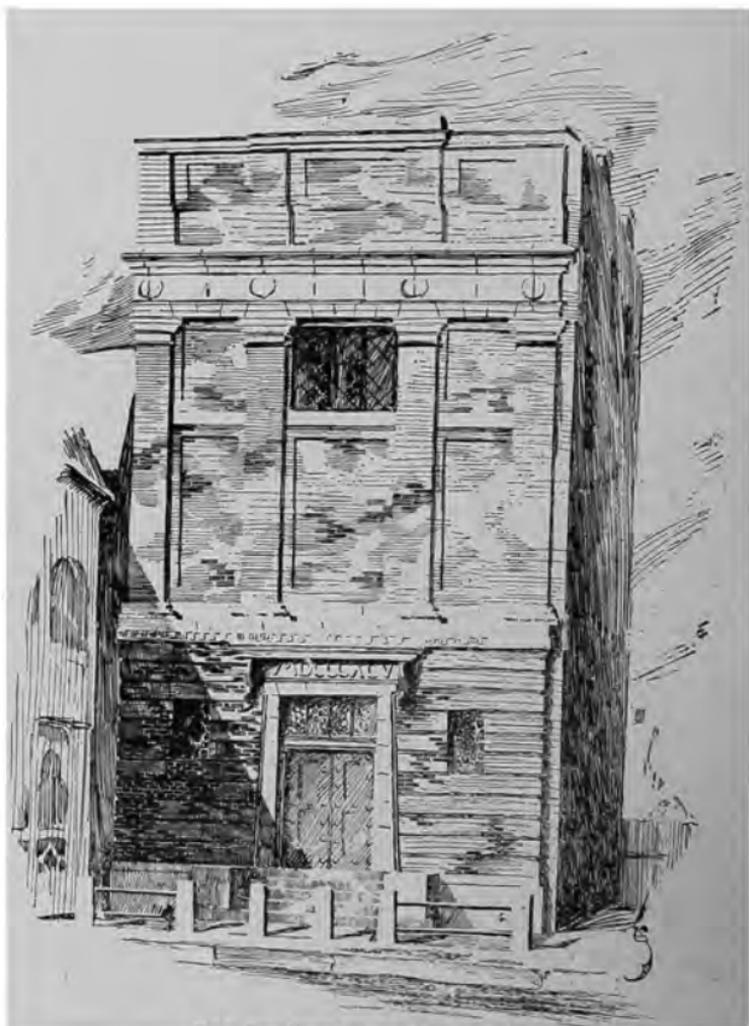


THE DELTA PHI HOUSE, ST. ELMO'S, SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL.

tered. The fourth society, Z Ψ, is not a party to the general agreement of the other three.

There are sophomore societies—H Βουλῆ and H Φ; each of these restricts its membership to seventeen men. They were founded in 1875 and 1879, respectively. K Ψ was founded in 1895. They were patterned after the junior and senior societies and furnished means of association between the different classes which are rather rare at Yale. They were therefore immensely helpful and valuable to their members. Of late years, however, these societies have become mere stepping stones to the senior, through the junior, societies, and as entrance in the first place is often obtained by some preparatory school 'pull' or other outside influence, by wealth or relationship, the tendency of the societies are very undemocratic. The mass of the students, having no 'pull' or other undue advantage, are thoroughly disgusted with the sophomore societies and, to some extent, with the whole system. There were for many years three freshman societies, K Σ E, Γ N and Δ K. These took practically every man in the class.

The societies in the law, medical and scientific school practically go through the entire course and are very beneficial to the men. Those of the Sheffield Scientific School (which is practically another college by itself with its own buildings and faculty) are: Berzelius, a local, founded in 1848, with a tomb meeting hall on Prospect street and a dormitory on Hillhouse Ave.; Σ Δ X (called Prok and Snake), with a dormitory on Hillhouse Ave. and Grove street, and a hall in prospect; Θ Ξ, which I believe is now extinct; Δ Ψ, with a hall and dormitory attached worth nearly \$100,000; X Φ, with a society hall and dormitory called York Hall, at the corner of Wall and College, worth \$60,000; Θ Δ X, with a house at 36 Elm street; Δ Φ, with a house at 111 Grove street, worth about \$45,000. The life in the society house of the scientific department is far different from that of the academic. The men of the three classes live together and become attached to each other as in no other way. The graduates have a delightful place to return to, as none in the academic department have. The non-society member of the academic department goes back to New Haven a total stranger, absolutely outside of the college life. The departments have no common rallying ground, no hall like Houston Hall at the University of Pennsylvania, where they can all meet. The faculty and president are very anxious to have a university meeting place and will hail with pleasure and help any university society that comes in on strong ground and high principles.



THE PSI Upsilon HALL, AT YALE.

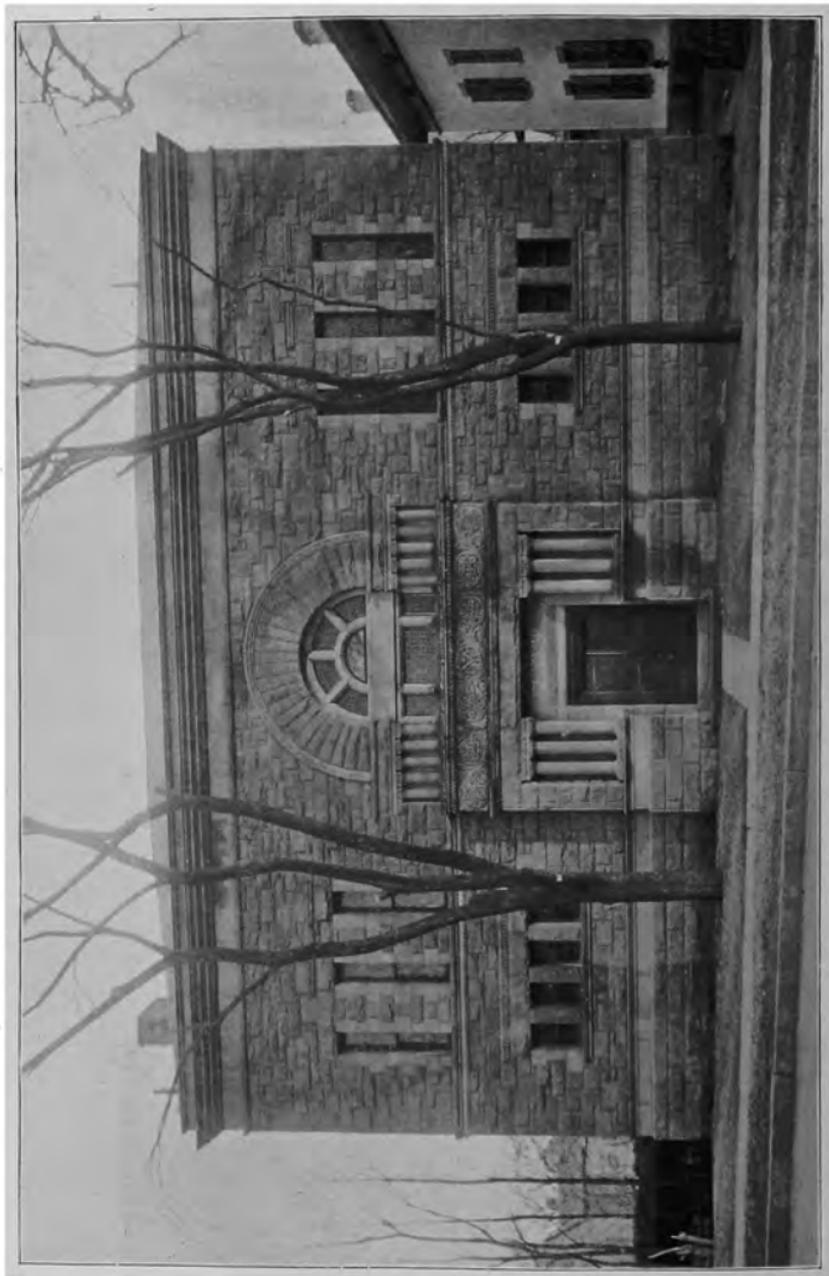
B @ II has a fine chapter in the academic department, taking men from the four classes. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ has maintained for years a strong but small chapter composed of members of all departments, has purchased a lot and intends building or buying a house. There is plenty and abundant room for a university society like $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and when once founded it will help to kill in time the old junior and sophomore societies.

The system as arranged at Cornell, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Columbia, Amherst, Wesleyan, Williams and Union gives a boy a home, makes him feel happy; surrounds him with right influences, brings the professors in touch with him, molds his life and habits as can not be done in any other way. Students in New Haven come from all over the United States from the best families. But institutions like Cornell and Union are turning out more self-reliant men who think and act for themselves and who make their way surely and quickly in life. A great national fraternity like $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ should be in Yale; it would do Yale good. There is a splendid field for it, but to be successful it must have a house from the start. The training of young men morally and socially is more important than mental training, for without morals and social graces men are useless as citizens. More can be done by the association of men than by books or teachers. Fraternity life is not boys' play, but a most important work, lasting and powerful in its results.

A YALE GRADUATE.



THE CHI PHI HOUSE, YORK HALL, S. S. S.



THE HALL OF ALPHA DELTA PHI AT YALE.

THE ALUMNUS—A SUGGESTION.

The alumnus dropped into my office the other day, as he often does, and helping himself to a cigar, commenced to talk, after assuring himself that the cigar was a good one.

'Old man, I have here a letter from my chapter asking me for a contribution to help pay an old debt that was contracted by the fellows who were in college when I was. You know I have not kept in touch with them and know nothing about them except what I have heard, and that was not a very favorable report. After I was graduated the chapter rather ran down* and I lost all interest, but this letter is written in such a dignified way and the plea for aid is so strong I thought I would run in and see you about it.'

'Jim, you have come to the right place to find an answer to the question that is bothering you. Your chapter did run down through the negligence of yourself and others who failed to see that the fellows did not leave college without settling with the chapter's treasurer. Why withdraw your support from an organization that has, in the words of a prominent alumnus, in all its history produced nothing discreditable to itself? Why withdraw your sympathy from your chapter when it stands in need of it? Should you go on this plan regarding your home, your profession, your church or any other organization to which you belong you would now be a "man without a country"—a miserable being alone and forgotten.'

And Jim, after but little more discussion, wrote a check for \$5 for the boys, promised to subscribe for THE SCROLL, and determined never again to get out of touch with his chapter.

WALTER W. CASE, *Allegheny*, '84.

OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

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Biographical sketches of the six founders of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ have appeared in various issues of THE SCROLL. The first was that

*A universal idea among alumni, but seldom correct.

†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 the same, or of such portions as are of importance. Almost any letter relating to Phi Delta Theta written prior to 1878 (when THE SCROLL was permanently established) would be of value in filling out gaps in the record. This notice does not apply to the chapters at Miami, Indiana, Centre, Wabash, Wisconsin, Franklin, Hanover, Ohio, Emory, Iowa Wesleyan, Mercer, Wooster, Cornell, Lafayette, Randolph-Macon, Buchtel, Gettysburg, Dickinson, Vanderbilt, Hillsdale, Sewanee, Pennsylvania, Columbia, Southern and Washington, whose archives have been loaned to me, or have been examined for me by obliging brothers. In the preparation of the history of the fraternity, I have received no assistance from the following chapters: *Colby, Dartmouth, Lehigh, Virginia, Washington and Lee, Knox, Illinois, Missouri, Westminster, Iowa*. I particularly desire to obtain from each: (1) A sketch of the chapter if one has been written. (2) The loan of old letters or other papers bearing on the establishment of the chapter. (3) A copy of the minutes of the first few meetings, showing how the chapter was organized. WALTER B. PALMER, editor of the history, 509 South Spruce street, Nashville, Tenn.

of John McMillan Wilson, Miami, '49, written by his brother, Archibald Wilson, Esq., of Liberty, Ind. It filled twenty-four pages of THE SCROLL for December, 1886, and it is a most interesting and admirable sketch. It concludes with the words, '*In Cælo Quies Est,*' a phrase which Brother J. E. Brown, in 1890, while editor of THE SCROLL, adopted as an epitaph for brothers who have entered the 'Chapter Grand.' Brother Brown originated the 'Chapter Grand' roll, and, beginning in 1890, the June issue of THE SCROLL every year has contained under this heading the name, chapter and class of every brother reported as deceased with the date and place of death, and the words '*In Cælo Quies Est.*' The forms appended to the code adopted in 1898 provide that each name in the 'Chapter Grand' roll shall be followed by these words and a five-pointed star.

In 1887 Mr. Wilson sent to me all of his deceased brother's letters relating to the fraternity that he was able to find. These letters with many furnished by Brother Robert Morrison, and many furnished by other members, together with a large number found in the archives of various chapters, have been copied by me, so far as they have a bearing on $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ history, and have been printed in THE SCROLL. These 'Old Fraternity Records' began to appear in the issue for October, 1887, and installments have been printed as space in the magazine would permit. It is indeed fortunate that these records have been preserved through the vicissitudes of time, as they furnish most valuable material for the earlier history of the fraternity. A number of years ago I assumed the task of writing the history of the whole period of the fraternity, and after a long partial suspension, I have actively resumed work upon it during the past year.

In December, 1899, Mr. Wilson sent me an important collection of his brother's literary remains which were in his possession. They consist of sermons, essays and poems, a large number of letters from various persons who were not members of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and a few, not before found, from Phis. It is a very rich collection of memorabilia relating to one of our founders who had much to do with giving form and character to the fraternity. Mr. Wilson also sent me a watch † which was owned and used by his brother, to be

† In a little box find the departed remains of John's old chronometer. It was his only timepiece while at college. It is a mere bagatelle of no intrinsic value, but rich in memories of the past. As you asked me for some little souvenir of my brother I could think of nothing else. There is no other picture of John besides the daguerrotype sent you some years ago. It is my wish that it remain where it is.—Archibald Wilson, Liberty, Ind., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 20, 1899.

kept in the fraternity library as a souvenir. The watch and all the documents have been forwarded to the librarian, Dr. J. E. Brown, and they will be preserved with the greatest care. It is hoped that we can also secure the correspondence and some souvenirs of the other two founders who are deceased—Robert Thompson Drake, '50, and Ardivan Walker Rodgers, '51.

The first three letters that follow were written by E. H. Munger, D. L. McDill and James Warnock, who were suspended or dismissed from Miami for participation in 'the great snow rebellion' there in January, 1848. The suspension and dismissal broke up the chapters of B Θ Π and A Δ Φ , so that when Φ Δ Θ was founded at Miami in December, 1848, no similar fraternity existed there. Messrs. Munger, McDill and Warnock went to Centre College, where they established a chapter of B Θ Π . WALTER B. PALMER.

Danville is a fine town of about 3,000 inhabitants—excellent, clever folks. The day after I arrived we visited Dr. Young and had a most pleasant conversation with him; found not the slightest difficulty in admission. He is a most capital president, liked by everybody. After staying at the hotel—a very good one—for a week, I am now at a private house—a quiet place—George with me—in a comfortable little room—a fire singing on the hearth—in my monstrous arm-chair—contented, and inditing a few thoughts to an old friend. All very comfortable, isn't it? And better than all, there's a pretty girl at our house, and if we don't have some pleasant times, why then—etc. Our boarding is \$2.50 a week, including a room furnished with everything needful, fuel, light, washing, bootblackening—everything done to hand by niggers. We're going to have a fine time. I have been waiting for the exhibition of the societies here to tell you something about it. Yesterday the two societies paraded through the streets, raining as it was, preceded by a military company and a fine band of music. With their very handsome badges they presented a fine appearance, each society numbering about sixty. The speeches were only average good—none quite so good as two or three we had last spring. Their best talent, however, was not brought out. How glad I would be just at this time to see you and some other Oxford boys would be 'better felt than described.'—E. H. Munger, Centre College, to J. McM. Wilson, Miami University, Feb. 23, 1848.

The 'regulars' in actual attendance, in the senior class are 32, in the junior 25, in the sophomore 35, in the freshman

19. The grammar scholars and the 'irregulars' swell out the number to 170. There are 15 of us here from Oxford, not one of whom was examined. My advice to you is that you teach school during the summer and come here next September. Warnock and I are the only juniors here from Oxford. Nathan, Warnock and I room together. Bob and Steve Voorhis board at the same place. The niggers work for us—carry water, black our boots, provide wood, put on a fire every morning before we get up, provide hair oil, shaving soap, combs, etc.—D. L. McDill, Centre College, to J. McM. Wilson, Miami University, March 18, 1848.

It is but one week since I arrived here. The names of the societies are the Deinologian and Chamberlain. The former is the choice of some of our boys. Their rooms are not furnished with the same splendor as those at Oxford. The libraries contain about 1,200 volumes each; many of the books are modern works and in this respect are superior to our old libraries. Of course we can not tell of the comparative merits of the old Erodolphian and the societies here until we see more of them. The students here are a very plain set in appearance and manners—there is less aristocracy, if I may so call it, among them than among the Oxford students. There is one thing that McDill omitted to tell you; two of the president's daughters are in the junior class! That is certainly an inducement to come here, which in the nature of things can never exist in Oxford, at least until 'his majesty' be removed. Nathan McDill got a letter not long since from Bonner; he will be here next fall. We have hopes also that our old friend Combs will be here next fall; so you see there will be quite a representation from the 'immortal twelve' at Centre College. I am anxious for you to come here next fall; I might give many reasons why I think it would be better for you to come here than to remain at Oxford.—James Warnock, Centre College, to J. McM. Wilson, Miami University, March 18, 1848.

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 7, 1849. Mr. Robert Morrison, Oxford, Ohio. Dear Sir: In the hurry of business, we forgot to give you notice of the receipt of pattern pin all right. We have three now in hand which will be finished by the time required. Yours truly, Beggs & Smith.*

About five weeks ago I went to work in the *Courier* office which kept me very close, having to work two and three nights a week until about 2 o'clock. Barnett brought me

*This letter was sealed with wax; it was not inclosed in an envelope, and it bore no postage stamp.

one of our *ne plus ultra* badges. It is indeed a beautiful thing but I shall not be able to take it now. I have not met with much success at my trade, and am consequently cramped for means, but I will take one as soon as I can. I expect to start for Danville in about three weeks. There are one or two fellows going with me, whom I will try and make subjects for us.—M. G. Williams, Louisville, Ky., to J. McM. Wilson, Miami University, Aug. 10, 1849.

Oxford, O., 24th Aug., 1849. Messrs. Beggs & Smith. Gentlemen: Please let the bearer, Mr. John McM. Wilson, or order, have two more pins—the two I ordered sometime since of you—Φ Δ Θ badges you know. He will pay you for them on their delivery. Very truly yours, Robert Morrison. We received all the documents but have not yet organized. We think it best to wait awhile. I have another fellow pretty nearly 'victimized.'—M. G. Williams, Centre College, to J. McM. Wilson, College Corner, Ohio, May 6, 1850.*

Ross and I read your remarks in regard to the meetings of the 'upper crust,' and I believe approved the whole arrangement, and especially do I think those resolutions the things that fit our case precisely. The suggestion you make in regard to a series of lectures strikes me as one worthy of some thought, and if found practicable, seems to me the best present means we can adopt to make ourselves known to the world. We certainly have men among us even now who are fully competent and willing to engage for such a purpose. If the lectures shall be a single one each year, it is to be feared lest too much time be spent before we shall have anything tangible for the public. Could not some way be suggested which would enable us to get a volume before the reading public in a shorter time than your proposition indicates? My opinion is that the whole affair is practicable, so let us go immediately to work. I have been trying ever since we met in the city to get hold of some papers and other data necessary to the adoption of that fourth article, but for some cause, and I can not tell what, I have not yet entirely succeeded, so that nothing yet has been done by our committee. However, we shall not despair; the work shall yet be done. I can not say what is being done at Oxford. My impressions are that the late hall difficulty has and is absorbing the attention of the boys. You have heard of the fray? Twenty-two withdrew from the

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Miami Hall, leaving only twenty-three remaining. The seceders tried to form a third society but the faculty refused to recognize them. The cause of the withdrawal was the chagrin occasioned by the victory of Hutcheson's election to the presidency. The Alphas and Betas combined against the Phis and Deltas to elect officers to sign the diplomas, but old birds sometimes grow wily. Last year they won the victory by a clandestine caucus, but this year such measures would not succeed and their mean spirits would not submit.—I. S. Lane, Hamilton, Ohio, to J. McM. Wilson, Murfreesboro, Tenn., May 2, 1853.

Inclosed find the copy of the Bond for which you wrote. I would have sent it sooner, but I mislaid your letter and was not sufficiently certain of your address to trust the Bond to the mails. In the meantime I have made inquiry regarding the whereabouts of John McM. Wilson, but have been able to learn nothing. My present impression is that the last time I heard about him he was dead, but I am not quite sure. He returned with me from Tennessee in June, 1853, went back to the neighborhood of Miami University and remained in that region as long as I knew anything about him.—John W. Lindley, Fredericktown, Ohio, to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., May 17, 1880.

Yours of 13th inst. just received, asking which of the two Ardivan Walker Rodgers or myself was No. 1 and which No. 2. I had forgotten all about that. Since you mention it the fact is recalled, but I find myself entirely unable to recall which was represented by No. 1. My impression is that I was No. 2, but I am not definitely certain about it. He spelled his name with a 'd'; I did not use the 'd.' It is the same family name, however. I expect Bro. Robert Morrison could make the matter certain.—Andrew W. Rogers, Warrensburg, Mo., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 15, 1899.

In answer to inquiries by W. B. Palmer, Col. Andrew W. Rogers wrote, Sep. 28, 1899:

My maternal grandfather died before my recollection; my recollection is that they called him William when speaking of him. My grandmother's brother, Samuel Strain, served with General Marion; don't know whether my grandfather Watts served with him, but think they were all in it. My paternal grandfather, I am informed, served with Virginia troops under Washington in the revolution. I entered the Miami grammar school, Oct. 7, 1846. There was a three years' preparatory course in the grammar school; I got

through in two years and through the four years' course in college in three years, making five in all. I do not think I took any college honors; I was hustling to get through and was crowded in my studies too much for them. Yes, I helped to roll snow on the second night of the 'snow rebellion'; was not in it the first night. I can not recall the subject of my graduating address; my office and all papers have been burned twice, and if I kept the manuscript it has gone up! It must have been Ardivan Walker Rodgers at the meeting of the higher order at Oxford. I was still in Tennessee in June, 1853. I am not a Knight Templar, but a Royal Arch Mason. I was mistaken in my first report about being first past commander of Colonel Grover Post G. A. R. Comrade George Richarts was first, but he served only a fraction of a term which ended with the regular term. I succeeded him and myself for a space of three terms. I am not certain, but I think the photograph (reproduced in *THE SCROLL* for April, 1897) was taken about the time I sent it to Royall H. Switzler.

Fredericktown, Ohio, Oct. 7, 1899. Dear Bro. Palmer: I commenced answering your questions on the letter you sent me, but I find there is not room, so I will commence here. My mother and Robert Morrison's mother were first cousins. My mother's father's name was John Wolfe. My parents had eight children, of whom I was the fifth. We did at one time write our name Lindly, but subsequently added the 'e.' My wife's father's name was Benjamin Shelley. Names of my children: Amasa, Joseph Burson, Benjamin Shelley, Elizabeth, William and Lulu. The daguerreotype of me (reproduced in *THE SCROLL* for October, 1897) was taken in 1853. My height is five feet eight inches, weight one hundred and thirty pounds, eyes gray, hair brown, complexion dark. Neither I nor any of the founders was in the 'snow rebellion' at Miami in January, 1848. I am very certain that Archibald Wilson was mistaken in saying in his biographical sketch of his brother, John McM. Wilson (*THE SCROLL*, December, 1886) that the latter was engaged in it. On January 1, 1849, when M. G. Williams was initiated, my room was in the wing of the main building, in the southeast corner next the main building. At that time Drake's room was in the same building as Morrison's; afterwards Drake and I roomed together in that building. Ardivan Rodgers roomed and boarded up in town at Mrs. Cathcart's. Andrew Rogers roomed and boarded at his brother's in town. Ardivan Rodgers was called No. 1 and Andrew Rogers No. 2.

I do not recollect certainly which one of them was elected president of the higher order in 1853. The subject of my commencement address was, 'The mission of nations in the progress of civilization.' I took no college honors. Wilson and R. G. Elliott taught in Tennessee the same time I did. Wilson taught in Baird Academy, two miles from Murfreesboro; Elliott's school was about eight miles from Murfreesboro—near Smyrna. Wilson returned to Ohio with me in June, 1853. Elliott remained and taught longer, I am not sure how long. I did not attend the convention at Wooster, O., in 1878, but talked with Bro. Greenlee and read about it. I attended the Alumni Day meeting at Columbus in 1893 and at Cleveland in 1897. If I have overlooked anything or not made answer sufficiently plain, let me know and I will make it satisfactory. Yours in the Bond, J. W. Lindley.

Fredericktown, Ohio, Oct. 26, 1899. Dear Bro. Palmer: Your letter of inquiry and also the letter containing the copy of the Bond are received. I copied the Bond you sent me just before leaving Oxford in the summer vacation of 1849. I did it very carefully and think it an exact copy of the original Bond. The names of members on the back are in my handwriting. I have no recollection about them, but I presume they are in the order of original signers. I was born in Wayne township, two miles from Fredericktown. I live in the country, but have my office in town. I returned to the farm in March, 1862, and have lived here ever since. Perhaps Wilson and Rogers were in the 'snow rebellion'; if they were I have forgotten about it. I know Wilson kept a bottle of the snow water for quite a while. As I now remember, Drake and I roomed together in 1849-50 in Wilson's old room. It was not more than two miles from Murfreesboro where Wilson taught. I visited him there. He was principal. I have answered all inquiries as far as I can now remember. You will pardon me if I forget some things that occurred over fifty years ago. If I have omitted anything that you desire to know of me, do not hesitate to address me, and I will do all in my power to render any assistance I can. Your patience must be severely tried trying to draw out the facts that we stupid old fellows ought to know. At best your task is a hard one. I mail the Bond in another envelope to you. Very truly yours in the Bond, J. W. Lindley.

November 4, 1899, Col. Andrew W. Rogers wrote as follows in reply to inquiries by W. B. Palmer, one of the in-

quiries being whether Royall H. Switzler's sketch of him in THE SCROLL for June, 1897, was based on a personal interview or on correspondence :

He did not come to see me ; I wrote out a sketch at his request and he abbreviated it. My paternal grandfather was William Rogers of Loudin county, Virginia. I am sure that my maternal grandmother's brother, Samuel Strain, was one of Marion's men ; don't know about my maternal grandfather. Before going to Miami I attended school in a log school house on the west part of my father's farm, Madison township, Highland county, Ohio. I went through the three R's and geography and some history there. As to the 'snow rebellion,' Bro. Lindley is mistaken so far as I am concerned. I rolled snow the second night. It was lots of fun. The snow rolled so splendidly we could ball it up as big as a haystack. I suspect Wilson had a hand in it ; a droll character he was, but he liked fun. I have no idea that any others of the six were in it. I never attended a commencement at Oxford after I graduated.

The badge in 1849 was of the identical size and shape as appears on the catalogue of 1860, and as I sent to you in a separate slip afterward. June 28, 1853, at the request of 'the society of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$,' I requested the chapter of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Miami University to join us in our procession to the grave east of the university buildings. The next day at 10 o'clock A. M. Dr. Humphrey delivered the address. The public were invited and were there in large numbers. The poem was delivered at night in the college chapel to a good audience by Prof. Elliott.—Robert Morrison, Richmond, Mo., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 13, 1899.

In my college days I was quite enthusiastic as a Phi, and I esteem the Fraternity yet above all price. I had the honor to be for a long while the secretary of the Indiana Alpha, when I had to carry the records in my pocket, as the only safe depository.—Samuel A. Hoover, '56, Hoover Hill, N. C., to James C. Norris, Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 15, 1880.

I shall be happy to contribute anything I can towards your history of the fraternity, but you have a copy of my address before the Texas State Association in 1882, and I do not know that I can add anything of interest to that in the way of history; if I find I can I will cheerfully do so. The order is very dear to me as my first love, though I have passed beyond the meridian and am hardly entitled to be numbered among 'the boys.' I wish you would write to John A. Conwell, Aurora, Ind.; he was a very active member of our old

chapter. He was one of the best men that ever lived, and one of the best writers; he was a long time on the staff of one of the leading newspapers of Cincinnati. He and James L. Mitchell, ex-mayor of Indianapolis and a fine lawyer there now—made a Phi of me in 1857. Mitchell could give you something good too. They were my spikers, and they did it effectually over the spikers of the Betas, for which I was ever after thankful.—John M. McCoy, Indiana Alpha, '60, Dallas, Texas, to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 22, 1885.

The records of the Indiana Alpha, if they have been preserved, should show the exact date of my initiation. It was early in the summer term of 1854, I will guess about May 20, while I was yet a freshman. Soon after I entered the senior class in the University of Wisconsin, in September, 1856, Col. John W. Foster, who has since had such a distinguished career in three foreign missions, opened a correspondence with me in reference to establishing a chapter of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in the University of Wisconsin. It having been determined to do so, the necessary papers were sent to me with the due authority, and I alone initiated Wm. F. Vilas, into the brotherhood, and he and I together initiated G. S. P. Stillman a few days afterward. Our names were put in to fill up the blanks as charter members. I lost track of Mr. Stillman many years ago. Mr. Vilas, in his brilliant career, has amply justified the estimate I formed of his future promise when he was a boy of seventeen years. Wm. G. Jenckes, Bridgeton, Ind., to Hugh Th. Miller, Irvington, Ind., Sept. 6, 1889.

I think your list of Lawrence University members is complete. We existed as a chapter there only a year or two. I started the order there having received the invitation so to do and having been initiated by Leonard S. Clark, class of 1859, of the University of Wisconsin, an old friend of mine.—John A. Owen, Chicago, Ill., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 27, 1880.

The Wisconsin Beta chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ expired the year after it was organized—about 1860—nearly all the members going out with the class of 1859 and 1860. I could not advise trying to start again at Appleton. Secret societies have never found favor there with the faculty or students.—J. A. Owen, to A. G. Foster, Nov. 20, 1876.

I can not remember when the *ante bellum* Wisconsin Alpha of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ suspended, nor the cause of suspension. My recol-

lection is that the chapter was *not* conducted *sub rosa*. I did institute Illinois Alpha at Northwestern in 1859, at which time, as ever since, I lived in Evanston. I remember initiating Hart L. Stewart, Henry M. Kidder, and I believe W. H. H. Raleigh, at Evanston. My recollection is not good as to particulars of these events which occurred forty years ago. I do not recall that the faculty were opposed to secret societies nor when the chapter suspended. I have attended meetings of the chapter within the last few years and always with pleasure.—N. G. Iglehart, Evanston, Ill., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 26, 1899.

In answer to your favor making inquiry as to the chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at the Northwestern University, would state that Nicholas G. Iglehart was the founder thereof, and did live at Evanston, Ill. I can not recall those that were initiated, but it was quite a flourishing chapter. It was not conducted *sub rosa* nor were the faculty opposed to secret fraternities. The chapter was not suspended in my recollection.—W. H. H. Raleigh, Baltimore, Md., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 28, 1899.

I assume that the suspension of Illinois Alpha at the Northwestern University came from the fact that practically everyone connected with the university went to the war. When I returned to Evanston, after nearly five years in the army and some years in New York, say March, 1869, I found among my papers a carefully secured package containing all the records and papers of the chapter which had been left with my father for me. I afterwards gave all these documents to the proper officers of the fraternity, and I presume that they still exist. Any other reason which I could offer would be merely imagination. At the outbreak of the war the university was in straits and its attendance low. From the fact that during this period the preparatory department was organized, I judge that the ages of the students were below normal. The roll of the university, as I understand, does not show the attendance at that time, because the trustees graduated in their proper order the members of classes who served in the army.—Henry M. Kidder, Evanston, Ill., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 1, 1900.

EDITORIAL.

Alumni Day

1900

What are the most practical ways in which alumni clubs and individual alumni may give aid and comfort to college chapters and promote the general good of Phi Delta Theta?

THE BIRTHDAY of our founder comes once again to remind us as Phis of many things. To Father Morrison undergraduates and alumni unite in sending best wishes for many happy returns of this his day, and sincere gratitude for the privileges and possibilities that have resulted from his labors. Collegiate Phis turn on this day to the founders and the alumni members of their own chapters with like grateful memories. The alumni themselves, that overwhelming majority of Phidom, the nine thousand in whose honor March fifteenth is named, retrace the few or many years that have intervened since commencement morning and the happy quadrennium that preceded it, and grow young and enthusiastic with every step into the enchanted past.

IT IS set forth in the code of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ that the general council shall propose a topic for discussion at the meetings on alumni day. This the councilors have faithfully done these several years. Some clubs take up and take apart and possibly take off the propositions and queries and sentiments that year by year introduce the editor's page in February. Others give no heed to them. No matter. If good fellowship is best promoted by reminiscences, let the toasts and talking deal with nothing else. If Phis have topics of general or local importance to discuss not herein set forth, and if they confine themselves to these, no offense will be taken by any general councilor.

IT IS believed, however, that if the after-dinner talk shows any tendency toward seriousness the topic proposed this

year is comprehensive enough to cover almost any possible suggestion. It certainly includes chapter houses. A bureau of information for the chapters regarding eligible freshmen is likewise comprehended. Even the matter of neglected debts and dues, saddled upon a succeeding generation, is not excluded. Further thought will prove that the attendance of alumni on national and province conventions is an interesting phase of the question, and the editor would not be grieved should the discussion drift into consideration of alumni support of THE SCROLL.

THE CHIEF thing is to hold your meeting. If that is done, the rest will be easy. If it is difficult to get men out to formal affairs in your busy city, let the gathering be intensely informal. Dine at some popular restaurant or hotel at the regular hour and price, reserving a separate room, but being obliged to guarantee no definite number. Should the Phi who has been relied upon hitherto to move things off and plan and execute—should your wheel horse be busy or disabled or absent, provide in time a substitute, or several of them. See that every Phi in town is notified personally of the time and place of the dinner. Let some of the younger men see to this in due season without fail, while others supply the papers with proper announcements for their news columns.

WHEN the meeting is held, see that the reporter or secretary is present at the beginning and discharging his duties, or choose someone at once to take that place. Take especial pains to see that every man's name and chapter and class are correctly recorded in the report for THE SCROLL. Utilize a part of the evening in securing from those present the names and addresses of Phis who have come into the city recently, and if a local Phi directory has not already been printed, draw up one and arrange to print it. The cost will be trifling. In the smaller cities a card or a folder will hold the names.

AND FINALLY, brethren, make plans to be at Louisville in Thanksgiving week, 1900, if you have to miss the Paris exposition, the national prohibition convention, the Niagara Falls excursion and every base ball game all summer to do it. Revive your enthusiasm by singing the old Phi songs, which someone must remember to provide on printed leaflets or type-written carbon copies, if no active chapter lives close at hand with song books to loan. If your town has no alumni club, meet on March 15 and sign an application for a charter. Let alumni day this year be not only the most widely celebrated of all the series, but let it be the best managed and the most profitable in every way.

A POSTSCRIPT on this same theme should be added for the college chapters. Where they have no alumni club in the same city to join in celebrating this day, let them not forget to wear the colors, to have a special meeting, to invite all resident alumni and even to secure the attendance of non-resident graduates. Have the chapter house situation or plans ready to discuss with the older Phis and call for their advice and subscriptions. Under no circumstances should the undergraduates let slip this opportunity to cultivate the acquaintance and revive the interest of their alumni.

WHILE FOOT BALL is merely a memory and base ball only a bright prospect, we trust that our undergraduates will seize the opportunity to bear their part in inter-collegiate debate and in the debating societies and trial debates that prepare for these. Not only is preparation for debate much more in harmony with the traditional and ideal purpose of college education than is athletic training, but the ability thus developed and the experience and knowledge gained are matters of far more practical and lasting importance to the all-around man than anything training-tables and participation in championship games can give. The editor has never shown any inclination to condemn college athletics—for proof see this issue and the last—but he does believe that the athletic side is not the only side of college life, nor yet

the chief side. The one way to learn all about a question of the day, it has been said, is to attend an inter-collegiate debate upon it. Debating makes a man study both sides of a question, makes him master of himself and of what he knows, makes him a good student and prepares him for useful citizenship. If debating survives and continues to be cultivated as it is at present, there is no need of lamenting the decay of the college literary society, for the debate contains all that was of real and permanent value in those societies. Let us hear of more honors won in forensics.

A HINT has already been dropped as to chapter houses, but our homeless chapters need not flatter themselves that they are to escape with a hint only. The Stanford house is an excellent sermon and inspiration. California Beta has the congratulations of the whole fraternity on her achievement. The idea of conforming the architectural type to that of the university buildings is an excellent one and should be followed. Texas speaks out with commendable frankness when she says that the new house of K Σ in Austin makes all the other chapters feel a sense of disadvantage. Φ Δ Θ should have taken the first house at Texas. Β Θ Π is to follow Φ Γ Δ with a house at Ohio Wesleyan. How long must we wait on Ohio Beta? Φ Κ Ψ has just rented a house at Mississippi. In January our Iowa and Indianapolis chapters took houses, giving us a total of thirty-one. Purdue and Ohio make fair promises in their letters this month, and Dartmouth has a good word. We want to hear something more from Kansas, Iowa Wesleyan, Westminster, Indiana, Miami, Washington and Jefferson, who have at one time and another raised our hopes. If you want a start and direction, write to your province president or to the general council. Don't stand by in lazy amazement while younger and weaker rivals show you how easy it is to take a house and keep it. Stop criticising the houses they have taken and see if you can do half as well yourself.

It is a pleasure to be able to present a criticism of Yale societies written for THE SCROLL by a general officer of a rival fraternity, who was a Yale man. The article is especially timely, in view of the present agitation at Yale against the sophomore societies, and the newspaper criticisms of the whole society system there.

THE October *Beta Theta Pi* gives an illustration and description of the 'standard badge' adopted by the BΘII convention last July. It is smaller than most Beta badges recently worn, but the border is relatively a little wider. It is standard as to size and design, but not as to ornamentation. Members may still order badges jeweled according to taste. Several years ago ΔKΕ adopted a very plain standard badge, and required that it be purchased by all initiates. The new pattern was inexpensive and for a time quite popular. But most other fraternity badges are more or less jeweled, and the monogram badges are almost invariably set with jewels. It seems that the desire of the younger Dekes to wear badges as fine as anybody else led practically to a nullification of the plain pin requirement, as we learn from fraternity jewelers that members are now ordering badges jeweled as they like. The general tendency in ΦΔΘ today is toward a plain and inexpensive badge. This is sensible.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

FROM THE PRESIDENT OF DELTA PROVINCE.

The biennial convention of Delta province will be held in Cleveland, March 15, 16 and 17, 1900, the invitation of Ohio Eta having been accepted by me for the province.

The Case chapter has gone at this matter in the same characteristic style which won for her her charter at Philadelphia, and a good time is promised. The Cleveland alumni are going to assist in entertainment. A committee was appointed by the Case chapter, consisting of Bro. Clyne, of the active chapter, Bro. R. C. Gifford, an alumnus of the chapter, and Bro. Glen K. Shurtleff and Hubert H. Ward, T. G. C., of the Cleveland alumni club, who will have charge of the arrangements. The plan as now outlined, subject, however, to slight changes, is as follows:

The convention is to be called together Thursday afternoon, March 15, at the chapter house, on the corner of Fairmount and Wilbur, which is within easy walking distance of Case and the Euclid avenue car line. Thursday evening an informal smoker will be held at the chapter house, giving the delegates an opportunity to become acquainted with members of the active chapter and with the Cleveland alumni. Business sessions will be held Friday and Saturday, with possible interruptions for entertainment during the day. Friday evening a dance will be given at the Stillman Hotel. Saturday evening the banquet will occur at the Stillman Hotel, and will be a combination alumni day and convention banquet, at which it is hoped we may have the largest gathering of Phiis ever held in Cleveland, larger even than the one held at the birth of Ohio Eta, when fifty-two plates were laid.

The Case school men are going to keep open house, and there will be no expense to any delegate connected with his trip from the time he reaches Cleveland until the time he leaves. The only expense to the individual chapters will be delegates' transportation.

Delta province has a number of very important matters to discuss prior to the assembling of the next national convention at Louisville, among them the suspended charters of Wooster and Buchtel.

It is hoped that a delegate may be present from each one of the alumni clubs in the province, as well as from all the active chapters. Special effort will be made to bring this about. At the banquet it is hoped that alumni Phiis will be present from all over the province.

The chapters will be informed regarding details later on by the Cleveland committee. Correspondence on this subject may be carried on with Bro. Cecil B. Clyne, 581 East Prospect street, Cleveland, Ohio, or with the undersigned. The number of the Case chapter house is 845½ Fairmount street.

Yours in the Bond,
JOHN B. BALLOU.

Bowling Green, Ohio, February 22, 1900.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The steady advancement along all lines of college work, which has characterized the 'new Dartmouth,' has recently found expression in the establishment of the Amos Tuck school of administration and finance, which is a distinct departure in the line of a graduate course. It is open to graduates who intend to enter upon business or political careers, and aims to fit such men in a thorough and practical manner. The school has been established by the gift of \$300,000 by Amos Tuck, '62.

President Tucker is at present among the alumni, attempting to raise \$1,000,000 for the college during the coming year. A large part of this amount will be devoted to new dormitories and recitation halls.

The interest in track athletics continues unabated. Under the efficient managership of Bro. Rich, '00, a professional coach has been secured. An out-door running track has been built, upon which has just been held a series of trials of candidates for the relay team to represent Dartmouth in her contest with Brown at the B. A. A. games at Boston.

The Buskin, the dramatic club, has just completed a successful tour extending through New York, Baltimore and Washington, presenting Pinerio's 'The Magistrate.' The club received flattering press comment,—especially Bro. Sanborn, '02, who filled the leading female rôle. The club was managed by Bro. Salinger, '00. The glee club, on which we are represented by Bro. Thayer, '01, has also met with marked success.

Among the recent honors falling to This may be mentioned the election of Bro. Wiley, '03, to the *Dartmouth* board. Bro. Banning, '02, is our representative on the '02 *Egis* board. Bro. Abbott, '02, is captain of the basket ball team, which has thus far won seven consecutive victories. Bro. Wiley, '03, is manager of his class team. Bro. Paine, '02, is secretary of the newly-organized French club. Bro. Salinger, '00, is on his class executive committee. On the commencement committees are Bros. Balkam, on the sing out; Tirrell, on the class day; Holland, on the printing, and Salinger, chairman of the cap and gown and decorating committees.

Interest in the proposed chapter house is greater than ever. Active steps have been taken toward building within a short time; and it is probable that New Hampshire Alpha will have a permanent home in the near future.

KENDALL BANNING.

Hanover, January 30, 1900.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The annual catalogue, recently issued, shows that there were in attendance at the university during the last year 283 academic students, 191 in the medical and 49 in the dairy department—a total of 523. Two changes have occurred in the faculty. H. A. Storrs, professor of electrical engineering, has been succeeded by W. H. Freedman, C. E.,

and John B. Stearns, B. S., assistant professor of chemistry and instructor in mineralogy, has resigned. Mr. E. C. Jacobs, B. S., and Bro. C. D. Howe, A. B., have been appointed instructors in mineralogy and botany respectively. New courses are offered in the English novel and an advanced course in Latin prose, and announcement is made regarding the department of commerce and economics, recently partially endowed by a generous gift from the Hon. John H. Converse, of Philadelphia.

Base ball games have been arranged with many of our rivals of former years, and some new colleges appear on the schedule. The majority of the old players are back, and there is some promising material in the freshman class and medical college.

Since my last letter we have initiated Luther P. C. Smith, '03. Bro. Adams, '02, has withdrawn from college for the present to accept a position with the Coggswell & Granville Co., of Providence. Ill health has compelled the withdrawal also of Bro. McKinnom, *Dartmouth*, '02, who is at his home in Bellows Falls, Vt.

Bro. Beebe, '00, is head assistant in the chemical laboratory; Bro. Kern, '01, was recently elected a member of the junior prom. committee; Bro. Lovett, '00, is a member of the senior class book committee. The chairman of the sophomore hop committee, under whose direction the class of '02 recently held a very successful dance in the Masonic Temple, was Bro. Peck, '02.

The numerical strength of the different academical fraternities is as follows: $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 25; $K \Sigma$, 24; ΣN , 20; $\Delta \Psi$ (local), 20; $A T \Omega$, 18; $A I$ (local), 14; $\Sigma \Phi$, 13.

ALBERT FRANK UFFORD.

Burlington, January 24, 1900.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Massachusetts Alpha began the winter term with that spirit of enthusiasm that always follows the personal contact of the undergraduates with their alumni brothers. Eight of the active members were able to attend a banquet arranged by our New York alumni at the Manhattan on Tuesday, January 9, 1900. No speeches were made, but after the banquet all joined in an informal discussion of the condition of the chapter and its several members. We are looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to our alumni banquet on February 10. We hold it on this date for the convenience of the alumni, February 12 being a legal holiday in New York. The banquet is held at the chapter house, and we expect a large attendance.

As is always the case at this season of the year, college life is very quiet. It is a time of preparation for the spring activities. The relay team is getting into shape to meet Amherst at the Boston college indoor meet, and the athletic team will soon commence training for an exceptionally trying season. We expect to take part in three important meets: the New England inter-collegiate, the New England triangular, and a meet with Columbia and Cornell. In connection with the last, although it seems rather previous, we would most cordially urge any of the brothers who chance to be at Albany at that time to come to Williamstown to visit us. A chess tournament is in progress for the purpose of selecting a team to meet Amherst in the spring. The glee and musical clubs expect to take a short trip about February 22. The base ball team will not commence in-door practice until after the mid-year examinations.

At present the principal object of interest is Jesup Hall, which will undoubtedly be in running operation by the time this letter is printed.

No clearer idea of the object of the building can be given than that set forth in the resolutions of the board of trustees of the college: 'It is the desire and intention of the generous donor, Morris K. Jesup, Esq., of New York city, that Jesup Hall shall be the center of the social and religious life of the college. * * * The committee believes that the ideal Williams man is the ideal Christian gentleman. It desires to promote this ideal in every way.' The building is admirably equipped to satisfy these intentions. Each class and organization in college is provided with a comfortably furnished room of its own. The assembly room will seat between 500 and 600. On the first floor is a large lounging room, with facilities for exhibiting the various trophies won by Williams's representatives; a billiard room with pool and billiard tables; a fine reading room, provided with all the current periodicals. Throughout the building and furnishings comfort has been the prime object. Large, open fire-places have been placed in all the rooms possible. How great a luxury this is can only be realized by those who have experienced a New England winter. The administration is vested in a committee of five graduates. Until commencement the actual direction will be in the hands of two undergraduates appointed by the committee. After that an experienced man will be selected for secretary.

We took great pleasure in entertaining several of our Amherst brothers at the time of the Amherst-Williams foot ball game, and we extend a cordial invitation to all this who may come near Williamstown.

Williamstown, January 20, 1900.

CHARLES A. SQUIRES.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

The opening weeks of the present term have been marked by many enthusiastic gatherings of the college alumni. The meetings of the western New York, Chicago and Boston associations, all of which President Harris attended, resulted in raising a generous sum in the interest of athletics and proved that the new administration has the backing of the young alumni as well as of the student body.

The annual catalogue, which appeared January 1, gives the number of students in college as 364, of which number 102 are freshmen. Courses in Spanish and Italian have been added to the curriculum. Mr. Regan, '00, has been appointed instructor in French. Prof. Genung has been relieved of his classes for the remainder of the year in order that he may complete the revision of his text-book on rhetoric. Mr. Babson, '93, has Prof. Genung's classes. Prof. Todd has a leave of absence of two terms while he is engaged in an expedition to Africa to observe the total eclipse of the sun. He expects to return at commencement.

The new electric railroad from Amherst to Northampton has been opened and has already proved of great convenience and benefit.

A series of in-door handicap meets in competition for a silver cup is being held in the gymnasium. A schedule of inter-class basket ball games has also been arranged, the final game to be played on the day of the heavy gymnasium exhibition, March 21.

On the college relay teams participating in the Boston college and Boston athletic association meets at Mechanic's Hall, Boston, the chapter was represented by Bros. Klaer, '00, and Gladwin, '01. Bro. Higgins, '01, entered the 1,000 yard run at the B. A. A. meet.

Light base ball practice is now going on, and a coach will take charge of the team as soon as out-door practice is possible. A number of promising candidates, especially for in-field positions, have shown

up in the freshman class. The schedule, besides arranging for the championship series of Williams, Wesleyan and Amherst, provides a series with Dartmouth and games with all the other eastern colleges.

The *Olio*, the junior class book, which appeared near the end of last term, introduced a number of new features and fully kept up the standard of the publication. Bro. Hamilton, '01, represented us on the '01 board, and Bro. W. V. Trevo, '02, has been elected editor-in-chief of the '02 *Olio* board.

The chapter has held several informal dances during the last two months and will be well represented at the junior promenade, which is to be held Friday evening, February 16.

A number of alumni have visited us lately, and we expect to see many more before the end of the term. A. FOSTER HAMILTON.

Amherst, February 7, 1900.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The university register for 1899-1900 was issued at the close of last term. There are this year in all the departments 2,240 students, 200 more than last year. As a result of the fall term examinations, 43 students were dropped, but we are glad to say that not one of the members of New York Alpha was in the list. At the recent banquet of the Cornell alumni of New York and vicinity President Schurman announced that an anonymous contributor had given \$80,000 for a new building, which will probably be devoted to physiology and hygiene.

Athletic affairs, for this time of year, are more active than usual. The track team is at work in the armory every day, and several in-door meets have been arranged. At the meet held in Boston, January 27, the Cornell relay team defeated the Brown relay team. The base ball squad, numbering about 65, has begun work in the cage. Hugh Jennings has been re-engaged as coach and will report for duty within the next two weeks. The 'varsity and freshman crew candidates have been hard at work since the term opened. There are about 40 trying for the 'varsity and 125 for the freshman boat. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has eight men in the competition for seats in the two boats, and she is sure to win something. At the close of the foot ball season, Bro. R. D. Starbuck, '00, was unanimously re-elected captain of the team for 1900.

The musical clubs made their annual tour during the holidays; concerts were given in Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Lima, Springfield, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh. There were three Phis on the trip, Bros. Fay, '01, Owen, '03, and Morrison, '01 (leader of the glee club). Bro. C. B. Kugler, '03, has an important part in the Masque's junior week cast. Junior week will begin Tuesday evening, February 6, with the performance by the Masque, after which $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will give her annual dance at the lodge. The other attractions for the week are the sophomore cotillion, the glee club concert, the junior ball and numerous fraternity functions.

New York Alpha held its annual banquet at the lodge on Wednesday evening, January 10. It was undoubtedly the most successful, enthusiastic banquet our chapter ever held. A few days prior to the banquet we initiated Stuart Hazlewood, '03, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Ralph Erwin Marvin, '03, Muskegon, Mich.; Francis Wm. McKinney, '03, New York, N. Y.; Wm. Cool Pruyn, '03, of Glens Falls, N. Y.

W. H. MORRISON, JR.

Ithaca, January 28, 1900.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

At the semi-annual meeting of the board of trustees of Union, Daniel S. Lamont, '72, secretary of war under President Cleveland, and William B. Rankine, '77, president of the Niagara Falls Power and Construction Co., were elected life trustees of the university to fill vacancies caused by death. The trustees also elected Governor Theodore Roosevelt as honorary chancellor for 1900, and he will deliver the address to the graduating class at commencement.

We were very glad to welcome back at the opening of the winter term Bro. Edwards, '00, who was forced to return home last term through illness. Under his captaincy the base ball team has begun in-door work. Bros. Robinson, '00, and Grant, '01, are candidates for the team.

With the opening of the new term our chapter decided to spend about a hundred dollars for new furniture, and a contract was immediately let for it. That the chapter needed this badly has not been doubted, but we felt that the step should not be taken until we were sure of its financial expediency. We now have as well furnished a house as any chapter at Union.

On Saturday evening, January 20, we were entertained by President and Mrs. Raymond at their home on the Hill.

The December SCROLL, though received late, was unanimously conceded to be one of the best issues of that magazine and well worth waiting for. We wish to congratulate Bro. Miller.

Schenectady, January 25, 1900.

G. LE ROY SHELLEY.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL four more men have been initiated into $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Columbia—Bros. Shiveley, Fiske, Wooster and Griffith. Bro. Shiveley is in the first year law class; Bro. Fiske, now a sophomore, stroked last year's freshman eight, and will probably hold the same position on this year's 'varsity'; Bro. Wooster is a sophomore, and Bro. Griffith a freshman.

Bro. Buhler has resigned from the managership of *Morningside*, and Bro. Atkins now occupies his place. Bro. Allan has also been elected to the board. Bro. Ernst will undoubtedly make the debating team for the contest with Chicago.

In university affairs the principal matter of interest has been the formation of the new athletic association, similar to those now existing at Cornell and Princeton. All interests are now united in one executive body, and all athletic funds are merged in a single treasury.

The college annual, which will appear in a few days, will show the names of fifty Phis now at Columbia.

Altogether the year has been a very prosperous one for us. We have taken in eleven men and expect further additions. Our new house has proved to be a great advantage to us, but so far the alumni have not responded or aided us as we had anticipated. Lack of organization seems to be the cause.

New York, January 20, 1900.

A. R. ALLAN.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Examinations are over, and the last half of the college year is just beginning. The mid-winter meeting of the board of trustees was recently held. At this meeting a number of generous gifts were reported. Over \$100,000 have been received during the past two

months, chiefly for endowment purposes. Since the last meeting of the trustees the university has also received property to the value of about \$30,000 from the Hiram Gee estate.

On Christmas day occurred the death of Erastus F. Holden, a venerable and loyal friend of Syracuse. He was first vice-president of the board of trustees and for more than a score of years has been a generous patron of the university. Our finely equipped astronomical observatory was erected by him as a memorial to his son, and its perpetuation was ensured by a bequest of \$25,000.

A chair in English Bible has been established by a gift of \$40,000 from Mrs. Willard Ives. This is to be known as the Willard Ives professorship of the English Bible and will be a lasting memorial of her husband.

Dr. Albert Leonard, professor of pedagogy and dean of our college of liberal arts, has recently been elected president of the Michigan State Normal College located at Ypsilanti. This position is one of the most important places in the western educational field, the college being the largest institution of its kind in the country. The election to this position is a high tribute to the ability of Dr. Leonard as a teacher and to his character as a man. The state board of education of Michigan has made an eminently wise choice, but on all sides there are expressions of regret among the students, faculty and friends of Syracuse that there is a probability of losing Dr. Leonard. It will be remembered that Dr. Leonard is a loyal Phi, Ohio Gamma, '88, and should he decide to leave Syracuse to accept this more important position, New York Epsilon would especially sustain a loss.

Our glee and instrumental clubs made a very successful holiday trip. Concerts were given in Newburgh, New York, Brooklyn, Port Jervis, Plainfield, N. J., and Kingston, Pa. They were well received and won great praise where ever they appeared. The annual city concert of the clubs is to be held in the Wieting Opera House on the evening of February 8. Special efforts are being put forth to make it the most successful university affair of its kind ever furnished by the musical clubs. Bro. Low represented New York Epsilon on the clubs this year.

A K K (medical) established its Iota chapter here in December with fifteen charter members. Its rival is N Σ N.

The art of public speaking is receiving much attention at Syracuse these days. New debating societies have recently been established by the students, and the old ones are being revived by an enthusiastic interest. Besides our annual oratorical contest with Rochester and Union in the early spring, and the university prize contest in oratory at commencement time, the Denison prizes in declamation will be contested for by the freshmen this year for the first time. Arrangements are also being made for an inter-collegiate debate with Dickinson College, to be held at Carlisle, Pa., in the spring. There is much interest being aroused among the alumni and undergraduates for this debate.

A large squad of candidates for the crew has been in training for some time. The material is excellent, and all are doing good steady work. It is not yet definitely decided where Syracuse will row in the spring, but it is probable she will enter the Poughkeepsie race. The track and base ball teams have also begun training. Besides most of the old men there are many promising candidates among the new men, for positions on both teams. Bro. Scrafford, who represented New York Epsilon on the Mott-Haven team last spring, promises to hold his own this year. Bro. Low and Bro. Gregory, who have been

on the base ball team ever since they have been in college, will probably represent us again on the diamond. Bro. House is also sure of making the team. Besides these several of our freshmen are showing up very well in these lines.

We are sorry to announce the death of Bro. Albertson's father, which occurred during the holiday recess. Bro. Albertson has not been able to return to college yet, being detained in settling up his father's business. We hope to have him with us in a short time.

Social life is reviving a little now that examinations are over. Our chapter has issued invitations for an informal to be given on the evening of February 7, at the lodge.

Bro. Gregory as chairman of the banquet committee is sparing no efforts to make the annual banquet this year the largest and most successful ever held. It is to be given at the Vanderbilt on the evening of February 9. Besides a large number of our alumni we expect to have many representatives from other chapters with us.

We have been favored with calls from Bros. Waller, *Williams*, '03; O. W. Wood, '92, of Olean; Guy H. Baskerville, '95, of Goshen; Sanford, '89, of Argyle; Bell, '92, of Salamanca; Blair, *Vermont*, '99; Dolph, '99; Munro, '99; Reddick, '99; Bullard, and Buhler, of the Columbia glee club, and King, ex-'00.

CLAUDE M. MARRIOTT.

Syracuse, January 30, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

The winter term began on January 4, and thus far in the term activity has been manifest along all lines. The builders were enabled to continue their work on the new library, and are now working on the interior of the building. On January 15 the pipe organ in the chapel, which is the generous gift of the class of '74, was formally presented to the college. The occasion was marked by a recital by the leading organist of Easton, and was very much enjoyed by the students and friends. The gift is highly appreciated.

In the recent election of class day officers by the seniors Pennsylvania Alpha secured a goodly share of the honors. Bro. E. G. Bray was elected master of ceremonies, Bro. W. W. Hubley, chairman of the invitation committee, and Bro. B. O. Hultgren, chairman of the music committee.

Small gold foot balls were presented to the members of the '99 'varsity by the management at the close of the season. They are unique in design, and are handsomely engraved with 'L '99,' the U. of P. and Cornell scores, and the player's name and position on the team. Those of our chapter receiving these tokens were Bros. Bray, Hubley, Bachman and Trout.

The musical clubs are working hard and are rapidly getting into proper shape. Bro. Hultgren is receiving much deserved praise for the excellent condition in which he already has his banjo and mandolin clubs. Everything points to a successful trip.

The Sock and Buskin has selected for the regular commencement play, 'The Rivals.' The play has been arranged by Mr. Joseph Jefferson expressly for this performance. Your correspondent is the only member of our chapter who is a member of the Sock and Buskin, and the part of Captain Absolute has been assigned to him.

In the chapter itself there is much improvement. The discouraging features with which we have had to contend for a long time are rapidly being overcome. There is more unity and a greater feeling of individual responsibility than has been apparent for the last year or

two. The chapter house question is being discussed, and we hope to bring it to a practical issue in a short time.

Our chapter now numbers twenty-two. Since the winter term opened we have initiated A. L. Myers, Perkasio, Pa., and W. E. Bachman, Phillipsburg, N. J., of the class of '02, and W. M. Smith, Port Deposit, Md., of the class of '03.

WILLIAM C. ISERTT.

Easton, January 30, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The winter term at Gettysburg opened on January 3 with a number of new students. Pennsylvania Beta returned with ten men, and it is expected that by the time this letter is published we shall have initiated one more.

Athletics this term have been confined to in-door sports. Never has a greater interest in these been manifested by the students of Gettysburg than at present. The record of our foot ball team and the bright prospects of our base ball team are no doubt responsible for this unusual activity. The 'Sons of Hercules' are hard at work in preparation for their annual midwinter exhibition.

The candidates for the base ball team have already begun daily practice in the cage. There is an unusually large number of applicants. The schedule as arranged to date was recently announced, and is one of the best we have ever had.

Basket ball, though this sport only made its advent at Gettysburg last year, bids fair to become soon a fixture. There is some talk of organizing a college team. A number of challenges from the leading colleges of the state have already been received.

The chapter recently had the pleasure and honor of meeting Bro. Walter B. Palmer, ex-P. G. C. We were very sorry that his visit had to be so brief. Yet his presence among us and his talk to the chapter were highly appreciated, and served as an inspiration to each one of us.

Among the visitors to the chapter recently was Bro. Kain, '97, who has just lately recovered from a long illness. Bro. Kain is one of the officers of the newly organized York-Gettysburg club. Bro. Soper, Dickinson, '98, also spent several days here recently in the interest of the college Y. M. C. A.

The reporter desires to acknowledge receipt of circular letters from our Cornell, Dartmouth, Vermont and Ohio University chapters.

Gettysburg, January 30, 1900.

HIRAM H. KELLER.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Our chapter now has twenty members and two pledged men. William McQuaide, '03, was pledged at the beginning of the second term.

Bro. Grubbs is working hard to make the *Pandora*, our college annual, a most successful book. Bros. Sloan, Lindsay and Goldthorpe are doing good work on the college glee and instrumental clubs.

Basket ball is claiming quite a lot of attention at present. Bros. Williams and Ralston are guard and center on the '02 class team. Bro. Core is center on the '00 team. The students would like a 'varsity team, but the faculty will not allow it.

The sophomore and freshman classes, in a joint meeting, passed a set of resolutions for the government of the preparatory students and freshmen. This innovation was hailed with indignation by the fac-

ulty and drew forth a speech from Dr. Moffat, in which he denounced the whole proceeding as the beginning of hazing. The rules have been modified somewhat since the stand taken by the faculty, and are to be submitted to that honorable body to-day. The result will be awaited with interest.

W. E. RALSTON.

Washington, February 6, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The winter term of college opened on January 2 with a slight increase in the number of students. All of our boys are back, and since the opening of the term we have added to our number James Edward Bird, '02, Charleston, West Va., and Edgar Wilton Hall, '03, Fairmont, West Va.

Our foot ball season was brought to a close on Thanksgiving day with a complete victory over the champion team of western Pennsylvania. This was the most successful season in the history of the college, both as to the number of points scored and financially. Our team scored more than four times as many points as were credited to our opponents. On Thanksgiving evening the team was banqueted by members of the faculty. This year the members of the first team were presented with sweaters bearing the black A. Bros. Wolstoncroft and Douglass, '01, were among the lucky recipients, as was Bro. Lampe, '03.

With the beginning of the winter term interest has centered on the basket ball team, of which Bro. Lampe, '03, is captain and Bro. Masters, '01, manager. Careful practice has developed a strong team; it is expected to equal the one of last year, which won the championship of western Pennsylvania.

The junior class recently elected officers, making Bro. Wolstoncroft secretary. Bro. Hall, '03, is treasurer of his class, and Bro. Elliott, '01, has been elected debater for the inter-society contest, which takes place during commencement week.

Pennsylvania Delta still keeps open house to all members of the fraternity.

ROGER H. MOTTEN.

Meadville, January 20, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

At the annual day of prayer for colleges, Thursday, January 25, Rev. G. W. Miller, of Baltimore, officiated. All college work was suspended and the students attended in a body.

We initiated Edgar S. Everhart, '03, Millerstown, Pa., on January 19. We have recently pledged Robert Zearing, who is in our preparatory school.

We were recently pleased to entertain for a few hours Bro. Walter B. Palmer, historian of the fraternity. He is an enthusiastic worker, and by his example and words we hope to profit. Bro. W. E. Keeler, '98, who is traveling for a publishing house, visited us one day last week. Bro. Edmund D. Soper, '98, who is secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Pennsylvania, paid us a hasty visit recently.

Basket ball has become quite a popular game at college. We have a full schedule with near-by colleges. The student body seem to be very enthusiastic and support the game loyally.

Great interest is centering in the debate between the Belles-lettres and Union Philosophical literary societies. We are represented by Bro. Presby, '01, who is a member of the latter society.

We are grieved to announce to the fraternity the death of Bro. James A. Eldon, '96. He died in the hospital at Lock Haven, where he was professor of Latin in the high school.

JAMES TILGHMAN EARLE.

Carlisle, January 29, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Pennsylvania Zeta, since her last report, has added three fine men to the active chapter list. On December 12, 1899, we initiated William Gilfillan Gardiner, Jr., '03, college, and Calvin Hudson McCauley, Jr., '03, law. Bro. Gardiner is president of his class and is an athlete of no mean ability, having made a sub-position on the 'varsity foot ball team of '99, and is a promising candidate for the freshman crew. Bro. McCauley represents us on the mandolin club, on which he plays first mandolin. On January 25, 1900, we affiliated Bro. James H. Baldwin, '00, medical, formerly of Ohio Delta and delegate to the Indianapolis and Philadelphia conventions.

Bro. Warthman was recently elected a member of the Mask and Wig club, and will probably represent us in the play this year. Bro. Deehan will take one of the leading parts.

Bros. Gucker, Acker and Warthman are on the junior dance committee. The dance is to be held at the Houston club on February 16.

Bro. Long has not returned to college since the holidays, owing to sickness. We are all hoping for his speedy recovery and return.

Bro. Moore, P. G. C., was present at our last meeting, and we were very pleased to hear from him of the fine condition of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ throughout the country.

T. B. MCCLAIN.

Philadelphia, January 31, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

It gives us pleasure to introduce our latest initiate, Bro. John Anistaki Schultz, '03, of Skillman, N. J.

Six of last year's base ball team are in college, and with the good material in the freshman class a winning nine should be developed. Carr, formerly of the Washington league team, has been secured to coach the men. Work in the cage begins February 5, when the men will start training.

During the early part of the month we had the pleasure of being entertained by Bro. G. M. Harleman, *Lafayette*, '79, and later by Prof. W. S. Franklin, *Kansas*, '87, the faculty member of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Bro. R. M. Straub, '99, of Pittsburgh, spent several days with us before Christmas.

Beginning with the second term a number of alterations will take place in the school of technology, chief among which will be the introduction of a new course in geology and a change from five to four years in the length of the course in mining engineering. The first four years of the course in mining engineering will constitute a distinct course leading up to the degree of metallurgical engineer, and the new course leading to the degree of engineer of mines will embrace several important changes.

Bro. Wilkinson, '01, was recently elected editor-in-chief of the *Brown and White*, and Bro. Harleman, '01, is now associate editor-in-chief of the same paper.

We have received circular letters from the Vermont and Cornell chapters.

SAM T. HARLEMAN.

Bethlehem, January 29, 1900.

BETA PROVINCE.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

The second term opened January 3, with a large increase of students and an unusual activity in all lines. We have initiated William F. Land, '01, of Lexington, Ky.

Military drill has again started at Central under the management of Major Stevenson, and the new men show up well. Bro. Eastman has been appointed adjutant, and Bros. Smith and Land will receive commissions.

Base ball is the all-absorbing topic of conversation. Central expects to win the inter-collegiate championship of Kentucky again this year. Bro. Collins will pitch for the team, while several more Phis are expecting positions. Bro. Herrington has resigned as manager, much to the regret of all.

Bro. Robertson, of Elizabethtown, failed to return; he has been offered a position and will likely go to South Africa for a few months. Before leaving college he was elected captain of the foot ball team for 1900, and expects to enter college again next September. It will be remembered that Bro. Robertson played a star game for Central last fall.

The United States agricultural department has employed Bro. Herrington as signalman. The weather flags are displayed from Central's main building.

Kentucky Delta is rejoicing with the other Kentucky Phis that our next convention is to be held within our own state, and we expect to be there and leave no stone unturned to make it the best convention $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has ever held.

TRUEHEART P. BOURNE.

Richmond, January 30, 1900.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Since the close of the foot ball season college life has lapsed into its normal repose. The eleven was very successful, having scored six victories and two defeats.

In the athletic world Tennessee Alpha has secured more than her usual share of the honors. Bro. U. B. C. Pilcher was appointed manager of the foot ball team for the season of 1900. He is already busy getting out a strong schedule.

Mr. Davis, re-elected captain of this year's base ball team, failed to return, and Bro. Frank Carr was appointed in his place.

Bro. Carr last season proved himself an excellent catcher and a good all-around man. Bro. Foster is manager of the team. He will probably get games with Cornell, Michigan, North Carolina, Texas, Sewanee and other strong teams. Six of last year's team are back, and some very good material has come in.

Bro. Bonner, elected captain of this year's track team, was forced to resign on account of afternoon work in the law department.

Bro. Crider has been appointed one of our debaters. We have this year a double contest, one with Sewanee, the other with North Carolina.

Bro. Winston, much to the regret of us all, has decided to go to Poughkeepsie to take a business course. Since my last letter Bros. Frank Palmer and McConnell have affiliated with us. Bro. Palmer was at Emory College last year, and was elected president of the Georgia oratorical association.

During the winter we have had several successful dances and the social side of our life has moved smoothly along.

The outlook for the college at large has been very promising. There is now a movement on foot to secure a large amount of money for endowment. Much has already been subscribed by the students and teachers. By outside subscription this will probably be raised to \$500,000.

GRANTLAND RICE.

Nashville, January 25, 1900.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Last November Bro. R. C. Claghorn left us to take a position in Philadelphia. Bros. R. L. McWhorter and S. B. Goff have left since Christmas, both returning to their homes, Woodville, Ga., and Camden, N. J. Bro. J. C. Newsom, of Washington, Ga., who was called home last spring on account of a death in his family, returned to college at the opening of the present term. Our chapter at present numbers fifteen.

Bro. G. W. Legwen, '03, was chosen from one of the literary societies as a competitor for the Clyde Schropshire medal. He was the only freshman chosen and acquitted himself most creditably.

The outlook for a successful base ball season is particularly good. Here $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will contribute her share, having four men who stand a good chance of making the team.

The annual performance of the dramatic club will take place on the twenty-second of this month. It promises to be a success in every way. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented in the club by Bros. Shannon, president, and Bros. E. W. Young, W. H. Young and Blun. The chapter enjoyed a visit from Bro. Offut last term.

W. STAFFORD BLUN.

Athens, January 31, 1900.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Emory opened for the new term on January 2, and though all the old boys are back no new man has entered so far whom we deem worthy to wear the sword and shield.

Since our last letter we have had another addition to our number at the club house. It gives us pleasure as well as pride to announce that Bro. A. G. Fort has been elected to an adjunct professorship in this college, thus giving us four men on the faculty—more than any other fraternity has.

Bros. H. P. Park, of La Grange, and J. W. Greer, of Macon, paid the chapter pleasant visits last month.

GUYTON PARKS.

Oxford, January 16, 1900.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

In the tennis tournament held last year $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was victorious. Already those who will contest this year for the college championship are hard at practice. Several Phis bid fair to be among the foremost players of the college. Bros. Mason and Gunn will probably be our representatives. Bro. Gunn played last year with Bro. Harris in doubles for the championship, and Bro. Harris won in singles.

The athletic association has undergone a thorough revision; a new constitution has been adopted and a completely new system inaugu-

rated. A council of five has been instituted, whose duty it will be to supervise athletic affairs and act as advisory board to the manager. Under this new system your correspondent was elected manager and Bro. R. J. Coates, assistant manager. Bros. Mason, Gunn and Taylor will play on the team.

The southern inter-collegiate athletic association recently held a meeting in Atlanta at which rigid rules were adopted in regard to professionalism. In the future any team having a player who has ever received pay for his services will be required immediately to discontinue playing him. Should the team persist in retaining such a player, it will be expelled from the association. There seems to be a determination, which is certainly gratifying to those who love pure college athletics, to eliminate the professionalism. Mercer is especially gratified at this.

Our latest initiates are Bros. John Hunter Godard, '03, Griffin, Ga., and Felton L. Clements, '03, Buena Vista, Ga. We were disappointed because of the sudden departure from college of Bro. Clements, but he will return this fall to complete his course.

Macon, February 1, 1900.

EUGENE WM. STETSON.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

We regret exceedingly the loss of Bro. Clements, who failed to return after the holidays, especially since he has been for several years among the first athletes of the university in gymnasium, foot ball and base ball. Alabama has been quite successful in the athletic field this year, considering the fact that this was her first off the campus. The game of most interest to us was that with Mississippi, in which we won by the score of 7-5, with Bro. White as full back and Brown as guard representing $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

In the way of honors since our last letter; Bro. White has been elected captain of the foot ball team for next year; Bro. Screws, president of the senior law class; Bro. Brown, president of the Erosophic literary society and also of the cadet german club. Bro. Snow has been appointed business manager of the *Corolla*, our college annual. Of these we especially mention Bro. Screws, who is now in his first and last year of our law department.

In the social line our chapter has also been among the first, having given a german in honor of her initiates, and being now in the midst of preparations for a commencement banquet and german in honor of her alumni. We wish to mention Bro. Forney, '89, who was recently elected to the newly established chair of pedagogy and psychology, and who makes the third member of our faculty from our alumni.

University, January 29, 1900.

C. A. BROWN.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The university recently received a generous gift amounting to \$60,000 from Mrs. Jeffers, of Richmond, Ind. This will probably be employed in the erection of a new building for the school of music.

This term we have initiated Bros. Charles B. Pyle, '01, Lucasville, Ohio; Charles J. Moore, '01, Highland, Ohio; John E. Breese, '02, Lima, Ohio. We have also pledged Edgar Wiltsee, '04, Bryan, Ohio, making fifteen initiates and four pledged men in our chapter. Bro. W. E. Brown, '02, Millersburg, Ohio, did not return this term.

The gymnasium has been refitted, and several new classes have been organized to accommodate the large number of students desiring the work.

In base ball an unusually large number of old players have returned and are in training. Bro. Pyle is on the team, and Bro. Kendrick, who was on Iowa Wesleyan's team last year, will probably make it also.

Bros. Lowther, Carson and Bacon, with Taylor and Rardon (pledged) received special honors for scholarship last term.

B Θ II rented a house recently and will occupy it about April 1.

WILLIAM PERCIVAL BAIRD.

Delaware, February 2, 1900.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

On the evening of January 20 we initiated Edward Ulysses Cave, of Lancaster, Ohio. The initiation was followed by a banquet held in our rooms, at which our alumni chapter was well represented.

We will entertain the local chapter of Π Β Φ at the home of Bro. C. G. O'Brien on Thursday evening, February 1.

The chapter house question is still alive, and we expect to secure a house at the beginning of next term.

Athletic honors have been distributed freely to Ohio Gamma. Bro. Wood was elected manager of the foot ball team; Bro. Cave was chosen captain of the same team, and Bro. Mitchell (captain) and Bro. Zang represent us on the basket ball team.

Your writer will represent the chapter at the Delta province convention to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, March 15, 1900.

Athens, January 27, 1900.

JAMES P. WOOD.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The month of February promises to be unusually gay in O. S. U. social circles. Many of the fraternity 'formals,' the junior promenade and faculty reception are slated for this period, and of course there will be others of a less pretentious type. This is the reaction from the strain of the semester examinations, held during the last week of January. So far no casualties have been reported among the ranks of Ohio Zeta, and I think we are all still in school; no 'flunks' and some 'merits' have been credited to us, so that we will be in a position to enjoy the festivities. Ohio Zeta intends to give a musicale on the twenty-second of this month, a departure for fraternities at O. S. U., and a protest against the not-to-be-squelched 'hop.' The program will be furnished principally by our own fellows of musical ability, assisted by one of the leading sopranos of Columbus. It is to be followed by a Dutch lunch.

The O. S. U. dramatic club has recently been re-organized, and among its members are Bros. Rentinger, Woods and Royan.

'Janice Meredith' is being dramatized for the use of the club by two alumni of the university, and the play will be given in May. Bro. Royan is treasurer.

Bro. Dowd has finished his collegiate work necessary to a degree and has commenced graduate work leading to the degree of Ph. M. Bro. McPherson, '87, professor of chemistry, intends to spend next year in Germany, pursuing advanced work; his place will be temporarily filled by Dr. Henderson, formerly of Ohio University. Bro. A. D. Ingram, '92, has returned to Columbus to accept a position with

the Jeffrey Manufacturing Co. Bro. Charles J. Bond, '99, is instructor of commercial law in the Bliss Business College of this city.

We look forward with pleasure to the gathering of Phis, in Cleveland, on March 15, pursuant to a call from Bro. Ballou for a province convention. Ohio Zeta hopes to be represented by three or four men.
Columbus, February 5, 1900. CHARLES H. WOODS.

OHIO ETA. CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

Another member has been added to our ranks by the affiliation of Bro. Karr of Ohio Beta. Bro. Karr is now a sophomore at Case. He is a member of the mandolin club. Bros. Karr and Cowdery have entered the house, so that the number of present residents is eight.

At a recent meeting of the athletic association Bro. Quarrie was elected captain of the field day track team.

The social spirit of the chapter seems to have been revived, as is shown by the pleasant events which are occurring at frequent intervals.

On Thanksgiving evening a reception was held at the house in honor of the new initiates. The Phi girls were invited as well as the alumni. Those of the alumni present were Bros. Ward, T. G. C., French, Schlesinger, Gifford, Watson, Barnes and McDonald.

Just before the Christmas holidays we gave a hop at a hall in East End. The alumni members attending were Bros. Barnes, Carter, Watson and Gifford. Bro. Alexander, now a law student at Michigan, was also present.

Ouly recently a card party was given at the house. Mrs. Bassett and Mrs. Cleveland acted as chaperons. Bros. French, Watson and Barnes were with us.

Bros. Quarrie and Chandler were in attendance at the inauguration ceremonies at Columbus, with the signal corps of the engineer battalion, of which Bro. Chandler is first lieutenant and Bro. Quarrie corporal.

The house fund committee, consisting of Bros. Shurtleff and Ward of the city alumni, Bro. Watson, an alumnus of Ohio Eta, and Bros. Backus and Braggins of the active chapter, are progressing nicely in their work, their present plans being to purchase a house which can be used both as a chapter house and an alumni club house.

We are exceedingly glad to say that the Delta province convention will be held in Cleveland on or about March 15, and we earnestly request large delegations. All visiting Phis will be entertained by the chapter and city alumni members of the fraternity at a smoker, a dance and a banquet. Those on the committee of arrangements are Bros. Clyne, Gifford, Shurtleff and Ward, who will assist Bro. Ballou, president of the province.
C. M. NISSEN.

Cleveland, January 31, 1900.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The University of Cincinnati is torn up with excitement over the action of President Ayers. All but four of the faculty have been requested to send in their resignations. Of those retained, Professor Myers, of the department of history, has voluntarily resigned and denounced the action of the president as 'professional assassination.' The chairs will be vacant after July 1, 1900.

One of the most prominent holiday social events was the reception given by Ohio Theta to her friends, at Lincoln Club Hall, December 22. We wish to thank the ladies who so kindly served as patronesses

and the loyal alumni who so generously helped to make the evening a success. Bro. Kemper's beautiful present was universally admired.

Our new brother, Parker H. Fillmore, '01, is the editor of the *McMicken Review*. He was one of the cast of the junior play, and with Bro. Vos, '00, is identified in the work of the social settlement. Bros. Lange, '00, and Durr, '03, are on the mandolin club. Bro. Burke, '02, has been elected captain of the track team. The sophomore foot ball team was strengthened by the presence of Bros. Burke and Schell. The university club has two Phi members, Bros. McGill and Fillmore. The above summary shows to what extent the Phis of Cincinnati are factors in college life.

STUART A. MCGILL.

Cincinnati, January 31, 1900.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

During the Christmas vacation we moved into our new house, which was built for us last term, and since then we have succeeded in regaining our social prestige, which was somewhat dimmed owing to our peculiar condition during the fall term. The opening of our new house to our friends by a formal party and dance took place on January 9, and since then we have given a number of afternoon and evening informal parties. The last but not the least gathering was the day after the oratorical contest, when we entertained in the afternoon for the Phis from the other colleges of the state. All the chapters of the state, with one exception, were represented, and we were also pleased to have with us Bro. Curtis, of Wisconsin Alpha. Every one present was loud in his praises of our house and furnishings, and it is indeed with a great deal of pride and pleasure that we say that the house would be hard to excel in its plan of arrangement and beauty. There are only four members rooming in it, as the other men in our chapter are resident members.

College affairs at Butler have never been more interesting and lively than they have this year. We took second place in the state oratorical contest and defeated Wabash in the afternoon of the same day in a closely contested game of basket ball. Our debate team is expecting to make a most favorable showing against De Pauw when they meet to 'decide' whether senators shall be chosen by popular vote. On February 7, founders' day will be celebrated by speeches in the college chapel, and in the afternoon the senior class will give a play, entitled 'The First Time.' In the evening a banquet will be given to the students, alumni and their friends at the Bates House in Indianapolis. Elaborate preparations are also being made for the annual celebration which takes place on February 22, when the university will turn out *en masse* and march through all the principal streets of the city to Tomlinson Hall, where, after a number of speeches have been listened to, a dance will be given, the students later attending some popular theater in a body.

Mr. Guy Foster, of Blue Mound, Ill., would have been initiated into the fraternity this term, but was compelled to leave school on account of illness. We have just initiated Samuel Wallace Moore, of Brazil, Ind.

JOHN M. CUNNINGHAM.

Irington, February 3, 1900.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Indiana Delta is in a very prosperous condition, having recently pledged four very desirable men: J. G. York, '03, Peru, Ind.; Joseph C. Johnson, '01, Franklin, Ind.; Baron Long, '03, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; and Irvin Mathews, '04, Bedford, Ind. We initiated Bros. Johnson and York and Bro. Wiley, whom we pledged last term, on Saturday evening, January 20.

Φ Δ Θ is receiving her share of college honors this term. Bro. Covert represents the college in the state oratorical contest. In the glee club we have Bros. Fisher, Covert, Demaree (business manager), Parker (director), Thurston (pianist), and House (impersonator). Bros. Parker and Fisher also sing on the college quartet. Bro. House is a member of the college debating team, which will debate with Hanover and Moore's Hill, in the near future.

The college is much wrought up over the thought of losing Bro. Parker, who for the past year has been teaching vocal music. He has accepted a position at Muncie, Ind., and will take up his new work at once. Prof. Parker for the past two years has been director of the glee club and was very popular with the student body. He is an enthusiastic, congenial Phi, and the chapter here will feel his loss very keenly.

The recent foot ball season proved to be a very successful one for us; out of seven games played we lost but one, and the score at the end of the season stood 72 to our opponents' 12. The prospects seem very good for a prosperous base ball season.

Within the past month there have been added to our library over two hundred volumes, improving further what is already considered one of the finest libraries in the state.

OTIS B. SELLERS.

Franklin, January 31, 1900.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

College interest is now centered in the state oratorical contest to be held at Indianapolis, February 2. Edwin W. Dunlavy, Σ N, is De Pauw's representative.

A class debate has been arranged between the juniors and freshman on one side and the seniors and sophomores on the other. Bro. Williams will be one of the freshman team. In the inter-collegiate debate between De Pauw and Butler, Bro. Thomas will be one of De Pauw's representatives.

Some interest in basket ball has been manifested here lately for the first time. Contests have been arranged between the different classes, and a few challenges accepted from other institutions.

Recently we have made some improvements in our chapter hall and also purchased some new furniture. On January 13, we initiated four men: George Throop, '02, of Ripley, Tenn.; Zora W. Smith, '02, of Goldsmith, Ind.; L. B. Hawthorne, '03, of O'Dell, Ind.; and R. J. Brower, of Greencastle.

Bro. L. R. Cartwright, '00, is now at Chicago University. Bro. C. B. Campbell returned at the opening of the present term. Bro. B. V. Moore was compelled to leave school this term on account of sickness in his family.

Bro. Williams, '03, was recently chosen president of his class. This will occupy several places on the glee and mandolin clubs, but the selections for the clubs have not yet been made.

S. E. DOVE.

Greencastle, January 31, 1900.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter two new men have been initiated into the chapter and three pledged. The newly initiated men are Bert Hopper, '01, of Lafayette, and Robert Conner, '00, of Wabash, Ind.

Bro. Dill has been chosen to represent the chapter at the province convention at Indianapolis; engagements for the senior high school reception on that date prevent a number of the others from being present at the convention.

We are at this date on a trade for a new chapter house, which will be a great help to us if we are successful in securing it.

The Purdue mandolin and glee clubs have taken two short trips this season, making most of the gas belt towns in this state. They are anticipating a southern trip in the near future. There are eight Phi members in this organization.

On last Friday evening we gave an informal dance at our hall. Bro. Brown, of Illinois Alpha was with us on that occasion. Bro. McCauley, of Ohio Alpha, made us a pleasant visit on January 29. Bro. Peter, of Indiana Beta, spent a few days with us last week and will enter Purdue next fall.

Bro. Davidson has been elected vice-president of the athletic association and Bro. Wilson advertising manager of our annual the *Débris*. Elective honors go to fraternity men very rarely at Purdue.

La Fayette, February 10, 1900.

CHAS. MCGREGOR.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

We have just initiated two of the strongest men in the class of '03: Bros. Halbert Brush Blakey and William Edmund Godso. Bro. Blakey is on both the glee and banjo clubs; Bro. Godso is in the choir. We are almost sure of getting three more very prominent freshmen when their work is in such shape that they can be pledged under the rules of the university.

We have given two very successful dances this winter, and we expect to give two more before the winter is over. At each there were about thirty couples present.

President Harper succeeded in raising before January 1, \$1,700,000 for the university. This amount lacked \$300,000 of the sum necessary to secure the three-million-dollar gift from Mr. John D. Rockefeller. However the president has been granted a three months' extension of time to raise the necessary amount, and the prospects are excellent for his getting it. Many needed additions are about to be made to the university buildings—an assembly hall will be started next month; additions will be made to both the men's and women's dormitories, and the day does not seem far distant when we shall have a permanent gymnasium.

The 'Dragon's Tooth' club is putting forth its efforts to get a charter from $\Theta \Delta X$. They seem to be confident of being successful at the next convention, as the city alumni of $\Theta \Delta X$ look on the prospect very favorably.

We have ten men living in the chapter house now. We have again started our table, which we had to stop a few weeks on account of our help leaving.

AUSTIN YOUNG HOV.

Chicago, January 30, 1900.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

On February 2 will be held the formal opening of our chapter house, at which time we hope to meet all our alumni and friends in the city. After four months of chapter house life the unanimous verdict is that it is a success.

H. A. Parkin, our delegate to the province convention, reports a fine time and royal entertainment by Nebraska Alpha. Bro. Mitchell, province president, and Bro. Ward, T. G. C., honored us with a visit on their return, and we gave an informal dancing party in their honor at the Soangetaha club house.

Illinois Delta is very prominent in literary work this year. Bro. Parkin is one of the six debaters appointed for the preliminary Knox-Beloit debate. Bro. Shurtleff is essayist of his class for Washington's birthday, and Bro. Heinly is Washington's birthday orator. Bro. Heinly is also one of the debaters for the Lawrence prize. 'The Rivals' is soon to be presented by the Gnauthautii literary society, and four Phis take the four leading parts.

The base ball team commences practice about the first of February under the new coach, E. E. Van Buren, who played in the western association two years ago and in the eastern league last year. Bro. C. W. McCormack is manager and Bro. Porter captain of the team, while several other Phis are promising candidates for positions. Bro. Shurtleff is manager of the basket ball team and has a good schedule of games.

The society event of the year is the annual promenade to be given next month by the fraternity men of the college. It promises this year to be more elaborate than ever.

We welcome back to Knox Bro. McMullan, '03, who is now with us at the chapter house.

HERMAN H. POTTER.

Galesburg, January 13, 1900.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Our chapter at Lombard, though not the largest, is undoubtedly a leader. We have the president (Bro. Harry Weeks) and secretary (Bro. Fay A. Bulluck) of the senior class. We have also the business manager of the 1900 foot ball team. Three of the four men we initiated last fall were taken from our rival's very hands.

President Nash has just returned from a ten days' trip and has in that time increased the endowment of Lombard \$33,000. Next year promises to be the best in the history of the university.

Galesburg, January 31, 1900.

WARD W. STRATTON.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Since our last letter we have initiated Claude Folsom, '03, and Russel A. More, law, and have pledged G. Elmer Strout, medical, which, when Mr. Strout becomes a full fledged Phi, will increase our chapter roll to sixteen members.

The active Phis of Minnesota Alpha extend congratulations to Bro. Clarence Z. Brown, '96, who has taken unto himself a wife, in the person of Miss Prita Sanborn, of Kansas City. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will arrive in Minneapolis in April and will be at The Trossachs, Lake Minnetonka, during the summer.

A society known as 'the senior S. & S.' has been organized among

the fraternity seniors. The society holds regular meetings and banquets. Its object is to promote good feeling among the fraternities.

Minnesota's victory over Northwestern in the recent debate has done much to stimulate interest in that department.

February 1, 1900.

CHAS. A. PITKIN.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The university opened the winter term with an increased attendance. We have several new students from some of our sister colleges.

All of Iowa Alpha's members returned with the exception of Bro. Randall, who has secured a position in Chicago. Bros. Hearne, '01, and Hooper, '01, members of the 51st Iowa, which saw active service in the Philippines, have returned to school.

The Iowa and Illinois annual debate will be held this year at Iowa Wesleyan. Last year the debate was held at Illinois Wesleyan, Iowa Wesleyan meeting a defeat; but this year our debating teams are working hard, and we expect to be victorious. Bro. Stafford is a promising candidate for a position on our team. In the annual debate between the freshman classes of Simpson College and Iowa Wesleyan we have two pledged men.

Φ Δ Θ as usual holds a large number of honorable and important positions in the social and political activities of the university. In a recent meeting of the athletic association a few of the officers were chosen. Bro. Cullison, who so successfully managed the foot ball team last fall, was elected manager of the base ball team and Bro. Beck manager of the tennis teams.

Iowa Alpha was recently the recipient of a handsome bust from her Chicago alumni. It was a Christmas present and is a beautiful decoration of our parlors.

In our next letter we shall announce the initiation of several into our chapter.

A. BALFOUR JEFFREY.

Mt. Pleasant, January 29, 1900.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The university council has recently reduced the number of hours required for graduation from the academic department to one hundred and twenty. This is a step in the direction of the elective system, which the authorities intend to institute by gradual changes.

The corner stone of Parker Hospital, which is to be erected on the campus at a cost of \$30,000, was laid in December. The principal address was delivered by Dr. Vaughn, of the University of Michigan. This building will be completed in the course of this scholastic year and will add greatly to the efficacy of our medical department.

A crusade against 'cribbing' was made during the month of January. All classes and organizations in the school passed resolutions condemning this baneful practice. Some members of the faculty learned for the first time that students used unfair means, and in consequence the semi-annual tests were unusually severe. The results have been creditable to Missouri Alpha.

The students have recently petitioned the faculty to abolish final examinations as far as possible and ask that they rely upon class records. The action of the council is awaited with interest.

Bro. Smiley, who was elected inter-collegiate committeeman, and whose election was contested, was declared to be the rightful repre-

sentative by the inter-collegiate committee at their meeting in Kansas City on January 27.

Bro. Frank Guggell, '96, will be with us next semester to do special work in the experiment station. Bro. Louis Davy, initiated this year, has removed to Germantown, Ohio.

We have initiated James P. Haven, of Denison, Tex., who was spiked by a half dozen of our rivals. RAYMOND S. EDMONDS.
Columbia, January 30, 1900.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The second term at the University of Kansas opened January 29. Our chapter at this time consists of sixteen men. Several desirable men who were expected to enter school for the remaining term's work have failed to show up, but should there be any rushing Kansas Alpha may be depended upon to do her share. We hope to be able to sustain our record throughout the year, not having, as yet, lost a spike. All our rivals except ΣX have lost men to us. On February 10 we expect to initiate our three pledged men.

The foot ball season closed as prosperously as could be expected by the most enthusiastic. Our decisive victory over Missouri at Kansas City, Thanksgiving, was the crowning effort of a never-defeated team. Bro. Lucas, at full back, ably represented the chapter. I am sorry to say that he has since left school, having accepted a position with the Santa Fe, at Pueblo, Colorado.

Interest in athletics at the university is unabated, basket ball and base ball claiming attention now. Bros. Johnson and Cullison are trying for the base ball team.

On the *Kansas University Weekly* we are represented by Bro. Humphrey, just elected to the position of editor-in-chief. Bro. Davis is a member of the editorial board and is also business manager of the law year book. Bro. McMath represented the chapter on the university glee and banjo clubs.

The marriage, during the holidays, of Bro. Higgins, '88, professor in the law school, was quite a surprise to most of us.

The chapter is under obligations to Bro. T. Jack Schall, '84, editor of the *Troy Chief*, for some handsomely bound volumes of *THE SCROLL* and *The Palladium*.

In a social line this year, we have given several informal parties. February 2 is the date for our annual spring function. No pains have been spared to make this event a success in every way.

Several annual letters have been received already. Kansas Alpha wishes to congratulate her sister chapters upon their prosperous condition as portrayed therein.

We have recently been visited by Bros. Schall, '84, and Fletcher, '99, and by Bro. Sayre, '01, who did not return this year.

Lawrence, January 30, 1900.

MELVIN H. TAYLOR.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The second term began on January 2 with nearly all the old students back and the addition of a number of new ones. The work of the session is now divided into three terms, the third term beginning on March 19, and final examinations closing on June 2. Commencement exercises will be curtailed this year, continuing only three days as

compared with five days last year. The legislature, which is now in session, has appropriated \$62,000 for needed improvements of the university. This amount will be expended in perfecting the present water-works and sewerage systems, constructing an electric light plant and building a dormitory for the accommodation of the women students.

Bro. Shelby Rauch, of last year's chapter, has resumed his work where he was forced to discontinue last session on account of ill health. On January 6 we initiated Thomas Alexander McCaskill, '01, law, Macon. This session we have extended invitations to thirteen men to join us, and it is very gratifying to us that twelve of them are now wearers of the sword and shield. Our members are classified as follows: seniors, 4; juniors, 4; sophomores, 5; freshmen, 8.

Our foot ball season came to a very successful close on Thanksgiving day, when we defeated Tulane, our old rival, by the score of 15 to 0. Already considerable interest is being manifested in base ball, and indications point to a very strong team. Manager Johnson has arranged three games with the University of Alabama, to be played in Tuscaloosa, three with Tulane, to be played here, and two with Vanderbilt on our grounds; we shall probably meet the University of Texas and Louisiana State University, also. Bros. Fair, Magruder and Ray will try for places.

On January 12, K A installed a chapter here, composed of seven men, two of whom were members from the Φ and A E chapters of that fraternity. It will be a hard struggle for K A to maintain a good chapter, having entered a field already crowded, yet we wish her success and a cordial welcome. The present numerical standing of the fraternities is: Δ K E, 28; Δ Ψ , 24; Φ Δ Θ , 21; Σ X, 20; Δ T Δ , 19; Φ K Ψ , 16; Σ A E, 10; K A, 7; T Δ Θ , 10; X Ω , 7. Φ K Ψ rented recently a very pretty chapter house on University street, which is now the home of all the active Phi Psis, except three local members. For several months it has been rumored that Δ K E would build a chapter-house on the campus, but the project seems to have been abandoned, at least temporarily. Σ X, Σ A E and Φ Δ Θ have club-rooms in the town of Oxford, which serve for places of meeting and social purposes.

University, January 26, 1900.

GEORGE LATHAM RAY.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The dormant condition of the fraternities—so noticeable during the latter part of the fall term—has, since the holidays, been succeeded by one of unusual activity. A T Ω , K A, Φ Φ Φ and \bar{X} Φ have had initiations and have well-nigh exhausted the available material. We have pledged the one man we spiked, and his initiation will take place on February first. He is Will P. Hargrove, of Waco, Texas, and is a prominent member of '03.

The chapter house question is being agitated once more, and is receiving our serious consideration. On January 23 K Σ opened her elegantly furnished house, and the enthusiasm which it has evoked and the prestige it has given the fraternity have brought home to the less diligent the realization of the important part this factor will hereafter play.

Θ N E, which was organized here last year, has recently enlarged its membership and now has representatives from all the strongest fraternities, excepting those whose members are prohibited from joining this society. We have in that organization Bro. H. P. Steger.

Tennis, base-ball practice and cross-country runs constitute the

sports indulged in at this season. Bros. Banton Moore, Duncan, Hunt and Cole represent us in the runs. E. T. MILLER.
Austin, January 30, 1900.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

An announcement of extreme importance in regard to the Hearst architectural plan was recently made by Bro. William Carey Jones, '73, professor of jurisprudence in the University of California, who with Bro. J. B. Reinstein, '73, and the governor of the state constitute the Hearst board of trustees. He announced that ground would be broken for the buildings of the new university within the year. M. Bénard, the prize-winning architect, has returned to Paris to complete the revision of his plans. The first buildings to be erected will be a mining building and a gymnasium, both to be presented to the university by Mrs. Phœbe A. Hearst. The final plans, which soon will be in the hands of the regents, are expected to preserve the beauty of the original design at a reduced cost.

California Alpha graduated three men December 26—Bros. Duncan McDuffie, Earl W. Garrison, and Victor H. Henderson. Bro. Garrison has entered the orange-growing business at Redlands, Cal.; Bro. McDuffie is in business in Oakland, and Bro. Henderson has been appointed private secretary to President Wheeler of the university. Bros. Fielding J. Stitson and Franklin U. Bugbee are absent on leave, but will return to college next August. Bro. Ben W. Reed has been appointed associate editor on the college daily.

Bro. Stanley J. Walton, of Marysville, Cal., was initiated January 25. A notably large number of alumni were present at the initiation. W. KAY CRAWFORD.
Berkeley, January 30, 1900.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

The second semester has opened here, and California Beta is settled in her new house.

The enrollment at the university has passed the 1,300 mark. On January 11 the new library was dedicated. This building, which cost \$150,000, was the gift of Thomas Welton Stanford, a brother of the senator, who lives in Australia. The building, like the rest, is of sandstone but is two stories high and finished interiorly with marble and fitted up with all the modern library appliances. Off from the main reading-room on the ground floor are rooms for research and seminary work and above opening into a gallery running around the sides beneath the dome are also seminary rooms. In the south side above the gallery are three beautiful stained glass windows representing 'Moses, the law giver with the tables of the commandments,' 'Christ knocking at the door,' and Thomas à Kempis. These were the gifts of Mrs. Stanford. The main reading-room will seat about 300, and the stack-room, including the basement, has room for 250,000 volumes. President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of Berkeley was among the speakers at the dedication.

The 'varsity glee and mandolin club, of which Bro. Fox is a member, has just returned from a successful tour through the southern part of the state.

The foot ball team during the Christmas holidays took a trip north, playing the athletic teams in Portland and Seattle, the score resulting



Schulz R. A. Frisselle
 M. P. Waite Edwards
 Lamb Brotherton

Victor E. I. Frisselle Johnson
 Maples J. E. McDowell Hill
 C. E. Waite Fox Traylor

Stevenson
 Behlow
 S. P. Frisselle

THE STANFORD CHAPTER, CHRISTMAS, 1899.

in one victory and one defeat. This year Stanford has to record her second defeat in inter-collegiate foot ball. Berkeley won the Thanksgiving game, 30-0.

Since the last letter we have a new Phi to present, Bro. George Charles Dennis, law special, who was initiated November 25, 1899.

Bro. P. E. Lamb has entered the medical department at U. S. C. Bro. Guy C. Bowman will not return to college this semester. He has a position in Riverside, Cal.

Bro. R. C. Victor has been elected editor-in-chief of the college paper, *The Daily Palo Alto*. A smoker was given at the chapter house a few days later in honor of his election.

K K Γ has moved into her new house. This is the first sorority to build at Stanford. K Σ has rented a house in Palo Alto.

Stanford University, January 17, 1900.

HOWARD G. HILL.

ALUMNI.

THE PHI DELTA THETA CLUB OF CHICAGO,

President Harbert appointed me reporter of the Chicago club to fill the unexpired term of Bro. Richard Henry Little, absent at Manila. I feel uncomfortable in the place of such a clever fellow. I have little to say, except that the interest in our bi-monthly dinners increases, and if we can keep up our present pace, we will make these dinners events not to be missed by any Phi in Chicago. At our last dinner, held at the Victoria hotel, January 16, 1900, where dinners will be held in the future, except possibly the annual affair, twenty-seven loyal Phis met. They represented sixteen different colleges, all the way from Dartmouth to California. And what a fine crowd of fellows! We challenge any fraternity to make a better—yes, even as good a showing. At our next meeting we shall begin the scheme of having some kind of a program. It will be pleasant to readers of *THE SCROLL* to see among the list of those at the dinner some of the men they have known while at college. The company was made up of the following: Bros. H. C. Rumery, *Dartmouth*, '95; L. H. Blanchard, *Dartmouth*, '95; Frederick L. Davies, *Cornell*, '98; F. G. Morehead, *Allegheny*; Jacobs, *Miami*; Irving C. Woodward, *Michigan*; F. F. Soule, *Hillsdale*, '99; F. W. McCaskey, *Northwestern*, '97; Fred C. Ellis, *Northwestern*, '96; Andrew Cooke, *Northwestern*, '99; Neal Tomy, *Northwestern*, '96; F. J. R. Mitchell, *Northwestern*, '96; W. O. Wilson, *Chicago*, '97; H. L. Ickes, *Chicago*, '97; H. T. Woodruff, *Chicago*, '98; Austin Y. Hoy, *Chicago*, '02; J. G. Latimer, *Knox*, '97; G. H. Johnson, *Knox*, '99; W. P. Dutton, *Lombard*; Slater, *Illinois*, '95; Sherman Duffy, *Illinois*, '95; Manuel C. Chester, *Illinois*, '97; Harold G. Ferris, *Wisconsin*, '01; Howell Van Blarcom, *Missouri*, '94; R. S. Mueller, *Nebraska*, '98; Westermann, *Nebraska*; Moun-ton, *California*.

WILLIAM OTIS WILSON.

Chicago, February 2, 1900.

PROVINCE CONVENTION.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

The Phis of Epsilon province hold the record for conventions. Indiana Phis held the first state convention of any fraternity in 1865. Since the formation of the state inter-collegiate oratorical association

in 1875 every one of its contests has been the scene of a Phi convention. In 1878 a state association was organized, but in the eighties its meetings were merged in the annual conventions of old Epsilon province (Michigan and Indiana—later Ohio, Michigan and Indiana). In 1899 the new Epsilon province held its first convention in Indianapolis at contest time, in January, following this with a second meeting in the same year, in October, at Bloomington, when Indiana Alpha celebrated her semi-centennial. On February 2 the second meeting of the present college year was held at the Denison, in Indianapolis.

President Ruby presided, and among the older alumni present were Bro. W. A. Curtis, *Wisconsin*, '89, and the editor of THE SCROLL. After a meeting in the afternoon, at which reports were given, and the condition of each chapter and of its rivals thoroughly discussed, the Phis dined together before the contest in the same hilarious Epsilon province style that the veterans remember so well. A majority of the officers elected by the association, as for the past twelve years, were Phi, and so were two of the orators of the evening. Those who attended the meeting and dinner were: *Indiana*—A. W. Gifford, '96, E. E. Ruby, '97, L. W. Hughes, '98, H. C. Meek, '98, L. A. Folsom, '00, C. M. Dickey, '01, J. G. Hoover, '03; *Wabash*—O. W. McGaughey, '99, W. H. Hays, '00, W. G. Todd, '00, J. G. Bartholomew, '01, C. H. Peter, '02, H. M. Jones, '03, P. G. Jones, '03; *Indianapolis*—Hugh Th. Miller, '88, T. R. Shipp, '97, R. W. Hobbs, '99, C. W. McGaughey, '01, J. M. Cunningham, '01, P. A. VanSickle, '01, W. R. Longley, '02, W. A. Lybrand, '02, W. H. Adkinson, '02, H. H. Heinrichs, '03; *Franklin*—Omar Covert, '00, J. S. Williams, '00, W. W. Wilson, '00, C. T. Weyl, '02, H. M. Bowser, '03, F. N. Thurston, '03, C. C. McFarland, pledged, H. C. McCullough, pledged, A. B. Hall, pledged, B. H. Long, pledged, I. S. Matthews, pledged; *Hanover*—C. S. Deibler, '95, T. C. Whallon, '98, F. S. Deibler, '00, V. B. Demaree, '00; *DePauw*—C. W. Metsker, '93, H. B. Patten, '93, F. T. Takasugi, '96, J. M. Walker, '96, S. K. Ruick, '97, W. S. Peters, '98, F. W. Foxworthy, '99, W. A. Collings, '00, J. E. Thomas, '00, X. H. Edwards, '01, S. E. Dove, '01, George Throop, '02, J. R. Brown, '03, L. B. Hawthorne, '03, Glenn Tolin, '03; *Purdue*—E. M. Sherry, '97, J. B. Dill, '00, C. M. McGregor, '01, W. B. Schofield, '02; *Wisconsin*—W. A. Curtis, '89; *Miami*—C. A. Macauley, '98; *Northwestern*—Clay Allen, '98.

HUGH TH. MILLER.

PERSONAL.

Lombard—Lee Fairchild, '86, is with the *New York World*.

Vermont—Earl Wilbur, '86, is pastor of the Unitarian church of Meadville, Pa.

Dickinson—James A. Eldon, '96, died on January 24, 1900, at Lock Haven, Pa.

Miami—W. M. Fisher, '72, is superintendent of schools at Kansas City, Kansas.

Allegheny—W. H. Gallup, '85, is superintendent of schools at Morgantown, W. Va.

Cornell—Wells S. Gilbert, '93, has removed from Cleveland to Duluth, his old home.

Vanderbilt—J. R. West, '80, is a member of the new board of education of Nashville, Tenn.

Westminster—John Wilbur Ward is now captain in the 33d Infantry, U. S. A., in the Philippines.

Kansas, '90—William Allen White has a story in the February *Scribner's*, entitled 'The Mercy of Death.'

Wisconsin—Gilbert T. Hodges, '94, is practicing law in Chicago, with offices at 810 Title and Trust building.

Centre—Archibald R. Cook, '97, travels for the H. Phillips distillery, of Danville, Ky., through the central states.

Northwestern—Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., '88, has changed his address in Washington, D. C., to 3402 Morgan ave., N. W.

Wabash—Capt. W. P. Black, '64, was one of the leading speakers at the recent anti-trust congress held in Chicago.

Miami—C. A. Macauley, '98, is with the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., Stevenson building, Indianapolis.

Emory—H. P. Park, '99, was married on January 8, 1900, to Miss Burt Thomas. They will reside in La Grange, Ga.

Ohio State—Harry A. Kahler, '87, is a member of the banking firm of O'Connor & Kahler, No. 1 Nassau street, New York city.

Dickinson—Geo. H. Yocum, '93, was married on November 17, 1899, at Scranton, Pa., where he is engaged in the practice of law.

Allegheny—On October 5, 1899, Will Pratt, '96, was married to Miss Belle Bartholomew, Allegheny, '98, K A ©, at Warren, Pa.

DePauw—Elmer E. Jackson, '91, is a member of the law firm of Binswanger & Jackson, 1124 New York Life building, Chicago.

Lombard—E. L. Shinn, '96, is now engaged in the coal and coke business in Philadelphia. He resides at 22 Phil-Ellena St., Germantown.

Lombard—Geo. B. Rogers, '98, pastor of the Universalist church at Decatur, Mich., and Miss Fannie J. Collins were married July 25, 1899.

Lansing—Ray Stannard Baker, '89, who contributes to each number of *McClure's*, has a sketch of Gen. Leonard Wood in the February number.

Cornell—E. A. Darling, '90, describes 'The Power Plant of a University' in the Transactions of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Northwestern—F. J. R. Mitchell, '96, president of Zeta province, has begun the practice of law at 112 Hartford building, 140 Dearborn St., Chicago.

Missouri—Married, in Richmond, Mo., in the M. E. church, at high noon on December 5, 1899, Hon. F. P. Divelbiss, '91, and Miss Myra A. Garrett.

Indianapolis—David M. Hillis, '64, and C. S. McCoy, *Franklin*, '87, are partners in the practice of law, with offices in the Atwood building, Chicago.

Ohio Wesleyan—Rev. C. H. Williams, '94, is pastor of the Wood Memorial church, of Cambridge, Mass.—Charles Lewis, '95, is in a bank at Harpster, Ohio.

Minnesota—Clarence Z. Brown, '96, was married on January 16, 1900, to Miss Perita Sanborn at Kansas City, Mo. After a trip of two months in Mexico and California, they will go to Minneapolis to spend the summer at The Trossachs, Lake Minnetonka.

Lansing—The current number of *Marine Engineering* contains an article by Prof. W. F. Durand, '80, of Cornell, on 'Construction of Marine Boiler Mountings.'

Gettysburg—Dr. W. H. Ulsh, '90, U. S. N., is now on U. S. S. *Glacier*, at Manila.—D. M. Addison, '95, is assistant paymaster on U. S. S. *Scindia* in the Philippines.

Case—Walter G. Stephan, '99, delegate to the Columbus convention, is with the Gold Bug Mining Co., a Cleveland corporation, at Georgetown, El Dorado Co., Cal.

Wooster—Prof. Preston W. Search, '76, now of Clark University, lectured on January 28, 1900, in Columbus, Ohio, on 'Immortality from the Standpoint of Science.'

Michigan—Roy M. Hardy, '98, is with Bodine & Sampson, lawyers, 30 Broad St., New York city. He wrote the sketch of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ for 'The Greek-letter Men of New York.'

Indiana—H. G. Bradford, '73, who still considers New Albany, Ind., as his home, is traveling for J. W. Forsinger, wholesale jeweler, 301 Columbus Memorial building, Chicago.

Williams—Charles T. Terry, '89, is a lawyer at 170 Broadway, New York city, and a professor of contracts in Columbia law school, of which William A. Keener, *Emory*, '74, is dean.

Tulane—Wat Tyler Cluverius, '95, ensign on U. S. S. *Solace*, the navy's hospital ship, is on his third trip to Manila. His marriage to Admiral Sampson's daughter will take place on his return.

Indianapolis—John V. Hadley, '63, chief justice of the Indiana supreme court, was guest of honor at the annual dinner of his home bar association, at Danville, Ind., December 22, 1899.

Indianapolis—W. H. Brevoort, '62, a charter member of the chapter, is farming on a large scale near Vincennes, Ind. He has 5,000 acres of land, and in 1899 his corn crop was over 100,000 bushels.

Chicago—Frederick A. Smith, '66, attorney of the board of review of Chicago, visited Washington recently on professional business, and was admitted to the bar of the United States supreme court.

Brown—Jesse F. Smith, '96, has been appointed teacher in the Baptist mission school at Rangoon, Burma. He was married on December 8, 1899, to Miss Cora E. Blanchard, of East Hartford, Conn.

Ohio State—J. G. Bloom, '89, whom delegates to the Atlanta convention will remember, was appointed on February 1, division engineer of the B. & O. S. W. R. R., with headquarters at Chillicothe, Ohio.

Pennsylvania—Four members of Pennsylvania Zeta are living in the same house in New York city, at 124 E. 24th St. They are Paul R. Siegel, '99; Drew Stokes, '99; A. E. Willauer, '97; A. D. O'Brien, '97.

Lansing—Joseph Cotton, '86, was married on January 4, 1900, to Miss Louise Hubbell, a Wisconsin $\Delta \Gamma$, at Duluth, Minn. Wells S. Gilbert, *Cornell*, '93, and Leslie Hubbell, *Wisconsin*, were among the ushers.

Union—The college quartette of the present season is composed of four Phis: Bros. Shelley, Robinson, Barrett and Ripley. They sang in December at the annual dinner of the New York alumni, at the Savoy.

Columbia—G. B. Germann, '96, received his doctor's degree at Columbia last June. His thesis was 'National Legislation Concerning Education, Its Influence and Effect in the Public Land States East of the Mississippi.'

Dartmouth—J. A. Matthews, '94, has written a comprehensive article in the *Journal of the American Chemical Society* on 'The Classification of the Carbides, their Modes of Formation and Reactions of Decomposition.'

Centre—Joseph C. S. Blackburn, '57, has been one of the most conspicuous figures in the recent political conflict in Kentucky. His election as United States senator brings back one of its picturesque figures to that body.

Gettysburg—H. H. Weber, '82, was recently elected a member of the board of trustees of Gettysburg College.—Charles T. Aikens, '85, on last Thanksgiving day celebrated the eleventh anniversary of his pastorate at Pine Grove Mills, Pa. He was recently elected president of the central Pennsylvania synod of the Lutheran church.—A. B. Coble, '97, has entered on his second year's work in the graduate department at Johns Hopkins.

Franklin—Henry Eitel, '74, is the new president of the Union Trust Co., of Indianapolis. The company's stock is quoted at 146, and its surplus is \$150,000. Bro. Eitel is a brother-in-law of James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet.

Northwestern—W. H. H. Raleigh, '60, a charter member of the chapter, is a notary public and commissioner of deeds at Baltimore, Md., corner Hopkins Place, German and Liberty Sts. He is also manager of a collection bureau.

Chicago—It is not too late, perhaps, to note the fact that the journalistic golf championship of Chicago was won in 1899 by Stacy C. Mosser, '97. The prize is a beautiful silver cup offered by President Chatfield Taylor, of the Onwentsia club.

Pennsylvania—George L. Darte, '96, who has been consul at Martinique for some time and who while there first reported to the government the presence of Cervera's fleet in American waters, has been transferred to the consulship at Patras, Greece.

Northwestern—M. A. Clarkson, '94, was married at the Victoria hotel, Chicago, to Miss Carolyne E. Thrall, on December 27, 1899. After a western tour they will reside at Winfield, Kansas, where Bro. Clarkson has extensive milling interests.

Sewanee—Rev. C. B. K. Weed, '97, delegate to the Philadelphia convention, who has been with St. Paul's church at Batesville, Ark., has been chosen to the rectorship of St. Luke's church at Hot Springs, Ark. He will enter upon his duties there March 1.

Wooster—R. J. Moorhouse, '98, is a law student at the University of Iowa.—Andrew D. Endsley, '98, is an instructor in the Coshocton, Ohio, high school.—Earl V. Farwell, '00, is this year a senior at Princeton. After graduation there he will enter the Harvard law school.

Columbia—Emil J. Riederer, '97, who was at the Philadelphia and Columbus conventions, is with the Repanno Chemical Co., in their western works, known as the plant of the Hercules Powder Co., at Ashburn, Mo., about 15 miles from Hannibal, where Bro. Riederer has his lodging place. Bro. Riederer is chemist for the company, which manufactures only dynamite, nitroglycerine and explosive gelatine, and he says that he finds his position a very interesting one.

DePauw—James H. Wilkerson, '89, who has been associated with Tenney, McConnell, Coffeen & Harding, of Chicago, for the past five years, has been admitted as a member of the firm.—S. K. Ruick, Jr., '97, is practicing law, with offices in the Lombard building, Indianapolis.

Chicago—Judge C. C. Kohisaat, '67, of the United States circuit court, on January 29 decided the Illinois anti-trust law void because it contains special and class legislation. His decision is universally approved in legal and judicial circles, and has been widely commented upon.

Vermont—Marshall Avery Howe, '90, curator of the herbarium of Columbia University, is the assistant editor of the *Bulletin* of the Torrey Botanical Club, published at Columbia. Bro. Howe also contributed the article on botany in Dodd, Mead & Co.'s International Year Book.

Tulane—Dr. C. H. Tebault, '90, has an interesting paper in the 1899 Transactions of the Orleans Parish Medical Society on 'Calentura and Yellow Fever,' based on his experiences of 1898 and 1899 in the hospitals of Santiago de Cuba. He says that there was little real yellow fever at Santiago.

Gettysburg—The editors of the next edition of the catalogue will be glad to receive a copy of the '01 *Spectrum*, the forthcoming college annual. It will contain a list of all non-graduates of the institution from 1882 to the present, giving residence, occupation and facts of general interest for each.

Lehigh, '90—Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Couch, of Ridgefield, Conn., announce the marriage of their daughter Ida Frances to Mr. Edwin Herbert Beazell, Monday, October 9, 1899. Mr. and Mrs. Beazell now reside at Cannesburg, Pa., where Mr. Beazell is superintendent of the Fort Pitt bridge works.

Mississippi—Brother Monroe McClurg, '78, was chosen attorney-general of Mississippi at the recent election.—W. O. Pruitt, '99, is now professor of physics and astronomy at Austin College.—H. L. McCleskey, '99, is principal of the public school at Shuqulak, Miss.—Walter Washington Lockard, '91, was chosen superintendent of public education of Yazoo county at the last election.—Samuel Davis Neill, '91, is a member-elect of the Mississippi legislature from Sunflower county.—Thomas Benton Dudley, '93, is a member-elect of the Mississippi legislature from Tallahatchie county.

Franklin—E. M. Slack, '96, is principal of Hawkins's Chapel Institute, at Rural Retreat, Va. He reports meeting two Virginia Beta alumni in those regions: Prof. Geo. W. Miles, head master of St. Albans's school, Radford, Va., and Hon. Geo. W. Doughty, tobacco manufacturer, Greenville, Va.

Iowa Wesleyan—Rev. W. H. Heppe, '88, for some time professor of Latin at Iowa Wesleyan, is now pastor of the First M. E. church in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.—Prof. F. W. Lambert, '97, is principal of the high school at Stuart, Iowa.—Fred. J. Smith, '99, is superintendent of schools at Bentonsport, Iowa.

De Pauw, '94—F. A. Preston, delegate to Atlanta, is traveling for Allyn and Bacon, publishers, in Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky and Pennsylvania. His headquarters are still in Indianapolis.—W. L. Harris is traveling in Indiana, Illinois and Ohio for Paul H. Krauss, men's furnisher, of Indianapolis.

Knox—H. M. Holland, '00, now with New Hampshire Alpha, happened in on a tennis tournament in Switzerland this summer when the championship of the continent was being played for. Bro. Holland challenged the Swede who won and, with borrowed racquet and in his traveling clothes, beat the victor 6-4, 6-2, 6-1.

Northwestern—Horace A. Goodrich, '60, is in the real estate and loan business at 80 Dearborn St., Chicago.—Fred C. Ellis, '96, is practicing law at 163 Randolph St., Chicago. He is a veteran of the Spanish war.—Grant Jones, '97, is in St. Louis as the Missouri representative of the *Saturday Evening Post*, of Philadelphia.

Miami—Prof. Alfred Emerson, '82, formerly of Cornell and Amherst, and for the last two years professor in the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, will spend part of the spring at the University of California. He will lecture and will advise with the university authorities in regard to a proposed department of art.

Ohio—Dr. C. M. Shephard, '96, of Columbus, Ohio, was married to Miss Grace Grosvenor, youngest daughter of Congressman Charles H. Grosvenor, at Athens, Ohio, November 27, 1899. Mrs. Shephard is vice-president of the general council of $\Pi B \Phi$. Congressman Grosvenor is an honorary member of Ohio Gamma.

Cornell—Frederick L. Davies, '98, whose persistent and unselfish labors in helping to revive Illinois Beta will be long remembered by the general officers of the fraternity, is chairman of the committee of arrangements for this year's alumni day dinner in Chicago. His office is at 161 Adams Express building, 187 Dearborn St.

Indianapolis—Hilton U. Brown, '80, P. G. C. from 1882 to 1886, is manager of the *Indianapolis News*, which sold for \$936,000 at public sale last summer. Bro. Brown's duties combine those of business manager and managing editor, and his salary is said to be \$5,000 a year.

Allegheny, '91—Howard A. Couse and Miss Emma Grandin Neyhart were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. J. Neyhart, at Tidioute, Pa., on Wednesday, January 3, 1900. Mr. Couse is now a practicing attorney in Cleveland, where they will be at home after February 14. His law partner is H. H. Henry, a Phi from Buchtel.

Union—Walter L. Lawton, '94, has completed his work at Fulton Chain, N. Y., and has entered the employ of the General Electric Co., at Schenectady.—Byron O. Burgin, '95, has resigned his professorship at Lowville (N. Y.) Academy to take a graduate course at the Albany Normal College. Robert C. Gambie, '99, succeeds Bro. Burgin at Lowville.

Among Phi who are attending other colleges than those at which they were initiated are: H. W. Mead, *Williams*, N. H. Gifford, *Brown*, F. E. Jewett, *Kansas*, H. W. Eliot, Jr., *Washington*, C. C. Case, *Northwestern*, C. W. Chase and H. A. Peterson, *Chicago*, S. E. Findley, *Buchtel*, F. P. Cherington, *Ohio Wesleyan*, all at Harvard; B. E. Page, *Stanford*, G. H. Ansley, *Williams*, D. V. Hopps, *Georgia*, W. S. Murray, *Syracuse*, W. F. Bradshaw, Jr., *Vanderbilt*, at Columbia; H. P. Whitney, *Amherst*, T. H. Blodgett, *Knox*, J. P. Alexander, *Case*, at Michigan; G. A. Wyeth, *Vanderbilt*, at Pennsylvania; A. A. Green, *Knox*, J. T. Lister, *Indianapolis*, L. R. Cartwright, *DePauw*, at Chicago; R. Gordon, *Syracuse*, at Union; H. M. Holland, *Knox*, at Dartmouth; W. R. C. Kendrick, *Iowa Wesleyan*, D. B. Casteel, *Allegheny*, at Ohio Wesleyan; C. J. Fletcher, *Lombard*, at Illinois; M. F. Bayard, *Illinois*, at Cornell; F. S. Palmer, *Emory*, at Vanderbilt; E. C. Griesel, *Wabash*, at Wisconsin; J. B. Bartholomew, *Wabash*, at Purdue; W. M. Lewis, *Knox*, at Lake Forest. Most of these are graduate students.

Cornell—It seems inevitable that Φ Δ Θ should lead in musical as well as other lines at Cornell. W. H. Morrison, Jr., '01, is the new leader of the glee club and proves a worthy successor to Bros. Wynne, Weller, Gilbert and other leaders sent out by New York Alpha. Bros. Morrison and Fay, '01, were among the men selected to sing at the annual banquet of the New York alumni, on January 26.

K. M. I.—The Indianapolis *Press* has arranged with Gen. H. V. N. Boynton, '58, for a weekly letter on politics at Washington. Though for years known everywhere as the Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial-Gazette*, Gen. Boynton has of late practically retired from newspaper affairs, all his time being taken up with his duties as chairman of the Chickamauga park commission.

Washington and Jefferson—Dr. Francis Stuart Matthews, '90, was married on December 27, 1899, at Columbus, Ohio, to Miss Julia King. After a trip south they went to New York city, where they will reside. Among the guests were Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown, who are close friends of the bride. Mrs. Matthews will be remembered pleasantly by those who attended the social events of the Columbus convention.

Hillsdale—Oliver Willard Pierce, '91, was soloist at the concert of the Musikverein, at the German House, Indianapolis, on February 13. He played a concerto never played but once before in this country—the latest work of Moszkowski, of whom Bro. Pierce is a pupil. The Indianapolis musical critics say that 'Mr. Pierce gave the concerto a masterly reading, and the ease and grace with which he played showed perfect mastery of the keyboard.' He ranks now as one of the leading pianists of the west.

Union—W. L. Terry, '96, has accepted the chair of science at the Kentucky Military Institute, Lyndon, Ky., with the rank of major.—G. M. Schofield, '97, and L. M. Schofield, '97, astonished their friends with a double wedding on September 14. The grooms were twins and have always been together until the end of their college course, and it was a fitting event that they should both be wedded by the same vows at the same time. The happy brides were Miss Rose Seely, of Youngstown, Ohio, and Miss Zaida Lyon, of Albany, N. Y. Bros. Hoyt, '99, and Ripley, '00, were best men.—C. D. Griffith, '98, has been appointed traveling passenger agent of the New York Central R. R., with headquarters at Malone, N. Y.

Iowa Wesleyan—Lieutenant E. W. Hearne, '94, of the 51st Iowa, was called to New York soon after his return from the Philippines, to consult with Miss Helen Gould in regard to her plan for a Y. M. C. A. building in the city of Manila. Bro. Hearne has been given the supervision of the Y. M. C. A. work among the soldiers in the Philippines. Y. M. C. A. tents will be established under his direction in every camp, and his service in the work will continue for one year, and perhaps longer. A portrait and sketch of Bro. Hearne appeared in THE SCROLL, of April, 1899.

Washington and Jefferson—Dr. John A. Matthews, '93, of New York, has been appointed by President McKinley a member of the United States assay commission. Brother Matthews is at present an instructor in Columbia University. —Dr. George A. Holliday, '94, son of George L. Holliday, postmaster of Pittsburgh, has been appointed assistant postmaster to succeed George W. Wilson, resigned. Brother Holliday is 29 years old, was born in Pittsburgh and secured his college and medical education at Washington and Jefferson College and the Western University. The position pays a salary of \$3,000 a year. Dr. Holliday is at present practicing medicine on Park avenue, east end.

Kansas—For several days last month the newspapers of the east were much excited over a story that Rudyard Kipling was the true author of 'David Harum.' It turned out that the whole matter was the result of a joke perpetrated by William Allen White, '90. Seeing 'David Harum' listed by mistake in a Kansas circulating library catalogue under Kipling's name, he printed a paragraph about the 'Smith Center library's announcement of a new book, "David Harum," by that brilliant young author, R. Kipling.' Bro. White says: 'Western readers know that this was intended for a pleasantry, but in the east, where they think Kansas is full of Indians, they thought a western editor didn't know who did write "David Harum." People wrote to tell the editor who wrote the book, and when he wrote a joking reply to a Chicago librarian, claiming that Edward Noyes Wescott was only a *nom de plume* of Kipling's, the librarian failed to see the joke and had the letter printed. Then the New York and Philadelphia papers became greatly excited and wired for proofs. Bro. White concludes his summary of the episode by exclaiming: 'Great Heavens! Can't the people east of the Missouri river see a joke unless it is labeled?'

Pennsylvania—George Post Wheeler, '91, who will be remembered by those who attended the Atlanta convention in 1891, has returned to New York after a two years' stay with the Tukuluh Indians, among the spurs of the Rockies, north of the Arctic circle. Bro. Wheeler had already become well known in the east for his society verses and his cynical sketches, 'The Reflections of a Bachelor,' but the volume into which he weaves his description of the savages among whom he lived will be much more widely read. He became interested in the Tukuluh while visiting the Klondike; their charm for him lay in the fact that their customs had remained absolutely primitive. He was kindly received, later adopted and finally made an under-chief. His name was 'The Man Who Laughs.'

Minnesota—The *Saturday Evening Post* for December 16 contains a double column sketch and portrait of James Gray, '85, mayor of Minneapolis, relating how he was elected on the Democratic ticket by a majority of 5,000 in a Republican city. He was city editor of the *Times* and practically unknown when nominated, but his aggressive reform campaign was irresistible. It is related how he raised \$20,000 last fall to pay for special trains to bring home the 13th Minnesota from San Francisco, where it was mustered out. He devised a tricolor badge with the laconic motto: 'I have, have you?' These were sold at one dollar each, more than 20,000 of them, before the regiment landed. Mayor Gray was one of the most prominent members of the party sent to meet them and escort them home.

Kansas, '92—Among the stories of General Funston brought back by returning soldiers is one by a regular private, quoted in a late issue of the *Indianapolis Journal*. He says: 'Funston and his men were absolutely fearless. Coming up one day to an exposed position where our regiment was stationed he found us all lying on the ground at our colonel's orders. "Tell your men to lie down, Colonel Funston, and not expose themselves needlessly," said our commander. Funston gave the order, but the men only grinned and stood watching the Filipino trenches; he turned with a smile and said: "You see, colonel, they won't do it." Regular army officers ordinarily have no use for volunteers, but the morning after Funston and his regiment had made their famous passage of the Rio Grande, our colonel called out: "Here come Funston and his men, and when they pass I want every man in this regiment to take off his hat to them." And we did.'

Ohio—Edward Holt Eves, '91, is on the staff of the Austin (Texas) *Daily Statesman*. The *Tribune* is a bitter rival of the *Statesman*, opening its editorial columns in the very issue from which the following clipping is taken, with an extended attack on its competitor:

One of the most quiet and unpretentious newspaper men who ever came to this town is Mr. Edward Holt Eves, who at one time was a reporter on the *Tribune*, and later connected with the *Statesman* in a similar position. He is a true and accurate news-gatherer and seldom makes a mistake in chronicling an important item. He is a perfect gentleman and has the admiration and respect of all who chance to know him. He is not easy to get acquainted with, and on that account he is a trifle behind his profession in this one respect, but the city editor who sends Eves for an item can rest assured that he gets the whole thing when Eves returns.

Indiana—Elmer E. Griffith, '85, died on February 15, 1900, in Madison, Ind. He was for some years after graduation superintendent of the Indiana institution for the education of the blind. Resigning in 1894 to become a graduate student in English at Harvard, he was in 1896 made assistant professor of English literature at Indiana University, which position he held at the time of his death. He was threatened with consumption and received leave of absence, going to Colorado last summer. After despairing of recovery, he started for his home in Vevay, Ind., and stopped at his sister's, in Madison, because he was too weak to complete the journey. He leaves a widow and one son. He is a brother of Congressman F. M. Griffith, Indiana Delta, '74, of U. J. Griffith, Indiana Alpha, '91, and an uncle of E. F. Griffith, initiated last fall by Indiana Alpha.

Washington and Jefferson, '96—Lieut. Frank B. Hawkins, who has been on a furlough at his home in Washington, Pa., has been ordered to report at the Emerson barracks, Sackett's Harbor, N. Y. Lieut. Hawkins served through the Spanish war in the Philippines as captain of Co. D, 10th Pennsylvania. Shortly after the capture of Malalos, the insurgent capital, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the 3d Infantry, U. S. A. After the death of his father, Col. A. L. Hawkins, of the 10th Pennsylvania, he secured a furlough home to visit his mother and only sister. As his brother, Lieut. Clyde E. Hawkins, is an aide on the staff of Brig.-Gen. Schwan, now in the Philippines, Bro. Hawkins asked to be assigned service in this country, so he could be near his widowed mother. Not many families have given all their male members to the country in time of war as the Hawkins family did.

Indiana—Capt. Gil R. Stormont, '71, was chosen on January 3 as commandant of the Indiana soldiers' home, at La Fayette, for three years. He was traveling deputy revenue collector at the time of his election and is prominent in G. A. R. circles. There were over thirty candidates for the position to which he was chosen. He was state commander of the G. A. R. some years ago.

Miami—Edwin Emerson, Jr., '89, whose romantic career as collegian and war correspondent was sketched in THE SCROLL for April, 1899, has set forth his doings in the year 1898 in a quaint volume entitled 'Pepys's Ghost,' and published by Richard G. Badger & Co., of Boston. The little volume is daintily bound in good Phi white and blue, and in paper, type and style gives one an almost perfect reproduction of the original gossipy and entertaining Pepys, even to the explanatory editorial footnotes. Mention is made several times of John Randolph Spears, *Indianapolis*, '72, who was commodore of the newspaper fleet. In a recent letter to the editor of THE SCROLL Bro. Emerson says: 'I found out during the course of this year that Jack Spears is a member of our fraternity. Though I have rubbed elbows with him off and on for several years, it has taken all this time to find out this additional bond between us.' Bro. Emerson is also editor of the 'College Year Book and Athletic Record,' of which a new edition is to appear soon.

Syracuse—Dr. S. B. Craton, '90, has been appointed as assistant eye surgeon to St. Joseph's Hospital, at Syracuse, N. Y.—Edward Devine, '91, formerly clerk of the municipal court at Syracuse, has opened a law office for himself in the Onondaga Bank building in the same city.—Thomas S. Bell, '92, is superintendent of schools at Salamanca, N. Y.—Ed. D. Rich, '92, is assistant engineer of the Consolidated Water Co., of Utica, N. Y.—Dr. A. E. Larkin, '94, has returned from a year's course in the medical colleges of Berlin and Vienna and opened an office in Syracuse, at 334 Montgomery street.—Frederick P. Schenck, '95, has removed to New York city, where he is assistant attorney for the Industrial Savings and Loan Co., with offices at 1133 Broadway.—Dr. John D. Shipman, '98, who accompanied Bro. Larkin, '94, in travel and study in Germany last year, received an appointment to St. Joseph's hospital in Syracuse upon his return and is now house surgeon. John and 'Lark' have many stories of their good times abroad, and of the loyal Phis they met over there.

PHIS IN FOOT BALL.

IN THE SCROLL for February, 1899, will be found a summary of the fraternity affiliations of foot ball captains in Phi colleges and universities. There were twelve Phis among them. This year there were eleven: Starbuck, at Cornell; Bray, at Lafayette; Core, at W. and J.; Blanton, at Central; Forman, at Alabama; Feagin, at Auburn; Sayers, at Ohio State; Nieding, at Case; Deibler, at Hanover; Eby, at Iowa; Caruthers, at Westminster. For next fall the outlook is promising. Morse, at Vermont; Washburn, at Brown; Starbuck, at Cornell; Robertson, at Central; White, at Alabama; Cave, at Ohio; McGaughey, at Indianapolis; Griffith, at Iowa—have already been reported, and there are certain to be more. When it comes to players who were not captains, space fails us to name them even. From the chapter letters in the October and December SCROLL it seems that at least 105 Phis were regular players, not to mention scores of them on class teams and among the deserving and modest 'scrubs.' Besides the captains there were many individual players whose reputations were national for the time being: Outland and Gardiner, of the Pennsylvania eleven, whose pictures have already appeared in THE SCROLL; Hapgood and Melendy, of Brown, who made the 'varsity when they were freshmen; Johnston, of Illinois, captain last year and the universal choice as one of the backs on the all-western team; Sheldon, Chicago's swift end; Davidson, of Purdue, who played the star game of the season in Indiana—



JOHN DAVIDSON, '02.

Center of the Purdue Eleven, 1899.

and many others. The Phi coaches were more numerous than ever: King, at Wisconsin, whose team brought such dismay to Yale; Newton, at Lafayette (where that other



RAYMOND DONALD STARBUCK, '00,
Captain of the Cornell Eleven, 1899 and 1900.

Phi coach, Davis, preceded him), whose team dashed Cornell's hopes for the championship; F. M. Starbuck, at Cornell, whose victories over Princeton and Columbia are record enough for any eleven; Leary, at Minnesota, who seems to

be bringing out a team like those they had when $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was the foot ball fraternity there; Hobbs, at Iowa, whose eleven tied Chicago and disputes her claim for the western supremacy; and many more, as Lyon, at Mississippi; Pierce, at Tennessee; Ruick, at Franklin. And then the managers—count for yourselves. Read the October and December chapter letters from the foot ball point of view and you have a better story than can be given here. There were Phis as well on many teams in colleges where we have no chapters, as Williams, at Kenyon, and Jones, at Adelbert. Foot ball was played this year at



F. S. DEIBLER, '00.

every Phi institution, but at Emory and Mercer no inter-collegiate games were allowed. Last year there were no 'varsity teams at Columbia, Southwestern, Iowa Wesleyan, Emory or Mercer.

We have made room for the pictures of three or four of our athletes, and have asked Cornell and Lafayette for a word about their famous captains.

Raymond Donald Starbuck, '00, better known to Cornellians as 'Bucky,' hails from Glen Falls, N. Y., where he prepared for Cornell. He is a brother of Frank Starbuck, also a Phi, the famous '94 half back who was the first Cornellian to carry the pig skin across the Princeton line.

Captain Starbuck is an illustration of what conscientious study of the game, persistence, pluck and enthusiasm can do. As a freshman, he did not aspire to foot ball honors, but contented himself with crew work under Charles Courtney. The second year Bro. Starbuck was disabled early in the season and accomplished but little on the gridiron. It was in his junior year in the game with the Carlisle Indians that Starbuck first displayed his qualities as a full back. All last season he was an able side partner of Captain Whiting. In fact, it was Starbuck who time and time again ripped open the Princeton and Pennsylvania lines—he was undoubtedly Cornell's best ground gainer. He was rewarded with the captaincy of the '99 eleven, and the record of the team this year is certainly a brilliant one. His playing has steadily improved, in spite of the captaincy; he has the confidence and good will of coaches, players and candidates. 'Bucky' will long be remembered by New York Alpha and

all Cornellians for the victories over Princeton and Columbia. He has been rewarded with the very unusual honor of a re-election to the captaincy, thus giving New York Alpha Cornell's captain for three successive seasons.

KELTON EWING WHITE.

Edward Griswold Bray entered Lafayette College in the fall of 1896, and will consequently be graduated at the next commencement.

Before coming to Lafayette he attended the New Jersey State Normal School, and played on both the foot ball and base ball teams of that institution.

In his freshman year at Lafayette he played his regular position of full back on the team which beat Pennsylvania six to four, and it was due largely to his punting that the game was won. This team also played a tie game with Princeton. It was coached by a Phi, Parke Hill Davis.

As captain of the '99 foot ball team Bro. Bray has acquitted himself with honor. It is with justifiable pride that Lafayette looks back over the season with 253 points in her favor as against 23 scored by her opponents. That we were

able to score against the largest colleges in the country was due in large measure to Captain Bray's excellent playing and his good judgment in handling his team. It will be hard to fill his place next fall as captain, and it is unlikely that a full back of his ability will be developed in Lafayette for a long time. Bro. Bray's reputation as a base ball player is only second to his fame in foot ball. He has played center field ever since entering college. It was in his first season that Lafayette beat all the large colleges, and his playing has always been of the highest order.

That athletics are no excuse for low grades in scholarship is proven by



CAPTAIN E. G. BRAY, 00,
Of the Lafayette Eleven.

the following extract from an editorial taken from the college weekly: 'It is no secret that the grade of the captain of our victorious eleven of '99 was among the highest in his class, and grades in Lafayette are not given for athletic prowess.' The fact is that the same earnestness which characterizes Captain Bray on the athletic field is brought to bear on his studies, and with the same result, as his reputation as a student is no less than his reputation as an athlete. He has been chosen by his class as master of ceremonies at their commencement exercises.

Bro. Bray is a man of whom $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ may be proud, and there is every reason to believe that his work in the world will be of as much credit to himself and those who call him brother as his work in college has been.

WILLIAM C. ISETT.

Deibler, of Hanover, like Bro. Oldfather last year, combines scholarship with athletic prowess to an unusual degree. Oldfather was foot ball captain, state tennis champion and prize orator of his college. Bro. Deibler this year captained the eleven while he was preparing the oration that won again for Indiana Epsilon.

Davidson, of Purdue, has a $B \Theta II$ brother at Indiana who lined up against him on Thanksgiving day. But that is another story. Davidson plays a most unusual game for a center, tackling the runner on nearly every end play and breaking through the line regularly to block kicks. He is not as tall as most centers, and won the hearts of all Purdue by playing all around Notre Dame's giant center in the fiercest game Purdue had. He goes in also for track athletics and base ball, and, as he is only a sophomore, is sure to make an athletic record at Purdue.

It may not be amiss to call attention to the fact, in conclusion, that on the Lafayette eleven last season there were four Phis, Bros. Bray, Hubley, Trout and Bachman—an unusual record for a chapter with so many rivals.

The Brown chapter makes a great showing, too. For three years now Haggood and Melendy have been two of the strongest men in the line. This year they were reinforced on the squad by Boynton and Stillman. Since the season closed, Washburn, captain for 1900, who has been spiked in the last two and a half years by eleven or twelve fraternities at Brown, has decided for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and has been initiated by Rhode Island Alpha.

HELLENIC.

Σ X has taken the second house at Illinois.

Ω Y Φ is a new musical fraternity at Denver.

Z Ψ and Σ Φ are building stone houses at Michigan.

A new senior fraternity at DePauw is named K B Φ.

Φ K Σ held her convention Christmas week at Chicago.

The Dunstan sophomore society is a new one at Cornell.

Δ K and Φ Π A are two new local sororities at West Virginia.

A O Π is a local sorority at Tulane, the only rival of Π B Φ.

Northern K A, in 1899, published a supplement to its catalogue of 1892.

B Θ Π is contemplating taking a house at Indiana, according to the Δ T Δ *Rainbow*.

The Σ X *Quarterly* reports that Φ Δ Θ and Ψ Y occupy the same house at Minnesota.

K K Γ has completed her new house at Stanford. It is in the old English style and cost \$6,000.

Σ N had a membership on November 11, 1899, of 3,344. There are 40 active chapters and 12 inactive.

A general catalogue of Φ B K is soon to be issued by Dr. E. B. Parsons, of Williams, secretary of the united chapters.

The Michigan chapter of the A Φ sorority subscribes \$25 to the expenses of the athletic association of the university.

Φ Δ Θ leads in numbers [at Washington and Lee] with ten men. The others vary from four to six.—Σ X *Quarterly*.

The Σ N *Delta* offers a prize of \$5 for the best refutation of arguments published in the November number in favor of Θ N E.

A member of Θ Δ X, whose name is withheld, will erect a granite stone over the grave of Abel Beach, founder of that society.

Θ Δ X held her convention at Washington, February 21-23. Φ K Ψ will meet at Columbus, Ohio, in the week following Easter Sunday.

President Harper has offered to allow the Chicago chapters to build on university ground and to lend them financial assistance, if necessary.

Rev. Charles Sheldon, author of 'In His Steps,' and much-advertised editor for one week of the *Topeka Capital*, is a member of ΔY , Brown, '83.

The Fijis are to attend in a body the performance of 'Ben Hur' at New York on March 16, in honor of Gen. Lew Wallace, who is president of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$.

$B \Theta \Pi$ has made a change in its pledge button. The new design is identical in size and shape with the badge, but is enameled in white and bears three stars in gold.

The Iowa and Vanderbilt chapters were the only ones not represented at the last convention of $\Delta T \Delta$; 117 members registered. The next convention goes to Milwaukee.

At Harvard, $H \Pi$, ΔY and Hasty Pudding, who have hitherto combined to make a slate for the senior class elections, have agreed this year to make no slate or combination.

Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, the new head of the Vanderbilt house, was, while at Yale, a member of 'H Βουλῆ' as a sophomore, of ΨY as a junior, of Skull and Bones as a senior.

The author of an article on anti-fraternity legislation in South Carolina in the January *K A Journal* predicts the early repeal of all such legislation in the Palmetto state.

The president of the University of Minnesota has issued a 'temporary injunction,' restraining the fraternities from rushing or pledging high school students before they are graduated.

$\Theta \Delta X$ gave a dinner on October 30 at Sherry's, in New York, to Capt. Benj. P. Lamberton, Dickinson, '62, of the *Olympia*, Admiral Dewey's flagship at Manila. About 100 were present.

Exchanges will please mail one copy to J. Clark Moore, Jr., 2013 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa.; one to Dr. J. E. Brown, 239 E. Town street, Columbus, Ohio; one to Hugh Th. Miller, Box 141, Columbus, Indiana.

The December issue of the *Delineator*, a ladies' fashion magazine, contains a two-page article on 'college friendships,' which refers to the sororities, and is illustrated with a view of the $\Delta \Gamma$ lodge at Ann Arbor.

$\Theta \Delta X$ will publish a new catalogue next summer, if the custodian of the archives returns east in time to finish the work, which he already has well under way. When the copy is ready another brother stands ready to put it through the press and to assume the financial responsibility.

Cornell fraternities have decided to adopt Saturday night for their meetings, in order to avoid any conflict of fraternity and university interests. No university or class functions will be set for Saturday night hereafter.

$\Phi \Delta \Phi$ has entered the law department of Indiana University, establishing a chapter named in honor of Gen. John W. Foster, Indiana Alpha, '55. The charter members of the new organization were mostly non-fraternity men.

The forthcoming manual of $\Sigma A E$, to be issued by Mr. W. B. Selvage, of Brooklyn, will be a cloth-bound book of 150 pages. It is intended as a sort of supplement to the new 1899 catalogue, which will contain no historical matter.

The fraternities at Indianapolis have agreed to do no rushing or pledging among students before they enter the freshman class, and then not until six weeks after college opens. A similar agreement has been made at Minnesota.

The enrollment at the last ΣX convention was 129, of whom 46 were delegates from undergraduate chapters. The Northwestern, Dartmouth, California and North Carolina chapters sent no delegates; of the alumni chapters four sent delegates.

Rev. Robert Lowry, the hymn writer, who died on November 25, was a member of $\Phi K \Psi$ (Bucknell, '54). He was president of the executive council in 1888 and recently editor of the song book. At his funeral the $\Phi K \Psi$ burial service was used.

$\Delta \Sigma \Delta$ (dental) has a new chapter in the University of Indianapolis. $\Xi \Psi \Phi$ (dental) has a chapter house there. Bro. F. G. Wishard, Wabash, '94, is an active member of the latter fraternity. He is president and manager of the university glee and mandolin clubs.

$A K K$ (medical), founded at Dartmouth in 1888, has established five chapters since Mr. Baird's book came out, making ten in all. The last one is at Syracuse. This was preceded by chapters at California, Minnesota, P. & S. (Chicago) and P. & S. (San Francisco).

The anti-frat. men of the university have organized under the leadership of an expelled fraternity man and are waging war on the fraternities. . . . At a meeting for electing foot ball manager . . . with the help of their lady friends the fraternities were successful, and Mr. Wood, of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, was elected manager.—Ohio University letter in $\Delta T \Delta$ *Rainbow*.

It is proposed to make the row facing the University of Pennsylvania campus 'Fraternity Row' and to build all the new chapter houses there. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will have a marked advantage if this is done, as her lot is a corner lot, and the Phi house will lead the row.

ΣN had no active members who returned at Tulane last fall. The Central chapter forbids membership in $\Theta N E$. The University of Washington correspondent says: 'The opposition, supposed to be about to receive a charter from $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, gives the chapter little worry.'

A chapter was established on August 26, 1899, at the University of Minnesota, under promising conditions, having ten men, a chapter house of their own and the enthusiastic support of a large number of $Z \Psi$ alumni in the Twin Cities.—*Greek Letter Men of New York*.

ΣX began the college year with 3 men at Indianapolis, 2 at Hampden-Sidney, 5 at Randolph-Macon, 3 at Northwestern, 6 at Vanderbilt, 5 at Southern California, 4 at Roanoke, 3 at Washington and Lee, 5 at Lehigh. All these chapters have materially increased in size since, however.

The fraternities at Cornell have been unfortunate this year in fatal accidents to their members. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ lost a freshman in the railroad accident at Paterson, N. J.; $K A$ lost one in some preliminary initiatory horse-play; ΔX lost one and had several seriously injured in the burning of her lodge.

The Cornell fraternities this college year took the following number of men from the class of '03: $A \Delta \Phi$, 6; $A \Gamma \Omega$, 6; $B \Theta \Pi$, 6; $X \Phi$, 8; $X \Psi$, 8; ΔX , 4; $\Delta K E$, 13; $\Delta \Phi$, 4; $\Delta T \Delta$, 7; ΔY , 4; $Z \Psi$, 10; $\Theta \Delta X$, 6; $K A$, 7; $K \Sigma$, 8; ΣX , 6; $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, 3; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 12; $\Phi K \Psi$, 6; $\Phi \Sigma K$, 2; ΨY , 9; $\Sigma A E$, 5; total, 140.

$A \Delta \Phi$ issued a new catalogue in 1899. Among its features are a history of each chapter, with views of most of the chapter houses; the records of the military services of members during the civil war, in which over 24 per cent. of the membership then eligible for military service served in the armies and navies of either the Union or the Confederacy; a classified kinship list giving the names of grandfathers and grandsons, fathers and sons, brothers, cousins, uncles and nephews; a locality index, showing the members residing in each town of every state, and an alphabetical index of the whole. The membership as shown by the book is 8,163.

© Δ X has a petition from eight students at Chicago. They call themselves the 'Dragon's Tooth' society. 'Other things being equal,' says the editor of the *Shield*, a petition from Chicago is more likely to succeed than one from California.' He adds an editorial beginning: 'Meantime the California matter hangs fire.'

K Σ has divided the fraternity into nine districts for administrative purposes. The Stanford chapter is the only one in district IX. The next convention will be held at Philadelphia. We learn from the Randolph-Macon letter in the *Caduceus* that Jefferson Davis and Jefferson Davis, Jr., were K Σ's, and that Miss Winnie Davis was a 'sister of the order.'

Walter H. Page is a member of the Trinity (N. C.) chapter of A T Ω. He is a graduate of Randolph-Macon, and was a fellow at Johns Hopkins. He has been editor of the *Forum* and the *Atlantic Monthly*, and he will have charge of the new Harper Cyclopædia, to be published by Harper & Bros., a work which will require about seven years.

K Σ's new chapter at the University of Maryland has secured a house. It is the only fraternity in the college, and is likely not to have any rival. There are many fraternity men in the university from other colleges, but there are always some desirable local (Baltimore) men who have never had any previous college experience, and from them K Σ has secured a good chapter.—Φ Γ Δ *Quarterly*.

Δ X lost her lodge at Cornell by fire on January 29. It was valued at \$8,000 and was insured. Seven men were severely injured by jumping from the third story, and one died later. It is said that students have turned in false alarms of fire so often that the keys to the fire boxes have been removed from the boxes to stores and residences. This makes it harder to call out the department promptly.

K Σ has entered Alabama Polytechnic Institute and revived her chapter at Indiana University. At A. P. I. she meets Σ A E, Φ Δ Θ, A T Ω, K A, Π K A, Σ N; at Indiana, B Θ Π, Φ Δ Θ, Σ X, Φ K Ψ, Δ T Δ, Φ Γ Δ, Σ N. These two give K Σ 53 chapters, if the Michigan chapter still lives. It doubtless does, as it had a house the last we heard of it. The last *Caduceus* omits it from the directory, however. K Σ has established and revived 31 chapters in the last eight years. In the eight years before 1892 she established and revived 26, several of which died later. Of the last twenty years 1881 is the only one which has not witnessed the birth of from one to six chapters of K Σ.

A X Ω, the musical society, now has nine chapters, three having been established since the 1898 Baird appeared. The new branches are at Bucknell, Michigan and Illinois. The *Lyre* is in its fourth volume. A complete list of the society's membership was published in a recent number. Among the honorary members are Mmes. Bloomfield-Zeisler, Rive-King and Marie Decca, Maud Powell and Ellen Beach Yaw.

Excepting the log cabin built by X Ψ at Michigan in 1846, and the log cabin built by Δ K E at Kenyon in 1853, the first chapter house acquired by a Greek-letter fraternity was the building purchased by Σ Φ at Williams in 1857. Other buildings acquired at early dates were the lodge of Δ K E at Yale, built in 1861, the house of K K K (local) at Dartmouth, bought in 1862, and the lodge of Ψ Y at Yale, built in 1870.

The 1898 Δ K E convention placed in the hands of the advisory council the publication of new editions of the song book and catalogue. Δ K E is said to have some good songs, but the last edition of its song book was issued in 1867. The first (\$25), second (\$15) and third (\$10) prizes are offered for songs. In 1890, Δ K E published a catalogue of enormous size, but the new catalogue is to be much curtailed in scope.

Δ T Δ returned one man at Allegheny last fall and has initiated four; three returned at Ohio, and five have been initiated. Six returned at Albion, four at Ohio Wesleyan, six at Tulane, seven at Colorado, five at Wabash, nine at Stanford. The Ohio State chapter has set its standard at sixteen men, thinking it should have at least so many, and believing it to be 'dangerous to have more than sixteen, for it is difficult for a chapter to assimilate a greater number.'

El Paso has followed the example of Salt Lake City and held a rousing Pan-Hellenic banquet. It was on December 12-13, 1899, ending on the latter date just before dawn. The twenty-two Greeks present represented Virginia, Indiana, Sewanee, Hampden-Sidney, Michigan, Hamilton, M. I. T., Kenyon, Columbia, Texas, Kentucky, Wisconsin, W. and J., W. and L. and Trinity; also K Σ, Σ X, X Φ, Δ K E, B ⊙ Π, K A, A Δ Φ, Ψ Y, Σ A E, Δ Y, A T Ω, X Ψ, Φ A Σ, Σ Δ Ψ and Φ B K. Φ Δ ⊙ was represented by A. Gwyn Foster, *Indiana*, '78, and Judge F. E. Hunter, *Indiana*, '79, both of whom were on the toast list and the executive committee of six, Bro. Foster being treasurer. We are indebted to Bro. Hunter for a copy of the El Paso *Herald* containing the report of the banquet.

The fraternities may be conveniently divided into those which are national and those which are sectional, each of these terms referring both to the extent of the fraternities and to the geographical location of their origin. It is a striking commentary upon the fact that the energies of the nation have been concentrated within the Mississippi valley, that all of the college fraternities which have originated therein have grown out of their section and have become national in extent and importance.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

Eighty per cent. of the academic seniors at Yale have signed a petition asking the faculty to abolish the sophomore societies, K Ψ, H Φ and Ἡ Βουλῆ. They claim that men get into these societies by outside pulls and form cliques that control elections to the junior and senior societies; that the system threatens the existence of Yale's boasted democracy. It looks as if the societies would have to go, though some say their abolition could only result in the formation of similar freshman organizations. K Ψ was founded in 1895, H Φ in 1879, Ἡ Βουλῆ in 1875; so it will be seen that they are not a part of Yale's 'traditions.'

President Rogers, of Northwestern, has been having confidential talks with representatives of the sororities and fraternities. He wants smoking on the streets abolished, better conduct in the fraternity houses, an enforcement of the social regulations, no more pledging of academy students. He also asked consideration of the plan of having a resident alumnus act for each chapter in its dealings with the faculty, and of postponing initiations till the second semester. He said that the fraternity that had broken the social rules by giving more than one party a year must make amends or leave the university.

For twelve years in succession Φ Δ Θ has elected a majority of the officers of the Indiana inter-collegiate oratorical association; of late years the only one of the seven officers not a Phi has been the representative of Earlham, a non-fraternity college. This year all the other fraternities in the state combined with the non-fraternity men and succeeded in electing one Δ K E and one Σ X along with four Phis and the Earlham man. C. M. Dickey, *Indiana*, is vice-president; John House, *Franklin*, is recording secretary; J. S. Bartholomew, *Wabash*, is treasurer; F. S. Deibler, *Hanover*, is inter-state delegate. Of the speakers in the contest two were Phis: Omar Covert, of *Franklin*, and F. S. Deibler, of *Hanover*. The following had one each: Δ T Δ, Σ X, Σ N. The Σ N from De Pauw won.



THE OFFICERS OF THE INDIANA INTER-COLLEGIATE ORATORICAL ASSOCIATION.

1. L. A. Folsom, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, Indiana, president; 2. John House, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, Franklin, vice-president; 3. V. B. Demaree, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, Hanover, recording secretary; 4. J. E. Thomas, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, De Pauw, corresponding secretary; 5. W. A. Lybrand, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, Butler, treasurer; 6. C. A. Reeve, Earlham, executive committeeman; 7. W. H. Hays, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, Wabash, inter-state delegate.

(This cut appeared in the Indianapolis News of February 1. The artist, Mr. Powell, is a Butler Sigma Chi.)

Φ Δ Ε is a high-school fraternity founded by C. F. Lamkin, *Westminster*, '99, R. H. McKee, of the same chapter, and two others in the Clinton, Mo., high school, February 12, 1892. It has just published a catalogue with 220 names, perhaps 30 or 40 short of the actual membership. There have been eight chapters established in Missouri and one at Helena, Montana. Besides the two Phis named we note the names of Bros. Ferguson, Chancellor, Cousley and Conway, of Westminster; Gold, of Ohio; Ragland, of Wisconsin; as well as members of Σ Α Ε, Φ Κ Ψ, Σ Χ, Β ⊙ ΙΙ, Σ Ν and Κ Α.

The fraternities at Johns Hopkins, according to Baird, are: Β ⊙ ΙΙ, 1878; Φ Κ Ψ, 1879; Δ Φ, 1885; Α Δ Φ, 1889; Φ Γ Δ, 1891; Southern Κ Α, 1891. A correspondent of the ΙΙ Κ Α *Shield and Diamond*, writing from there, says:

There seems to be no future for fraternities here. The conditions named seem destined to continue. There is no place for the students to get together to become acquainted. No university has a larger representation of fraternities among its students, and none a smaller number of active chapters. The reason must be that the fraternity men see how fruitless would be any attempt at maintaining a useful chapter.

At Colby and at Randolph-Macon the fraternities 'fish' for new men. The rushing season at Vermont is the 'horse-shedding' time; at Dartmouth it is the 'chinning' season. At Randolph-Macon we find a queer synonym for the terms last named; it is 'bugging.' 'Goating' is the word at Virginia and Washington and Lee. 'Goat' is also used as a noun, as is 'fish' at Colby. 'Spike' is a noun at some colleges in the west. All these mean a freshman or other student who has been 'bid' and may apply to him even for a while after he has been 'swung.'

The Κ Κ Γ chapter at St. Lawrence, whose charter was withdrawn in 1898 by the grand council of that sorority and which secured an injunction against Miss Hull, editor of the *Key*, forbidding her to 'consummate' the withdrawal of the charter or to omit the chapter's name, letter or membership from publications edited by her, has launched a magazine of its own—*The Latchstring*. It seems that the other members of the grand council, who were not affected by the New York injunction aforesaid, sent to the freshman girls at St. Lawrence last fall, and to the Δ Δ Δ chapter, a notice that the chapter's charter stands revoked, that the injunction affects Miss Hull alone, that any initiations by the chapter are invalid and any pledges void. The chapter initiated three girls nevertheless, one of them being a daughter of Hon. L. P. Hale, Β ⊙ ΙΙ, attorney for the chapter. Mrs. Hale was a charter member.

The exact date of the founding of $\Phi K \Psi$ is not given in Baird, but the *Shield* states that it has been determined by 'the first minute book kept by the original chapter of $\Phi K \Psi$ at Jefferson College,' and quotes therefrom the following:

Messrs. Moore and Letherman, having written out a constitution which should govern them to a great extent, met in Mr. Letherman's room on the 19th day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and founded the $\Phi K \Psi$ association. Mr. Moore was chosen G. P. and Mr. Letherman P. and G.

On February 23, two members were initiated; February 27, one; May 26, one, and July 9, one. On November 22 one was granted honorable dismissal. During its early years the parent chapter conducted a monthly manuscript journal called the *Mystic Friend*, of which Mr. Jenks, the democratic nominee for governor of Pennsylvania in 1898, was editor while in college.

Southern K A has established a chapter at Hampden-Sidney with four members. The number of students there is something more than one hundred. The fraternities enroll: $B \Theta \Pi$, 9; ΣX , 3; $\Phi K \Psi$, 4; $K \Sigma$, 9; $X \Phi$, 19; $\Pi K A$, 6; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 6; $K A$, 4. There are also two ribbon societies and $\Theta N E$. Hampden-Sidney is a Presbyterian institution, and after Williams and Mary the oldest in Virginia. This gave K A 39 chapters, 7 being in Virginia. Another chapter in that state is contemplated, we are informed. The fortieth chapter of K A was established at Mississippi on January 12, with seven members. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Delta K E$, $\Delta \Psi$, ΣX , $\Delta T \Delta$, $\Phi K \Psi$ and $\Sigma A E$ are represented there. $B \Theta \Pi$ is also there in a state of suspended animation. K A is going into crowded fields with her last two chapters. The Georgia correspondent in the last number favors northern expansion.

The Westminster correspondent of the K A *Journal* referred last fall to the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ chapter there, which had a considerably larger membership (16) than its rivals, as a 'motley host.' An alumnus of Missouri Beta asks us to state a few facts, which we give, withholding only proper names, which he furnishes: 'The chapters at Westminster are $B \Theta \Pi$ (1868), $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ (1880), and K A (1890). Of these $B \Theta \Pi$ has always been our real rival in a contest for desirable men. Owing to heavy losses due to men failing to return, K A and $B \Theta \Pi$ opened weak in September, the former with three men. On the night college opened K A initiated two men, and on the Saturday night following three more. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ made no bids until college had been open a week, having begun with seven men. Of these seven two had received

on entering college invitations to join B @ II and three to join K A. Of the seven but two had not been bid by one of our rivals. Of these two one came to college with a Phi and roomed with him, which might explain his not having a rival bid, and the other was supposed to belong to one of our rivals whenever they wanted him, his father and relatives belonging to that society. Of the nine Phis initiated this fall three were not invited by our rivals. Two of the three had brothers in the chapter, and the third came with a Phi. Of the other six two were bid by B @ II and K A, one by B @ II and three by K A. Since 1895 $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has lost but one spike and that was to B @ II. Since K A entered in 1890 but one man has been lost to them, and that was in 1891.'

ΔY has had a fraternity library since 1887. Since 1894 it has been in charge of Prof. M. G. Dodge, of Hamilton College, and located in the Hamilton chapter house. To the convention in October, 1898, he reported that the library contained 832 volumes and 6,578 pamphlets. Since then over 100 volumes and nearly 3,000 pamphlets have been added. The volumes consist largely of college annuals and fraternity catalogues, the pamphlets largely of college and fraternity magazines, and the catalogues of colleges in which ΔY has chapters. Other fraternity libraries are those of A $\Delta \Phi$, ΨY and $\Delta K E$ in New York, and that of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Columbus. Large private fraternity libraries are owned by Wm. R. Baird, B @ II, New York; T. Alfred Vernon, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, New York; T. T. Hubbard, K A (southern), Norfolk; A. P. Jacobs, ΨY , Detroit; Clay W. Holmes, $\Theta \Delta X$, Elmira, and W. B. Palmer, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, Nashville.

As mentioned in Bro. Palmer's review of the 1899 catalogue of B @ II in the December SCROLL, the catalogue shows that Mr. G. G. McConahey, Washington (now W. and J.), '69, was the originator of the Beta signature, 'In ——— και ———.' It appears, however, that this is an error. 'Fraternity Studies,' by Mr. Wm. R. Baird, 1894, says in regard to the first convention of B @ II in 1842:

Although there is no record of their adoption by this convention, two customs of the fraternity must have been sanctioned by this meeting. One was the adoption of the fraternity's peculiar signature, which we find in no letters dated previous to this date, and which at once became prevalent, and the other was the manner of naming the chapters.

'Fraternity Studies' also contains a letter having this signature which was written January 28, 1846. It is doubtless

true that B Θ II was the first secret society to use a distinctive signature. Before 1842 chapters had been called the Oxford (Miami) chapter, the Hudson (Western Reserve) chapter, etc., but then began 'the system of naming the chapters by Greek letters.'

The February *Beta Theta Pi* quotes 16 pages of Bro. Palmer's review of the Beta catalogue in the last SCROLL. Mr. Baird says editorially:

It is seldom that a college fraternity can learn what others think of it. Competent critics are few—unprejudiced ones are yet smaller in number. It is, therefore, gratifying to be able to reprint in this number of the *Beta Theta Pi* the essay upon the fraternity which, under the guise of a review of our catalogue, Mr. Walter B. Palmer, Φ Δ Θ, has contributed to the current number of THE SCROLL. Mr. Palmer is one of the few fraternity 'cranks' who has made a hobby of fraternity work and who has approached the subject with an open mind and a catholic spirit. He graduated from Emory College, in Georgia, in 1877, and is a son of a member of the Mystic Seven at that place. He also graduated from the law department of Vanderbilt University three years later. He has been an indefatigable worker for Φ Δ Θ, and has held almost every position of honor and trust which that fraternity could bestow upon him.

Although an undergraduate member when inter-fraternity courtesies were unknown and suspicion, distrust and hostility the normal attitude of each fraternity towards its neighbor, he has always been liberal in his fraternity views. He is the author of the Manual of Φ Δ Θ and is now preparing its elaborate history. He has been an ardent student of fraternity affairs and is thoroughly competent to discuss and judge the varying aspects of fraternity life.

We may not be pleased with some things Mr. Palmer has said about B Θ II in the essay we have quoted, but we can rest assured that his judgment is honest and his attitude friendly.

The X Ψ *Purple and Gold* for June quoted thirty pages from James Fenimore Cooper's 'Review of the Mackenzie Case,' which is an argument to show the injustice of the execution of Philip Spencer, founder of X Ψ, who was a midshipman on the United States brig-of-war *Somers*, and who, with two other men named Cromwell and Small, was hung from the yard-arms, for alleged mutiny, December 1, 1842. His father was John A. Spencer, then secretary of war. Another man, named Wales, reported to the officers of the vessel that he had been interviewed by Spencer and that Spencer and others were planning to murder the officers and all whom they could not take with them and turn the brig into a private vessel. A paper containing thirty-two names written in Greek was said to have been found in Spencer's razor-case. Of these thirty-two names, four were marked as certain ('σερταιν'), ten as doubtful ('δουτφυλ'), and eighteen to be taken *volens volens* ('volens volens'). There were also some

directions written in Greek, one being : ' If any not marked down wish to join us after it is done, we will pick out the best and dispose of the rest.' Captain Slidell Mackenzie and the other officers, after a secret meeting, condemned Spencer, Cromwell and Small to death, upon what appears to have been very inconclusive evidence. This issue of the *Purple and Gold* also contains a stenographic report of an interview of W. L. Bassett, Minnesota, '77, and Albee Smith, Middlebury, '68, with M. A. Gedney, who was a seaman on the *Somers* during its fateful voyage, and an eye witness of the executions. He is now seventy-six years of age, and at the head of a large business at Minneapolis. He is quoted as follows :

My opinion is that young Spencer did talk with Cromwell and Small about some wild scheme as charged, but if he did, it was only as an amusement, with no serious thought of it, and with no purpose but simply to talk and mystify the men. He seemed to have no thought of the seriousness of such a thing, or, even when charged with mutiny, aware of his danger, until told to prepare to die in ten minutes. . . . No Greek written paper was ever shown to any one on board the ship, so far as I ever heard or knew of; but that Mackenzie was thoroughly alarmed and believed all the charges at the time, I do not doubt; but I think he afterwards saw what a farce it was, and was ashamed of himself, and wanted to make a showing, and prevent any evidence being obtained as to how small an affair it really was.

Cooper's 'Review' of the case contains an affidavit, purporting to have been made by Mr. Gedney, and presented by Captain Mackenzie at the court martial of the latter when he returned to New York. This affidavit alleged that Gedney had talked with Spencer and that the former believed the latter 'alluded to taking this vessel,' etc. This affidavit was republished in the June *Purple and Gold*. Mr. Gedney now says that he never signed such a statement. The editor says in the November issue :

Mr. Gedney's unqualified denial that he ever signed such a paper strengthens our firm conviction that Mackenzie was a scoundrel in intent and action, and that fearing a just outburst of popular indignation, he wilfully perjured himself, and deliberately forged the signatures to the major portion of the evidence which he offered the court presiding at his trial.

Elsewhere in this issue, however, the editor says that the contradiction between Mr. Gedney's deposition and denial seems 'to be worthy of notice and investigation.' Spencer, it will be remembered, was a son of the secretary of war at that time. Mr. Gedney says that Captain Mackenzie practiced shooting on Bedloe's Island, as he expected a challenge to a duel from Secretary Spencer, but the latter 'seemed to ignore him and paid no attention to him or to the affairs of his son.'

COLLEGIATE.

There are 70 Yale men studying in the Harvard law school.

Two grandsons of Li Hung Chang have come to Nashville to study at Vanderbilt.

One thousand Cuban teachers are to attend the Harvard summer school this year.

The University of Wisconsin machine shops burned on January 10. The loss was \$400,000.

Caspar Whitney has bought *Outing* and proposes later to publish an athletic weekly (no puns, please).

That Quaker college, Earlham, in her coming debate with Indiana, will argue for a large standing army.

The number of students matriculated at Berlin this semester is 6,478, which breaks the record for Germany.

Harvard has located an observatory in Jamaica complementary to her southern hemisphere station in Peru.

The chemistry building at Indiana University was burned on February 7. The loss of \$20,000 was covered by insurance.

'Pop' Warner, the Cornell foot ball player and coach, will have full charge of all the Carlisle Indian athletic teams hereafter.

Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister, delivered the oration on university day, February 22, at the University of Pennsylvania.

The 'varsity 'C' at Cornell is not only worn on its winner's sweater, but appears also in a 'shingle' or certificate given to those who wear it.

Indiana lost to Illinois in debate on February 9, while upholding Great Britain's side in the South African war. She debates with Earlham in April.

The Purdue athletic association's receipts for 1899 were \$5,610. Expenses were \$4,532. The manager is a graduate and member of the faculty.

In his annual report President Eliot, of Harvard, favors a three-year course, criticises unfairness and mercenary spirit in athletics and approves of debating.

California won the Carnot medal at debate again this year over Stanford. It goes to the best individual speaker. Stanford won it in 1895, and California has won since.

It is reported that since Admiral Sampson has declined the presidency of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Secretary Long, of the navy, may be offered the position.

The Cornell chess team, which played Pennsylvania and Brown, had one member from the medical department in New York city. The tournament was won by Pennsylvania.

The Cambridge University senate has decided to retain the order of merit in making up lists of men granted degrees and to continue to bestow the title of senior wrangler upon the first on the list.

Our readers are referred to the chapter letters from Stanford, California, Dartmouth and other institutions for news of importance in regard to new buildings, endowments and other kindred matters.

It is hoped to establish an American Henley at Poughkeepsie, where Cornell, Pennsylvania, Columbia and Wisconsin rowed last year. Toronto, Princeton, Brown, Syracuse and Bowdoin have been invited to send crews.

At Vanderbilt, so the *Caduceus* says, the fraternities that have of late years initiated most professional students are now most dangerously depleted in numbers. There is probably a connection between these two facts.

President Graves, Columbia, '92, of the University of Washington, who was elected two years ago, at the age of twenty-eight, has seen the attendance increase in that time from 150 to 500. The university is situated at Seattle.

Col. W. J. Bryan continues to lecture to college audiences, an admission of 25 cents being charged in order to raise \$250 to establish an annual Bryan prize for the best essay on some political topic. His last lecture was at North Carolina.

Buchtel College, which was almost entirely destroyed by fire on December 20, at a loss of \$100,000, will be rebuilt by this fall. The gymnasium has been divided by partitions into class rooms, and other classes recite at the president's residence.

The students at Northwestern maintain an employment bureau. One half the 1,000 students at Evanston are said to support themselves. Michigan has a standing committee which secures students and graduates positions as teachers ; 132 were provided for last year.

Johns Hopkins asks the Maryland legislature to appropriate \$50,000 annually for two years toward its income. Its expenses are \$200,000, and the income from investments is only \$100,000, \$50,000 being realized from tuition. The university has no debts and owns property valued at \$1,000,000.

When the new library building at Stanford was entered, many of the professors dismissed classes, that the students might aid in carrying the books to their new shelter. It required but an hour and a quarter to transfer the working library. The whole collection numbers 47,000 volumes and 5,000 pamphlets.

Texas has had orange and white as colors for some years. A change has been agitated, and the university was polled recently on the question. The medical department at Galveston voted almost solidly for 'royal blue' and carried the day by a plurality of seven votes over two combinations largely favored in the academic department.

President Faunce, of Brown, recently visited all the alumni associations of his university in the central and western states and formed six new ones. The Chicago and Cleveland alumni promise to run two special trains to Providence for the next commencement. Brown debates with Dartmouth in May on the English-Boer controversy.

University circles at Cincinnati have been greatly excited by President Ayers's call for the resignations of most of the faculty, to take effect at commencement. Prof. Myers and one other professor, whose resignations were not called for, have resigned, and the former terms the action of the president 'professional assassination.' Unprejudiced outsiders are inclined to side with President Ayers in the controversy. The faculty at Cincinnati has always had ability, but it has been sadly lacking in unity and concentrated energy. A clean sweep was probably the only feasible way of ushering in a new era. President Ayers is a Michigan ΔY . Friends of the dismissed professors among the citizens are taking up their cause.

The presidents of all the larger universities met at Washington this month to confer in regard to requirements for admission to graduate courses of study and to raising the standard of required work so as to gain more credit in foreign universities. Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Johns Hopkins, Princeton, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Chicago, Michigan, Wisconsin, California, Stanford and several others sent representatives.

Harvard defeated Princeton in debate this year for the sixth consecutive time. Bro. Wilbur C. Morse, *Pennsylvania*, '99, led the Harvard team, this being his fourth annual appearance in inter-collegiate debate. The team was presented with gold medals by the associated debating societies of Harvard. One member of the Harvard team was a negro, a son of B. K. Bruce, once senator from Mississippi and later register of the United States treasury.

When the eighteenth century ended the United States contained 5,250,000 inhabitants and 25 colleges. The close of the nineteenth century shows more than thirteen times as many people, but more than eighteen times as many colleges. In 1800 the 25 colleges had barely 100 professors with 1,000 to 2,000 students. In 1900 the 450 colleges and universities enroll over 10,000 members of their faculties alone. They have over 50,000 young men in college and over 15,000 young women; over 4,000 students in the graduate schools, of which one-fifth are women; over 25,000 in the professional schools, of which one in thirty is a woman. In the lack of any definite statistics in the year 1800 we can not make an exact comparison, but this fact is sure, that there are five times as many college professors to-day as there were college students then, and the students have increased 5,000 per cent. It is doubtful if the total property of the 25 colleges in 1800 was worth \$1,000,000. The income of the colleges and universities to-day approaches \$20,000,000 a year. Their entire property is at least a quarter of a billion dollars (\$250,000,000), an estimated increase over one hundred years ago of 25,000 per cent.—Chancellor H. M. MacCracken, of New York University, in the *New York World*.

THE PYX.

The editor is under continued obligations to Bros. R. C. Victor, editor-in-chief of the *Daily Palo Alto*; W. A. Womer, business manager of the *Allegheny Campus*; H. H. Keller, business manager of the *Gettysburgian*; E. E. Witt, editor-in-chief of the *Texas University Calendar*; J. W. Ihlder, of the *Cornell Daily Sun*; J. M. Cunningham, business manager of the *Indianapolis University Brief*, and other Phi editors and managers for their magazines. The *Lombard Review* and the *Hillsdale New Collegian* have also been sent us, as well as irregular copies of the *Ohio Wesleyan College Transcript*, *Alabama Crimson-White*, the *Franklin Kodak*, the *Brunonian* (Brown), the *De Pauw Palladium*, the *Lafayette Touchstone* and the *Syracuse University Forum*. The *Franklin* and *DePauw* papers have Phi editors-in-chief, Bro. Isett is manager of the *Touchstone*, and Bro. Marriott is on the *Forum* staff. Bro. Moseley is artist of the *Brunonian*. Send us more college papers.

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The editor has so far received circular letters from Vermont, Cornell, Dartmouth, Union, Case, Ohio, Williams, Sewanee and Allegheny. Read what was printed in the last *Palladium* about circular letters and issue yours at once. Brown informs us that she really did issue a letter in 1897 and that her record is perfect in that line.

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The editor desires to acknowledge invitations to Illinois Delta's house-warming reception on Friday, February 2, 1900; to Ohio Theta's reception at the Lincoln Club Hall, December 22, 1899; to Ohio Zeta's musicale at the chapter house, February 22, 1900; to a lecture by Bro. Paul R. Bullard, '97, on his travels in Central America, in the rooms of the Brown chapter, January 12, 1900.

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The Dartmouth circular letter shows that in the last two years our chapter has had five editors and managers, two 'varsity captains and managers, two musical leaders and managers, ten class captains and managers, three class presidents, six presidents and managers of college organizations, eleven scholarship honors and prizes. But two rival chapters, ΨY and $A \Delta \Phi$, have held honors in all of these lines in the same period, and where $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ counts the thirty-nine honors enumerated, the former has nineteen and the latter fourteen.

Ohio Theta's reception and dance given at the Lincoln Club Hall, in Cincinnati, December 22, 1899, was a most enjoyable affair. Mmes. A. B.



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J. B. Kemper, '99.

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Thrasher, W. E. Bundy, Jas. B. Swing and Leopold Markbreit were patronesses, and among the older Cincinnati alumni present were Bros. W. H. Jackson, Andrew C. Kemper, D. D. Woodmansee and their wives, Scott Bonham, J. M. Smedes, Benj. Wright, C. E. Smith, L. Shearer, Dr. Southgate, Dr. J. L. Cleveland and all the alumni of Ohio Theta. Bros. Peck, Laidlaw and Williams, of Purdue, were also present. The feature of the evening was the presentation of a statue of Pallas, our patron goddess, to the chapter by Bro. James B. Kemper, now a lieutenant in the Philippine service.

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Bros. S. K. Ruick, Jr., and F. J. Stults, *De Pauw*, '97, are planning a party of Phis, their parents, brothers, sisters, wives, sweethearts and friends, for the Paris exposition. A reduced rate can be secured by such co-operation, and a trip in such company would be doubly pleasant. Bro. Ruick may be

Many of the chapters, those at Gettysburg, Brown, Kansas and Sewanee, for instance, have been completing their files and binding volumes of THE SCROLL and *The Palladium*. This is an excellent plan. Every chapter should have a complete file from the date of the chapter's establishment, at least.

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'The Honorable Peter Stirling,' Wisconsin Alpha's bull-dog mascot, who was mentioned in THE SCROLL some time since as having received the honor of a picture and biography in a Milwaukee paper, was recently favored in the same way by the Chicago *Times-Herald*. Among the new stories related in this sketch are some of the Honorable Peter's feats in diving and high jumping, including a leap out of the third-story window of the chapter house.

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On page 147 of the last SCROLL it was stated that Mr. Matthews, captain of the W. and J. eleven for 1899, was a Phi. Bro. Core's name should have appeared instead.

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On November 26, 1899 the *Ohio State Journal* gave an elaborate set of illustrations of O. S. U. chapter houses, those of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $B \Theta \Pi$, $X \Phi$ and $\Sigma A E$. The Phi house is the only one of which two views are given and is dubbed 'the senior of the four' in the descriptive article, which takes up the houses in order of the chapter's establishment. The Philadelphia Sunday papers have for some time taken turns in presenting the three new houses just completed at the U. of P., those of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, ΨY and $\Delta \Phi$. We hope to have a picture of that house of ours for THE SCROLL soon.

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The menu card of the Amherst initiation banquet is beautifully done in white and light blue. There were nine freshmen and one sophomore to be initiated, and the menu and toast list were very elaborate. Bros. Crary, Gladwin and Keedy were the committee in charge.

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The Dartmouth *Aegis* was the first annual to arrive this year. The Amherst *Olio* and the *Columbian* are now due. Be sure to send THE SCROLL a copy promptly. Use only the official coat-of-arms if you have a plate; Mr. R. B. Lockwood, 203 Broadway, New York city, is alone authorized to supply it. Prepare the roll of chapters carefully. Consult the last SCROLL directory for province arrangement and Baird or the Manual for dates of establishment.

The editor may as well admit that business does not yield as many weekly vacations or vacant hours for SCROLL work as teaching did. He feels that he has done very well under the circumstances to get this number printed in February. It may come easier after a time. Meanwhile he expresses his appreciation of the patience of subscribers generally.

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Please do not send letters or papers to Indianapolis, Irvington or Columbus, Ohio. Write Columbus, *Indiana*, Box 141.

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In having cuts of chapter groups made for college annuals, do not order them over 6½ inches long or 3½ wide. Inside of these limits THE SCROLL will be very glad to use them. When you send them to the editor, send at the same time a key giving names of all the men in the picture.

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Find out if your committee has prepared the circular letter, if the historian has sent his report to the H. G. C., if the treasurer has collected and the reporter has forwarded the February general dues.

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We note in the Ohio Wesleyan *College Transcript* of January 11 a list of high grades given for work in the fall term. The Phi fared well, and the only 100 awarded by the faculty went to Bro. W. E. Lowther, '02, in freshman Greek.

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TWO DISTINGUISHED INTER-COLLEGIATE DEBATERS

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PHIS IN DEBATE.

Inter-collegiate debate is a form of student rivalry that yields precedence in intense interest and practical value to none other. Intellectual ability and agility, ease of manner and speech are developed by it; subjects of public interest are investigated in a manner that often puts to shame our oracular editors and legislators; class, college and university spirit are encouraged with none of the offensive accompaniments that are occasionally found in the train of athletics. Our ambitious Phis can find no more promising field than this in which to win distinction for themselves and for the organizations and institutions they represent. We take great pleasure this month in presenting two members of the fraternity who have won unusual fame in student forensics.

Bro. Wilbur Morse is a veteran debater. He became a Phi at Pennsylvania in his freshman year, but soon went to Harvard, where he made the freshman team that defeated Yale in 1895. After a year's work out of school on a newspaper and in a law office, during which time he met the many Phis who were at the Philadelphia convention of 1896, he returned to Harvard and made the 'varsity team that met Yale in his sophomore year. As a junior he went on the team against Princeton and won the \$100 Coolidge prize for individual excellence the first time it was offered. This year he led the team that defeated Princeton in December and the one that crushed Yale in March. On every occasion he made the team in competitive trials in which from forty to sixty of the star debaters of the university took part. His is easily the best record so far in the inter-collegiate debate, and a brilliant career doubtless awaits him in the profession of the law. He has been invited by the Brown University debaters to appear before them in a lecture on the art and science of debate. Bro. Morse's biography was given in *THE SCROLL* in December, 1897.

Another conspicuous debater is Bro. Bernard Morris Leon Ernst, of the Columbia chapter. Bro. Ernst, like several other members of New York Delta, is of southern origin, having been born in Uniontown, Alabama. He was at first a student in the College of the City of New York, New York Gamma's old home, where he was a prize essayist and speaker, taking part also in public debate. He entered Columbia in 1897 and has each season since made the team that met Chicago. The first debate was won in New York in 1898, the second lost in Chicago in 1899, and the third won in New York this year before an audience of 3,000 people in the Carnegie Music Hall. Bro. Ernst was leader of the team. He has held many positions of distinction at Columbia, winning prizes in debate and oratory, managing the *Columbia Literary Monthly*, and being honored in many official ways by class, clubs and societies. He is an athlete of considerable versatility, being a champion high jumper, a runner and member of lacrosse, base ball and tennis teams and organizations. He became a Phi during his first year at Columbia, and is serving his second term as president of New York Delta. He took his academic degree in 1899 and then entered the law school, where he will remain two years longer.

Nor are these the only Phis who have won renown on the platform this year. Bro. Hall is leader of the Brown team which is soon to meet Dartmouth. In the DePauw-Butler debate this year the strongest individual speech of the evening was made by Bro. Thomas, of Indiana Zeta, as last year Bro. Hobbs, of Indiana Gamma, was the star of the same event. In the coming debate between Hanover and Franklin, Bro. Masterson and Bro. House will be pitted against each other. Bro. Davis represents Kausas against Colorado in April. Bro. Stafford was on the Iowa Wesleyan team that defeated Illinois Wesleyan this year. In the Knox-Beloit debate Bro. Parkin leads the Knox team. Bro. Cox speaks for Colby against Bates, and Bro. Fairchild for Wisconsin against Missouri. Bro. Bernard will represent North Carolina against Vanderbilt. Bro. Presby was one of the Dickinson debaters against Pennsylvania State and will lead his team against Syracuse. Bro. Bayes at Ohio Wesleyan and Bro. Burruss at Missouri have been doing good work in this same line, and we might name many more. The debating team is so small, and such hard work is required to win and hold a place on it, that we feel our men are making an excellent showing. In many southern colleges, as at

Southwestern, Mississippi, Emory, Mercer and Randolph-Macon, public speaking is held in high esteem, and the Phis hold an enviable record in the prize lists and on the commencement stage. We are proud of our debaters and orators and declaimers. Now and then it looks as if our athletes were about to monopolize our attention, and it is good to see our writers and speakers holding their own so well with them.

RECENT FRATERNITY CATALOGUES.

Continued from the February Scroll.

THE FIRST SOUTHERN FRATERNITY TO ENTER THE NORTH.

CATALOGUE OF THE ALPHA TAU OMEGA FRATERNITY, 1865-1897. Washington, D. C., 1897. 8vo; pp. xvi+360; cloth.

This is called the 'first edition' of the catalogue of A T Ω, though preliminary catalogues were issued in 1878 and 1896. As a first edition it is highly creditable to the fraternity. The chief defect seems to be that full names are lacking for quite a large number of members. It is noticeable that two addresses each are given for many members, the first being probably the residence at the time of matriculation at college, and the second the present residence. Two sizes of type are used—small pica and brevier, which waste a good deal of space. A serious fault is that members who received honorary election or post-graduate initiation are not distinguished from regular members. Thus it is impossible to tell from this book that the late Rt. Rev. Charles T. Quintard was bishop of Tennessee when he accepted membership in A T Ω. However, other fraternity catalogues have the same fault. This book contains a geographical list and an alphabetical list, but the former does not include the streets and numbers of members living in large cities. There is no table of relationship. When all is said, however, there are far worse fraternity catalogues than that of A T Ω. Eight members of a publication committee, who presumably acted as the editorial corps, are named. Typographically the work is unexceptionable. The following is quoted from an historical sketch which fills two introductory pages:

The A T Ω fraternity was founded in the city of Richmond, Va., on the 11th day of September, 1865, by the Rev. Otis Allan Glazebrook, D. D., Captain Alfred Marshall and Judge Erskine Mayo Ross, all three residents of that city. The idea was undoubtedly conceived by the first named of the honored brothers, who prepared alone an outline of a constitution and secret work, and then invited his chosen

friends to a conference at which he submitted it to them. The memorable meeting was held in the rear parlbr of the residence of Dr. Glazebrook's father, and the compact was then and there ratified and confirmed by the three. Ross had recently graduated from the Virginia Military Institute, at Lexington, Va., while Glazebrook and Marshall were at the time just entering the senior class of the same institution. The mother chapter, therefore, was placed at the Virginia Military Institute, and from it the fraternity has grown.

The book contains four pages of illustrations—an emblematic design, the birthplace of A T Ω in Richmond, a view of V. M. I., and portraits of the founders. The portrait of Captain Alfred Marshall represents him as a strikingly handsome man. He was not a captain in the Confederate army, as may be supposed, but of the V. M. I. cadets in 1866. He was a civil engineer, and died in 1870. Judge Erskine M. Ross was a justice of the court of appeals of California, and, since 1892, has been a justice of the U. S. circuit court. Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook is rector of St. John's Church, Elizabeth, N. J. He was not only the originator of A T Ω , but has done a great deal for its advancement in later life. He has been editor of the fraternity magazine, called the *Palm*, and still is a member of the high council. He occupies a position in A T Ω very analogous to that occupied by Rev. Robert Morrison, D. D., in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. His son, Larkin W. Glazebrook, M. D., is now worthy grand chief of the fraternity.

A T Ω having been founded in the south, is naturally stronger in the south than in any other section, yet it is not represented at Washington and Lee, Tennessee or Southwestern, and it has no chapters at all in the states of West Virginia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Arkansas and Missouri. Its most flourishing chapter probably is at Sewanee, where it was established in 1877, getting four years the start of all other Greek orders. In 1881 the fraternity entered the northern states, being the first southern fraternity to enter the north. It then began establishing chapters at a very rapid rate—too rapid indeed for all to get on a permanent footing. The result was that chapters at M. I. T., Columbia, Stevens, W. & J., Michigan and some other places did not live long. Other chapters which are still active were placed at inferior institutions, as St. Lawrence, Muhlenberg, Wittenberg, Mt. Union, Adrian, Albion and Hillsdale. Yet the fraternity has secured a position in some of the most important universities, as Vermont, Brown, Cornell, Pennsylvania, O. W. U., O. S. U., Illinois and Stanford.

One peculiarity about A T Ω was its 'community chapters,' which were not connected with colleges, and the mem-

bers of which were as a usual thing not college men. There were eight such chapters, located at Alexandria and Harrisonburg, Va.; Weston, W. Va.; Rome, Ga.; Memphis, Knoxville and Columbia, Tenn., and Chicago, Ill. They were chartered during the years from 1866 to 1875, and initiated 82 members, but they have been inoperative for a good many years. The total membership given in this catalogue is 4,134—3,937 living and 194 dead.

ANTE-BELLUM PROPAGANDA—POST-BELLUM INERTIA.

CATALOGUE OF THE ALPHA DELTA PHI. New York. Published by the Executive Committee of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity. 1899. Large 8vo; pp. xx+981; cloth.

The $\Delta \Phi$ fraternity, which was founded in 1832, has issued thirteen editions of its catalogue. The year of publication and the membership shown by each is as follows: 1837, 188; 1840, 329; 1845, 655; 1848, 943; 1851, 1,210; 1854, 1,530; 1857, 1,938; 1860, 2,500; 1865, 3,150; 1870, 3,753; 1876, 4,563; 1882, 5,345; 1899, 8,163. The number of living members in 1899 was 6,206. The edition of 1882 was edited by Talcott Williams, Amherst, '73, of the *Philadelphia Press*. The edition of 1899 does not mention the name of its editor. The 1882 or semi-centennial edition was reviewed by the undersigned in *THE SCROLL* for November, 1884.

The similarity between the 1882 and 1899 editions is striking. The preface to the latter says: 'The general arrangement is almost precisely the same as in the semi-centennial catalogue. The page is slightly larger in order to avoid undue thickness.' The same old style type is used, and the same quality of paper, which is thin but opaque and well finished. The typography in every way is excellent, reflecting credit on the Rockwell & Churchill Press, Boston, the same imprint that appeared on the edition of 1882. Each chapter list is preceded with brief annals of the chapter, a list of the charter members, and in some cases with a list of college honors won by members. The lists are arranged in the order that the chapters were established, and the names in each list in the order of classes, except that the names of the members of the Johns Hopkins chapter are arranged according to years of initiation. The most noticeable difference between the editions of 1882 and 1899 is that each name in the former is followed by two Greek capital letters, which have had some secret meaning, while in the latter all Greek letters are discarded. The name of each member in the chapter lists and his residence are set in large type on one line, the names in capitals and small capitals, and the residence in lower case

type. The names of honorary members, however, are in italics, and $\Delta \Phi$ deserves commendation for thus plainly distinguishing them. The prefatory pages say :

Early in the history of the fraternity the line between graduate and non-graduate membership was by no means closely drawn. The early prosperity and success of many of our chapters turned upon the earnest support of young graduates in the vicinage, often members of the faculty, elected after receiving a degree.

There are a good many of these honorary members, the Miami chapter, for instance, having had 11. The number of incomplete names (initials only for first or middle names or both) is very much larger than in the catalogues of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and $\Psi \Upsilon$, though not larger than in the catalogues of most other fraternities. The Miami list contains 207 names, and of these 17 are incomplete, which is nearly as many incomplete names as appear in all chapter lists in the 1894 catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. The occupation and biographical data of each member of $\Delta \Phi$ appear beneath his name and residence, but in smaller type. The data in the edition of 1899 are even more full than in 1882. The date and place of marriage and the antenuptial name of the wife of each married member are given as far as ascertained, an innovation introduced by the $\Delta K E$ catalogue of 1891. Words in the biographical data are abbreviated, though not as much as they might be to advantage. Baccalaureate degrees are not given, but a dagger is prefixed to the name of each member who was not graduated. The year of death of each deceased member is unnecessarily duplicated, being given on the line with the name as well as at the end of the biographical data. The 1882 catalogue gave the names of fathers and sons and of brothers in $\Delta \Phi$. The 1899 edition also gives the names of grandfathers and grandsons. It also gives the names of uncles and nephews and of cousins, which is another imitation of the $\Delta K E$ catalogue of 1891. Eighty-three pages are occupied with a record of members of $\Delta \Phi$ in the war of 1861-65, a repetition of what appears in the biographical data in the chapter lists. However, $\Delta \Phi$ has reasons to be proud of this record. The catalogue of 1865 contained 3,150 names, while 786 members were enlisted in the Union and Confederate army and navy. The locality index is arranged by states and towns in the United States, followed by Canada and then by other foreign countries. The street addresses of members living in the larger cities are given in the locality index as well as in the chapter lists. In the index of names the italic letters *k* and *m* are prefixed to names to refer to the kinship list and the military record. The running footnote in the locality index and the index of

names, which was found in the 1882 catalogue of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$, and which suggested a similar footnote running through the residence directory and alphabetical arrangement of the 1883 and 1894 catalogues of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, is omitted from the 1899 catalogue of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$. Throughout the 1899 edition classes are given in full; thus, 1868, not '68, although no confusion in regard to the centuries would arise for a number of years yet. At the end of the book are additions and corrections received while it was in press.

The edition of 1882 has a good many pages of tabular summaries, but the only table in the 1899 edition is one page giving the membership by chapters as shown in the thirteen editions. After each chapter list is the number showing the total membership of that chapter, but the number in the various states and towns is not enumerated as in 1882. The table of membership by occupations which was given in 1882 was omitted in 1899. A list of conventions shows that conventions have been held in 1836, 1837, 1839, 1841, 1845, 1847, 1850, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1863, and annually since. The charter granted by the legislature of New York incorporating 'The Executive Council of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity' is quoted. It says:

The objects of such corporation shall be to promote morality, learning, benevolence and social culture among the members of the said fraternity, and to take charge of its property and business interests.

The charter from the legislature further says that the executive council shall have, among other powers, the power 'to provide for the organization of such chapters as it may see fit, under such rules, by-laws and regulations as the said executive council may establish, and with such powers as it shall give, consistent with this act and not in conflict with the laws of this state.' From this it may be inferred that the executive council has the determining voice in the establishment of chapters, though the convention also doubtless votes upon such questions. The 1899 edition contains a page giving chronologically important dates in the history of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$, also a description of the twelve earlier editions of the catalogue. The bibliography of other $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ works, the list of delegates to conventions, notes regarding convention enactments, a list of graduate chapters and the dates of large alumni dinners and other meetings, which were features of the edition of 1882, are omitted from the 1899 edition, the preface of which says:

Since the catalogue begins to assume such large proportions, the matters of which they treated must necessarily be relegated to another work, which will doubtless be undertaken by the fraternity hereafter.

Certain information, however, has been retained for convenience of reference.

The 1882 edition has an emblematic design as a frontispiece. It also has a photo-engraved page illustrating the five chapter-houses which $\text{A } \Delta \Phi$ then owned, at Hamilton, Amherst, Dartmouth, Williams and Cornell. The edition of 1899 has no frontispiece, but it has half-tone illustrations of ten chapter houses, each occupying a page, situated at Hamilton, Amherst, Bowdoin, Michigan, Rochester, Wesleyan, Kenyon, Union, Cornell and Trinity—all owned except the one at Bowdoin, which is rented. The 1899 edition is handsomely bound in green cloth. On the back is stamped, 'Catalogue of the $\text{A } \Delta \Phi$ '; and on the front cover, 'Catalogue of the Alpha Delta Phi, MDCCCXCIX,' and the original slab badge, which is still worn by Yale Alpha Deltas, while members of other chapters wear the badge which was officially recognized in 1875. The original badge was an oblong slab, with rounded corners, displaying a crescent, bearing ' $\text{A } \Delta \Phi$,' above which was a star, and below which was '1832.' The newer emblem is a crescent, bearing ' $\text{A } \Delta \Phi$,' and holding a star between its horns.

The catalogue of $\text{A } \Delta \Phi$ has now reached 1001 pages, and to print such a book requires many thousands of dollars. Seventeen years intervened between the 1882 and 1899 editions, and unless a great curtailment is made in the data which the book contains, it seems probable that another edition will not be printed for a quarter of a century. It would be far better to diminish the volume to one-third its present size, and issue a new edition every five years. To do this the amount of biographical detail would of course have to be very largely reduced, retaining only the most essential data, and the whole would have to be set most compactly to save expense.

Every fraternity except $\text{A } \Delta \Phi$ and $\Delta \Upsilon$ utilizes the Greek letters in designating its chapters. $\Delta \Upsilon$ calls its chapters by the names of the colleges at which they are located. $\text{A } \Delta \Phi$ has much the same system of nomenclature, but with interesting variations. The chapters at Hamilton, Miami, Columbia, Yale, Amherst, Harvard, Bowdoin, Dartmouth, Rochester, Alabama, Williams, Kenyon, Union, Cumberland, Cornell, Johns Hopkins, Minnesota, Toronto, Chicago and McGill are called by the names of the institutions at which they are located. Latinized words are used for two chapters—Urban for the one at the College of the City of New York, and Brunonian for the one at Brown. The Indian name Manhattan designates the New York Uni-

versity chapter. The names of college towns are used for three chapters—Geneva for the one at Hobart, Hudson (where Western Reserve was originally located) for the one at Adelbert, and Middletown for the one at Wesleyan. The Michigan chapter has a geographical name, Peninsular. The Trinity chapter is called Phi Kappa, the name of the local society which $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ absorbed in 1877.

The $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ fraternity was founded at Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y., and it is the only fraternity which was founded in that institution. It dates from 1832, being antedated by only $K \Lambda$, $\Sigma \Phi$ and $\Delta \Phi$, all three of which were founded at Union. $K \Lambda$ was founded in 1825 and remained a local society until 1833. $\Sigma \Phi$ was founded in 1827 and $\Delta \Phi$ later in the same year. $\Delta \Phi$ remained local until 1838, but $\Sigma \Phi$ established a chapter at Hamilton in 1831, which led to the organization of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ there the following year. As $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ was the first fraternity to enter the west, its history is far more interesting to members of fraternities of western origin, especially the Miami Triad— $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and ΣX —than is the history of any other fraternity of eastern origin. The following quotation from the annals of the parent chapter is the most detailed account of the founding of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ that has yet appeared:

In the winter of 1831-32 five students of Hamilton College came together in an upper chamber, after the evening lamps were lighted, to devise a method of helping each other forward in their study and culture and preparations for the future. They felt the need of warmer nutriment for their souls than that furnished by the drilled dry lessons of the class-room. Yielding to a good inspiration, which sometimes teaches the inexperienced to plan and build more wisely than they know, these five young men banded themselves together in a life-long league, which had in it the seeds of a wide-spread institution. The names of the five students were: Samuel Eells, who died in Cincinnati in 1842; Lorenzo Latham, who died in New Orleans in 1860; Henry Lemuel Storrs, whose death in 1852 closed the earthly career of an eloquent and devoted minister; Oliver Andrew Morse, who died in 1870; and John Curtiss Underwood, whose death occurred in 1873. In this movement Samuel Eells exercised a controlling influence. When he entered college there were in the institution two literary societies, the Phoenix and the Philoepethian. The strong rivalry between these two societies was not infrequently inflamed into a feeling of hostility and bitterness. The evils connected with this state of things suggested to the mind of Mr. Eells the establishing of a 'society of a higher nature and more comprehensive and higher principle.' He meditated long and in private over the principles and the plan of organization. In 1830 it existed only in idea; but in the fall of that year events occurred which induced him to hasten the attempt to clothe the idea with the outward form of reality. A few of the leading members of the two literary societies were approached with caution and finally admitted to his confidence. All approved of the plan and pledged themselves to the work. The first meeting was held in Mr. Eells' room, No. 15, Kirkland Hall. It was a meeting for con-

sultation only, and no presiding officer was appointed nor were any minutes taken. At a subsequent meeting Lorenzo Latham and Samuel Eells were appointed a committee to report a constitution and a badge. The whole of the constitution as at first adopted was drawn up by Mr. Eells. It is apparent from this sketch that the beginnings of A Δ Φ are veiled to some extent in that obscurity which surrounds the origin of almost all institutions. It did not spring at once into full-grown manhood, but developed and matured until in 1832, it attained its complete proportions.

A short sketch of Samuel Eells follows. He was born in New York state in 1810. By nature he was 'ardent and affectionate,' he had much 'personal magnetism,' and he was 'a born leader of men.' In 1832 he was graduated with the highest honor of his class at Hamilton. In 1835 he moved to Cincinnati and began practicing law. Within a year he had been invited by Salmon P. Chase to become his partner. In 1835 he established at Miami the second chapter of A Δ Φ. At the third convention of the fraternity, held at New Haven in 1839, he delivered an address, 'which was the first of those public exercises that have now become a normal part of the annual celebration of most fraternities.' Chiefly through his efforts a chapter was established at Western Reserve in 1841. His health failed in 1840, and what promised to be a very brilliant career was ended by his death in 1842. At the semi-centennial of the parent chapter in 1882, the 'Samuel Eells memorial hall' was dedicated at Hamilton. The following paragraph also is from the annals of the Hamilton chapter:

In 1897 the 'A Δ Φ scholarship' was founded by the liberality of Bro. Clarence A. Seward, Geneva, '48, president of the fraternity, and it is held by an undergraduate member of the Hamilton chapter in perpetuity, the executive council being trustees of the fund.

From the annals of the Miami chapter the following is quoted:

It was through the personal effort of Samuel Eells that the Miami chapter was established. It appears, from the 'Memorial' of the founder of the society, that in February, 1835, he came to Cincinnati to commence the practice of law. In September, 1836, he delivered his first public address before the Miami chapter of A Δ Φ, at its first anniversary. The chapter then must have been established in the month of September, 1835. The following facts relative to its establishment were communicated to the writer by the Hon. Wm. S. Groesbeck, of Cincinnati, and Mr. John B. Temple, of Louisville, Ky.:

Samuel Eells came to Cincinnati carrying a letter introducing him to Mr. Groesbeck, who had the year before been graduated at Miami University, and was then engaged in the study of law in Cincinnati. They immediately became friends. Mr. Eells laid before his new friend his scheme for founding among college students a society which should 'be national and universal in its adaptations, so as not merely to cultivate a taste for literature, or furnish the mind with knowledge, but, with a true philosophical spirit looking to the *entire man*, so as to develop his whole being—moral, social and intellectual.' Mr. Groes-

beck approved of the plan, and consented to aid Mr. Eells in his undertaking, and was, thereupon, duly initiated by Mr. Eells in the law office in which Mr. Groesbeck was at that time studying.

Miami University was at that time the most celebrated institution of learning in the west, and Mr. Groesbeck, having just been graduated there, was acquainted with all the students who would probably be available for membership in a society such as Mr. Eells had in view. He suggested certain names to Mr. Eells of those who seemed the most promising of the members of the university, and a correspondence was immediately commenced with them relative to the establishment of the society. This resulted in Charles L. Telford and John B. Temple coming to Cincinnati for initiation into the society. Mr. Temple, in a lengthy letter to the writer, says of this: 'Brother Eells, by correspondence with Charles L. Telford, induced him with his classmate, John B. Temple, to visit Cincinnati; and in their room at the Dennison House initiated them as members of the $\Delta \Phi$ fraternity, and thus laid the foundation of the Miami chapter, which they organized immediately on their return to Oxford.' Of the first appearance of the organization in Miami University, Brother Temple writes:

Soon after the organization, in the fall of 1835 and ensuing winter, and when the membership was about nine, it was thought prudent to bring the existence of the society to the knowledge of the faculty and students of the college, and it was arranged that notice of a meeting should by request be read at morning prayers by the president. He accordingly announced the meeting of the Alpha and Delta and Phi society, manifestly to cast some ridicule upon the announcement. In a few days the members appeared with badge breastpins, and at once a very pronounced opposition to the organization was manifested by the students, although they were ignorant of the character and aim of the society.

It was attempted to make this opposition to the society effective by excluding any future members from admission to the literary societies of the university, of which there were two. Resolutions to this effect were passed and rescinded and again passed. When they were made final the members of $\Delta \Phi$ quietly resigned from these societies, and taking with them a goodly number of those who did not belong to their organization, proceeded to form another literary society similar to those which they had left. The new literary society flourished and finally absorbed one of the old ones; whereupon the other expunged from their minutes the resolution prohibiting the admission of $\Delta \Phi$ and the opposition ceased.

From the following it seems that the charter members of the Miami chapter are not actually known, and it may be inferred that the records of the chapter possessed by the fraternity are somewhat imperfect:

During the first year of the existence of the chapter, it is believed that thirteen members were initiated, the names of whom it has been thought proper to place at the head of the membership list as charter members.

The Miami chapter suspended with the suspension of the university in 1873. The university reopened in 1885, but $\Delta \Phi$ has never reorganized there. From the following it seems probable that Samuel Eells while living in Cincinnati initiated students of the Cincinnati Law School, with the intention perhaps of establishing a chapter in the school:

Five brothers, who between the years 1838 and 1840 received elections while students in the Cincinnati Law School, were, until the publication of the catalogue of 1860, regarded as a separate chapter, though

no charter was ever issued to them. In 1860 they were arbitrarily assigned to those classes of Miami whose $\Delta \Phi$ delegations were smallest. Before this assignment was made, all but one of these five were dead, and that one died more than twenty-five years ago. Under these circumstances it has been thought best to leave undisturbed an arrangement, however misleading, which has been acquiesced in for thirty-eight years. The names of these brothers and their assigned classes in Miami are: C. D. L. Brush and W. D. Gallagher, '44; C. P. James, '46; J. H. Perkins, '50; J. A. Pugh, '51.

The Urban chapter was established at the University of the City of New York (now New York University) in 1835. It surrendered its charter in 1839, and it has never been re-established. The chapter at Columbia was established in 1836, being the pioneer there. It surrendered its charter in 1840 and was rechartered in 1881. The catalogue claims that since 1889 it has 'held first place among Columbia's fraternities.' The Brunonian chapter was established in 1836, being the pioneer at Brown. 'Members were chosen from only the three upper classes.' The chapter suspended in 1838, and was revived in 1851 by 'lifting' the chapter which $B \Theta \Pi$ had established there in 1847. The chapter at Yale was established in 1837. Being the pioneer there, it engendered soon 'a spirit of good-natured opposition,' one result of which was the organization of a burlesque society, whose members wore a tin badge displaying the star and crescent. It surrendered its charter in 1873 and it was rechartered in 1888. The only general fraternities at Yale, outside of the Sheffield Scientific School, were ΨY and $\Delta K E$, which were junior societies there. $\Delta \Phi$ attempted to be a four-year-fraternity, but found it expedient, after a trial, to yield to Yale traditions in favor of class societies, as related in the following paragraph:

During the several years which followed was seen what is, perhaps, one of the most interesting parts of the history of the fraternity. These charter members of the new chapter had necessarily assumed a heavy burden of responsibility in their attempt, through new success, to overcome the memories of a past failure; but this was a less formidable condition than the opposition which at once manifested itself when it was announced that the chapter would draw its members from all of the four classes, in conformity with the general custom of other colleges. Yale had so long been accustomed to the so-called class society system, and this had so permeated the whole of the university life that a departure therefrom seemed to many of her sons a movement opposed to her dearest and most vital traditions. Accordingly it soon became apparent that any advances towards success must be made at the expense of laborious, vigilant and often disappointing and fruitless effort. The loyal energy of every brother was promptly bent to this work, and out of such co-operation arose a very true and deep spirit of mutual friendship and a rare devotion for $\Delta \Phi$. Gradually, however, it became apparent that, while this struggle might produce an unusual degree of internal strength, it was at vari-

ance with the best principles of the fraternity—principles which require the broadest and most harmonious development of every brother—and that while a reasonable degree of success might be finally attained, college feeling was such as to isolate our membership and embitter what would otherwise be a fruitful and happy university life. Accordingly, in the winter of 1893-94, committees from ΨT and $\Delta K E$, existing in Yale as junior societies, met one from $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ to discuss a plan by which the Yale chapter should also become a junior society, and the three should amicably co-operate in their choice of future candidates for election. No conclusion was finally reached, but in the winter of 1894-95 the conference was again renewed, and the importance of determining the question according to the suggestion there made became so apparent that the chapter entered into an agreement with the two societies named to adopt the proposed policy, provided the consent of the fraternity could be obtained at its next convention. Before this convention, held with the Columbia chapter in May, 1895, the Yale delegates laid the whole matter, and, after a very serious consideration, their proposition was approved by an almost unanimous vote. The result of this step was immediate and far-reaching. $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ became, within a short time, the leading fraternity of Yale, gaining the confidence of the university, while retaining its own spirit of enthusiastic and earnest loyalty.

The Amherst chapter was established in 1837 by the absorption of the $I \Pi K$ local society, which had been established in 1835. $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ was the pioneer among general fraternities at Amherst. The annals of the chapter say:

Perhaps the most important event in the early history of the Amherst chapter was its conflict with the faculty of the college. The existence of a secret society had been viewed with suspicion for several years, but it was not until 1842 that a formal demand was made for an examination of the constitution and records. This was refused by the chapter, the brothers declaring their willingness to leave college rather than be false to their pledge. After several attempts to gain access to the records of the society, the faculty allowed the matter to drop for the time being, thinking that the loss of so many students would be a serious blow to the college in its comparatively feeble state. Three years later the demand was again renewed, and, after much discussion, neither side being willing to yield, the question was finally set at rest by the initiation of Dr. Hitchcock, the president of the college, on November 15, 1845. Since that time the relations of the chapter and the faculty have been always of the most friendly character. During the first five years of the chapter's history its membership was confined to the senior and junior classes. But the advent of another fraternity, in 1841, and the rivalry which sprang up between the two societies, compelled the admission of sophomores and freshmen. Since that time the chapter has consisted of members of all four classes, chosen, for the most part, at the beginning of freshman year. Until 1879, however, the two lower delegations did not wear the badge of the fraternity.

The house purchased by the Amherst chapter in 1875 is said to have been 'the first in Amherst and among the first in all the colleges.' The Harvard chapter was established in 1837, being the pioneer general fraternity there. Its nucleus was the senior editors of *Harvardiana*, a college monthly. The annals say:

So slight was the communication between one part of the country and another that the idea of connection between the chapters had but little weight in men's interest in the society. The wish of these young men was probably to enlarge a little the editorial club. . . . The publication of *Harvardiana* ceased with the class of '38. . . . The rule of selection was to choose the *belles-lettres* men, so to speak, of the several classes. . . . The club had the decided advantage of being absolutely prohibited by the authorities. The faculty was not fond of any society in those days, and would have given no permission for the formation of a new one, least of all to the founding of a secret society affiliated with other colleges. The consciousness of this prohibition gave all the more zest to the meetings.

The Harvard chapter suspended in 1865 and was revived in 1879. 'The most active members again were the editors of the college newspapers.' In 1840 a chapter was established at Hobart College, Geneva, N. Y., where it was the pioneer. It was called the Geneva chapter, and more endearingly 'Our Lady of the Lake' or 'Our Lady.' The annals say:

It seems to have been the custom at that time for secret societies to obtain charters, wherever established, from the college authorities, and in this case objection having been made by the faculty that the specific objects of the society were unknown to any of their body, in May, Rev. Benjamin Hale, president of the college, was invited to become a member. This invitation was accepted, and, on August 4th, President Hale was duly initiated, and ever remained deeply interested in the chapter and the society. . . . The early rule of the society, that no elections or initiations could be made till the third term sophomore, was soon felt by this chapter to be a drag. In 1842 we find the chapter earnestly agitating for a repeal of the rule, and the adoption of one which would leave each chapter to judge for itself of the time of election and initiation. That the old rule worked disadvantageously to the chapter in at least one particular, a glance at the honor roll will show. Fortunately the new rule was ultimately modified, and the chapter soon won its way to that position of honorable and enviable prominence in college affairs which it vigorously maintained during the last twenty or twenty-five years of its career.

The Geneva chapter suspended in 1876 on account of the reduced student attendance. At Western Reserve also A Δ Φ was the pioneer. The annals say:

The Hudson chapter was founded July 1, 1841, at the Western Reserve College, in Hudson, Ohio, by Samuel Eells the founder of the fraternity, and Joseph Fern Smith, Yale, '40, then a tutor at Western Reserve. Mr. Eells was then in the last year of his life, and in failing health; and his coming to Hudson to take the leading part in establishing a chapter there must have been felt by him to be probably the last service he should be able to render to the fraternity he loved so well. . . . In 1882 the name of the college was changed to Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, and the college was moved to Cleveland.

The following other fraternities have established chapters at Western Reserve: B © II, 1841; Δ Y, 1847; Δ K E, 1868; Φ Γ Δ, 1876-90; Δ T Δ, 1882. In the matter of scholarship at least A Δ Φ has evidently been the leader, and the Hud-

son chapter has been remarkable also for the number of its members who became soldiers in the civil war, and for the number who are related to one another, as shown in the following paragraph:

Of the 56 valedictories delivered since the establishment of the chapter, 22 have been by members of the chapter, and to its members have fallen also a corresponding share of salutarities and other college honors. Of the 148 members of the chapter graduated since its establishment, 66 have been elected to membership in Φ B K. The membership of the chapter in the classes 1858 to 1865 inclusive aggregated 38, of whom 26 were in the Federal service during the civil war. Eleven from other classes were also in that service, and one in the Confederate service. Nearly one-third of the names on the chapter membership roll appear in the kinship list.

The Bowdoin chapter was established in 1841. It was the pioneer there, and, though not opposed by the faculty, it met with strong opposition from the two literary societies for twelve years or more. The annals say:

Great pains were taken to secure secrecy with regard to both place and time of meeting. It was intended that nothing should be known of the society except the badges worn by the members. The remoteness of the place was not, therefore, considered unfavorable. . . . In the fall of 1845 freshmen were first admitted. Previous to this the society had been a junior society, initiating its members regularly at the close of sophomore year, just as the seniors were taking their leave. But in the meantime other secret societies had sprung up, and the rivalry that existed made the new step advisable.

Of the 386 members of the chapter, 294 are graduates and 142 members of Φ B K, a remarkably large number. The Dartmouth chapter was established in 1846 by the absorption of a sophomore society called T Δ Θ . The Peninsular chapter was established at Michigan in 1846. Its annals say:

The internal economy of the chapter was of minor importance in its early years in comparison with its long and successful struggle for existence with the authorities of the university, from 1847 to 1852, a contest carried on with unflagging courage by our predecessors, into whose labors we entered. Unable to obtain definite consent to the existence of the chapter in connection with the university, Dr. Kellogg advised that a branch of the chapter be established in Ann Arbor, independent of the college—advice followed in the organization. In the college year, 1845-46, however, the faculty passed a law providing, among other things, that no student could be admitted into any class without signing a pledge that he would not be a member of any secret society not approved by the faculty. The brothers realized the invalidity of this proscription, both on account of our non-identification with the university, and as terms of admission to that institution could be qualified only by the legislature and board of regents, and did not hasten to swell their ranks with newly initiated men. An attempt to enforce this regulation in the spring 1847, under threat of expulsion, was followed by a compromise, under which the chapter waived its claim to non-connection with the university, and acknowledged the twentieth rule passed by the regents, which demanded that a secret society's existence should depend upon the faculty's approval,

and the faculty determined that it had 'had no power to legalize the fraternity under the rules,' thus confessing its lack of authority over the chapter. The compromise did not long continue, and, after the class of '49 was graduated, the contest was renewed by expelling all the members of secret societies in college. The struggle which followed engaged the attention of the state and its press, and ended in the restoration of the expelled students to the university. Frequent assertions of its rights on the part of the chapter, and as frequent denials of the same by the faculty, occupied the fall of 1850 and the winter of 1850-51. In the early part of the spring the faculty again resorted to the extremity of expelling the undergraduates, and readmitted them only on their consenting to refrain from exercising their rights of membership until after graduation. Our numbers were thus reduced to three; but these were as good as a host, strengthened as they were by their resolute determination and a decided public sentiment in their favor. The faculty demanded the privilege of inspecting the constitution; the chapter refused, and the struggle ended in the full and complete recognition of the chapter by the faculty as of legal and regular standing in the university, with the single reservation that the college authorities should be informed of the time of meeting and the name of the president.

It appears that $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ was the pioneer also at Rochester. The annals of its chapter there say :

In the winter of 1849-50 the $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ fraternity decided to establish a chapter at Madison (now Colgate) University, located at Hamilton, N. Y. A charter was granted, and twelve students of Madison University were initiated by the Hamilton College chapter into the mysteries of $\Delta \Delta \Phi$. They rode over from Hamilton (N. Y.) to Clinton (N. Y.) one evening in a sleigh, were initiated, and got back the next morning in time for chapel. The new chapter began holding regular meetings, and seemed destined to a prosperous future. Many of the friends of Madison University, however, thought its location, for many reasons unfortunate; and this, combined with other causes, induced a majority of the professors and students of Madison University to secede from the college, and, coming to Rochester, to found the institution known as the University of Rochester. All but two (who had graduated) of the members of the newly formed chapter were among the students who left Madison for Rochester. An application was immediately made to the society for a charter for a chapter at the new university, and regular meetings were held, though no new members were initiated. After much trouble and delay a charter was obtained; and, under the name of the Empire chapter, the $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ society was formally established at the University of Rochester, in the spring of the year 1851. Some opposition on the part of the faculty, who had passed an anti-secret society resolution, was at first experienced; but when it was discovered that a chapter was already in active operation, they gracefully yielded; the acting president, Dr. A. C. Kendrick, in announcing their decision, paying a glowing tribute to the memory of Samuel Eells, who had been his classmate and room-mate at Hamilton College The chapter was at first called the Empire chapter, and this name was retained until about 1860, when it was changed to the present name of the Rochester chapter.

The following chapters of other fraternities have been established at Rochester: $\Delta \Psi$, 1851-95; ΔY , 1852; $\Delta K E$, 1856; ΨY , 1858; $\Theta \Delta X$, 1867; $X \Psi$, 1884-89. However,

A Δ Φ claims two-fifths of the prizes that have been awarded by the university. The Alabama chapter was established in 1850. Its annals say :

In 1858 the faculty of the university prohibited secret societies, and the chapter suspended its active functions. The graduate members of the chapter met immediately after this occurrence at Shelby Springs, Ala., and organized a graduate association; but the war, in which so large a proportion of the chapter served under Confederate colors, early brought the annual reunions to a close.

The chapter at Williams was established in 1851 by 'lifting' the chapter which B Θ Π had established there in 1847. The Manhattan chapter was established in 1855 at the New York Free Academy and was the pioneer there. Subsequently the name of the institution was changed to the College of the City of New York. The Middletown chapter sprang from the union of two local societies, the Bertrians and Lebanians, at Wesleyan, in 1856. Its annals say:

In a university where the fraternity life is carried almost to an extreme, with the natural consequence of intense rivalry, A Δ Φ has always been awarded a foremost position. No fraternity represented at Wesleyan has so enviable a record for the results of the successive fall 'cultivation' seasons, because no other can show to the incoming freshmen such chapter traditions and such worthy exponents of those traditions.

The Kenyon chapter was established in 1858. It was at Kenyon that Δ K E built a log cabin in 1853, the first house ever occupied by any fraternity except the log cabin built by X Ψ at Michigan in 1846. Sometime after A Δ Φ entered Kenyon it built there a frame hall, which is now covered with ivy, as shown by a half-tone illustration in the catalogue. The annals say :

The episode of most marked interest in the chapter's otherwise adventureless life occurred in 1870, when the lodge was entered by members of two other fraternities. Entrance was effected through the floor by means of an auger and a saw. After gaining admittance, the intruders indulged in the most unscrupulous vandalism. The carpet was cut to pieces, and the furniture and a number of pictures destroyed. Fortunately no valuable papers were in the building at the time, so nothing was removed except a catalogue and some correspondence. The former was recovered immediately after its loss, and the correspondence was returned in 1879. It is satisfactory to add that the offenders were speedily brought to justice, through the efforts of the undergraduate members and the work of a skillful detective. Damages in full were recovered, and the culprits themselves were expelled from college. . . . Owing to the tendency toward university growth, the student body at classical Kenyon is small, and as a result the chapter has never assumed large proportions. Her membership to-day is much smaller than that of the majority of her sister chapters. But this deficiency in numbers has only served to stimulate her energy, and the years which have passed since the chapter was established have witnessed marked improvements. It is true that A Δ Φ has no chapter house in Gambier, but, under the existing circum-

stances, the possession of one would be a misfortune rather than an aid; and, besides, the east wing of 'Old Kenyon,' set apart for her use, answers the same purpose. Her other home is the little ivy-covered lodge 'beyond the campus,' the same home which Murray Davis knew when he wrote Kenyon's favorite song, 'When The Evening Shadows Gather.'

The chapter claims 20 per cent. of Kenyon's valedictorians since its establishment and 46 per cent. of the chapter's graduates have been elected to Φ B K. The chapter has initiated four Chinamen—Yung Kiung Yen, '61; Vung Pian Suvoong, '67; Robert Chochung Woo, '88, and Points Sih Ching Yen, '88, all residents of Shanghai. No Japanese have been admitted to A Δ Φ . The Cumberland chapter was organized in 1857 and suspended on account of the war in 1861. The Union chapter was formed in 1859 from a local association known as the Fraternal Society. The Cornell chapter was established in 1869. The chapter at Trinity was established in 1877 by the absorption of the local society Phi Kappa, from which the chapter takes its name. Members of Phi Kappa in classes from '37 to '77 appear in the catalogue as members of A Δ Φ , but there does not seem to have been any *post-mortem* initiations into A Δ Φ , after the manner of some other fraternities, which, in absorbing local societies, have enrolled deceased as well as living members of such societies. The Johns Hopkins chapter was established in 1889, the Minnesota chapter in 1892, and the Toronto chapter in 1893. The annals of the latter say:

Correspondence with friends in the United States convinced those interested in the movement that the A Δ Φ was the most desirable society with which to become connected. . . . The initiation of the Toronto chapter was carried out by the Columbia chapter in the Masonic Temple, New York City.

The Chicago chapter was organized in 1896 from a local called the Lion's Head club. In 1894 a member of the Amherst chapter and several members of the Toronto chapter assisted in the organization of a local society at McGill, called A Φ E, which was granted a charter by A Δ Φ in 1897, the charter members being initiated in the Scottish Rite hall, New York City. The number of active chapters now is 23.

The chapters at Amherst, Harvard, Dartmouth, Michigan, Rochester, Williams, Wesleyan, Union, Cornell and Trinity own houses. The chapters at Hamilton, Yale and Kenyon own halls. The chapters at Columbia, Western Reserve, Bowdoin, C. C. N. Y., Johns Hopkins, Minnesota, Toronto, Chicago and McGill rent houses. The Bowdoin chapter also owns a building lot, and the Columbia and

Johns Hopkins chapters are accumulating building funds. Rooms are rented by the chapter at Brown.

The policy of A Δ Φ with regard to extension has been very different since the civil war from what it was before. In *ante-bellum* years A Δ Φ was one of the most persistent organizers. Counting the Madison and Cincinnati chapters (they are counted in 'American College Fraternities'), A Δ Φ in 1860 had established 23 chapters, of which 18 were yet alive. The only fraternities which at that time had more active chapters were Δ K E, with about 30, and B ⊙ II with about 20. Moreover, A Δ Φ, like Δ K E and B ⊙ II evidently started out to be a national fraternity. It had chapters in nearly all the leading eastern institutions; in the west it had chapters at Miami, Western Reserve and Michigan, and in the south it had established chapters at Alabama (suspended 1859) and Cumberland. What a change in the fortunes and policies of all fraternities was made by the war!

The policy of none was more radically changed than that of A Δ Φ. The annals of the Miami chapter, already quoted, say that the founder of the fraternity, 'Mr. Eells laid before his new friend his scheme for founding among college students a society which should "*be national and universal in its adaptations*"' (italics mine). But after the war A Δ Φ became intensely conservative and strictly sectional. It did not, like Δ K E, re-establish itself in the south. It has chartered only seven new chapters since 1860. Of these two—Cornell and Trinity—were placed in the east, one—Johns Hopkins—in a middle state, two, Minnesota and Chicago—in the west, and two—Toronto and McGill—in Canada. The population of the United States has more than doubled since 1860—it had doubled by 1890. In wealth the United States has increased probably five times since 1860—it had nearly quadrupled by 1890. The facilities for higher education in the United States have increased probably in still greater proportion. And yet, while the country has developed with marvelous rapidity, A Δ Φ has crept along at a snail's pace. It is rather remarkable that of the seven new chapters it has established in the last forty years A Δ Φ should have chosen to plant two of them in Canada, while it has withheld itself from many state universities which are very far in advance of most of the institutions in which it has chapters. Without disputing the desirability of chapters in Canada, it seems that patriotism, if nothing else, would dictate a policy which would not entirely disregard great areas and many important institutions in the United States.

The comparative inertia of A Δ Φ since the war is one of

the anomalies of the Greek-letter society system. It is astonishing that a fraternity which once was so enterprising, which was the pioneer at eleven institutions before the war (Miami, Columbia, Brown, Yale, Amherst, Harvard, Hobart, Western Reserve, Bowdoin, Rochester, C. C. N. Y.), a fraternity whose founder introduced the society system in the west sixty-five years ago, a fraternity which in *ante-bellum* times was represented in the south, a fraternity which bade fair to be a leading national order—it is astonishing that this fraternity has during the last forty years displayed such little ability or disposition to adapt itself to present conditions or to provide for maintaining its standing in the future. A $\Delta \Phi$, like a number of other fraternities of eastern origin, has a policy that is more Chinese than American in character—living too much in the past.

ΨY is another fraternity of this class. ΨY and A $\Delta \Phi$ are probably more alike than are any other two fraternities. So closely have they remained side by side that a person seldom thinks of one without being reminded of the other. So intimate is the association as to suggest the conclusion that the policy of one has been controlled very largely by that of the other, and that one of them hesitates to make an advance for fear the other will gain the reputation of being more conservative. Conservatism with these two fraternities, as well as with some other eastern orders, is a fetich, on the altars of which they make many sacrifices. It was not always so, for before the civil war A $\Delta \Phi$ and ΨY were not governed by narrow policies, and in this period they were much stronger as compared with other fraternities than they have ever been since. They are now established in the same sections, they have about the same number of chapters and about the same number of members. The principal differences between them are that A $\Delta \Phi$ had two southern chapters before the war and has entered two Canadian institutions during the last decade while ΨY has never crossed Mason and Dixon's line or the northern border of the United States.

Both are established in all the larger eastern institutions, except that A $\Delta \Phi$ has no chapters at Pennsylvania, Lehigh or Syracuse, and ΨY 's chapter at Harvard is dead, and it has no chapter at Williams, while neither fraternity is represented at Vermont. Both undoubtedly are strong in the east, but at many eastern institutions fraternities from the west are their successful competitors. In the south, if ever A $\Delta \Phi$ and ΨY decide to notice this section, they can never hope to become the equal of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Delta K E$ or other fraterni-

ties from the north which, with the southern fraternities, dominate the southern colleges. In the west $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ and ΨY are found in only five states bordering the great lakes. In Ohio $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ has chapters at Western Reserve and Kenyon, and ΨY has one at Kenyon. Both neglect Ohio State University, unquestionably the leading institution in the state. Both have chapters at Michigan, but both are unrepresented in any Indiana institution. Both have chapters at Chicago, but both are unrepresented at Northwestern and Illinois. ΨY has a chapter at Wisconsin and both have chapters at Minnesota.

The provincial character of both is determined by the fact that ΨY has no chapter south of Pennsylvania and $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ none south of Johns Hopkins, while neither has a chapter west of Minnesota. Although each has five western chapters, $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ and ΨY are always justly classed as eastern fraternities, and they seem to prefer such a classification. Both are sectional and evidently desire to remain so, yet the time will inevitably come when their present self-complacency will give way to a desire to enter the state universities of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and California. But they will find this a far different proposition in the twentieth century from what it would have been in the nineteenth.

Both $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ and ΨY have chapters in some colleges that are quite small and comparatively unimportant, such as Hamilton, Rochester, Trinity and Kenyon. At Kenyon, for instance, the attendance is so small that the chapters there are often in very precarious condition, and a chapter of only two or three members is by no means uncommon. If the question of entering these small colleges was presented *de novo* to either $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ or ΨY , it is doubtful if any of them would be recognized. If these chapters were exchanged for chapters at Ohio Wesleyan, Vanderbilt, DePauw and Northwestern, or for chapters at three trans-Mississippi state universities and Stanford, the positions of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ and ΨY in the fraternity world would be very much higher than they are now.

$\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ is a fraternity which boasts of its traditions and also of being an 'ever crescent fraternity,' but its policy for four decades has been at utter variance with its policy during its vigorous youth. If Samuel Eells, who founded the fraternity, and who three years afterward carried the Grecian banner to the then far west, and planted the second $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ chapter at the Miami, and, a little later, organized the chapter at Western Reserve—if he in his spiritual state

has any knowledge of affairs in which he was interested in life, he must be disturbed in spirit to observe how the child of his brain has departed from the lessons which he taught it, and which enabled it, so long as his influence continued, to attain a symmetrical growth. The policy of $A \Delta \Phi$ with regard to extension during the last forty years has been radically inconsistent with its earlier history. Before 1860 its policy was far-sighted, with scarcely an exception more far-sighted than that of any other fraternity, but since 1860 its lack of foresight, its conservatism, obtuseness or whatever one may call it, has been the cause of allowing golden opportunities to pass which will never be presented to $A \Delta \Phi$ again.

In this era of national reconciliation when evidences are so many of a complete restoration of good will between the once estranged sections, it is much to be regretted that sectional divisions should be perpetuated, especially that they should be perpetuated by college men who represent the highest intelligence of the country. The worst offenders in this respect are the fraternities of eastern origin. All of the fraternities of western birth, and nearly all of southern birth, are ambitious to be national fraternities, and a number of them have realized that ambition in great measure. Every fraternity of western origin— $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, ΣX , $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $\Phi K \Psi$ and $\Delta T \Delta$ —has entered southern and eastern institutions. Of the fraternities of southern origin, $A T \Omega$, $\Sigma A E$, $K \Sigma$ and ΣN have entered western and eastern institutions. Even southern $K A$ has extended to California.

It is most unfortunate that $A \Delta \Phi$, ΨY and other fraternities which originated in the east, in refusing to recognize other sections of the United States, have contributed nothing whatever toward the cultivation of that feeling of patriotism, that pride in our national greatness, which should be felt by every citizen of our common country, and which should rise above mere sectional prejudices. ΔY has never had a southern chapter. $\Sigma \Phi$ has never had a chapter south of Lehigh and none in the west except at Michigan. $\Theta \Delta X$ has had southern chapters, but all are dead. $K A$ had a chapter at Virginia before the war, but now has no chapters south of Lehigh; it never had a chapter west of Cornell. $\Delta \Phi$ once had chapters at North Carolina and Michigan, but now has none south of Johns Hopkins or west of Cornell. $\Delta K E$, whose place of birth was farther east than that of any other fraternity, is the only fraternity of eastern origin which shows any present intention of becoming a national organization, and here's good luck to $\Delta K E$ for setting a

proper example to the fraternities which might be called the ultramontane party among Greek-letter societies.

There are seven defunct chapters of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ —Miami, 1835-73; New York University, 1835-39; Cincinnati Law School, 1838-40; Hobart, 1840-76; Madison, 1850-51; Alabama, 1851-59; Cumberland, 1857-61. The catalogue says nothing about the revival of any except Urban at New York University and Geneva at Hobart. The Urban annals say:

The recent movement of the university to new and extensive grounds in the northerly portion of the city, with the gratifying increase in its endowment and equipment, encourage the friends of what was once a promising chapter, in the hope that an early day will see Urban once more resume her place in the sisterhood of $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$.

The annals of Geneva say "Our Lady" looks forward to the day when she shall again open her doors and take her place in the golden circle.' WALTER B. PALMER.

THE EMORY CHAPTER HOUSE.

When Georgia Beta took her house at Emory last year THE SCROLL had a cut made of it to use in the June issue. In some strange way the cut was lost, to reappear only recently in equally mysterious fashion. We are glad to be able to show at last how comfortably the Emory Phis are housed. This was the residence of Prof. Morgan Callaway, Sr., *Emory*, '59, and was rented furnished. The cottage in the same yard is also a part of Georgia Beta's household equipment.



OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

COLLECTED AND EDITED BY WALTER B. PALMER.

Solomon City, Kan., Aug. 24, 1885. Bro. J. E. Brown, Malta, Ohio: Your favor of 16th inst. is before me. I will endeavor to give you a few points that led to the founding of Ohio Delta (now Ohio Beta) of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. During the years 1858-'59-'60 many things transpired at the O. W. U. that caused some feeling to arise between the fraternity and the barbarian elements. Some of us felt that we were not treated by the fraternity element on public occasions as justice entitled us to be treated, and we used plain language in resenting these things. We were met by the B Θ Π and Σ X fraternities and one other organization, I do not remember the name [Eclectic, now local at Wesleyan, Conn. J. E. Brown]; they wore a scroll shaped watch-key for a badge. We soon concluded that the way to fight the devil was with fire, that we must have an organization to meet them, or else submit—this latter we had never learned to do. When it came to organization, Brother David Humphreys and myself had exclusive control. We afterwards called to our help Bro. Charles H. Gray, who knew nothing about $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at this time. We had warm personal friends in F. A. Spencer, A Δ Φ , at Miami University, and in W. A. Dixon and W. N. Pickerill, both $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at North Western Christian (now Butler) University, our Indiana Gamma. Two letters were written on the subject, one to Spencer and one to Dixon. Spencer answered that owing to rivalry between Miami and O. W. U., and further because one was Methodist and the other Presbyterian in sentiment, Miami would never favor a chapter of A Δ Φ at Delaware. Bro. Dixon reported very favorably. He offered to go to Indiana Alpha at Bloomington and represent the matter there as well as recommend us, which he did. Bro. Dixon was a classmate at Delaware with Bro. Humphreys and myself for two years. I was elected by Indiana Alpha, all the necessary papers were sent to me, and I was charged with the responsibility of organizing the chapter, which I did. Ohio Alpha was dormant at the time of organizing at Delaware. Bro. Gray attended Miami University after he left Delaware. When I left Delaware in 1860 our chapter contained as fine a body of young men as any chapter in the university. Some of them I think were inclined to be a little wild. During the next year some trouble arose to weaken the chapter,* and

* The persons mentioned on page 28 of THE SCROLL for October, 1888, whose membership in Phi Delta Theta was questioned in a footnote are members of other fraternities. W. B. P.

the war coming on ended it. I am of the opinion that if I could have been present in the fall of 1860 no trouble would have occurred. Our catalogue shows but eight of our old members. We had at least four others. If you think of anything further that would be of interest that I can help you in, command me. Yours in the Bond, A. P. Collins.

I am sorry to say I can give you very little information that will be useful. If I remember right the chapter was founded not a great while before the outbreak of the rebellion. The twenty-six years since have been so crowded with events that I find I have forgotten most of the details of the early days of the chapter. The matter I think was first broached to us by Judge D. D. Banta, then and still living in Franklin. There had never been a Greek society at Franklin college, and but little was known about them. I do not recall that the matter was ever discussed till our chapter was formed. There was no open opposition to us. Our exercises consisted chiefly of reading essays and criticisms on them. At that time two vigorous literary societies, the 'Periclesian' and 'Webster' absorbed the talent and interest of the college and left little room for our chapter. Major Grubbs, of Martinsville, doubtless can give you further details. Thomas J. Morgan, Providence, R. I., to C. M. Carter, Franklin College, May 15, 1887.

Yours of the 23d ult. came duly to hand. Allow me to most heartily congratulate you on the splendid success that attended your efforts. I am just in receipt of the copies of the *Home Circle* you mailed. I will have a notice put in our Danville weekly papers, the editor of one of which is an old Phi. Yes, I graduate next commencement, and then return to my 'sunny southern home.' Rely upon it, I shall look to the interests of our fraternity in that quarter. I did not know anything of the chapter in Texas, for when I left there I was only fifteen years of age, besides was not a member of the society. However, the colleges pretty much all over the south have collapsed. As regards the time you speak of for the convention I do not know the voice of the chapter but will bring the matter up at the next meeting and let you know the result. One of our members, Pryor, desires me to request you to order him a pin *without* chain just the size of mine. I presume he intends having his name, etc., engraved on it here. Please send it, stating the price, as soon as possible; he wants it to wear when he speaks on the 22d inst., which day is celebrated by both literary societies. Out of the six speakers four are Phis.

We also bear off the palm at commencement, both honors being given to Phis. By the way, how do you like the way this paper is stamped (an imprint of the original badge without sword and chain)? If you can have any work done like it in Chicago, I would like to have several quires stamped, for our stamp has been lost five or six years. I like this manner very much.—T. M. Paschal, Centre College, to R. A. D. Wilbanks, February 5, 1866.

C. O. Perry and I entered the fraternity as charter members of Indiana Eta at Indiana Asbury University early in 1868. He was the ruling spirit of the chapter, and I know of no one better qualified to write its history. In September, 1868, I entered the freshman class of Roanoke College. I corresponded with S. E. Mahan of Indiana Alpha and F. A. Smith of the Grand Chapter, then at the University of Chicago, in reference to the propriety of establishing a chapter of the order at Roanoke. After an interchange of several letters, the National Grand agreed to grant a charter if I could get the material. In three or four months I got it. The Indiana Alpha, per Mahan, forthwith sent me the Bond and constitution. The result was that in the spring of 1869 Virginia Alpha was born. The National Grand has never done more important work in one day. A noble progeny are the jewels of Virginia Alpha—Beta, Gamma, Delta, Epsilon and Alpha Alumni in Virginia; Beta, Gamma and Delta in Georgia; Alpha and Beta in Alabama; Mississippi and South Carolina Alphas, and Tennessee Beta. All these are her offspring, her children and grandchildren. Allow me to suggest Bro. Troxell, business manager of THE SCROLL, as most admirably qualified to write the history of Pennsylvania Beta, having the talent and enthusiasm to carry the work through.—D. B. Floyd, Uniontown, Md., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., April 21, 1880.

All our boys are glad to hear of your flourishing condition. We are flourishing here finely, numbering twenty members. You wrote about the pins. I can not understand why Cook should charge you more than usual. The way we came to have two sizes made is this: Some of the boys concluded that a smaller pin would look better and we had a smaller size made. Some prefer it and some the larger size, and we have been getting both. Cook has the imprints of both. I suppose he thought he would make small pins for you and charge you for the large size. We have been getting small pins at \$7 and large ones at \$9 and \$10. I will write to Cook to-morrow inquiring into the matter. If you don't

like your pins you should send them back and have him make them according to order and at his usual rates. I know of no other shop now in the city, but almost any engraver can make them. The catalogue is not out yet but will be soon; I understand it is in press. Our brothers at Chicago have been very busy during court session and have had but little time to attend to it. The busy time is about over now and it will be rushed through. The convention minutes have not yet arrived. The general grip must be used on all occasions for thorough testing and at conventions. It was never inserted in the constitution, for fear the constitution might be stolen and the grip found out. Each Alpha chapter of a state has the power of making what is called the state grip. Our grip is I received a letter from the Virginia Alpha on the 6th inst.; they are doing finely. If you wish to write to them—by a motion passed at the last convention, you will be obliged to write them once a month—you will address D. Bittle Floyd, Roanoke College, Salem, Va. Please read the clause in the constitution regarding correspondence and comply with it strictly. If you know of any college where it would be profitable to establish a chapter let us know, and with your aid we will put one there sure.—Elam Fisher, Miami University, to Ira C. Adams, Ohio University, Oct. 11, 1869.

The Oglethorpe chapter was organized where stands the new capitol of Georgia. My brother Clinton in person organized the chapter at Oxford, in a small house near the depot; as I saw the old house, it had neither doors nor window shutters.—Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., March 18, 1889.

Wisconsin Beta at Lawrence University I suppose died out when the class of 1860 left. Secret societies were never encouraged there, hence the abandonment of the matter.—J. A. Owen, Chicago, Ill., to C. T. Jamieson, University of Wooster, Oct. 22, 1873.

Our chapter is in a very prosperous condition, numbering already twelve, of whom five are new members. We have three or four more on the string of whom we are as good as sure. I suppose you have heard of our glorious success in Pennsylvania in the establishment of a chapter at Lafayette College, Easton; also at Lansing, Mich.; and at the University of California and at the University of Virginia. It is splendid and the good work goes bravely on.—S. W. Carpenter, Cornell University, to W. E. Keener, Emory College, Nov. 27, 1873.

I think that we may yet establish a chapter at Richmond College. We are using every effort to get it established. Our men are working men, and I think our chapter will succeed as it has started under very favorable auspices. We have ten members, four of whom refused nearly every fraternity in college. I think our chapter will soon be the first in college. We hope we will be able to get a hall soon. I am glad to hear that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is spreading so rapidly. There is a college in North Carolina at which I think it would be well to establish a chapter; it is Davidson College. I think we could get a number of fine young gentlemen there.—T. P. L. Skinner, Randolph-Macon College, to J. B. Pomeroy, University of Wooster, March 5, 1874.

Your favor of the 5th inst. has been received. It always affords me great pleasure to hear from my $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ brothers, especially from a new chapter. Judging from the catalogue, you already have a fine chapter. You commenced right by selecting all your men from the sophomore and freshmen classes. Your college seems to be in a very prosperous condition. Pennsylvania Alpha will be a bright star in our northern galaxy. There is no doubt but that there is a great future ahead of our fraternity; we have in it more vim, more of the spirit of progress, than there is in any other fraternity I know of. There are three other fraternities here— $\Sigma \Phi$, $\Sigma \Lambda \epsilon$ and $K \Lambda$. I can safely say we have by far the best men in college. We started out here three years ago, with only four men, but we entered at a very favorable time. The storm of opposition raged high, but scarcely had three months passed ere we found ourselves indissolubly bound together. Sixteen members now constitute our Georgia Delta; most of them are juniors and sophomores. All our Georgia chapters are in fine condition. Oglethorpe University, where our Alpha was located, has suspended; we have had a most excellent chapter there. A. A. Marshall, Mercer University, to C. W. Bixby, Lafayette College, March 14, 1874.

Our California Alpha correspondent says they now have twenty-two active members and, if they wanted to take men of moderate abilities, could increase their number to forty in a fortnight. They graduated two honor men of '73.—J. Potter, Hanover College, to C. W. Bixby, Lafayette College, March 18, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit the estimate of the expenses of the convention of 1874, and your proportion thereof. You will bear in mind that the estimate and assessment are

to cover all expenses, including the railroad fare of one delegate from each chapter in the United States, as provided for in the resolution found on page 9 of the minutes of 1873. You will please forward by money order to me the amount of your assessment named below at once; on receipt of which your chapter will be furnished a certificate, which, upon presentation at the convention by your duly authorized delegate, will entitle him to draw from the treasury his actual traveling expenses. This assessment is to cover the expenses of the convention, including printing, postage, stationery, publication of the minutes, etc. Following is the estimate:

Railroad fare for 23 delegates—one from each chapter.....	\$892.50
Expenses for convention.....	61.80
Printing for succeeding year.....	75.00
Total.....	\$1,029.30

The assessment of Indiana Delta, six members at \$3.65, is \$21.90. You will please forward this amount at once. Everything looks bright, and a most pleasant and successful convention is assured.—Charles O. Perry, Grand Banker, Indianapolis, to O. F. Lambertson, Franklin College, April 25, 1874.

I herewith send you for the use of your chapter a copy of the report of the committee on signs of recognition.
Copies of Phi songs can be obtained from me.—H. G. Bradford, New Albany, Ind., to Φ Δ Θ at Emory College, June 1, 1874.

A few days since I received the minutes of the national convention of 1873 and 1874 of the Φ Δ Θ. I did not know to whom I was indebted for this favor. I had heard little or nothing of the fraternity since my leaving college in 1851. I was agreeably astonished to be waked up at our June term of court by Brother W. N. Pickerill saluting me as a Phi. I was much more astonished and perfectly delighted to hear through him something of the present certainly very flattering condition and prospects of my fraternity. It seemed to me that I had been asleep for nearly twenty-five years, only to be awakened at this date to the fact that the little fraternity organized in 1848 had grown and strengthened until the whole Union had been brought to feel its influence. I felt that of a surety my life had not been in vain.—Andrew W. Rogers, Warrensburg, Mo., to Columbus D. Whitehead, Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 15, 1874.

I write you in behalf of the interests of our society at Buch-

tel College, Akron, Ohio. Though a young institution it is fast making for itself a reputation for efficient, thorough work. There is a fine element there, and I think a fine chance for us. I have been speaking with my friend Ralston about it, and he is very anxious to assist in organizing a good chapter. My knowledge of the wants of our society and the availability of material at Buchtel leads me to express my opinion as favorable to making the attempt to establish a chapter there. Correspond with A. M. Ralston.—T. C. Druley, Middleport, Ohio, to C. T. Jamieson, University of Wooster, Sept. 30, 1874.

Memorandum from Indiana Alpha minutes: No minutes from October 21, 1873, to May 9, 1874. The following is entered: 'All the former members except Bro. Al. Fullerton were drawn into a quarrel, and possessing but little of that article known as honor, withdrew, leaving our chapter to take care of itself. Bro. Fullerton took off his pin and went quietly to work, and in a short time formed an alliance with Messrs. Durborow, Ellison and Cromer.' The three mentioned were initiated before May 9, 1874. At the meeting on that date H. G. Bradford, '73, was present, and T. W. Wylie and T. R. Speck were initiated. A. Gwyn Foster was initiated Oct. 3, 1874.

A convention of all the secret societies was held here last week for the purpose of taking some action on the law lately passed by the trustees with reference to the societies. It was decided by this assembly to get up a petition to the trustees at their next meeting in July, 1875, to repeal this law; and in the meantime for none of the societies to initiate any members. It was also decided to have a committee, consisting of members of each society, to take note of all disturbances that may arise between the students, and to see whether any of them are due to secret societies.—G. H. Tanner, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 19, 1874.

I send you by to-day's mail copies of the prospectus of the Phi Delta Theta Quarterly. We wish you to send them to Phi Delta Theta not now in immediate connection with your college. The convention at Crawfordsville authorized the publication of a magazine, appointed a committee to do the work, but provided that they should take their own pecuniary responsibility. . . . We desire a report of your workings, welfare, relative standing, and any other fact you may deem of interest; any article, poem, joke or squib of any kind sent by a Phi will be thankfully received.—J. C. Norris, Indianapolis, Ind., to Φ Δ Θ at Emory College, Oct. 19, 1874.

I venture to refer you to Rev. J. S. Cantwell, Cincinnati, Ohio, or to Rev. G. S. Weaver, Akron, Ohio, or to Gen. A. C. Noris, Akron, Ohio. To any or all these gentlemen you can direct such inquiries as shall enable you to determine whether the institution is suitable for our purpose. For its age Buchtel gives fair promise of rising to a high standard of proficiency. Because of its promise I would like if we could occupy the ground.—T. C. Druley, Middleport, Ohio, to C. T. Jamieson, University of Wooster, Nov. 10, 1874.

Yours of November 5th, enclosing \$7.70 and seven names for THE SCROLL, is to hand. Since the circulars were issued, the committee have decided on some changes. The name of the magazine will be THE SCROLL. It will be a quarterly, devoted to the interests of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ fraternity. The committee have decided to make it as nearly *sub rosa* as possible. The literary department will be under the sole charge of Bro. S. J. Tomlinson, the fraternity department under the charge of Bro. W. O. Bates. The letters I get are very encouraging, and lead me to believe that the publication will supply a long-felt want, and greatly tend to bind us more closely in the beloved brotherhood. I am encouraged at the prospect of getting a sufficiently large list to insure the success of the quarterly for one year; yet it will require some active work, and as it is a matter of more importance to the welfare of the chapters than to the committee in charge, I must impress on you the necessity of sending us all the subscribers you can. There are several alumni Phi in Franklin who ought to subscribe. Will you please see them? How about an advertisement of Franklin College? Five dollars will publish one quarter of a page in all four issues, which I honestly think is the cheapest advertising rates I ever heard of. I have received several advertisements.—James C. Norris, Indianapolis, Ind., to D. A. Owen, Franklin College, Nov. 11, 1874.

Akron, Ohio, Nov. 23, 1874. Mr. Charles T. Jamieson, Dear Sir: A class of us students of Buchtel College, wishing to establish a chapter of some good fraternity, and having had the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ society recommended to us by Rev. T. C. Druley, of Middleport, Ohio, with whom I am personally acquainted, we respectfully ask you to oblige us by sending us the necessary preliminary papers for securing a charter. At this time there is a good opening for a chapter, although the $\Delta T \Delta$ society is well established. Yours truly, Arthur M. Ralston.

Your letter of 25th ultimo was received the day after Thanksgiving, so no one could come to see you on that holiday. There was never a more favorable opportunity to introduce a chapter into this institution, for this reason: there is here at present a chapter of the $\Delta T \Delta$, and they have been very slow in inviting new men to join them. They take their time, because there is no other chapter in the college. There are seven of us who will make things lively for them if a charter is granted us. I will give you our names: Arthur M. Ralston, G. A. McAlpine, Joseph Hidy, T. J. M. Prior, B. J. Bogue, J. L. Newberry and A. C. White. The average standing of nearly all has been 90 per cent. or above. As for honors, none are awarded in the institution. All those mentioned are members of literary societies; two have occupied the presidency, and the others have been and are faithful workers. Four I think have chosen the profession of law, one the ministry, one teaching, and the other has not decided as yet. You would find the boys eminently social and well liked among the students. As for moral character I would refer you to the president of the college, Rev. McCallester. Do what you can for us, and if a charter is granted you will find us brothers indeed.—A. C. White, Buchtel College, to C. T. Jamieson, University of Wooster, Dec. 3, 1874.

Your letter was received this evening and agreeable to your wish we sign 'minor Bond,' which please find enclosed.—Albert C. White, Buchtel College, to C. T. Jamieson, Dec. 7, 1874.

173 Ash street, Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 15, 1874. Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dear Bro.: I have written to you twice in regard to our proposed $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ organ, authorized by our last national convention, held at Crawfordsville last May. Then the committee named on the enclosed circular* was appointed to edit and publish the magazine. It was decided that this committee should have entire control of the journal and also assume all liability for the same. We issued our

* This was the four-page prospectus of the PHI DELTA THETA QUARTERLY, dated 'Indianapolis, October 17th, 1874,' which was republished in the review of the first ten volumes of THE SCROLL, which appeared in THE SCROLL for June, 1886. On the first page of the prospectus, the words, 'It will be issued about November 15th, and every two and one-half months thereafter, and will be called the PHI DELTA THETA QUARTERLY,' were changed with a pen by Norris to read: 'It will be issued about January 15th, and every two and one-half months thereafter, and will be called the PHI DELTA THETA SCROLL.' On the second page chapter correspondents were instructed as to reports thus: 'These reports should be brief, spicy and not private, as we shall aim to publish a magazine which shall be of interest to the public.' Norris erased the words quoted after 'spicy,' and instead wrote 'strictly *sub rosa*.' Erasures also indicated that S. J. Tomlinson would have sole charge of the literary department and W. O. Bates sole charge of the fraternity department of the magazine. W. B. P.

circulars, and many of the chapters gave us very liberal responses, but I have never yet been able to hear from some of our chapters. On account of this delay we extended the time of issuing the first number until January 15th. We now have 240 names on our list, but it will take 300 to pay the actual running expenses, not counting a cent for the labor of the committee, and they also losing the price of the circulars we issued, etc., some \$40. All unite in thinking that such a magazine, properly conducted, would fill the greatest need of our fraternity at present. It would enable members to know more of the active workings of each chapter, and serve as an important link in the grand chain which binds us together in the Bond of our beloved $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. We expected a good deal from the south, and hope yet to get a nice list of names from each chapter in Georgia. The Mercer chapter has already sent in nine and promises more. We are already preparing matter, and will publish the first number just as soon as our list is large enough, so that the publication will not run in debt the first year. It is proposed to make the fraternity department the main feature of the magazine, thus meeting the wants of the active membership. It will also be the medium of communication from the National Grand, the President, Grand Banker and committees to the active membership. Let us have your list at once, and you can send the names afterwards, say on receipt of first number. What is the fraternity news in the south, and is there any prospect for any new chapters in the south soon? Let me hear from you. I am your brother and friend, James C. Norris.

Thanks for your kind letter of December 28th. I have placed the four names you gave me on our subscription list, and also written to the others you mentioned. We expect to issue the first number January 15th, without fail, but we want our list as complete as possible before that time, and for that reason I ask you to send in the names of any other subscribers you can get for THE SCROLL just as soon as possible. If you will send me the names of any Phi in other places I shall write to them. I shall count on you as one of my agents in the South. We would like some communication from the South on any subject you may choose to discuss.—James C. Norris, Indianapolis, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 2, 1875.

EDITORIAL.

HENCEFORTH in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ the houseless chapters will be in a constantly diminishing minority. With the accession of Washington and Jefferson to the ranks of the housed and Purdue's resumption of housekeeping the total number of houses occupied by our chapters reaches thirty-three—more than one-half our whole number. Of these thirty-three wide-awake chapters ten own their homes and twenty-three rent them. This is a gain in three years of seventeen houses, of which five have been built by the chapters that occupy them. Such a record is creditable in the highest degree to the fraternity and to the chapters now housed.

BUT what of the homeless chapters? Some of them deserve their share of praise, too. Dartmouth and Washington, for example, have been pushing steadily on with their well-defined plans, and a dozen more months will find both ready to begin breaking ground. Other chapters are accumulating building funds on the five-year or ten-year note plan and should be ready to buy a lot during the next college year. In the cases where the work of securing and collecting notes has been pursued persistently and systematically, the chapters are, as has been said, as much entitled to credit as those which have succeeded already in consequence of an earlier beginning or more favorable circumstances. But the number of houseless chapters that realize their position and intelligently labor to improve it is much too small.

MOST of the thirty-one chapters that try to persuade themselves that a hall is better than a house (we beg pardon of Dartmouth, Washington, Southwestern and others that really should not be classed with the drones) are in colleges where $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has long been established, where the backing of many alumni, resident and non-resident, the history of the chapter's successes, its friends of many years, all enable it to

hold its own still in the face of younger rivals who with a house make good deficiencies in age and fame. Such chapters have yet time to atone for past negligence, and it will not be the fault of the general officers or of the next convention if they are not roused summarily from their lethargy.

WHAT each of these chapters must have first is a definite plan. It is very easy, at the sight of a rival taking a house that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ might just as well have had, to be put to shame sufficiently to say that 'we find that we must secure a house, too,' or that 'we are sure that our rival will find the house an elephant on her hands,' or that 'this was the only eligible house in town, and we missed getting it by just seven minutes,' or that 'we have a house in mind that will eclipse the one just taken'—very easy. But these speeches are all the fraternity at large has obtained from many chapters that were distanced in house-taking months and years ago by up-to-date competitors. And this is all we shall have till some man or some committee with a plan perfects it and explains it to the chapter and the alumni. Then it is not difficult to secure action.

CONSULT with successful chapters or with alumni who know about the matter, and form your plan now—this month, this term of college. We have no space to waste on the chapter that still pleads for a hall 'where we can give dances,' as if dancing were the sole aim and salvation of a chapter. Purdue, DePauw and many other chapters have both a house and a hall. And if it should be absolutely necessary to let the hall go in order to take a house, let it go at the first opportunity, as most of our chapters now housed have done. Don't try for a minute to set up your limited local theories against the combined experience of all chapters of all fraternities. You only make yourselves ridiculous.

RENT a house for next fall, a modest one at first if need be, but in a good neighborhood, as a chapter is often classed

socially by the part of town in which it lives. Have expenses and income calculated carefully and do not run in debt under any circumstances; leave nothing out of your estimate. Make a liberal allowance for coal. The furnace has blighted many a chapter treasury. Get some chapter with a home to send you its balance sheet. Pay more attention to your management the first year than you do to the size or the outward appearance of your house. If houses are scarce, April is not too early to begin looking for one to occupy in September. Get the best house you can, but get one without fail. If possible, get some local capitalist to build one for you, but do not tie yourselves up with too long a lease. Five years should be the limit; better make it three.

IT is true that we have two or three chapters that are prevented by the dormitory system or prohibition prices from renting houses at present. But these chapters must be raising funds to build halls for meeting. Every man in every chapter should sign a set of ten-year notes at once, and a permanent committee composed largely of alumni and business men should have charge of the fund and its collection. From the chapters that now own houses you can get plans of operation. And never do as a few chapters have done—secure notes and then allow them to lapse or be lost. Never allow a fund to be deposited or invested where it is not absolutely safe, though you should have to let it lie without receiving one cent of interest.

EACH chapter in Theta province has a house of its own, and fine houses and fine chapters they both are. In New York every one of our four chapters is housed. In Pennsylvania we have six houses, and the only homeless chapter is older than the other six. Alpha province has thirteen houses. Of the eight chapters established and re-established in the last decade six are housed and the other two will be in three years, the drawback in their case being the fact that they are made up exclusively of resident members. Let our old chapters in Beta, Gamma, Delta, Epsilon, Zeta and Eta prov-

inces ponder these facts. Every chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ not now in a home must come to Louisville to report success or a feasible plan for success at an early date. Delegates from unhoused chapters will have to spend convention week in making explanations, apologies and earnest promises.

Is THIS enough on one subject? Perhaps it is. Let us merely call attention to some of the other good things in this number which may be missed through too close attention paid to these fascinating editorial paragraphs. Read the chapter letters carefully, they are of unusual interest this month, even though they do dwell somewhat monotonously on brilliant 'prospects' in base ball, of which we shall not hear so much in June. Read especially Bro. Palmer's catalogue review. It is not a catalogue review at all. It is one of the most searching, entertaining and instructive criticisms of a famous rival of ours that has yet been printed. It is fair and carefully prepared, but it gives a terrible jolt to complacent, down-eastern *fainéant* conservatism.

ALUMNI day this year was again widely celebrated, but the celebrations in many places have been merged with those of active chapters or conducted under the auspices of these chapters, until we seem to receive fewer reports of annual meetings. It will be necessary to read the college chapter letters to find out all that was done on alumni day. This mingling of undergraduates and alumni is a hopeful sign and will lead to excellent results. Our three province conventions in Cleveland, Berkeley and Atlanta make a banner record of seven for the college year. The convention at Cleveland was one of the largest yet held in the fraternity and reflected unlimited credit on the Case chapter and the Cleveland alumni.

THIS is the quarto-centennial of THE SCROLL, and, therefore, the installment of 'Old Fraternity Records' published in this issue is especially timely, as particulars are given of the establishment of the magazine. The first issue con-

tained forty-eight pages, of the same size as those in the present number. It was printed at Indianapolis, and was dated January, 1875, but, as shown by letters dated February 2 and 20, 1875, did not appear until some time between those dates. At that time the only other fraternity journals published were the *Beta Theta Pi* and the *X Φ Quarterly*, the latter having since suspended, but the *Φ K Ψ Monthly* was established contemporaneously with THE SCROLL. THE SCROLL appeared quarterly during 1875 and 1876, but only three numbers were issued in 1876, and then it suspended for two years; so that, though twenty-five years have passed since the magazine was first issued, this is volume XXIV.

THIS installment of 'Old Fraternity Records' and the next one, which will appear in June, furnish interesting details about the establishment of chapters at O. W. U., Franklin, Roanoke, Buchtel, Nebraska and Vanderbilt; about the early days of chapters at Oglethorpe, Emory, Mercer, Cornell, Lafayette, California and Randolph-Macon; about the history of chapters at Georgetown, Lawrence, DePauw and Georgia, and also about the convention at Danville in 1875. The letters in the next installment will show that an application for charter from Maine State College was refused in 1875, as was one in 1896.

PERHAPS the most striking expression to be found in this month's 'Old Fraternity Records' is in the letter of A. A. Marshall, a charter member of the Mercer chapter: 'There is no doubt but that there is a great future ahead of our fraternity; we have in it more vim, more of the spirit of progress, than any other fraternity I know of.' This reads like a banquet speech on alumni day, and indeed was written on March 14, 1874, within one day of the date afterward selected for that day. If we were not so modest about Φ Δ Θ, and were not afraid of offending the susceptibilities of very enterprising rivals, we should say that the expression holds good to-day, as it did twenty-six years ago.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

The winter term has just closed and we are enjoying our spring vacation. In base ball the outlook for Colby is very good. The men have been working faithfully in the cage the past term, and there is much good material to pick a team from, especially among the pitchers. Colby's athletic exhibition this year was the best given for a long time. Dr. Frew has reason to be proud of his department.

Our college glee club is making a trip through the state and is the best Colby has sent out for a long time. Bros. Doughty, Towne, Teague and Richardson represent us here, with Bro. Richardson as reader.

Our inter-collegiate debate with Bates will be held in April. Bro. Cox is one of the speakers who will represent Colby in this contest.

Our chapter meetings have been full of interest the past term, and seven men are already pledged for next year.

Your reporter had the pleasure of attending the annual dinner of the Phi Delta Theta club of Boston on March 16, as a delegate from Maine Alpha. There is nothing like meeting a body of loyal alumni and listening to their words of counsel and cheer, to put new energy and life into one.

WILL H. STURTEVANT.

Waterville, March 30, 1900.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The annual spring athletic activity at Dartmouth is now at its height. The track team, which has been training steadily since fall, is now developing into form in anticipation of the inter-collegiate meet at Worcester. The base ball squad has been working in the cage for several weeks, under the direction of Tenny, of the Boston league team. Although seriously handicapped by the severity of the climate and the consequent presence of snow, the team promises to excel that of last year, which won the tri-collegiate championship. The debating teams are also engaged in their preparations for their contests with Brown and Williams.

The engagement has been announced of Bro. Dixon, professor of economics, to Miss Alice, eldest daughter of President Tucker.

Bros. Ward and Richards, '97, were graduated from the medical college February 28. Both have positions in a hospital in Boston.

Bros. Horace and Dana Sears, '00, have left college temporarily, the latter to accept a position as civil engineer in Nebraska.

In all lines of undergraduate activity Phi are as prominent as ever. The basket ball team, under the captaincy of Bro. Abbott, '02, has met with most gratifying success. It has lately won the inter-collegiate championship banner of New England, and broken even with the all-New England champions. An interesting item in this connection is the fact that this is entirely a class team.

Since our last letter the chapter has received its full share of honors. Bro. Bond, '01, has been elected assistant manager of the *Lit.*, to assume the managership next year. Bro. Balkam, '00, is president of

the tennis association. Bro. Washburne, '01, who has served as assistant manager of the foot ball team the past season, has entered upon his full managerial duties. Bros. Rich, '00, and Owen, '01, participated in the final prize speaking contest, held in the college church. Bro. Wiley, '03, has been elected vice-president of his class. Bro. Rich, '00, was Dartmouth's representative on the inter-collegiate committee appointed to redraft the constitution of the New England I. A. A., serving as secretary. Bro. Lewers, '03, won second place in the half-mile run, and Bro. Rollins, '01, third in the high jump in the annual indoor athletic meet. On the base ball squad, now reduced to twenty candidates, are Bros. McCarten, '01, and Abbott, '02, of last year's team, and Newell, '03. On the track team squad are several promising Phi candidates.

During the past month the chapter has had the opportunity of entertaining Phis from Vermont and Williams who have visited Hanover on their college basket ball teams.

Elaborate plans are being laid for the junior prom week, which will be known as 'Brown week' this year, in consideration of our contests with that university during that time. A similar 'Dartmouth week' will be held at Providence next year. Besides the usual series of dances, glee club hums, band concerts, dramatic performances by the Buskin and the cane rush, there will be held base ball games, a debate and a dual track meet with Brown. Bro. Rich, our representative at Rhode Island Alpha's recent anniversary banquet, extended a general invitation to the Brown chapter to attend the festivities, and a large delegation is expected. An invitation has also been extended to the Vermont chapter.

KENDALL BANNING.

Hanover, March 22, 1900.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

Two years ago the student body of the university passed resolutions in favor of an honor system. The plan met with the approval of the faculty, and the system was established. Under it each student gives his pledge at the close of an examination that he has 'neither given, received or used any help whatever in the above written paper,' and the professors retire from the room immediately after giving out the questions. The punishment of all offenders is left entirely in the hands of a jury chosen from the student body, each accused person being entitled to a fair and impartial hearing and to be confronted by the witnesses against him.

At the recent mid-year examinations nine students were brought to trial before the jury. Five were acquitted and four found guilty. Those found guilty of dishonesty were deprived of college franchise, of the right to hold any office of trust in the gift of class or college, and of the right of having their names appear with those of their respective classes in the college annual. These sentences were for a longer or shorter term in accordance with the gravity of the offence, but in no case did they cover the whole college course.

This much by way of history. The question now arises: 'Is the honor system a success with us?' It is the conviction of those who have given the matter careful thought that it is not. We believe that the principle is right, that it is the ideal way to conduct examinations, but that the students lack the power to carry out the letter of the law. This was shown by the mitigated penalties imposed and the attitude of the college body throughout the trials. College sentiment is not overwhelmingly against cribbing. A few stand ready to oppose it to

the bitter end. The great majority, however, are indifferent. They say that they will not themselves cheat, but if others will it is not their affair. This indifference on the part of many, coupled with a well-developed opposition from those who prefer that dishonesty go unpunished, will, we believe, eventually prove the death blow of the honor system at Vermont.

The musical clubs recently returned from a week's trip through northern Vermont. They were enthusiastically greeted in the various towns and report successful concerts and pleasant receptions. The annual home concert will be given soon after the reopening of college. Bros. Gould, '00, Goodwin and Peck, '02, represent us on the clubs.

Bro. Munson, '03, has been seriously ill with appendicitis. He is now much better, and a recurrence of the trouble is not expected.

The list of commencement speakers has been posted. Among them we note the name of Bro. Beebe, '00.

At a recent election of the cotillion club the names of Bros. Beebe, '00, Kern and Perry, '01, were added to the membership roll.

The Histrionic Develings are planning to give Ralph Roister Doister in the Howard Opera House sometime in April. In the cast of characters are Bros. Andrews, '99, and Peck, '02.

The '01 *Ariel*, of which Bro. Perry is business manager, will appear the first week in April.

Considerable interest has been shown in basket ball this winter by members of the university taking work in the city Y. M. C. A. gymnasium classes. A college team was organized, which played several games. Among the players were Bros. Peck, '02, and Gray, '03.

Base ball practice is being carried actively forward under the direction of Captain Batley. Most of the old men are back. The weakest place is in the pitching force. Coach Abbey has charge of the men in the cage and has the reputation of turning out good pitchers.

We had a pleasant alumni day, and the important event was the public announcement of the Incorporate Alumni of Vermont Alpha of Phi Delta Theta. This is a business corporation under the laws of Vermont, incorporated by Bros. F. O. Sinclair, '82; G. I. Forbes, '90; E. C. Mower, '92; G. H. Dalrymple, '95, and E. M. Harvey, '96, with the object of securing for Vermont Alpha a chapter house and home for visiting alumni. The corporation stands on thoroughly business principles, and an appeal will now be made to all our alumni.

Bro. Tirrell, *Dartmouth*, '00, visited us recently with the Dartmouth basket ball team and extended the hospitality of New Hampshire Alpha to us during their 'Brown week.' We are glad of this chance, and a number of us will be at Dartmouth in May.

We have pledged C. J. Parker, '03. ALBERT FRANK UFFORD.
Burlington, March 30, 1900.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Since my last letter the interest of the college has been directed principally toward indoor athletics. Our relay team easily defeated Amherst's at the B. A. A. indoor meet, and Wesleyan's at the Boston college games. In the former meet captain John Bray also won the 1,000-yard handicap race, starting from scratch. We have held two college indoor meets, both of which aroused considerable enthusiasm and gave good indications of a winning track team for the spring of 1900. In one of them Johnson, '02, broke the college record for the shot, putting it 39 feet, 7½ inches. 'Charley' Ganzel, the old Boston

catcher, has again been secured to coach the base ball team. He will remain with them throughout the season.

We held our annual alumni banquet on February 11, 1900. It was eminently successful. Eight of the alumni were able to be present, and almost all the others sent personal letters. An excellent house plan was submitted by Bro. Terry and was unanimously approved by those present. It now bids fair to materialize under his able direction into something tangible within a year or so.

In the recent college elections Massachusetts Alpha has been exceptionally successful. Bro. Stoddard, '00, received the appointment of class cup oration for class day. Bro. Marvin, '01, has been elected chairman of the *Williams Literary Monthly*, class poet, treasurer of Philologist; he also won the college chess tournament and was a member of the team that played Amherst. Bro. Ross, '01, is secretary of the Philotechnian and was elected to the *Williams Literary Monthly*. Bro. Ely, '02, is on the sophomore prom committee. Bro. Wilbur, '02, is chairman of the sophomore class supper committee. Bro. Stanley, '02, was elected to the *Weekly* board. Bro. Morrison, '00, is president of the Western Pennsylvania club.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. Herrick, of Amherst, and are looking forward to a visit from Bro. Walter W. Case. Williamstown, March 27, 1900. CHARLES A. SQUIRES.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated three new members: Bros. Libe Washburn, '01, Ray Forrest Knowlton, '02, and Samuel Hall Whitley, '03. These three, together with Bros. Henry J. Hall and Elihu S. Tuttle, who have resumed active membership in the chapter, raise the total enrollment to thirty-two, the largest number in the history of Rhode Island Alpha. The eleventh annual midwinter banquet, held March 2, was the most enthusiastic occasion in our chapter life this year. Bro. D. B. Rich, *Dartmouth*, '00, conveyed the greetings of New Hampshire Alpha, and President Case of Alpha province, the guest of honor, spoke on some of the local and general aspects of our chapter work.

Under the efficient administration of Dr. Faunce the university has been active in the prosecution of regular work and the projection of important changes. Chief among these are the appointments of Prof. Winslow Upton as dean of the university, and of Miss Annie Crosby Emery as dean of the women's college. As a result of the former change, Bro. Frederick Slocum, who received his doctor's degree last June, will succeed to the direction of the department of astronomy. A new departure is the system of faculty advisers for new students, which seems to prove in practice its usefulness. The bequest of Augustus Van Wickle for a memorial gate has been accepted by the corporation and will soon be utilized for the construction of an ornamental gateway and administration building on the front campus.

In debating Brown has taken a step in advance this year by accepting the challenge of the William E. Russell club at the Boston University Law School to a debate in April. Preparation for this and the annual Dartmouth debate has necessitated a larger number of debaters and more efficient means for their trial by actual preliminary debate, both of which have been well provided for by the debating union. That we have not allowed the literary spirit, known of old in our fraternity, to wane is evident in the unanimous choice of Bro. H. J. Hall as captain of the Dartmouth team. This honor is especially

pleasing in company with the election of Bro. Washburn, already pitcher on the 'varsity nine, as captain of next year's foot ball team. Bro. Tuttle won the championship medal in the 20-yard dash contest at the gymnasium demonstration held in Infantry Hall, March 6.

In other departments of college life, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has still a prominent place. Bro. Bass has resumed his duties as managing editor of the *Brown Daily Herald*. The various college social functions engage the attention of three Phis on their committees—Bro. Boynton in connection with the Sayles spread on class day, Bro. Evans, the junior promenade, and Bro. Buxton at the head of the sophomore assembly. The *Liber Brunensis*, our annual, soon to be issued, owes its success in an artistic way largely to the labor and talent of Bros. Moseley, Stillman and Frost, the last two being our delegates to the senior and junior boards of editors. The various organizations have on their roster of officers several Phis—Bros. Washburn and Knowlton in the Colby Academy club, Bro. Harvey in the whist club, Bro. Holmes in the Biblical research club, and Bro. Burdick in the Sears reading room.

Besides the interest in debate which has characterized our chapter this year, a new form of literary exercise has found favor with the fellows in the way of lectures or talks at which we get together not only our undergraduates but alumni. In December we were entertained with an illustrated lecture on Honduras by Bro. Paul R. Bullard, '97, who had just returned from a tour through that country. This term two or three other addresses have been arranged.

An event promising to be one of the most unique and pleasant in the history of our college and chapter, is the prospective 'Brown Week,' which Dartmouth will observe during the week beginning May 7. During that period Brown will be the guests of Dartmouth at Hanover, and will meet her in base ball, track athletics and debate. These contests and the auxiliary social functions will cause a grand pilgrimage of undergraduates from Brown to the New Hampshire hills to support their teams. The best part of the plan to us as fraternity men is that our Dartmouth brethren have already sent an urgent invitation to every member of our chapter to become the guest of their chapter during the week. Such a feeling of inter-chapter friendship goes far in strengthening the fraternal spirit in our fraternity and making it the strong national body that it is to-day.

Providence, March 30, 1900.

ARTHUR E. NORTON.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

A few weeks after the university opened for the winter term the ΔX fraternity house was burned to the ground, nothing being saved. The fire occurred at early morning, and every student in the house was compelled to jump from the third story. Nearly all were injured; one, P. T. Lonergan, died from the effects, and several are still unable to get about. It was a deplorable calamity, and the whole university is mourning the loss.

The different branches of spring athletics have been very active all winter. The base ball team, under the masterful coaching of Hughey Jennings, while it has no stars like 'Tar' Young, Murtaugh and Harry Taylor, is well balanced and ought to make a good showing during the coming season. An unusually long and hard schedule has been arranged, and, as last year, a southern trip will be made during the spring vacation. The track team will probably be the best Cornell has ever had. Trainer Moakley has been doing wonderful work in developing men, and the large number trying for each event makes

the competition very lively. Two indoor meets were held; Bro. Kinsey won the middle weight boxing championship. The crew work has been handicapped somewhat by the illness of coach Courtney and the cold weather of March. Rowing on the inlet generally begins about the middle of March, but it will be April before the ice begins to break. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has a large delegation of crew men, and we are bound to have men in both 'varsity and freshman boats. As yet no prediction can be made on the 'varsity, but the freshmen are sure to be up to the standard of Cornell's crews.

Junior week, February 4-9, proved to all the guests that Cornell knows how to entertain royally. Each event of the week was greatly enjoyed, and each seemed an improvement on last year's. Bro. W. B. Kugler led the sophomore cotillion, and Bro. Fay was chairman of the junior ball.

On March 2 the junior class gave a university smoker, which was a great success. Pipes were given as souvenirs. Bro. Fay, as chairman of the junior ball, took this occasion to present the navy with an eight-oared shell, to be built in Ithaca at an expense of \$400, part of the surplus receipts from the ball. Other smaller gifts were made to the navy, and the foot ball men were presented with gold foot balls for watch charms.

The freshman banquet was held at the New Ithaca Hotel on February 21. It was a dry banquet and well attended. The many reports that appeared in the newspapers of the country regarding the rush between the two lower classes were greatly exaggerated. Outside of hiding several freshmen nothing was done. Bro. Kugler, '03, was chairman of the committee in charge.

The senior banquet was on March 9. On anniversary day New York Alpha held a little informal smoker at the lodge.

A new reporter has been elected. Hereafter address correspondence to B. B. Conable, 125 Edgemoor Lane. W. H. MORRISON, JR.
Ithaca, March 26, 1900.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

Now that the winter term is finished, all the students are looking forward to the pleasures of the spring, particularly base ball. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has had her share and more of the college honors so far this year, but from the present outlook, this season's base ball team under the captaincy of Bro. Edwards, '00, bids fair to be the best Union has had in many years.

New York Beta celebrated alumni day with the usual ceremonies and then enjoyed an informal smoker at which we were glad to welcome about ten resident Phis. The occasion was a most enjoyable one, and we trust it did much to increase the spirit of the active members to more real enthusiastic Phi work than before. At that time, the plans of the house committee of the active chapter were announced and quite generally discussed, and it was decided to incorporate the alumni of New York Beta at once and proceed with the plans outlined for the erection of a new house. The interest taken among the alumni already justifies us in hoping that it will be only a short time before we occupy our own house. As it is, our present lease expiring May first, we are obliged to move, but we have been particularly fortunate in obtaining a house quite as desirable as our present one.

The annual concert of the musical association at Albany was held Saturday evening, March 24. The result was quite satisfactory to the students, and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is proud of the record that her quartette made.

Our chapter holds a very prominent place on the combined clubs, and we have added not a little to their success.

As the time for looking up new men is rapidly approaching we wish to remind the members of the fraternity that any information concerning men who are about to enter Union will be greatly appreciated, and we shall be very glad to reciprocate the favor.

Schenectady, March 25, 1900.

G. LE ROY SHELLEY.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Much has happened among the members of New York Delta since the last issue of THE SCROLL. First and foremost, Bro. B. M. L. Ernst was leader of the Columbia debating team which defeated the University of Chicago in Carnegie Hall last month. Bro. Bühler has distinguished himself in dramatic circles. He took a leading part in the annual 'varsity show, and among impartial judges was considered the star. Bro. Atkins and Bro. Caldwell, who is a recent initiate, have been prominent in athletic circles through their ability to negotiate the middle distances. In Brooklyn Bro. Atkins ran a fast quarter with the winning Columbia relay team. He has also won the university quarter-mile championship and second place in the half-mile. In this race Bro. Caldwell took first place and also won the one-mile race, this giving him the all-around indoor championship of the university.

Bro. Atkins has been elected editor-in-chief of the '02 *Columbian* board. Bro. Allan has been elected managing editor of *The Morningside*, of which Bro. Atkins is business manager. Bro. Jackson will probably make the 'varsity crew. At the Columbia indoor games Bro. Ernst won the high jump, and Bro. Caldwell the half-mile run. Bro. Atkins also ran with the winning class team of '02.

New York Delta is in a much better condition than it has ever been. There are now twenty men in the chapter, with immediate prospects of several more. Our house is comfortable and convenient to the university grounds. With a stronger organization among the Phis in New York the situation here would be very nearly perfect.

New York, April 2, 1900.

ADRIAN RUSSELL ALLAN.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The university catalogue for 1899-1900, which has just been issued, shows an increase in the size of the faculty, number of students and strength of equipment. The total number of the teaching force is now 135, an increase of 10 during the past year. The number of students is 1,402, a gain of 250. The principal changes in the curriculum occur in the departments of philosophy and Semitics, both showing the addition of courses. The departments of botany and chemistry have also been strengthened and enlarged.

Athletic affairs are attracting much interest these days. The candidates for the crew have been sifted down, and the few remaining are doing finely under the careful supervision of coach Sweetland. They were upon the water this week for the first time. It is quite probable that a race will be rowed on Onondaga Lake this spring. At an indoor meet recently held the candidates for the track team showed up remarkably well, giving promise of a strong team. We will send a relay team of four men to participate in the games at Philadelphia on April 28. Bro. Scrafford, '02, will be one of the four. A large-hearted trustee has promised to provide a way by which Syracuse will be represented in the Olympian games at Paris next summer and ar-

rangements are being made for such a trip for the track team. Coach Fox is getting the base ball team into readiness for the opening of the season. A southern trip is to be taken, the first game of which will be played with Bucknell on April 7. Bro. House, '02, will be on the nine.

At the annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. recently held, Bro. Palmer, '01, was elected vice-president. Bro. Smith, '03, has secured the appointment as one of seven of the freshman class to compete for the Dennison declamation prize at commencement.

A movement among the non-fraternity people has been watched with much interest by the Greeks during the past few months. This has finally resulted in an organization, the objects of which are not yet fully made known. A banquet has been held, which was quite largely attended.

By the time this letter is published we will have initiated Guy H. Comfort, '03, of Canistota, N. Y., Howard G. Case, '03, of Fulton, N. Y., and Wm. F. Prouty, '03, Putney, Vt. Mr. Case is one of the most promising candidates for the crew and will without any doubt secure a seat in the shell.

CLAUDE M. MARRIOTT.

Syracuse, March 30, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

The long looked for improvements on the dormitories has at last begun. The general contract work is being pushed rapidly, in order that the remodeling of the present buildings may be begun as soon as college closes in June.

During the term the junior, sophomore and freshman classes held their annual banquets, all of which were pleasant affairs. Bro. Trout, '03, was toastmaster at the freshman banquet.

Two of the college alumni banquets were also held during the winter term, one at Wilkes-Barre, the other at Philadelphia. The members of the foot ball and base ball teams and the glee club were guests at the Philadelphia banquet.

The base ball team, of which Bro. Hubley is captain, did not get any practice before the Easter recess, which proved a great hindrance to the team on its southern trip. Notwithstanding this the team did good work, showing itself much stronger in batting than last year. While but one game was won, the scores against us were not large in any instance. Bro. Bray as usual received much commendation for his good work on the team.

During the Easter recess the musical clubs, consisting of twenty-seven men, made their annual tour. Fifteen concerts were given. Everywhere they were greeted with enthusiasm, and the tour was very successful in every way.

We have read with pleasure circular letters from the following chapters: Allegheny, Iowa Wesleyan, Colby, Gettysburg, Washington and Jefferson, Michigan, Sewanee, Williams, Case, Dartmouth, Cornell, Union, Vermont, Ohio Wesleyan, Wisconsin, Dickinson, Cincinnati and Syracuse.

WILLIAM C. ISETT.

Easton, April 6, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have greatly strengthened our chapter by the initiation of Bro. W. R. Robenolt, '02, of Fayette, New York.

The musical clubs have returned from their annual midwinter trip through Pennsylvania and Maryland. It was pronounced the most

successful trip ever taken by our musical organizations. One of the chief attractions of the trip was the joint concert with the Dickinson college clubs at Carlisle. Bros. Ott, '97 (seminary, '00), Markel, '00, Huber, '01, and Philson, '03, represented Pennsylvania Beta on the clubs, and they speak in the highest terms of Pennsylvania Epsilon, at whose house they were entertained during their stay at Carlisle.

At the recent election of the '02 *Spectrum* board, Pennsylvania Beta came in for a full share of the honors, every one of our '02 delegation securing a place. Bro. Robenolt was elected editor-in-chief; Bro. Bickel, illustrator; and Bro. Long, associate business manager.

At the recent Pennsylvania inter-collegiate oratorical contest, held at Ursinus College on March 9, Ursinus succeeded in capturing first place, while second prize was awarded to Gettysburg. Next year the contest will be held at Gettysburg.

The annual gymnastic exhibition held on February 16 was a decided success. We were represented on the team by Bro. Bickel, '02.

The college has secured the services of Frank S. Foreman, formerly of the Cincinnati national league team, as coach for the base ball nine. The list of candidates for this year's team is exceptionally large, and outdoor practice is being actively engaged in. The season will open on the home grounds on April 10 with Syracuse. Bro. Floto, '03, will likely represent $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the team.

The track and relay teams are hard at work getting into shape for the spring sports. An inter-class meet will be held in the early part of April, at which time will be selected the men to represent us in the relay carnival at Philadelphia on April 28. The second annual dual meet with Dickinson will be held on May 19.

At the annual public election to Pen and Sword, held on Washington's birthday, your correspondent was elected to membership. At the same time it was announced that a prize in the form of a silver cup has been established by the Yale-Gettysburg club, to be presented to the student who has never won any prize, making the highest number of points in the spring sports.

Commencement will occur during the second week in June. During this week Pennsylvania Beta expects to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the chapter. Arrangements are already being made, and a very successful reunion is anticipated.

Gettysburg, March 29, 1900.

HIRAM H. KELLER.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

The winter term of college closed March 28, and the Phis celebrated the occasion by going into a house. The new home of our fraternity is a large and comfortable house which is handily half way between the two depots on Main street. The fellows spent the latter days of the term buying furniture and fitting up the house. We feel pleased with our new venture, for our trials have been many the past term, in respect to this question. It is owing to the unceasing efforts of our house committee that we occupy our present home. Bro. Metz as chairman of the committee deserves special thanks.

Bros. Sloan, Lindsay and Goldthorpe are with the glee club on its trip, which embraces western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio.

Bro. Grubbs has placed nearly all his orders for advertising in our college annual and is now enjoying a well-earned rest. Bro. Woods is at his home in McKeesport quite sick.

Bros. Duff and Williams were our representatives at the alumni day

banquet in Pittsburgh. Bro. Duff responded to the toast 'This in College.'

W. E. RALSTON.

Washington, April 2, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

College closed yesterday at noon for the spring vacation. In many ways the term just closed has been one of the most profitable in the history of the college. The work in the class room has been of a high standard, and in athletics we could have wished for nothing better.

The basket ball season of 1900 has been the most successful in the history of Allegheny's athletics. Our team has scored 284 points to our opponents' 174. Of these points Bro. Lampe, '03, scored 125, throwing 52 goals from the field. The team is considered the champion college team of western Pennsylvania. The season has been a success financially and reflects great credit upon the manager, Bro. Masters, '01.

On February 22, the first annual Allegheny College dinner was held in the college gymnasium and was one of the most enjoyable events of the year. The gymnasium was beautifully decorated with national and college colors, and the class tables were trimmed with class colors and flowers. During the dinner there was a display of class and college spirit such as has been shown but few times at Allegheny. After the dinner a number of the alumni responded to toasts; among them was Bro. R. R. Ross, '81. Bros. Bird, '02, and Hall, '03, were on the general arrangements committee.

This term for the first time in the history of the college the students of the preparatory school have organized and elected officers. One of our pledged men, E. L. Sutton, was elected historian.

On March 5, the Pennsylvania Delta boys entertained the faculty and their ladies at the chapter house. The decorations consisted almost entirely of white carnations. This is the first time that any such thing has been done here, and it is hoped that it is the beginning of many such gatherings.

This month the glee club gave its annual mid-winter concert. It was one of the musical events of the year, and the large attendance and generous applause bore witness to the appreciation of the music. Bro. Womer, '00, represents us on the club.

The chapter has re-leased its home for another term of two years. $\Phi K \Psi$ will enter a house at the beginning of the spring term.

During the past month we have had visits from Bros. R. R. Ross, '81, Crary, '96, Lowstuter, '98, Soult, '99, and Soper, Dickinson, '98. Meadville, March 23, 1900.

ROGER H. MOTTEN.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

The twenty-sixth of this month marked the opening of our spring term. We have now ten more weeks, and then the present seniors will be rated as alumni. By the graduation of this class we will lose six loyal supporters and men who have worked hard for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in almost all branches of college work.

By our recent victory over State College in debate we won the series—two out of three. The question debated was: 'Resolved, That England was justified in her treatment of the Boers.' Dickinson upheld the affirmative. Bro. Presby, '01, represented $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on this occasion. He is to be leader in the debate with Syracuse in May.

On March 15 we held our alumni day banquet. Bro. Whiting, '89,

was master of ceremonies. On this occasion Phi enthusiasm ran high, and all present spent a most enjoyable evening.

Our base ball teams have begun outdoor practice. We have a great deal of promising material and hope to develop a good nine. The management is the same as last year, at which time we put out a good team.

A course of lectures has been inaugurated by the faculty. Each professor is to deliver one lecture on some topic which is pertinent to his department. Dr. O. B. Super of the modern language department, delivered his lecture on Martin Luther. This was very fine and thoroughly appreciated.

On the ninth of this month we gave a joint concert with the glee and banjo clubs of Gettysburg College. At this time we had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. Ott, Markel, Huber and Philson. They spent almost two days with us, in which time we tried to show them all the points of interest in and around Carlisle. After the concert we were pleased to give a smoker in honor of our Gettysburg brothers. Everything was informal, and many of the crowd responded to toasts.

We did not have our annual sleigh ride this year, owing to the scarcity of the all important article—snow. These fraternity sleigh rides have become quite a social feature here, and all the other fraternities have followed the example set by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in 1890.

During the latter part of February we were delighted to entertain Bro. Wesley Burns, '96. Bro. Burns was here in the interest of the Loyal Temperance Legion, of which he is quite an enthusiastic worker. For the past year Bro. Burns has been conducting a successful pastorate at Landsdowne, Pa. Bro. Souders, '98, recently paid us a flying visit. He has charge of a church in Illinois.

Carlisle, March 28, 1900.

JAMES TILGHMAN EARLE.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Since our last letter the event has taken place which we have awaited with great impatience, the formal opening of our new chapter house on founders' day. This to the number of about seventy-five assembled, and spent such an evening of jolly good-fellowship and fraternity spirit as we have not been able to have here for many a day. Prominent among the alumni present were Bros. J. Clark Moore, P. G. C., Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, H. G. C., and Clifton Maloney, president of the Phi Delta Theta club of Philadelphia. Bros. Delaplaine and West, the contractors for our new house, to whose earnest efforts we owe so much, were presented with engraved resolutions testifying to the gratitude and appreciation of the active chapter. The house contains ten sleeping rooms, of which only three are at present occupied, owing to the fact that many of the men had engaged rooms for the whole year in the dormitories. About fifteen men are now taking their meals at the house, and the presence of so many of the brothers at meal times forms one of the chief pleasures of our new home.

We have affiliated Bro. George Wyeth, '03, medical, formerly of Tennessee Alpha, and on March 23, Bro. J. Boone Wintersteen, of Pennsylvania Epsilon, entered our chapter. Bro. Clarence Kugler, of New York Alpha, has visited us several times recently.

We have arranged to give a tea on the afternoon of April 6, and anticipate great pleasure in showing our new home to the many Pennsylvania girls who will be present. Bro. Walter B. Palmer honored us by a visit recently and seemed greatly pleased with all he saw.

Pennsylvania Zeta's house is always open to this, and we earnestly

hope that all who come to Philadelphia will honor us by visiting the house of which we feel that we are justly proud.

Philadelphia, March 26, 1900.

T. B. McCLAIN.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Great activity is being manifested in athletics this spring. The base ball team is fast rounding into form for the first game with Columbia, April 7. The lacrosse men are doing good work under Barlow, of the Markham, Canada, team. Bro. Grubbe, captain of the track team, is getting the men in shape for the relay races at Pennsylvania, April 28.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. A. H. Serrell and J. P. Reynolds. Bro. R. M. Straub, '99, has entered the Western University of Pennsylvania, as has Bro. H. A. Straub, '01. Bro. J. A. Schultz, '03, has been elected one of the board of editors of the *Brown and White*, and Bro. Smith, '02, is a member of the calculus cremation committee. Bro. Harleman, '01, is now manager of the gymnasium team and assistant manager of the track team.

We expect to soon leave our present house and occupy a larger one nearer the university. We extend a hearty invitation to all Phis to visit us at our new home, 453 Lehigh street, South Bethlehem.

South Bethlehem, April 3, 1900.

SAM T. HARLEMAN.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The University of Virginia is beginning to assume its usual spring appearance. In the fall, when the new men come, nature seems to feel that her greenness is so inferior to theirs that she soon stops trying to compete with them. However, by spring the men have become so transformed that she finds she can again hold her own and, adding their cast-off qualities to her own, she appears in redoubled freshness. While this transformation is going on a change may be noted in the students. The countenances of the athletes act as barometers, falling on the slightest suspicion of rain and *vice versa*. The men who hope to make their tickets begin to realize that this is, practically, the beginning of the end. Their faces have a determined aspect; they are hardly ever seen except when exercising, and their one and sufficient excuse for all shortcomings is 'boning.' One class of students, however, that we have ever with us and without which we could not get along, never changes. The loafer is always the same light-hearted, jovial, 'have-a-cigarette' fellow.

As usual Virginia Beta has representatives in each of these classes. Chief among the first is Bro. Carter, one of Virginia's pitchers. This is his second year on the team, and he is expected, by every one, to prove one of the best college pitchers of the year. Bro. Stearns, although a new man, has already cinched his place at short. He is considered the most valuable acquisition to this year's team.

Bros. Furniss and Mallary are applying for degrees this year, the former in medicine, the latter in law. Bro. Mallary is vice-president of the law class. Bro. Price is on the editorial staff of *College Topics*. Bro. Walke is president of the Y. M. C. A.

Bro. Burrow, M. D., of '99, who has occupied the position of assistant demonstrator in biology this year, will sail on May 19 for

Europe. He expects to remain some time in order to perfect himself in certain special departments of his profession.

There has been no initiation, nor have any men been pledged, since our last letter.

ROGER A. WALKER.

Charlottesville, March 30, 1900.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

On March 6 the joint debate between Randolph-Macon and Richmond came off at the latter college, and Richmond was the winner. Although we feel our defeat sorely, we do not intend to stay beaten, but to try again next session with renewed energy. After the debate a reception was tendered the R.-M. students, and in all it was a most enjoyable occasion. Brother Copenhaver represented Randolph-Macon as her declaimer.

More than usual interest is being taken in the base ball team this session. Our first game will be with Richmond College on April 2. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has only two representatives on the team, Bro. Lavinder at second base and Bro. G. Peatross in left field.

Bro. Lavinder has been elected president of the public debate; Bro. Carter, president of the joint celebration at commencement; Bro. Copenhaver, associate editor of the college monthly, and Bro. Sanders, historian of the class of '02.

W. P. CARTER.

Ashland, March 26, 1900.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Increased interest in every department of college has characterized the year at Washington and Lee. Several exciting rushes have occurred between the classes of '02 and '03. Honors were equally divided, and peace has been declared. Bro. Graybill is now president of '02.

Since our last letter we have initiated James Warren Bagley, of Fayetteville, Tenn.

Virginia Zeta is represented in base ball by Bro. Guion behind the bat and Bro. Bagley in right field.

Bros. McLeod and Speers have been called home and will not return this year.

Bro. Feamster plays first mandolin in the college glee club. Bro. Marshall is a member of the final ball committee. Bro. Keeble has been elected to speak for the final orator's medal in June.

Bro. Epes, who left us after Christmas, will be back in a few days. We have lately enjoyed a very pleasant visit from Bro. James C. Martin, of Norfolk, Va.

H. R. KEEBLE.

Lexington, March 31, 1900.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Unusual enthusiasm has been manifested in the university base ball team this season. We have put out this year one of the best teams in the south, and one which the whole college is proud of.

Bro. W. S. Bernard, '00, has been elected as one of our debaters to argue the Philippine question with Vanderbilt on their platform during this month.

Bro. J. J. Asbury, '00, has recently been elected chemist to the Tennessee Coal, Iron and R. R. Co., at Birmingham, Ala. Bro. Asbury was one of our most active members, and we regret exceedingly having to give him up before the close of the college year.

In college politics $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ plays her part. Bro. Bernard was elected editor-in-chief of the college annual, the *Hellenian*, this year, but he has since resigned in favor of a $K \Sigma$. There has been a movement on foot for the last two years to make our annual a university publication, but the non-fraternity element in college has shown no desire to share in the publication or the glory of the annual and hence, as formerly, the fraternities will publish the *Hellenian*, and fraternity men will pay for the publication.

The university as a whole is making rapid progress. Her total enrollment for this college year is considerably above the 500 mark. Two new buildings are nearing completion, the alumni building for the executive officers and a few class rooms, is built of granite and light-colored terra-cotta, and will be a very imposing structure. The Carr building, donated by Hon. J. S. Carr, of Durham, N. C., situated on the border of the athletic park, is intended for a well-equipped, modern dormitory. It is a three-story building, made of light-colored brick and granite and will be a handsome home for many students next year, when it will be thrown open for occupancy.

Considerable interest has been shown in the track team this spring. The first inter-collegiate contest will be held on our track this month.

North Carolina Beta will lose three of her members by graduation in June, 1900.

ISAAC F. HARRIS.

Chapel Hill, April 4, 1900.

KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

We had the pleasure of introducing Bro. Charles Schoolfield into the mysteries of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on March 10, 1900. He is president of the freshman class and a good foot ball player. Our chapter has now ten active members. Bro. William Lyle is attending school in Washington city, but will be back next year.

Fraternity material is very scarce here now, but we hope for better luck in the fall.

We are glad that the next convention will be held in Louisville, and we all hope to be present.

Centre College will have a purely amateur base ball team this year, and we will probably be the champions of the state, as we were last year in foot ball.

HENRY SANDIFER, JR.

Danville, March 19, 1900.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

A dinner-dance was given in honor of founders' day. The banquet was served in the fraternity hall, which was beautifully decorated. The guests of honor were the girls of Richmond who are wearers of our badge. Dr. A. Wilkes Smith, a distinguished alumnus, acted as toastmaster, and the following toasts were responded to: The Pledging—Wm. Woodbury; Our Girls—Elliott Smith; The Fraternity—W. F. Land. The fraternity is under lasting obligations to Mrs. J. E. Greenleaf and Mrs. Sallie Miller for making the affair the success that it was. After the banquet dancing was enjoyed at Masonic Temple until a late hour. The visiting Phis were S. C. Cardwell, S. E. Booker and Dr. H. M. Blanton, of Louisville, and L. M. Smith and Charles Pearson, of Harrodsburg.

Bro. Herrington is on the staff of the *Cream and Crimson*, our college annual. Bro. Smith will speak in the sophomore-freshman contest which takes place the latter part of April.

Base ball is receiving a good share of attention. Our first game is with Kentucky State College, in Lexington, April 13, the day of the oratorical contest. We have a strong team and are confident of winning the Kentucky college championship.

It is with much pleasure that we learn of the success of Bro. Speed, of Louisville, who is now with the *New York World*. In speaking of his new men the business manager says that in Bro. Speed he has found a treasure.

TRUEHEART P. BOURNE.

Richmond, April 1, 1900.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Most of the interest of the university has been centered in base ball of late. We open the season with the University of Chicago, and the prospects are bright for an excellent showing against them. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is well represented, having on the team as regular men, Bros. Carr, Hardy, Cooper, Davis, Rice and Palmer. Bro. Carr is captain, and Bro. Foster is manager. The prospects for a track team are good, too.

The university seems to have taken a new lease of life. There is more interest taken in all college affairs than ever before. Even now big preparations are being made for a unique commencement. The new dormitory donated by W. K. Vanderbilt, Kissam Hall, is almost finished, and is a magnificent structure. It is five stories high, and will accommodate 300 students. The windows are of French plate glass. Each two students will have a suite of three rooms with bath room attached. This year the enrollment of students at the university was nearly 800, but with the many improvements springing up we count upon a thousand or more next year.

H. G. RICE.

Nashville, March 29, 1900.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

At the opening of the university on the sixteenth of March, Tennessee Beta found herself somewhat stronger than is usual for the beginning of the Lent term, only two of our members being absent, Bros. Gillett, B. A. '99, and Hodgson; M. A. '99. Both will be back in August during commencement, when their degrees will be conferred upon them. I take great pleasure in introducing Bro. James Russel Williams, who was initiated last week.

The prospects for this year's base ball team seems very bright, but owing to the extreme inclemency of the weather, very little work has been done. In fact, but two practices have been attempted. However, Coach Suter, of Princeton, expects to have the team in good shape by the sixteenth of the month, on which date we play our first game, Cumberland University being our opponent. Sewanee is undoubtedly handicapped in the base ball line, owing to the late opening of the university and the intense cold which prevails here during this season of the year, as well as to the very poor gymnasium facilities, which do not allow of any indoor practice. Our schedule for this year is very long and includes games with the strongest colleges in the south. Bro. Walden will represent us on the diamond. He has pitched on the 'varsity for the past two years.

Quite a nice addition has been made to Sewanee, in the form of a very pretty set of chimes which were presented to the university last winter. Vice-Chancellor Wiggins has secured a present of \$50,000 from Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, and will use the money in erecting a grammar school dormitory. The building will accommodate about

125 students, and will fill a long felt want, as the present dormitory is hardly large enough to hold the large number of students who reported in March.

LAWRENCE M. WILLIAMS.

Sewanee, April 1, 1900.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Bro. E. W. Stetson, manager of the Mercer base ball team, paid us a flying visit during the early part of the month. He had come to arrange a series of games between the two institutions. Bro. A. Corker, '85, was with us at one of our meetings this month. He favored us with an excellent talk on loyalty to and worthiness in the sight of the fraternity.

At the election of the officers of the athletic association for the ensuing year, Bro. B. D. Watkins, '00, was chosen president. At the recent election of the staff of the *Red and Black*, our weekly publication, Bro. M. M. Thurman, '00, was chosen local editor for the April-November term.

Our base ball term has just been worsted in a series of three games with Cornell. These were our first games of the season. Georgia Alpha is represented on the team by Bro. R. B. Rounsaville, '03, catcher; Bro. C. H. Whitfield, '03, third base and Bro. H. J. Lamar, Jr., '02, pitcher. Bro. Blun has been appointed official scorer.

Mainly through the efforts of Georgia Beta, the Phis of Georgia are to have a banquet in Atlanta, Monday, April 2, at the Majestic Hotel. As our attendance at the banquet would require an absence of two days from our college duties, Georgia Alpha will be represented by but few of its members.

W. STAFFORD BLUN.

Athens, March 31, 1900.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

It is with pleasure that I introduce Bro. Walter Dean Domingos, '01, of Bainbridge, Ga., and Bro. Murray Reid Barnum, '04, of Lumpkin, Ga., pledged. Bro. Domingos is secretary of the college Latin club and one of the ablest speakers in college. It is now only a few weeks till the freshmen and sophomores contest for commencement speakers' places, and present indications are that in these as well as the higher classes $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will sustain her past record in that line. Bro. Tindall, who last fall wrote the third prize story for the Emory *Phoenix*, has sold his production to the *Christian Herald*.

The class tree exercises on the twenty-seventh of February, conducted by the senior class, were interesting. In a social way this is the most important time before commencement, and many visitors were present. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was represented in the program by Bro. Houser, the class poet. In the recent contest for places in the debate which is soon to take place between the two literary societies, Bro. Wood was chosen as one of the three best debaters in his society—Phi Gamma. When the contest between the two societies takes place, the man making the best speech is given a medal by the president of the college.

The chapter is now working on and in a few days will complete its chapter letter. This custom of getting out an annual letter has been neglected for several years, but we have realized the importance of it and have determined to issue one hereafter each year.

On January 29, we came near losing our chapter house by fire, and but for the timely discovery of the blaze and the heroic work of the boys, what resulted in only a slight damage would have been a serious loss. On next Monday, April 2, our chapter goes to Atlanta to have its annual picture taken, and on the night of April 2, our club, together with representatives from the other two Georgia chapters and Atlanta Phis and others, has planned for a banquet at the Majestic Hotel. Bro. Hallman, our province president, will act as toastmaster, which in itself is enough to insure us that the occasion will be a great success.

The base ball season is now upon us, and although Emory is prohibited from entering intercollegiate games, the practice and rivalry between the several class teams indicate that the games will be quite interesting. On the diamond $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ as usual is well represented: Bro. Branham, pitcher for the senior team, is recognized as the strongest in college, besides being one of the best all-around athletes.

Our chapter was glad to welcome as recent visitors Bro. J. W. Greer, '96, and Bro. F. H. Houser, '98.
GUYTON PARKS.
Oxford, March 28, 1900.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Within the last year Mercer has had her endowment fund increased \$31,000. A strong interest has been awakened in her alumni by the president, and it is expected that in the early future the college will be put on a firmer financial basis.

It is a source of much pride with Georgia Gamma that both the Baptist institutions of this state have for their presidents old members of Georgia Gamma. We refer to Bro. P. D. Pollock of this institution and Bro. A. A. Marshall of Munroe Female College.

In the recent state convention of the Baptists, held at Griffin, in which a number of prominent Phis were present, Bro. B. D. Ragsdale was unanimously chosen secretary of the association. Bro. Ragsdale is professor of Bible at Mercer and is esteemed very highly by the Phis of Georgia Gamma.

The faculty and students enjoyed a visit a few days ago from Chancellor Hill of the State University, who delivered an address. He has many friends among the students, who thoroughly appreciated his visit.

It is with much regret that we have to relate the resignation of one of our most respected and beloved members of the faculty, Prof. J. R. Moseley. He resigned in order to have a better opportunity and a freer scope to push further his investigations of Christian Science.

During the last three years the positions of the fraternities here have altered somewhat. Some have increased while others have decreased in membership and in the worth and ability of the men. The membership of Georgia Gamma has not changed materially during this period, and if the average worth of the men has altered, we trust and confidently believe that it has been for the better. The present membership roll of the several chapters is: A T Ω , 13; K Σ , 14; K A, 14; Σ A E, 15; Σ N, 21; Φ Δ Θ , 22.

On March 17 we had a visit from our province president, Bro. Earnest G. Hallman. It was the first time Bro. Hallman has honored us with a visit, and it is needless to say that we enjoyed his stay. He gave us a splendid talk on the general purpose of the fraternity, touching upon the purposes for which it was founded, on the men whom it had inspired and led to success, and on the morality and

friendship it inculcated. He ended with a request that we renew our inspiration and take hold of work with the determination to place Georgia Gamma in the foremost rank of ideal chapters.

The base ball season opened here on March 28, with the game against Cornell. It was an interesting game, resulting in a score of 6 to 1 in Cornell's favor. Our greatest weakness lies in the fact that we have had no coaching. All the men are young, this being a newly developed team, consequently they did not play together well. But we hope to keep up the old Mercer record and have a strong team.

The arrangement of the team will probably be different in the remaining games. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is well represented on the nine, having the manager, assistant manager and five regular players; Bros. Nisbet, Gunn, Mason, Taylor and Lone. The schedule contains games with Georgia, Auburn, Georgia Technology, North Carolina and Tennessee. We hope to be able to entertain many Phis with these teams.

Our last initiate was Bro. McDougal Nisbet, '03, of Macon, Ga. He is a brother of Bro. Carl Nisbet, of Auburn.

At the last meeting the chapter decided to give the annual banquet during commencement. It will probably be about June 1. Any Phi who may be in the city at that time will receive a hearty welcome.

Several Mercer Phis went to Atlanta to attend the banquet which occurred April 2, at the Hotel Majestic. They report a splendid time. Macon, April 3, 1900. EUGENE WM. STETSON.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Our term examinations are now over and we have again settled down to our regular college duties.

Bro. A. McB. Ransom, who was formerly assistant professor of chemistry, has left us to accept a very desirable position in Atlanta, Ga. We greatly regret the loss of Bro. Ransom, and wish him success in his new situation.

Bro. S. D. Gilbert, '00, left last week to accept a position with an electrical firm in Mobile. He had the honor of being recommended by our professor of electricity as the most proficient man in the senior class for the position.

We are glad to introduce Bros. C. Feagin, '02, J. V. Matthews, '03, and W. L. Halsey, '03. Bro. Feagin is from Union Springs, Ala.; Bros. Halsey and Matthews from Huntsville, Ala.

The base ball season has opened with fine prospects, games have been arranged with the leading southern colleges, and from the boys' faithful practice we are expecting good results. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented on the team.

A college minstrel troupe was organized recently, and we hope to give several entertainments during the remainder of the year.

On April 2, the Georgia chapters are going to give a banquet in Atlanta at the Hotel Majestic to sister southern chapters. Bro. Finch, '00, will represent Alabama Beta. D. W. PEABODY.

Auburn, March 30, 1900.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Owing to the generous gifts received this year, two additional chairs will be endowed next fall, one in English and the other in biology.

Bro. Clarence McKellip, '03, Sheldon, Iowa, is our latest initiate.

Bro. Baird, '02, was our delegate to the Delta province convention at Cleveland this month and was delightfully entertained by Ohio Eta.

of Bro. L. B. Bassett, who is home on a vacation from the Houghton School of Mines.

Φ Δ Θ is represented on the mandolin and glee club by Bros. Chandler, Karr and Cowdery. Several successful concerts have been given, and more are promised.

The second Saturday of each month has been set aside as alumni night at our chapter house on Fairmount street, and an especial effort will be made to entertain any alumni who happen to be in the city.

Cleveland, March 28, 1900.

C. B. CLYNE.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The period of 'stress and storm' has been followed by one of repose and compulsory acquiescence. The board of directors has sustained President Ayers in every point, and the only thing the faculty can do now is to accept gracefully the inevitable. Prof. French, of the department of physics, has resigned.

Several inter-class contests have served to awaken a strong interest in basket ball. Bro. Burke, '02, plays goal on the victorious sophomore team. The accepted plan of an inter-collegiate field day, on May 26, is another evidence of the renewed interest in athletics.

The alumni banquet was held on March 15. The toast list fairly flashed with gems of wit and humor. Too much credit can not be given the committee whose efforts made the evening a success. Bro. Cordes, '00, was the delegate of Ohio Theta to the Delta province convention, while Bro. Durr, '03, nominally represented the Cincinnati alumni club. Both brothers returned home full of enthusiasm and praise for Ohio Eta and her warm-hearted hospitality.

Ohio Theta is preparing for a hard and active rushing campaign. So far we have two men pledged, and the prospects for more were never brighter.

Cincinnati, March 31, 1900.

STUART A. MCGILL.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Since our last letter our chapter has increased its number to twenty by the initiation of three men: Bros. Egbert Davis, Detroit, Mich.; Ralph C. Lane, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; and Ralph McMullen, Grand Rapids, Mich., and by the return of Bro. A. W. Potter, who has been in Yale for the past year and a half. We have also pledged Mr. Carl Warner, of Detroit.

The junior hop, on February 9, was one of the most successful ever given here. Bro. Ned Begle was chairman of the decoration committee.

Friday, March 23, Michigan Alpha banqueted in Detroit with the Detroit alumni club, at the Cadillac. Quite a number of our old men were back, which served to make the occasion one long to be remembered. On the following evening the chapter was entertained by the Mercury club at the home of Miss Emily Vernor.

We are pleased to announce the marriage of Bro. H. Mont. Smith, '98, to Miss Harriet E. Bushnell, of San Francisco, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will make their home in Bloomsburg, Pa.

Bro. R. C. Lane, '03, will respond to the toast 'President Angell' at the freshman banquet, which takes place on Thursday, April 12, 1900.

Ann Arbor, March 27, 1900.

DAVID DENNIS STARR.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated Clyde E. Boyer, of Elkhart, Ind., and Will F. Book, of Princeton, Ind. We now have 21 men.

Last term's work was somewhat impaired by two small-pox scares and the disastrous fire which destroyed Wylie hall. The trustees have decided to rebuild, and a three-story structure will be erected, the third floor of which will be occupied by the law department. Several faculty changes are announced for next year.

The management has arranged a very strong schedule for our base ball season, which opens April 6, with a game with the alumni. We meet Michigan April 14. Bros. Hoover, Shaw and Alsop are candidates for the team, and we hope to be well represented.

We expect some of our old men to enter next term. This are always welcome.

W. M. ALSOP.

Bloomington, March 31, 1900.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Although we started with nine active men in the fall, we now have only six, four having left school and one having been initiated. We take pleasure in presenting Bro. Byron E. Hughes, of Crawfordsville, Ind. On March 27 our glee and mandolin clubs started on a trip through the northern part of the state. Your correspondent has the position of manager, while the other three Phis that are members of the clubs are three of the soloists. During the Christmas holidays the clubs took a trip through the southern part of Indiana and Illinois. We had five Phis on that trip.

The social feature of the year took place in March, in the form of the annual Pan-Hellenic dance. Thirteen Phis were present, among them Bros. Davidson, Whipple, Wilson and Bartholomew, of Purdue.

The outlook for base ball in Wabash this year is encouraging; many good games have been scheduled.

J. S. BARTHOLOMEW.

Crawfordsville, March 27, 1900.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

Our spring term is just beginning, and several of the old students who voluntarily prolonged their vacation have not yet returned. The usual increased attendance of the third term is very marked this spring, and the new students have been coming in for the last week.

Our base ball team, managed and captained by Bros. Longley and McGaughey, respectively, is doing outdoor practice every day now. We will play two games each with Indiana and Franklin, and one each with DePauw and Wabash.

The winter term was undoubtedly one of the most successful ever held at Butler, both in respect to college work and the different college events. Our debate team on March 3 repeated the performance of last year and carried off another beautiful silken banner from DePauw; our basket ball team, captained by a Phi, made an excellent record, and we took second place in the state oratorical contest.

On March 15 there was a mass meeting of the university students in our chapel, at which a representatives of each of the four departments made a short talk; your correspondent had the honor of being chosen to represent Butler.

On April 4 the primary debate will be held to choose the team for the U. of I.-Notre Dame debate, which will be held at South Bend in May.

We have lately been visited by Bro. Garber, of Hanover, and Bro. Treher, of Indiana.

Bro. Albert Goodale will not return to school this term, but with this exception our boys are now all back. On March 16 we initiated Bro. Leslie Anthony of Indianapolis, and after the initiation we listened to some very interesting talks by some of our alumni. Among these was Bro. Norris, who helped to found THE SCROLL.

Irvington, April 1, 1900.

JNO. M. CUNNINGHAM.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

The spring term has opened at Franklin with more than the ordinary number of students enrolled. Many of these are new, but the prospect for fraternity material is poor.

We have had two terms of bard work and have now come to the time of year when we can enjoy life. The first few warm days have brought out flattering prospects for the inevitable spring 'cases,' and 'campus' bids fair to be the most popular study.

Since our last letter the primary contest for debaters, to represent us in debate with Hanover next month, has come off, and Bro. House has been chosen as one of them.

Our base ball team is rapidly getting into shape, and the manager, Bro. Johnson, has his schedule almost completed. The positions have not as yet been assigned permanently, but from present prospects we will have at least four men on the nine. The tennis clubs have organized and are preparing for the annual tournament. Our club, the Hercules, expects again to win the championship which it has held for several years.

Our glee club is at present making a successful tour of the northern cities of the state. They have been gone two weeks. We are represented by Bros. Parker, director, Demaree, manager, House, impersonator, Thurston, pianist, Covert and Fisher. Bros. Parker and Fisher also sing on the college quartette.

Bro. Covert has been elected president and Bros. Sellers, House, York and Edwards, prosecutor, treasurer, critic and warden of the Periclesian literary society for this term.

On Saturday evening, March 17, we gave a stag banquet in honor of Bro. Goodell, one of the faculty, who will not be here this term, but who will complete his course for a degree in Chicago University. Over fifty Phis were present; after the supper Bro. Goodell and Bro. Hall, also of the faculty, gave appropriate talks. Bro. Goodell will be greatly missed by us, as he was a great friend of all the boys. He will be missed also in athletic circles, as he is general manager of athletics and took great interest in athletics of all kinds.

Many new books are being added to our library and much new apparatus to our laboratories.

We have been visited during the past month by Bro. Lybrand, of Indiana Gamma, and Peter, of Indiana Beta.

Franklin, March 30, 1900.

OTIS B. SELLERS.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

The winter term closed last Wednesday, and the spring term began the next day. The opening lecture was delivered in Donnell Chapel

Thursday morning by Prof. A. H. Young, his subject being Yellowstone Park.

The general tone of college this year is good. As an illustration, one professor told a class that its examinations were all so good that he cut them all twenty-five hundredths, because he did not like to give such high grades.

The contest between the Union and Philalathean societies was held on March 20. It resulted in a victory for the former. The only Phi on the contest was one of the winners.

On April 20 Hanover's representatives, Messrs. E. H. Thias and T. H. Masterson will meet Franklin College in joint debate, at Franklin, Ind. The question is, *Resolved*, That the English are justified in their attitude toward the Boers. Hanover has the negative. Mr. Thias is a Beta and Mr. Masterson is a Phi.

Over twenty base ball candidates have reported for positions. Bro. Green will occupy his usual place in the box. Several games have been scheduled, the first with the Manual Training School of Louisville, April 14.

Old friends of Hanover will be interested to know that the repairs on the main building will be completed before commencement.

Bro. Sherman, who has had charge of the gymnasium for the past two years, has already accepted a position for the summer. He will be located in Chicago, and leaves Hanover May 21.

Hanover, March 26, 1900.

F. S. DEIBLER.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The third term of the college year opened March 20. A considerable number of new students entered school.

De Pauw was again successful in the state oratorical contest at Indianapolis, February 2. This was our thirteenth victory in the state contests. Our representative, Mr. Dunlavy, ΣN , is making the best preparation possible for a victory in the inter-state contest at Denver in May.

The university suffered defeat at the hands of Butler in debate on March 2, at Indianapolis. Our representatives, although defeated, made a strong showing. Bro. Thomas, the leader of the De Pauw team, received very flattering notice from several of the Indianapolis papers. An inter-class debate on the question: '*Resolved*, That woman should have equal suffrage with man,' was held recently. The seniors and sophomores supported the affirmative, the juniors and freshmen the negative, the latter winning. Bro. Williams was on the freshman team.

Base ball is the center of interest in the athletic line here at present. The team will be composed of nearly the same men who formed last year's nine. They are practicing regularly and hope to put up a team that will at least equal our past record.

The department of physical culture has been causing certain students some uneasiness lately. Those who have been persistently absenting themselves from the physical culture classes were forbidden to attend any classes until they had arranged the matter with the department. Work in the gymnasium is now required of all students, and it is necessary for a complete course, the same as attendance upon class room work.

The chapter is in a flourishing condition. A most fraternal spirit prevails among the brothers. In numbers our chapter stands about on the average with the other fraternities here.

Bro. Cartwright was recently chosen president of the junior class.

Greencastle, March 31, 1900.

S. E. DOVE.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

With deep regret we feel the loss of our president, James H. Smart, who died Wednesday morning, February 22, 1900. At this writing we have no knowledge as to who will take his place.

We are now situated in our new chapter house, with which we are very much pleased; we are aware that it will be a great help to the chapter in general, having had the experience of the benefits of a chapter house in past years.

The base ball fever in Purdue rages high. All of the members of last year's 'varsity are back, with the exception of two, and these vacancies are being filled by better material than we had last spring. We expect to win the state championship. The members of the 'varsity have not been permanently selected, and with Bro. Laidlaw at his old place at short we expect to have two or three more Phis in the game before the season ends. Our first game will be played at Crawfordsville with Wabash College.

Bros. Bartholomew, Jones and Lowenstein, of Indiana Beta, made us a short visit and attended our dance given on March 24, 1900.

West La Fayette, April 6, 1900.

CHAS. MCGREGOR.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

On January 28 Northwestern met with a severe loss in the death of Ann Maud Bowen, dean of women, assistant professor of English literature and one of the most distinguished of our alumnæ. On March 21 the college community was again shocked by the death of Henry Cohn, assistant professor of German. Memorial services were held at Fish hall and were largely attended by students and friends.

Between semesters the glee and mandolin clubs made a very successful trip through the northern part of the state. Arrangements have been made for a trip during the spring vacation through northern Indiana. Athletics never seemed to have better prospects than at present. A number of last year's base ball men are back, and with the help of the new material we should have a winning team. The schedule as arranged to date was recently announced and is one of the best we have ever had. The track team is also much more promising than last year. Two indoor athletic meets have been held, in which Northwestern made an excellent showing. Bro. Sturgeon, elected captain of this year's track team, was forced to resign on account of poor health.

Bro. Webb has been on an extended trip through the west with the Thalian dramatic club.

The annual banquet of the Chicago alumni was held at the Auditorium Annex on the evening of March 15, and was attended by a number of Northwestern Phis.

We are pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a number of interesting circular letters.

Evanston, March 23, 1900.

WALLACE S. GRAYSTON.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Three more freshmen are wearing the blue and white—Messrs. Frederick Feil, Herbert Ahlswede and Chester Ellsworth. The first two are well known on account of their foot ball reputations. It was Mr. Feil who was enabled, with the assistance of Bro. Sheldon, to advance

the ball for such long and irresistible gains through the lines of Cornell, Brown and Wisconsin. Mr. Ahlswede also made an enviable record for himself as a 'varsity foot ball player. Both he and Mr. Feil played in every game last season. Mr. Ellsworth is an all-around athlete—in foot ball, base ball and bicycling. He will probably be one of the catchers on the 'varsity nine this year, and he ought to do something on the bicycle.

Bro. Earl Hales was graduated at the March convocation; he took a Ph. B.

Great excitement was caused in fraternity circles on February 16 by the announcement sent out by ΣΧ that they had formally expelled C. A. McCarthy, one of the most prominent men in the university and by far the strongest man that ΣΧ ever had here. He belongs to all the class and honor societies and is leader of the glee club. It looks as if the Sigs had cut off their own head. No reason for the action was given, but it is reported that he did not give enough attention to his fraternity. A rumor has gone around that he has applied for reinstatement.

At this writing President Harper has yet to raise \$172,000 before April 1st (tomorrow night) in order to complete the conditions of the \$2,000,000 gift of Mr. Rockefeller. He is exerting every effort to get it. It is said that in the last week the university has received gifts that averaged \$25,000 daily. A \$60,000 club house is going to be built for the students soon; it is promised that each fraternity and society will have a room in it. [President Harper was successful. ED.]

At the alumni day banquet held in the Auditorium Annex on March 15, Illinois Beta had seven representatives.

The annual Washington promenade was given on February 22. The Dekes and Psi U's, thinking that they were not well enough represented on the committees, decided to boycott the affair. Although they supposed that they led in a society way here, the boycott fell flat and the affair was declared the most successful ever given. Bros. Brayton and Sheldon represented Φ Δ Θ on the committees.

The glee, mandolin and banjo clubs have met with such opposition from the faculty this season that they have disbanded until next year. As a last blow the president of the organization (the above mentioned Mr. McCarthy) was suspended from the university for allowing members who were behind in their work to appear in concerts. Last year the university started a movement that bids fair to supplant in time the out-of-date glee club idea. This was the presentation by the men students of a comic opera entitled 'The Deceitful Dean.' It was so successful that the originators of the idea, Prof. and Mrs. Vincent, have arranged to give another this year called the 'The Academic Alchemist.' Three performances will be given in the Studebaker theater down town on May 10, 11 and 12. A number of Phis will take part: Bros. Mosser, Sheldon, Wyman, Godso, Case, Blakey and Hoy. It is said that, perhaps, in a few years, 'The University of Chicago Comic Opera Company' will be traveling around the country instead of the glee club.

The base ball team has just left for a few days' practice in Tennessee. It will have several practice games with the Vanderbilt nine. The track team has won first place in the two meets that it has been in—the Milwaukee meet, where it had as a strong rival the First Regiment team of this city, and the Notre Dame dual meet. From present indications either Chicago or Michigan will carry off the western inter-collegiate banner this spring.

AUSTIN YOUNG HOY.

Chicago, March 30, 1900.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Illinois Delta celebrated alumni day at the chapter house with a banquet to the resident alumni. Most of them were present, and steps have been taken for the reorganization of the alumni club. With the large number of Phis in this city a strong organization could be maintained.

In the Knox-Beloit preliminary debate Bro. Parkin won first place. Knox has never won one of these debates, but with the team selected this year the prospects are especially bright. Bro. Porter is one of the debaters chosen by Gnauthautii for the Colton debate.

The base ball team has not been able to get outdoors yet, but good work is being done in the cage at the gymnasium. Besides Captain Porter, Bros. Gaines and McMullan are sure of places on the team. Coach McKenna is now here in charge of the track team and has made a very good impression. The material is good, and Knox should have a winning team.

'The Love Chase,' which was presented by the seniors in L. M. I. hall, had Bros. Mead and Parkin in two of the leading roles. Bro. Parkin is president of the Knox dramatic association. Bro. Shurtleff, '03, has been elected president of his class. All the college organizations have been having their pictures taken for the *Gale*, the college annual, which Bro. W. R. McComack, the editor-in-chief, assures us will be the best ever issued.

We are pleased to introduce Bro. F. A. Prince, '03, son of Bro. G. W. Prince, '78, who now represents this district in congress.

Galesburg, March 25, 1900.

HERMAN H. POTTER.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Founder's day was celebrated by our chapter with a banquet. Several of the alumni honored us with their presence. Toasts were given by the alumni and active members. Bro. Fay A. Bulluck presided and opened the program by giving a brief history of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Bro. Allen spoke in behalf of the alumni. He told of the fraternity as it was when he attended Lombard in bygone years. Bro. Allen has a prominent position with the Adams Express Co., in Galesburg. Bro. Ward W. Stratton responded to the toast: 'The Fraternity of the Twentieth Century.' The other toasts were given by Bro. W. Allen and Bro. Beal. All reported a good time, and this will be remembered as one of our best banquets. We have received several reports from different chapters and we congratulate them upon the success which they are achieving.

WARD W. STRATTON.

Galesburg, April 5, 1900.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

In the near future Wisconsin will have a new engineering building. The state legislature has appropriated \$100,000 for that purpose, and already the ground is broken for the foundations. It is to be on the north side of the upper campus, between North hall and Science hall, and facing the south. The material used will be cream-colored brick, and the edifice, including the basement, will be five stories high. The earth removed from the basement is being hauled onto the lower campus, which is to be raised four or five feet. The new library building is fast nearing completion and will be open to the student body when the fall session begins.

The junior prom. on February 16 was one of the most brilliant we

have had. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ had a larger representation than any other fraternity. In connection with the prom. the chapter gave a house party.

Bro. Phil King is with us again. He is to have charge of the foot ball and base ball teams for the coming three years. Bro. Leahy is assistant manager of the base ball team. The crews are working in the tank under the guidance of Andy O'Dea. It is hoped that the best crew Wisconsin ever had will represent her at Poughkeepsie this year. Coach Kilpatrick has charge of the track team for the coming season.

The university suffered a great loss in the death of Dr. John E. Davies, on January 22, in Chicago, where he went to undergo a surgical operation. Dr. Davies was a member of the faculty for thirty-two years and in that time was connected with nearly every department of science. He was a lifelong member of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, having been a member of the *ante-bellum* chapter at Lawrence University. During the past two years he has taken an active interest in our chapter, and his relations were of the friendliest with us. In the death of Dr. Davies we feel that we have lost a strong friend in the faculty.

Madison, April 4, 1900.

MARK H. NEWMAN.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

We have read with much pleasure the many circular letters that have come to us from the chapters. They manifest an enthusiasm and a progressive spirit that are gratifying, and show that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is leading everywhere. Our circular letter was mailed March 1.

Although the rushing season proper is over, Iowa Alpha has not been inactive. I am able to introduce Bro. Adelno Gibson, '02, late of Fifty-first Iowa, which saw service in the Philippines, and Bro. Fred R. Beck, '03. This makes three initiates for this year. Bro. Archie Day, '02, has returned to take up his studies. Bro. Day has for sometime been identified with the hospital corps, Fourth Infantry, at Manila. Bro. Burt Beck has been compelled to leave school, but will return at the opening of next year and manage the university foot ball team.

At a recent meeting of the Hamline literary society Bro. Ralph Stafford was elected president, and several other important offices were filled by Phis. In Philomathean society the Phis are well represented in the officers.

Iowa Alpha is very prominent in literary work this year. In the annual inter-collegiate debate between Iowa Wesleyan and Illinois Wesleyan, which was held here on March 15, Iowa received the unanimous decision of the judges. Iowa Alpha is proud of her representation in this debate in the person of Ralph Stafford, who in the preliminary debate here secured second place. Bro. Fred Beck will represent us in the annual debate between the freshman classes of Simpson College and Iowa Wesleyan. Bro. Guy Shields will give the address to the junior class on commencement.

The university Y. M. C. A. is in a prosperous condition; the reporter was recently elected vice-president.

The university glee and mandolin clubs have just returned from their annual trip. The trip was a success in every particular and the clubs won favor in every place. It was the most successful since their organization, and financially the clubs are prospering. A short trip may be taken some time during the spring term. The home concert will be given on April 12. In the clubs we are represented by C. O. Hooper, B. Beck, C. T. Vorheis and A. B. Jeffrey, besides pledged men.

The chapter is busy making arrangements to give an elaborate banquet some time in June, and we are expecting many of our loyal alumni to be present.

A. BALFOUR JEFFREY.

Mt. Pleasant, March 30, 1900.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

With the arrival of favorable weather considerable interest is being manifested in outdoor athletics. We have a promising lot of candidates for the base ball team. Bro. Haven will represent $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. A movement is on foot to organize an inter-fraternity base ball league, and a pennant will probably be offered for the best fraternity team. Last year the Phis defeated all comers and intend to maintain their prestige.

Preparations are being made for the annual tennis tournament. Bro. Peper is chairman of the committee that has this feature in charge.

In the recent organization of the Missouri University boat club Bros. Burruss and Moore were elected to places on the governing board.

Bro. Burruss merits special mention for having reflected credit upon the chapter in various fields. Besides his election to the managership of the track team, he won first place over nine competitors in the inter-society declamatory contest, and in the preliminary for the Missouri-Nebraska debate, which was strongly contested, he secured a place as alternate. He will also compete in the Shakesperian contest and will be supported by a cast of Phis.

Bro. Ruffner was made captain in the recent promotions in the cadet battalion. The chapter feels the loss of three of its most enthusiastic workers. Bro. Crawford White has removed to Sedalia, Mo. Bro. Dunn has left school temporarily to attend to business interests at Lutesville, Mo. Bro. Charles White has accepted a position with a Louisville, Ky., house.

Columbia, March 26, 1900.

RAYMOND S. EDMONDS.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Ground will be broken in early summer for the new chemical laboratory. Dr. John Henry MacCracken, our young president, is a great success. He is steadily increasing the endowment of the college.

We regret exceedingly the loss of Bro. R. M. White, '03, who was compelled to leave college on account of his eyes. Just lately Erwin Mitchell, '02, has honored us by wearing our pledge button. He is known to be about the best all-round man in school, and was given a hard and continuous rush by our rivals.

Bro. H. H. Smiley, '96, now an affiliate with Missouri Alpha, recently paid us a visit.

Since we arranged and improved our fraternity rooms to take care of our social functions, which have proved so great a success and pleasure to us, our rivals have been led to follow our example and rent new rooms.

Candidates for the base ball team are hard at work. Four and perhaps five Phis will make the team. Bro. Hope is captain, and Bro. Burch is manager and treasurer.

Alumni day was a gala day for the chapter. Father Morrison was to have been with us, but urgent duty called him away. However, he was presented with his handsome birthday gift, subscribed by the fraternity at large, before his departure. An interesting programme, con-

sisting of addresses and impromptu speeches by the alumni, was rendered in the evening in the chapter hall, after which we adjourned to the reception room to partake of a feast. This seemed unusually fine by reason of its having been prepared by our charming 'sisters.'

A photograph of the chapter was taken last week, and we expect to be in the June SCROLL.

We are glad to note the high grade of the circular letters that are being published this year. Our members enjoy very much reading and studying the ways of other chapters.

A. B. CARUTHERS.

Fulton, March 24, 1900.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. Edward Glion Curtis, Herschel John Drabelle, Philip Ben White and Alban J. Anderson, all of the present freshman class. We regret very much the loss of Bro. George W. Parker, who has accepted a position with the firm of Parker-Russell, of this city.

Bro. Edwin Harrison was captain of this year's hockey team. Bro. Clemens Glasgow has been elected president of the class of '03.

The alumni held their annual banquet in our rooms the evening of March 24. Much enthusiasm was shown during the chapter house discussion. Our fund now amounts to more than \$3,000, \$1,000 of which is cash.

EDWIN F. CARTER.

St. Louis, April 2, 1900.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

March 28 marks the close of the first half of the second term at the University of Kansas. The total registration up to this time numbers 1,130, the largest ever recorded.

Much interest at present is being centered in inter-collegiate debate. Dates have been arranged with the Universities of Missouri, Nebraska and Colorado. The debate with Colorado will occur at Boulder, April 22. Bro. Davis will represent us, having been awarded a place at the final trial, in which there were eleven contestants.

The base ball season is about to open, the first game being scheduled for April 7. Indications are that the 'box' will be especially strong this year as compared with previous seasons. The services of an efficient coach have been secured, and practice is indulged in daily. The schedule is now complete and includes games with Nebraska, Missouri and the Kansas City Blues, as well as an extended trip through the east.

The annual indoor meet is set for April 21. The regular field-day meet will occur some time in May—probably before the 26th, as that is the date for a joint field-day with the University of South Dakota, at Sioux City.

The glee and banjo clubs closed the season March 16, with a concert at Kansas City. Bro. McMath was our representative on the trip.

At the close of the last term Bro. Murphy left school to accept a position in Denver. Along this line we have been very unfortunate, three good men having left school this year. Notwithstanding all this, we now have seventeen active members, having recently initiated Ralph Nelson, '02, Kansas City, Kans., and Charles Colladay, '03, Hutchinson, Kans.

Bro. Davis has been chosen as associate editor of the *Kansas University Weekly*.

Bro. Johnson has lately been initiated into $\Theta N E$, and Bro. Cullison is wearing $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ colors.

We had the pleasure of a visit from Bro. Townsend, Illinois Delta, '96, during his recent stay in Lawrence. MELVIN H. TAYLOR.
Lawrence, March 28, 1900.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Since the last letter Nebraska Alpha has lost and gained a member. Bro. Sam Pinkerton has left school, and Bro. Henry G. Smith has been initiated.

The base ball season is now beginning, and the athletic field is busy. About twenty-five men are out trying for positions. Our chapter is represented by Bro. Farnsworth and Bro. Law. Bro. Farnsworth has been elected captain of the freshman team.

Nebraska is preparing to erect a new armory building. It is expected that the building will be ready by the next school year.

During the past month Nebraska Alpha has been honored by visits from two of its old members—Bro. Tom Wing, of New York, and Bro. Elliot, of Chicago.

On March 15 our chapter celebrated alumni day in a purely informal manner, instead of giving the customary banquet.

Bro. Tukey has been elected foot ball manager for 1900.
Lincoln, March 30, 1900. CHAS. H. ABBOTT.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The second term examinations are over, and the work of the last term has just begun. At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees, the extensive interests of the university in timber lands were sold and a large sum realized. This amount will be wisely and judiciously invested and will prove a source of much revenue for the university. Bro. L. M. Southworth, who has served four years as a member of the board of trustees, has been reappointed from the state at large.

Recently the students were presented with a *fac simile* of the great seal of the Confederate States, a gift very highly prized by every student of this institution. The donor was Mrs. T. B. Ayers, of St. Louis, whose generosity and noble impulses have prompted her to make quite a number of similar gifts to other southern colleges. Prof. R. W. Jones made a most eloquent speech in presenting the seal and explained in an inspiring manner the meaning and signification of it.

The material for the fourth volume of *Ole Miss* has been collected and sent to press. The book will be dedicated to the memory of the Confederate dead who are buried on a hillside about one mile from the campus. Bro. Ray, as chairman of the art committee, represents $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the board of editors.

Great interest is centered in the state oratorical contest, to be held in Jackson on May 12. The association is composed of University of Mississippi, Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College, Millsaps College and Mississippi College. We have won two of the four contests held up to the present time. The fourth annual contest of the gulf states oratorical association, composed of Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and Tulane universities, will take place in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on May 29; Georgia won last year.

Our success in spiking new men still continues, and again I am able to present a new Phi. Martin Linn Clardy, Jr., '02, of St. Louis, Missouri, was initiated on February 25, after an exciting contest, as usual, with several of our rivals. We are deeply indebted to Bro. Edwin F. Carter, of Missouri Gamma, for his kind assistance in this connection; such favors are always appreciated by the chapter.

Bro. W. W. Lockard will leave us in a few days for Yazoo City, where he will assume the duties of superintendent of education of Yazoo county. His loss will be keenly felt by this chapter, as he has always manifested great enthusiasm and labored zealously to promote the best interests of the club. He will return before final examinations and will receive the degree of LL. B. at commencement. He will undoubtedly be one of the five contestants for the Encyclopedia of Law offered by the Edward Thompson Publishing Co. Bro. Lockard has served very efficiently as president of the Blackstone club, and his worthy successor is Bro. T. A. McCaskill.

In the preliminary contest to select speakers for the sophomore oratorical contest next commencement, we will be represented by Bros. Bray, Price and Robinson. Bros. Will Henry and Magruder will contest for the freshman medals given by Hermaean and Phi Sigma societies for excellence in elocution.

Recently we have made some improvements in our club rooms and have purchased complete paraphernalia. Our chapter is now in a most prosperous condition in every respect, having initiated this session thirteen men and affiliated one.

GEORGE LATHAM RAY.

University, March 26, 1900.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The winter term examinations have just been held, and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ came out of them in her usual creditable style. After the examinations a short vacation was had, which as an innovation of this year proved a most beneficial pleasure to the student body. The spring term opened March 19.

The forthcoming debate with Baylor University is arousing some interest and enthusiasm in forensics and oratory. For several years this department of university life has been neglected, owing to the interest in athletics, and the fact that it is again claiming consideration at the hands of the students is a gratifying sign that its value as a means to achieve fame and distinction is still appreciated.

Bro. E. E. Witt, who has been editor-in-chief of the *University Calendar*, our semi-weekly newspaper, has been forced to resign his position owing to work connected with his graduation. Bro. W. P. Hargrove still represents us on the paper as an editor.

Bro. Edward Holt Eves, who for the past two terms has been taking work in the university, has withdrawn, and hereafter will devote himself solely to his newspaper work. Bro. Eves is an alumnus of Ohio Gamma, '91, and in his relations with us has showed himself to be a most enthusiastic Phi.

Last season Texas gained a most enviable renown in southern base ball circles. This season's team promises to be nothing short of its predecessor. A schedule has been arranged which includes the most prominent southern teams, and if successful against them we will be entitled to the championship of the south.

Tennis is one of the most popular sports engaged in here now. There are eight courts on the campus, some of which are the best in the state. Nets and rackets are furnished for general use by the athletic council, and this tends to popularize the game further.

Texas Beta begs to acknowledge the receipt of a number of annual letters from various chapters and rejoices to note the growth and spirit of the fraternity which they all show.

Austin, March 26, 1900.

EDMUND T. MILLER.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Although Southwestern had no foot ball eleven this year, she is rapidly taking more interest in athletics. We have a base ball team that we believe can cope with any college team in the state. The season will be opened by a game with Baylor at Georgetown on April 14. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented on the team by Bro. D. K. Wilcox on second base and Bro. J. H. McLean in left field.

In the preliminary contest before the faculty for the representative to the state oratorical contest Bro. J. H. McLean was the only Phi. Mr. Glenn Flinn, K Σ , was chosen as representative.

Bro. Robert A. John, assistant attorney general of Texas, is alumni orator this year. Among the Phi students who will appear on the commencement program, Bro. J. H. McLean will be one of the senior orators, and Bros. Thomas P. Davidson and George W. Foster among the junior orators. We will have one or two men on the freshman-sophomore declamation contest.

Two of the Phis did not return the second term. Bro. W. D. Moore will be with us again next fall, but Bro. T. B. Stoneham will go to the University of Virginia.

Since our last letter Bro. J. Richardson Mood has visited the chapter. Bro. Mood is a missionary to Mexico and is now stationed at Laredo, Mexico.

GEORGE W. FOSTER, Jr.

Georgetown, March 26, 1900.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

At the chapter house of California Alpha, Theta province held its first convention on March 17. Both chapters were represented by large delegations. Bro. W. O. Morgan, province president, presided. Matters of interest to the California chapters and to the fraternity at large were discussed. It is hoped that these conventions will be useful in bringing the two chapters into closer touch with each other and in this way advance the interests of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the Pacific coast. The same day there was a base ball game between teams from the two chapters, in which the Stanford team won by a score of eighteen to six.

Within the last month Professor Bernard Moses, professor of history and political science, has been appointed by President McKinley as a member of the Philippine commission. Professor Moses has made a speciality of colonization theories and is especially fitted for the place.

Bro. J. R. Moulthrop has been appointed colonel of the university cadets. This is the highest office in the military organization of the university.

Bro. Albert J. Brown, '99, has lately been admitted to the bar and expects to begin practicing law in San Francisco within a short time.

W. KAY CRAWFORD.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

The addition of new buildings here still continues. The ground has been broken for our new postoffice, which will be built in mission style in keeping with the rest of the buildings.

A corporation has been formed by the student body for the erection also of a training house for the track, base ball and foot ball men. Bro. J. E. McDowell is one of the board of directors.

The Carnot debate, which was held at Berkeley this year, was won by a Berkeleyan. A number of members of the chapter went over and were guests of California Alpha.

Bro. N. K. Traylor, '01, has gone to his home in the south on leave of absence because of his health.

Bro. Kellogg is captain, and Bro. C. E. Waite, a member of the '02 class nine, and Bro. Brotherton is manager of the freshman nine. The fraternity nine has started the inter-fraternity games by playing Σ N and Δ T.

Bro. Percy McDowell has been elected secretary of the sophomore class.

On March 17 Theta province held its first convention at the chapter house in Berkeley. Our chapter attended in a body and was most hospitably entertained by California Alpha, who is the best of hosts and gave us a fine time. Most of our boys went over on Friday afternoon and in the evening attended the smoker. Saturday morning the two chapter nines played on the Berkeley diamond, and in the afternoon the convention was held. President Morgan presided, and questions of interest were discussed. The annual alumni banquet was held in the evening in San Francisco at the Poodle Dog, and a number from both chapters attended.

Since our last letter we have had a pleasant visit from Bros. Stansbury and Crawford, of California Alpha, and from Bros. Foster and Porter Smith, of Indiana Zeta, who have been spending the winter on the coast.

HOWARD G. HILL.

Stanford University, March 30, 1900.

ALUMNI.

BOSTON.

The Phi Delta Theta club of Boston celebrated alumni day with a banquet on March 16. Twenty-five Phis, representing seven chapters, including delegates from Maine Alpha and Rhode Island Alpha, gathered about the table, over which Bro. W. W. Howe presided as toastmaster. President Case of Alpha Province was in his happiest vein, while Bro. E. O. Grover brought from the west interesting reminiscences of Eugene Field and his personal impressions of Father Morrison. The meeting adjourned after one of the pleasantest reunions in the history of the club.

EMERSON RICE.

NEW YORK.

The Phi Delta Theta club of New York held its third annual banquet on alumni day at the St. Denis Hotel. The evening was a very stormy one, and on that account the attendance was below the usual standard, only thirty Phis being present.

Bros. Terry, Horton, Libaire and Walker were elected directors of the club, and the old officers of the board were re-elected for the ensuing year, except that Bro. George L. Walker was chosen recording secretary in place of the writer.

Bro. Albert Shiels of the 'Panama alumni chapter' was toastmaster, and to his skill most of the credit for a very pleasant evening must be given. The speeches were interspersed with music furnished by Bros. Bühler and Hufferd of the Columbia chapter.

Col. C. J. Wright, Julius Mayer, Francis A. Winslow, C. A. Swope, Frank S. Angell and Frank S. Hackett responded to toasts.

D. J. GALLERT.

PHILADELPHIA.

The chapter house of Pennsylvania Zeta was opened on alumni day, March 15, with a smoker, attended by the active chapter and many alumni of Philadelphia and vicinity. A blizzard struck town that day, and travel was very much impeded, but in spite of this fact over fifty were present. Among them were T. H. Baskerville, of New York, who is managing *Calvé* and was here in connection with her appearance in grand opera; F. E. Parks, *Williams*, '93, of Pittsburgh, and a number of the local alumni, including J. Clark Moore, Jr., McCluney Radcliffe, M. D., Charles S. Potts, M. D., W. S. Wray, M. D., J. C. Deal, M. D., C. A. E. Codman, M. D., George D. Codman, R. P. McReynolds, M. D., E. B. Wilford, H. C. Burr, Henry Delaplaine, J. Mortimer West, Jr., Clifton Maloney, H. B. McFadden, D. D. S., A. E. Ashburner and all the active chapter.

We did not partake of a 'sumptuous repast,' as the usual account reads, nor did we 'listen with rapture to the discussion of an intellectual menu,' but we did have a good time with plenty to smoke and light refreshments.

The chapter house is one of which all Phis may feel justly proud. All disinterested critics unhesitatingly pronounce it to be the most artistic fraternity house at Pennsylvania, and several of them have been built within the last two years. Situated at the intersection of Walnut and Thirty-fourth streets and Woodland avenue, directly opposite the college campus, its position is one that would be impossible to improve upon. Pennsylvania Zeta and the alumni extend a cordial welcome to all Phis visiting Philadelphia.

HENRY C. BURR.

PITTSBURGH.

The fourteenth annual dinner of the Pittsburgh alumni club was held at the Hotel Henry on the evening of March 15. Thirty-four alumni members of the fraternity were present, representing colleges from Missouri and Nebraska in the west to Massachusetts in the east.

The toastmaster was Bro. R. L. McElroy, Esq., of Pittsburgh, and the following toasts were responded to: 'Why Are We Here,' Pres. Arthur Staples, of Beaver College; 'Expansion,' C. L. Goodwin, of Dunlo, Pa.; 'The Phi Yell,' Prof. T. C. Blaisdell, of the Pittsburgh High School; 'Phis in Business,' W. T. Tredway, Esq.; 'Phis in College,' T. C. Duff, of Washington and Jefferson.

Short speeches were also made by K. C. Randall, C. E. White, J. A. Langfitt, Prof. William Bignell, E. D. Soper, J. M. Wright, G. N. Chalfant, T. S. Straub and others. The following officers were re-elected for the coming year: Dwight N. Marble, president; E. P. Couse, reporter; E. C. Chalfant, treasurer, and J. M. Wright, secretary. J. M. Wright was chosen delegate to the national convention to be held in Louisville next November, and T. E. Graff alternate.

The Pittsburgh alumni chapter of Phi Delta Theta was established January 17, 1887, in the thirty-ninth year of the fraternity, when a charter was granted to J. A. Langfitt, H. M. Campbell, W. J. Boone, J. W. Criswell, E. J. Lindsey, R. B. Scandrett, G. W. Fulton and W. T. Tredway. The general officers of the fraternity signing this instrument were Carrol Ph. Bassett, president; John Edwin Brown, secretary; S. P. Gilbert, treasurer, and Eugene H. L. Randolph, historian. The Pittsburgh Phis were chartered as the 'Pennsylvania Alpha Alumni Chapter of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity.'

The Phis present at this year's dinner were the following : C. L. Goodwin, *Indiana*, '83, Dunlo, Pa.; J. G. Cook, *W. & J.*, '82, New Alexandria; D. N. Marble, *Centre*, '82, Pittsburgh; K. C. Randall, *Nebraska*, '97, Wilksburg; Edmund D. Soper, *Dickinson*, '98, Harrisburg; Prof. Everett F. Phillips, *Allegheny*, '99, New Brighton; Charles C. Couse, *Allegheny*, '99, Allegheny; H. E. Bunce, Jr., *Michigan*, '90, Pittsburgh; B. F. Bain, *Lansing*, '93, New Brighton; M. A. Graff, *Williams*, '98, Allegheny; Irwin Campbell, *Allegheny*, New Castle; Harrison Bock, *Ohio State*, '98, Sharpsburg; James D. White, *W. & J.* '82, Carnegie; J. M. Wright, *Allegheny*, '95, Homestead; Samuel L. Dille, Esq., *W. & J.*, '89, Pittsburgh; J. R. Bell, *W. & J.*, '87, Idlewood; Rev. Arthur Staples, *Allegheny*, '94, Beaver; Rev. Paul Weyand, *Allegheny*, '96, Pittsburgh; Theodore A. Straub, *Lehigh*, '90, Canonsburg; Prof. William Bignell, *Allegheny*, '87, Allegheny; E. P. Couse, *Allegheny*, '89, Crafton, Pa.; J. L. Stuart, *Washington*, '98, Pittsburgh; P. B. Straub, *Lehigh*, '97, Canonsburg; H. R. Blicke, *Lehigh*, '93, Pittsburgh; Thomas E. Graff, *Cornell*, '96, Allegheny; W. K. Foster, *Lafayette*, '96, Pittsburgh; E. C. Chalfant, Esq., *Lafayette*, '95, Pittsburgh; W. T. Treadway, *W. & J.*, '86, Corapolis; J. A. Langfitt, *W. & J.*, '79, Wilksburg; T. C. Williams, *W. & J.*, '02, Washington, Pa.; R. T. McElroy, *Hanover*, '92, Pittsburgh; T. Chalmers Duff, *W. & J.*, '01, Washington, Pa.; Prof. Thomas C. Blaisdell, *Syracuse*, '88, Pittsburgh; George N. Chalfant, *Lafayette*, '84, Pittsburgh.

The alumni day theme was the topic of much discussion. Bro. Soper, state secretary of Y. M. C. A. college work, argued strongly for expression of a broader, more democratic spirit in fraternity life towards non-fraternity men and members of other Greek-letter societies.

The letters from Bros. Moore, Ward, Radcliffe and other national officers were heard with great interest. The Pittsburgh Phis do not feel ready to establish permanent headquarters or club-rooms this year.

Brother Tredway, at Thursday's dinner, exhibited the Pittsburgh alumni chapter's charter neatly framed.

Brother Duff, of the Washington and Jefferson chapter, reports the boys there to be free of debt and hopeful of entering a rented house this spring.

The alumni Phis hope to publish soon a modest catalogue containing local and general fraternity information for the benefit of the Pittsburgh and other clubs and chapters.

In many ways this year's meeting was one of the most successful ever held in this city.

EDWIN P. COUSE.

LOUISVILLE.

March 15 passed without formal observance by the members of the Louisville alumni club.

Invitations for a smoker for that night, which had been issued by Bro. Peyton Bethel, Kentucky Alpha, '97, had to be recalled on account of the sudden death of an uncle. Frank Swope and his charming Phi wife were away on a six weeks' tour of Mexico, and for these reasons it was determined to postpone the Phi gathering until the first or second week in April.

Since our last meeting a number of new Phis have been added to the ranks of the Louisville alumni, and it is our purpose to get out, if possible, every Phi in the city for our April meeting. At that time the annual election of officers will be held, full committees will be appointed and all preliminary steps taken for what we hope to make

the most successful and delightful convention ever held by the fraternity.

A delegation of Phi will shortly be sent to Frankfort to wait on our governors there and urge the establishment of a truce during Thanksgiving week of 1900. Should the delegation prove unsuccessful, we would request that the name, height and weight of every delegate to the convention be forwarded to Frank Swope not later than October 15, 1900. Bullet-proof suits will be forwarded to all those rightfully entitled to them, and we hope by this means to make every visitor feel at home. There has been one slight change in our social program. On the night on which the convention ball was to have been given at the Galt House, we have arranged for a jail-storming and triple lynching party for the amusement of the eastern and northern delegates. The southern and western men will be the guests of honor at a shooting bee in the hotel lobby, in which from six to eight men will be killed. (It is not considered good form in Kentucky to have any wounded on hand at the conclusion of one of these pastimes.) The bullet-proof suits will give the guests a feeling of perfect security. We are confident that the novelty of these forms of entertainment will prove a better diversion for our northern and eastern men than a ball. As for the southerners and westerners, we can only apologize for having nothing new to offer. But, as they say in eastern Kentucky, 'what's ourn's yourn' when you come.

ROBT. J. MCBRYDE, JR.

ATLANTA.

Gamma province and Atlanta Phi held a belated but enthusiastic celebration of alumni day at the Majestic Hotel, Atlanta, on April 2, 1900. About fifty were present, including delegates from Georgia Alpha, Beta and Gamma and Alabama Beta. The decorations and menu were more than usually elaborate, and the attendance of the older alumni large.

Bro. Earnest G. Hallman, president of Gamma province, was toastmaster, and the following responded to his call: H. P. Houser, 'Phi Delta Theta's Past'; E. P. Shannon, 'Georgia Alpha'; Hamilton McWhorter, 'Our William Goat'; J. M. Wood, 'Georgia Beta'; F. H. Houser, 'Phi Girls'; E. W. Stetson, 'Georgia Gamma'; Guyton Parks, 'Phi Delta Theta's Future'; B. F. Finch, 'Alabama Beta'. Among the older alumni present were: Dr. W. S. Elkin, Judge G. H. Lanner, W. T. Mayer, H. M. Reid, Morris Brandon, T. B. Felder, Henderson Hallman, C. B. Gaskill and Prof. W. M. Slaton.

EARNEST G. HALLMAN.

CINCINNATI.

March 15 was a big day for Cincinnati Phi. It marked a new epoch in the life of the Ohio Alpha alumni chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, in that an organization was perfected, which in turn will lead to an increased interest in and attendance at these meetings. Hitherto it was left entirely to the active chapter or some individual alumnus to arrange for a meeting. This will be different hereafter, as the officers recently elected are placed in charge of the arrangements for the next annual banquet, March 15, 1901.

No provision was made for more meetings, as Ohio Theta arranges various social affairs during the year, which are usually well attended by alumni, both young and old.

Owing to the fact that the local primaries were held on March 15, a few of our old friends of a political turn of mind were detained until

late, notably Col. W. E. Bundy, United States district attorney for southern Ohio, and the Hon. Scott Bonham, or rather 'Scoot Boneham,' as local Democracy insists upon having it. I also suspect several others of the old guard who were missing on this occasion of having suffered themselves to be kept away for similar reasons. However, as I have no proofs I shall make no accusations. To make up for all this, there were on hand, and pleasantly greeted, several new additions to the table round: Judge W. H. Jackson, S. J. Flickinger, Cincinnati correspondent of the associated press, J. E. Breen and Benj. T. Wright.

Numerous letters from Phis who could not be present were read, one from Father Morrison especially calling forth much interest. Others heard from in this manner were Bros. John Wolfe Lindley, Frank D. Swope, Judge Elam Fisher, Captain Harry Weidner, H. S. Whittaker, Dr. A. C. Kemper, Dr. Kent, O. Folz, Earl T. H. Walker, J. B. Ballou, D. C. Casto, Jr., K. H. Zwick and W. Owen Stovall.

During the evening reference was made to the fact the Delta province convention was at the same moment enjoying a smoker at the chapter house of Ohio Eta in Cleveland. A motion to send them a telegraphic message of greeting was passed with a whirl. Another pleasant incident occurred when, just having finished singing W. B. Palmer's song, 'Phi Delta Theta Dear,' a Phi yell in his honor was called for and responded to with a vim.

Now there is one thing that always attracts attention to Phi meetings in this city, and that is the fact that we number among our own several of Cincinnati's most brilliant speakers, both political and otherwise. The toast-list, arranged as follows, was substantially carried out: Scott Bonham, toastmaster: The Bond, Rev. D. B. Fitzgerald, *W. & J.*, '84; Cincinnati Phis, Col. W. E. Bundy, *Ohio*, '86; The College Man, Judge W. H. Jackson, *Vanderbill*, '83; Our Semi-centennial at Miami, Hon. D. H. Pottenger, *Virginia*, '75; Ohio Theta, Stuart A. McGill, *Cincinnati*, '00; The University of Cincinnati, Hon. J. M. Smedes, *Vanderbill*, '79; Benefits of Chapter Life, Hon. D. D. Woodmansee, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '81; A Phi in Cuba, Oscar W. Lange, *Cincinnati*, '00; Other Fraternities, Judge J. B. Swing, *Hanover*, '76; A Bachelor Phi, S. J. Flickinger, *Cornell*, '76; Fraternity Literature, Dr. A. C. Kemper, *Miami*, '53; The Phi Abroad, Prof. J. L. Shearer, *Vanderbill*, '85.

Among others present were: B. T. Archer, *Ohio State*, '98; J. E. Breen, *Pennsylvania*, '93; Guido Gores, *Cincinnati*, '01; C. E. Kincaid, *Centre*, '81; N. C. D. Murray, *Cincinnati*, '98; D. D. Tullis, *Ohio*, '98; Ben. T. Wright, *Virginia*, '97; and O. H. Schlemmer, A. E. Keller, P. H. Fillmore, Edmund Schlemmer and H. F. Schell, of the Cincinnati chapter.

The meeting adjourned near midnight, after passing a motion to hold the next annual banquet on March 15, 1901, and electing as officers for the ensuing year: Scott Bonham, president; N. C. D. Murray, treasurer, and as reporter, GUIDO GORES.

AKRON.

The Akron alumni club decided not to hold a local banquet this year, but to join with Cleveland and attend the convention banquet.

There was a goodly delegation out from Akron, and all had to stay over till Sunday, as there was no train back at the late hour of adjournment.

The Akron alumni club held a business session on February 3 at the law offices of Bros. Berry and Snyder. The situation at Buchtel Col-

lege was very carefully considered, and Bro. Harry L. Snyder elected delegate to present our views to the province convention.

Committees were appointed to arrange for the alumni day banquet, to be held at Cleveland. An unusually large number were present and had the usual good time.

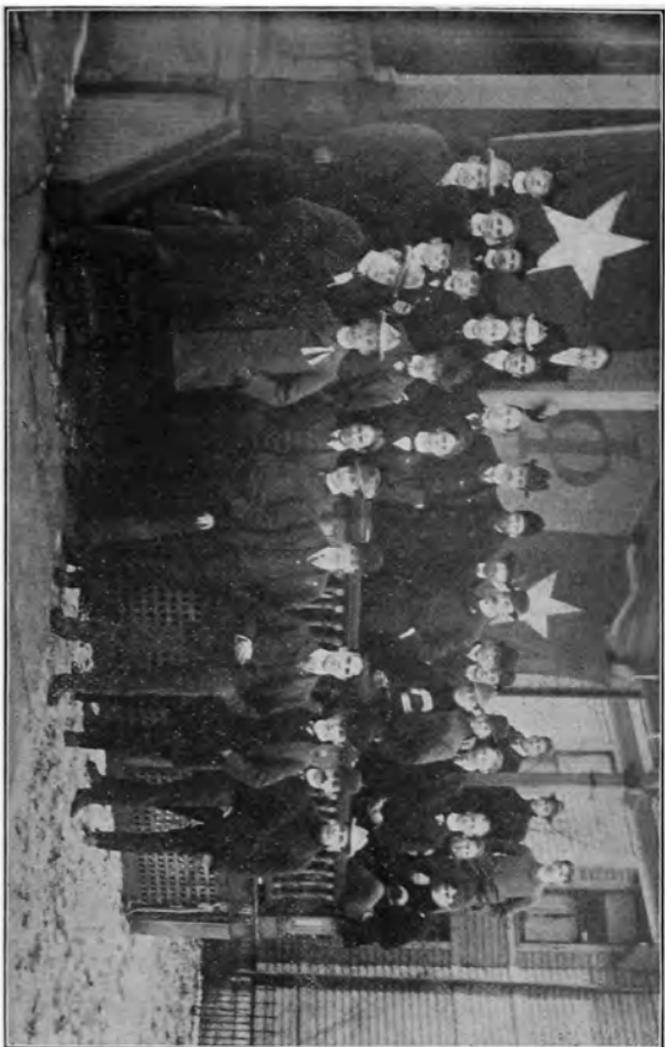
FRANK HULETT.

CLEVELAND.

Owing to the Delta province convention the alumni day banquet was postponed till March 17, when the club united with Ohio Eta in tendering a banquet to the visiting delegates. Alumni day was not allowed to slip by unnoticed, however, for Ohio Eta entertained the delegates and alumni with a smoker at her chapter house. Nearly fifty Phis were present. Each was given a souvenir pipe and a Dutch lunch; lemonade and ginger ale were served. A general good time was had, and Ohio Eta is to be complimented on the success of her smoker. The following evening saw the Phis at the convention dance held at the Stillman Hotel. With a program of sixteen dances and extras, good music, a fine floor and, best of all, Phis and Phi girls, we had a royal good time. The presence of the great flag of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ also added to our enjoyment, for it occupied a conspicuous place on the wall. Forty-eight couples were present.

Many of the alumni attended the Saturday afternoon session of the convention, and were included in the photograph, which was taken by J. V. Stanford, *Case*, '95.

On Saturday evening fifty-nine Phis, representing fifteen colleges, gathered in the Stillman Hotel parlors. There they formed in double file and marched into the banquet hall, where an immense white Delta, decorated with tulips, ferns and carnations, served as a table. In the middle of the base of the Delta was the toastmaster's position, and back of him hung the great flag. It was a sight never to be forgotten. After a march around the table, seats were assigned, visitors and residents alternating. After dinner the president and toastmaster, G. K. Shurtleff, arose and called on Bro. J. E. Brown, Ohio Beta, of Columbus, for the toast: 'The Men of Yesterday—The Alumni Club'. Then in their turn came: 'The Men of Today—The Active Chapter', Bro. H. M. Backus, Ohio Eta; 'The Buckeye and the Wolverine—Our Province', Bro. J. B. Ballou, Ohio Zeta, president of Delta province, Bowling Green; 'The Men from Everywhere—The National Fraternity', Bro. Hugh Th. Miller, Indiana Gamma, editor of *THE SCROLL*, Columbus, Ind.; 'The Phi the Man for the Times', Bro. W. L. Pickard, D. D., Georgia Gamma, of Cleveland; 'The Day We Celebrate', Bro. Thomas Martin, Kentucky Alpha, of Cleveland. Besides the Delta province delegates, Ohio Eta chapter and the alumni, we had present with us several Phis from Akron. We also were greatly honored by the presence of Bros. Hugh Th. Miller, R. G. C., H. H. Ward, T. G. C., J. E. Brown, fraternity librarian, J. B. Ballou, province president, Frank Hulett and L. J. Shlesinger, catalogue editors. The delegates present were: J. G. Welsh and O. P. Flower, Ohio Alpha; W. P. Baird, Ohio Beta; J. P. Wood, Jr., Ohio Gamma; C. B. Dewitt, Ohio Zeta; H. M. Backus, Ohio Eta; C. F. Cordes, Ohio Theta; W. S. Foster, Michigan Alpha, and Bro. Durr, representing the Cincinnati alumni. The Akron, Athens, Cleveland and Columbus alumni chapters were also represented. Among the alumni in addition to the old Case men and others already mentioned, were: Bros. Wood and Mansfield, of Amherst; Bros. Sisley, Couse and Warner, of Allegheny; Bros. Gates, Carter, Thompson, Karr and Tiffany, of Ohio Wesleyan; Bro.



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Avery, of Hillsdale; Bros. Findley, Snyder and Frank, of Buchtel, and Bro. Wheeler, of Purdue. Regrets from a number of Phis were read during the banquet. Phi and college yells were very much in evidence. Features of the evening were the singing of 'Auld Lang Syne' by the entire company, standing with crossed arms and clasped hands, and the 'Epsilon' yell, given by Bros. Miller and Brown.

Officers elected for the year were: President, Dr. W. H. Merriam; vice-president and reporter, Dr. V. E. Barnes; secretary and treasurer, L. C. McLouth; chaplain, Rev. Ward L. Pickard; warden, G. K. Shurtleff.

It was with deep regret that we withdrew from the hall that evening, for three days with active and loyal Phis made us feel that it was indeed something to be a member of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. VARNEY E. BARNES.

DETROIT.

The Detroit alumni club and Michigan Alpha observed alumni day together on March 23. Those present were: *Michigan*—H. F. Shier, '88, A. L. Colton, '89, H. A. Sanders, '90, O. R. Hardy, '91, A. H. Kessler, '95, C. M. Preston, J. W. Judson, W. F. Edwards, P. F. Steketee, F. L. Lowrie, W. S. Foster, F. J. Bayley, R. D. Chapin, R. C. Lane, A. M. Potter, W. C. Helmers, A. J. Stringer, Bert Davis, W. W. Fox, R. R. McCloy, D. D. Starr, H. E. Begle, W. A. Eversman, R. W. McMullen, T. P. Ward; *Ohio Wesleyan*—G. S. Hammond, '76; *Northwestern*—P. T. Davis, '93; *Case*—J. P. Alexander; *Buchtel*—L. S. McCollester, '91, W. P. Putnam, '93; *Williams*—F. E. Searle, '93. The dinner was held at nine o'clock at the Cadillac Hotel. Bro. L. S. McCollester, *Buchtel*, '91, was toastmaster. The following responded: P. T. Davis, Greeting; Bro. H. F. Shier—The Fraternity; W. S. Foster—Michigan Alpha; H. L. Begle—Our Girls; O. R. Hardy—Old Times; H. A. Sanders—Alma Mater; G. S. Hammond—The $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ Club; R. C. Lane—Alpha's Babies. A number of impromptu remarks were called out next, all full of Phi loyalty and enthusiasm.

It is especially gratifying to see such loyal men as Hardy and Shier coming long distances to participate in the banquet on alumni day. It gives renewed hope and counteracts that other element of lack of interest, which we too often see among our older men. While by far the majority present were Michigan Alpha men, there were enough foreigners present to lend color to the gathering.

At a late hour the last of the exercises were called for and given in the shape of Rah! Rah! Rah! and so on. Thus ended the most successful banquet given by the Detroit alumni club and Michigan Alpha.

W. P. PUTNAM.

INDIANAPOLIS.

The $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ club of Indianapolis celebrated alumni day at the University Club on March 15, at noon. In the absence of General Harrison; Judge W. A. Woods, of the U. S. circuit court, presided. General Harrison sent a message to the meeting regretting that he could not attend and sending his compliments to the members. There were several speeches, and the club adopted a resolution expressing its best wishes to Father Morrison.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*; vice-president, W. A. Woods, *Wabash*; recording secretary, A. W. Butler, *Indiana*; corresponding secretary, F. R. Kautz, *Indianapolis*; treasurer, Oliver Willard Pierce, *Hillsdale*; historian, Frank Martin, *Franklin*; chaplain, Rev. R. V. Hunter, *Woos-*

ter; reporter, J. L. Mitchell, *Indiana*, and warden, W. S. Garber, *Hanover*. The election of officers is always a special feature of these meetings in Indianapolis, and is accompanied by much impromptu wit and enthusiasm.

A committee was selected to arrange for a large Phi Delta celebration some time within the next year in this city. Those present were: Wm. A. Woods, *Wabash*, '59; Irvin Robbins, *Butler*, '60; Hilton U. Brown, *Butler*, '80; R. V. Hunter, *Wooster*, '77; Oliver Willard Pierce, *Hillsdale*, '91; T. C. Whallon, *Hanover*, '98; Amos W. Butler, *Indiana*, '81; William S. Garber, *Hanover*, '72; Russel King, *Indiana*, '89; Ralph Bamberger, *Indiana*, '91; James L. Mitchell, *Indiana*, '89; Isidore Feibleman, *Indiana*, '93; Frank Martin, *Franklin*, '95; G. P. Welman, *Purdue*, '90; Dr. R. G. Morgan, *Purdue*, '93; H. B. Culver, *Purdue*, '96; M. E. Sherry, *Purdue*, '97; Hiram B. Patten, *DePauw*, '93; R. L. Moorehead, *Butler*, '96; Aubrey L. Loop, *Butler*, '99; Thomas R. Shipp, *Butler*, '97; Frank T. Brown, *Butler*, '97; W. W. Buchanan, *Butler*, '88; F. R. Kautz, *Butler*, '87; Laz Noble, *Butler*, '90; R. F. Davidson, *Butler*, '92; Clay Allen, *Northwestern*, '97.

JAMES L. MITCHELL.

CHICAGO.

The annual dinner of the Chicago alumni club was a brilliant success. Thirty Phis, representing nearly thirty chapters, sat down to the banquet tables in the Auditorium Hotel at the appointed hour, a short reception having been previously held in the parlors. The guest of honor was Ex-Vice-president Adlai E. Stevenson, who had been invited by a resolution adopted at a meeting held some time before, and who came up from his home in Bloomington in response to the invitation. After the dinner was over speech-making followed. Brother W. S. Harbert, our retiring president, was toastmaster. He delivered a carefully prepared address, which was listened to with the greatest interest by all present. He then introduced our distinguished guest, Brother Stevenson, who spoke in substance as follows:

I speak to-night without a text; I have no toast. That may have its advantages for the speaker and its disadvantages for the hearers.

I want to tell you how delighted I was to receive the invitation to be present to-night. I did not give the one inviting me an opportunity to withdraw before accepting at once.

Something was said by our brother [Harbert, the toastmaster] about there being old men here. I did not know of any; I hadn't seen any. We are all boys again. Somehow, we have bridged over the years and we are back at Wabash and Cornell and old Centre College in Kentucky (applause). Our fraternity links us to the past. These gentlemen who sit here realize that. Those in the front will realize it in the years to come. Those associates you meet and with whom you are associated in the Bond, while life is blooming, are passing; many of them have fallen by the wayside, and to-night looking back forty or fifty, or even sixty years, as General Black no doubt does (pardon me for taking as good a text as he is) [General Black sat near the speaker] you will find that some of them don't answer to the roll-call. I am delighted to meet with these brothers.

Very much might be said in favor of a college fraternity, but as we all know, it is unnecessary. We are united in its Bond, the true significance of which we all understand. The fact that it has brought us together is sufficient. It recalls to the older brothers present some of the advantages realized in their older days. Some of these old fellows remember when they were boys, when they sent in their petition, how then in college far from home they felt that they had friends, and that this tie bound them together as it binds us together, and will to the end.

I listened with great pleasure to what our brother said. A fraternity is not merely the eating or the drinking together, or shaking hands, but as he has said, this organization, with others, is a part of the army, of the great army, of organized forces, which, we trust, is to accomplish so much in the future. When we look upon the faces of the young men, some yet in college, some yet students, and think that they will—many of them—he in life, and in useful active life, when one-half of the century upon which we are entering rolls by, that they will be factors in all the useful affairs of life, it gives us pleasure. We know that in our day great questions have been settled, questions of great importance to our coun-

try, but every man knows that in the century upon which we are about to enter there will be great questions, grave questions, and it is good to know that some of the young men here will be a part of the organized force which is to help solve those questions, not merely working for themselves, but for the best interests of their common country and for humanity. I am delighted to be here, and delighted to see these older gentlemen. We realize that we are boys no longer.

But I was about to forget one thing, that every Phi Delta is an orator, and every one is to speak. I wish to thank you most kindly, and to assure you that this is an occasion long to be remembered, and to assure you also that invitations of this kind extended to a Phi Delta away down in the country are never neglected.

General Black was the next speaker. He spoke, in part, as follows:

I share the feeling of extreme pleasure which has been testified to here to-night by the young (?) men who have preceded me, and who have graphically pointed to me as an example of shifting age. Well, I need their reminders, for as I look at you, the mists cleared away, and I have stood for an hour with youth, in the presence of youth, and reviving the memories of youth. This is to me the chiefest charm of this occasion. All the years have taken wings and are gone, and for a little time I feel as young as the youngest of you, and I am glad of it, glad that there are times in life, and may you all come to realize it, when the young mind asserts itself in the aching body, when every infirmity and burden that time brings disappears, and the unshackled soul stands again at the threshold of life, not dreaming idle dreams, as the singer [Brother Godso] has said, for you will find, especially with the woman you love, that those dreams will all come true. I share, too, something of the embarrassment which seemed to flush the face and weigh upon my charming friend [Brother Stevenson], who first addressed us after the introduction by your toastmaster, whom I have seen presiding over senates, and yet have never known to be as nearly overcome as I have seen him in his delight this evening.

Your toastmaster has given me a theme. He urged you to be altruistic. My distinguished friend on my right [Brother Stevenson] has told you of the burden that was borne by the generation of which he was one, and which he has honored, a generation that played its part and helped to clear the American world from the embarrassment of its gravest threat. But you must not believe—I do not believe that any of you do believe—that there is less for you to do than there was for the men who founded Phi Delta Theta. Every generation has its own duties, and you will have yours. The American world waits for you, my young friends, and the hundreds of thousands, yes, the millions of others of your age. It waits for you to clear away other great difficulties and dispel other great mists that seem perpetually to hang about us. Everybody who thinks believes that the gravest problem that belongs to the American world is the adjustment of wealth to the due relation with the citizen's rights. And I know of no one who can bring to the solution of this question a better motive than the educated American. You are Greeks, not alone in the Bond, but in the broader sense that made the intellect of that wonderful nation a controlling power in all the centuries.

It is a splendid thing that there is abroad in America to-day that old spirit which says that mankind is a unit, and that the world was made for the peace and happiness and occupation of men, that it was not made for masters and servants, but made for all the people. So that as long as the spirit of the Bond that holds us together prevails among men, so long the prosperity of a great and free people will go on increasing. There has been at no time, and I think there will be at no time, in the affairs of a great people, which numbers its educational institutions by the millions, when there need be any doubt of the growth of free institutions. Now if there has been anything solemn about this, you must charge it up to your toastmaster, who gave me the theme.

The other speeches of the evening were made by Bros. Frederick A. Smith, H. M. Kidder, Daniel E. Platter, Atkinson, Frank Pixley, A. M. Skiles and W. O. Wilson.

The club decided to take a big step in permanent organization by incorporating. After Bro. Mitchell had stated briefly the objects of the corporation the election of officers was held. The roll of officers is as follows, the president, secretary and treasurer being members of the board of trustees: President, General John C. Black; treasurer, J. Guy Latimer; secretary, W. O. Wilson. Board of trustees: General John C. Black, Frederick A. Smith, John T. Boddie, Col. H. M. Kidder, W. S. Harbert, F. F. Soule, C. S. McMahon, J. G. Latimer, W. O. Wilson.

The musical program was in charge of Bro. McCaskey, *Northwestern*, who had gotten together a double quartette. Aside from this music, Bros. Mueller and Godso won places on future programmes by their solos.

The club voted that a telegram be sent to the Detroit club in response to an invitation to its annual dinner, and also a telegram of congratulations to Father Morrison.

The dinner was certainly a great success, and is but a forerunner of what future dinners are to be, if a number of loyal brothers, who are laboring to make the organization in Chicago what it should be, carry out the plan they have set out for themselves. The committee in charge, consisting of Bros. Davies, McCaskey, Soule, Phelps and Hoy, certainly deserves great praise.

Those who sat about the banquet tables were the following: Executive-president Adlai E. Stevenson, *Centre*, '60; Gen. John C. Black, *Wabash*, '62; Col. H. M. Kidder, *Northwestern*, '59; Frederick A. Smith, *Chicago*, '65; W. S. Harbert, *Michigan*; W. R. Tapper, *Lombard*, '94; Edward B. Hyde, *Purdue*, '95; E. R. Knight, *Purdue*, '99; Edward Lennox, *Purdue*, '99; Fred S. Hartman, *Purdue*, '96; C. S. McMahon, *Purdue*, '96; H. C. Rumery, *Dartmouth*, '95; I. C. Woodward, *Michigan*, '97; Arthur Dixon, *Northwestern*, '95; J. G. Latimer, *Knox*, '97; W. E. Ramsey, *Chicago*, '00; Frank Dewolf, *Chicago*, '02; G. H. Johnson, *Knox*, '99; A. Y. Hoy, *Chicago*, '02; H. G. Ferris, *Wisconsin*, '02; F. B. Draper, *Michigan*, '91; A. L. Moore, *Lombard*, '95; F. W. Phelps, *Northwestern*, '01; R. T. Palmer, *Michigan*, '98; W. G. Amos, *Lansing*, '97; C. K. Chapin, *Michigan*, '97; A. M. Skiles, *Northwestern*, '01; C. M. Buntain, *Northwestern*, '99; A. H. Meades, *Syracuse*, '85; Frank Pixley, *Buchtel*, '86; Charles S. McCoy, *Franklin*, '87; F. G. Morehead, *Allegheny*, '00; F. E. Banks, *Kansas*, '00; L. A. Westerman, *Nebraska*, '96; F. C. Ellis, *Northwestern*, '96; W. B. Moulton, *Stanford*, '94; John T. Boddie, *Vanderbilt*, '87; H. L. Ickes, *Chicago*, '97; Frank J. R. Mitchell, *Northwestern*, '96; L. H. Blanchard, *Dartmouth*, '95; S. M. Bayard, *Illinois*, '99; Sherman Duffy, *Illinois*, '95; M. E. Chester, *Illinois*, '97; W. E. O'Kane, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '87; W. F. Hovis, *Allegheny*, '95; E. L. Jacobs, *Miami*, '95; E. S. Hutchins, *Northwestern*, '97; F. F. Soule, *Hillsdale*, '98; Frank B. McCaskey, *Northwestern*, '97; Stacy C. Mosser, *Chicago*, '97; William Godso, *Chicago*, '03; Halbert B. Blakey, *Chicago*, '03; R. S. Mueller, *Nebraska*, '98; A. A. Green, *Knox*, '00; A. L. De Montcourt, *Northwestern*, '02; T. H. Broadbent, *Knox*; Atkinson, *Iowa*; Frederick L. Davies, *Cornell*, '98; Daniel E. Platter; W. O. Wilson, *Chicago*, '97.

WILLIAM OTIS WILSON.

ST. PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS.

The annual banquet of the St. Paul and Minneapolis alumni club occurred at the Nicollet hotel, Minneapolis, on the evening of March 15. There were present as guests of honor, Dr. A. C. Rogers, Indiana Delta, '77, of Faribault, Minn., and Hon. F. C. Harvey, Ohio Alpha, '76, probate judge, of Minneapolis. In addition a goodly number of alumni and the majority of Minnesota Alpha were in attendance.

After dinner, J. E. Crews, Indiana Zeta, '77, presided as toastmaster in his usual happy vein. The subjects and speakers were as follows: 'Our Fraternity'—Dr. A. C. Rogers, Indiana Delta, '77; 'Reminiscences'—Hon. F. C. Harvey, Ohio Alpha, '76; 'The Active Chapter'—E. G. Strout, Minnesota Alpha, '01; 'The Ideal Fraternity Man'—J. M. Anderson, Minnesota Alpha, '88; 'Wisconsin Alpha's Greeting'—Elbert Bacon, Wisconsin Alpha, now Minnesota Alpha; 'Vermont Alpha's Greeting'—V. W. Dodge, Vermont Alpha, '99.

Informal remarks were made by Bros. Walter R. Brown, Minnesota Alpha, '89, R. A. Eaton, Illinois Epsilon, '88, and L. A. Straight, Illinois Epsilon, '87, in response to the request of the toastmaster.

At the conclusion of the programme, officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, R. A. Eaton, Illinois Epsilon, '88, of Minneapolis; secretary, R. E. Esterly, New York Alpha, '89, of Minneapolis; reporter, L. A. Straight, Illinois Epsilon, '87, of St. Paul; delegate to national convention at Louisville, W. R. Brown, Minnesota Alpha, '89, of Minneapolis; alternate, Dr. W. H. Condit, Minnesota Alpha, '96, of Minneapolis.

Mayor James Gray and Judge D. F. Simpson, of Minneapolis, who had been expected, were absent from the city, and Rev. Wm. C. Covert, of St. Paul, was unavoidably detained and failed to appear. Letters of regret were read from numerous loyal Phis scattered through Minnesota, Wisconsin, and North and South Dakota.

L. A. STRAIGHT.

ST. LOUIS.

On Saturday evening, March 24, at 6 o'clock, in the rooms of Missouri Gamma at Washington University, the St. Louis alumni club and the active membership of the Washington chapter, together with a number of visiting Phis, sat down to the annual alumni dinner. It was a goodly spread, and was more than usually enthusiastic owing to friendly surroundings—Phi pictures and flags and emblems on the walls of rooms devoted for years to the exclusive use of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. The occasion was of marked interest in one way, particularly to members of Missouri Gamma, marking as it did the ninth anniversary of the entrance of Missouri Gamma into the fold of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Chapter lore and Phi stories were the order until the speeches came on, and then chapter-house discussion, for Missouri Gamma and St. Louis Phis generally are very much alive to this question. An interesting feature of the evening was the examination of the plans for the new Washington University, which is to be built on the site recently purchased west of Forest Park. Bro. T. F. Chaplin aroused enthusiasm by announcing that the plans for the buildings had been made, and the contracts in such shape as to insure the buildings ready for occupancy by September, 1901.

Bro. W. H. Danforth, *Washington*, '92, presided gracefully as toast-master, and the toast-list was as follows: 'Fraternity spirit in professional life,' X. P. Wilfley, *Washington*, '99; 'Fraternalities in the south,' Charles P. Williams, *Vanderbilt*, '95; 'Missouri Gamma,' Silas B. Phillips, *Washington*, '00; 'Fatherly advice,' Judge P. R. Flitcraft, *Michigan*, '71; 'Phis in war,' Royall H. Switzler, *Missouri*, '98; 'Our Phi Girls,' Thomas G. Rutledge, *Washington*, '92.

Bro. Harrison R. Williams, *Missouri*, '87, who was United States Consul to Costa Rica during President Cleveland's administration and who has spent the past few years traveling in South America, made a few remarks in a happy vein. Bro. Emil J. Riederer, *Columbia*, '97, who has recently become a resident of Missouri, and Bro. Elmer C. Peper, representing the active membership of Missouri Alpha, also made short talks.

Bro. C. C. Collins, treasurer of the chapter house committee, made a most interesting report of the chapter house finances, in brief as follows: cash on hand, \$907.33; notes, \$1,705; total, \$2,612.33. With subsequent additions the condition of the fund is as follows: cash, \$992.33; notes and definite promises, \$2,170; total, \$3,162.33. General discussion followed the report, in which unanimous determination was expressed to get the funds in shape in time to have the chapter house finished at the opening of the new university. The plan in view is to build on university ground, the necessary permission having al-

ready been procured. The committee also announced that a loan for a reasonable portion of the amount required for the erection of the house could be obtained on favorable terms in accordance with the plan in view. The house is to include living quarters for the active members as well as features attractive to the alumni.

The following officers of the alumni club were elected for the ensuing year: Ralph McCarty, *Washington*, '96, president; Trescott F. Chaplin, *Washington*, '96, vice-president; R. H. Switzler, *Missouri*, '98, secretary and treasurer; Joseph Dickson, Jr., *Washington*, '98, historian.

The Phis present were the following: *Columbia*—E. J. Riederer, '97; *Cornell*—D. W. Roper, '93, M. A. Seward, '96, E. C. Zeller, '99; *Vanderbilt*—C. P. Williams, '95, H. Boogher, '98; *Michigan*—P. R. Flitcraft, '71; *Illinois*—R. W. Mills, '99; *Mississippi*—C. D. Bushe, '82; *Missouri*—H. R. Williams, '87, R. H. Switzler, '98, G. A. Thompson, '98, E. C. Peper, '00; *Washington*—C. C. Collins, '92, W. H. Danforth, '92, T. G. Rutledge, '92, H. R. Hall, '92, W. D. Hudson, '93, J. C. Cummings, '94, J. Harrison, '95, T. F. Chaplin, '96, R. C. Miller, '96, T. B. Carter, '97, J. Dickson, Jr., '98, J. Adkins, Jr., '99, W. S. Simpson, '99, R. M. Wilson, A. C. Caldwell, T. Wright, X. P. Wilfley, '99, and the following undergraduates: S. B. Phillip, E. F. Carter, S. Leavitt, E. Senseney, H. M. Pollard, W. L. Glasgow, E. S. Harrison, C. L. Glasgow, H. J. Drabelle, P. B. White, E. G. Curtis, C. E. Glasgow; *Washington* and *Cornell*—Ralph McCarty, '96.

ROYALL H. SWITZLER.

KANSAS CITY.

The Kansas City alumni club, which has been dormant for several years, has at last been revived, and a great interest has been awakened.

During the month of November last, through the efforts of Bro. English, an informal meeting was held at the Midland Hotel and the following were elected officers of the Kansas City alumni club; Geo. H. English, president; Dr. R. T. Sloan, vice-president; John M. Cleary, treasurer; F. C. Beem, secretary. Arrangements were made for a banquet the evening before Thanksgiving. This banquet, which was attended by over 40 Phis, including a number from the active chapters at Missouri and Kansas, was a great success. Bro. Chas. R. Pence acted as toastmaster, and a wide range of fraternity subjects was discussed. Since this banquet two or three small meetings have been held and an effort made to get together a complete list of the Phis in Kansas City, until we now have over 80 on our roll.

Alumni day was observed by an informal banquet at the beautiful new Hotel Baltimore, and on March 15 a goodly number of Phis gathered 'round the banquet table. Bro. Thos. S. Ridge presided as toastmaster, the Divine blessing being invoked by Rev. Holmes Dysinger. But a few minutes after seating ourselves, what was the surprise and joy of every one present to see Rev. Robt. Morrison, our beloved founder, whose seventy-eighth birthday we were honoring, enter the banquet room. Father Morrison was passing through the city, and hearing of our meeting hunted us up. A more enthusiastic and happy crowd of Phis can not well be imagined. No regular order of toasts was followed. Father Morrison told us of the early days of Ohio Alpha, the snow rebellion and many other incidents connected with the founding of our fraternity. Following Bro. Morrison, Bro. Jno. F. Phillips, *Centre*, '54, judge of the United States district court, one of the most gifted and eloquent lawyers in the west, was called

upon; his remarks were largely reminiscent and at all times full of noble sentiments and stirring advice. He said that he had gone home undecided whether to come out in the cold and snow to this gathering of Phis, but that it had started him to thinking of his early life, and wondering if he could find any memento of his college or fraternity days, she had searched through his old papers and books and at last found the copy of his first public speech, delivered at a $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ banquet in the month of January, 1855. After forty-five years this worn and faded manuscript renewed the fires of youth, refreshed his memory and brought him again to a Phi reunion.

At the close of Judge Phillips's talk Bro. English arose and stated that in connection with some of the members of Missouri Beta he had been in correspondence with the active chapters of the fraternity and that a goodly sum had been contributed as a gift of love and respect to our founder. Father Morrison responded with a few words of thanks, saying that much kindness and honor had already been shown him and that his heart was full of love, hope and blessing for the fraternity. After a few remarks by our toastmaster and the appointment of a committee to arrange for a meeting later in the spring we adjourned, giving many of us an opportunity for the first time to grasp the hand of our honored founder.

Those present were: J. C. Brownlee, New York Alpha, '78; B. E. Dolphin, Michigan Alpha, '01; F. C. Beem, Illinois Eta, '97; Stanley Matthews, Michigan Alpha, '98; Fred Hoover, Michigan Alpha, '99; O. A. Young, Missouri Alpha, '95; F. T. Faxon, Michigan Alpha, '97; G. W. Welsh, Kentucky Alpha, '01; George Miller, Missouri Beta, '90; Robert Morrison, Ohio Alpha, '49; J. B. Welch, Kentucky Alpha, '72; H. P. Grider, Kentucky Alpha, '82; T. S. Ridge, Missouri Alpha, '84; Holmes Dysinger, Pennsylvania Beta, '78; Judge John F. Phillips, Kentucky Alpha, '54; E. H. Jones, Tennessee Alpha, '91; H. S. Vaughn, Missouri Alpha, '94; George H. English, Missouri Alpha, '99; L. H. Willis, Jr., Virginia Zeta, '96; H. A. Sutermeister, Kansas Alpha, '95; J. E. Ferris, Illinois Eta, '95; D. S. McGonigle, Missouri Alpha, '87; S. A. Mitchell, Missouri Beta, '83; Dr. C. A. Ritter, Indiana Alpha, '77; T. Z. Franklin, Kansas Alpha, '94.

F. C. BEEM.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Saturday evening, March 17, the annual banquet of California's $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ alumni took place at the Poodle Dog restaurant in San Francisco. The gathering included alumni of California Alpha and Beta, eastern Phi Deltas who have made California their home and a large delegation from the Stanford and California chapters. Almost forty Phis found places about the great round table in the Poodle Dog banquet room. The decorations were in azure and argent, the color scheme being heightened by the flowers strewn about the table and the candelabra in the center. The menu was such an one as has made San Francisco famous for its dinners. A stringed orchestra, furnished through the generosity of Bro. Frank Otis, added much to the evening's pleasure.

Frank Otis, *California*, '73, presided over the flow of wit and wisdom which ended the banquet. The following is a list of the toasts and speakers: 'The bar more wronged than wronging'—Frank Parcells, '91; 'Mrs. Hearst and her work'—Louis Titus, '93; 'Old times and old fellows'—Ebenezer Scott, '73; 'The province convention'—W. O. Morgan, '87; 'California Alpha'—Victor Henderson, '00; 'California Beta'—R. C. Victor, '00.

DUNCAN McDUFFIE, *California*, '99.

PROVINCE CONVENTIONS.

DELTA PROVINCE, MARCH 15, 16, 17.

The meeting of Delta province with the members of Ohio Eta and the Cleveland alumni was intensely interesting and thoroughly enjoyable from the opening session, Thursday afternoon, until the close of the banquet, Saturday night at midnight. The members of the Case chapter spared neither pains nor expense in their preparations. All had been excused from recitations, and everything which could contribute to the success of a convention had been arranged by them.

Thursday afternoon the opening session was held in the Ohio Eta chapter house, the roll call showing that every active chapter in the province was represented. This was indeed an auspicious beginning and lent an interest to the opening session which was kept up throughout the entire convention. It may be added that Delta province does not owe a cent to the general treasury.

As provisions were made for printing and distributing the minutes, a detailed account of the business sessions is unnecessary, save to state that every feature of chapter and fraternity life was taken up and thoroughly discussed. Especially were chapter houses and the establishment of chapter house funds the subjects of extended and profitable discussion, and the prophecy is not unwarranted that Delta province will make a much better showing in these regards at the Louisville convention.

The social festivities incident to the convention reflect great credit upon our hosts. Thursday evening we were entertained by the Case chapter with a smoker at their home. Pipes of a curious and wonderful mechanism were the souvenirs of the occasion, and the evening was spent in the formation of more intimate acquaintanceships preliminary to the work to follow. Friday night the convention dance occupied our attention until a disgraceful hour, under the auspices of the sweetest strains of music and the fairest of Cleveland's belles. But the crowning festivity was the convention banquet Saturday night, which concluded the meeting. Fortunately there were present on that occasion the two whose names are so prominent in the record of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ during more recent years, Bros. J. E. Brown and Hugh Th. Miller, both of whom all Phis love to meet and listen to. The tables were very prettily arranged in the form of a large Delta, around which no more valiant a band of ancient Greeks ever waged successful warfare.

I have mentioned the members of Case chapter as deserving much credit for their united and constant efforts for the success of the convention; but probably the one upon whose shoulders fell the heaviest burden, and to whom is due the greatest credit for the complete success of the meeting was Bro. Ward. He deserves and has the thanks of every Phi present on that occasion.

The writer does not recall when this province has met before in a province convention, but he can safely say that hereafter this will be a more permanent part of our province policy.

J. B. BALLOU.

THETA, MARCH 16, 17—GAMMA, APRIL 2.

[For reports of these conventions see the letters on pages 420, 424 and 434, from California Alpha, San Francisco and Atlanta.]

PERSONAL.

Mississippi—Percy Ray, '90, is in the hardware business at Bristol, Tennessee.

Miami—James Z. Moore, '67, of Spokane, is a trustee of the University of Washington.

Mississippi—J. A. Spann, Jr., '97, is now in the mercantile business at Pelahatchie, Miss.

Southern—Percy R. Knickerbocker, '97, is pastor of the M. E. church at Crowley, Louisiana.

Mississippi—C. L. Sivley, '89, was married to Miss Minnie Clopton, of Aberdeen, on Dec. 17, 1899.

Iowa Wesleyan—Frank S. Robinson, '97, is private secretary to Hon. Thomas Hedge, congressman from Iowa.

Cornell—W. H. Thompson, '98, is now located at Schenectady in the testing department of the General Electric Co.

Texas—T. T. Connally, '98, is a candidate for representative in his district at Marlin, Texas, where he is practicing law.

Indiana—Thaddeus W. Rodecker, '97, was married on April 25, 1900, to Miss Caroline Reynolds Minor, at Indianapolis, Ind.

Mississippi—L. M. Southworth, '85, and C. L. Sivley, '89, are members of the Democratic executive committee of Mississippi.

Michigan—Stanley M. Matthews, '97, is practicing law in Kansas City, Mo.; his office address is 521 N. Y. Life building.

Indianapolis—Dr. W. M. Wright, '86, is chief medical officer of the Indiana national guard, with rank of lieutenant-colonel.

K. M. I.—General H. V. N. Boynton, '58, was one of the speakers at the banquet of the Michigan club of Detroit, on Washington's birthday.

Cornell, '00—Captain R. D. Starbuck, of the 1899 eleven, who has been re-elected for 1900, has been made head coach for the season. He has called out center and back-of-the-line candidates for spring practice, but announces that preliminary fall practice will be abolished.

Emory—A letter by W. B. Palmer, '77, descriptive of his visit to Gettysburg battlefield, was published in the *Nashville American* of January 28.

Kansas—Prof. V. L. Kellogg, '90, of Stanford, is joint author of two books now in press: 'Lessons in Nature Study' and 'Animal Life.'

Vanderbilt—Morris Brandon, '84, with two associates, has bought the Atlanta *Journal* from Hoke Smith, ex-secretary of the interior, for \$276,500.

Mississippi—W. A. McDonald, '81, is a prominent candidate for congress from the Second district against Col. Thomas Spight, the present incumbent.

South Carolina—President McKinley has appointed Prof. D. F. Houston, '87, of the University of Texas, as one of board of visitors for West Point, in June.

Iowa Wesleyan—Rev. W. H. Purdue, '94, a student of Boston Theological School, has received the pastorate of the M. E. church at New Sharon, Iowa.

California—Harry B. Torrey, '95, has been appointed to one of the eighteen university fellowships at Columbia for 1900-01. His department is zoology.

Franklin—Congressman F. M. Griffith, '74, of the Fourth district of Indiana, has been vigorously opposed by a rival for the nomination, but is now assured of success.

Missouri—D. S. McGonigle, '87, one of the leading real estate and financial agents in Kansas City, was recently elected a director of the Western Exchange Bank.

Iowa Wesleyan —J. W. Clark, '92, late captain of the 51st Iowa, is taking a law course at Iowa State University and was recently elected lieutenant-colonel of 51st I. N. G.

Ohio—Hon. Emmett Tompkins, '74, has declined to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress in the Columbus district, but his friends are working for him 'anyway.'

Mississippi—Milton M. Bardwell, '94, was married on the evening of February 6 to Miss Mayme Rowan Barnard, of Louisville. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Carter Helm Jones, D. D., Virginia Beta, '82. Among the attendants was R. J. McBryde, Jr., Virginia Zeta, '95. Bro. Bardwell was his chapter's delegate at the Indianapolis convention.

Emory—Dr. W. A. Keener, '74, dean of the Columbia University law school, was a speaker at the annual banquet of the Southern society of this institution, at the Savoy, on March 17.

Miami—The University Club of Indianapolis, of which Benjamin Harrison, '52, is president, has had the General's portrait painted for its collection by one of the leading western artists.

Gettysburg—James Arthur Singmaster, '98, has resigned his position with India Refining Co., of Philadelphia, to accept a position as chemist for the New Jersey Zinc Co., of Bethlehem, Pa.

Ohio Wesleyan—The marriage of Prof. John W. Edwards, '95, professor of physics at Iowa Wesleyan University, and Miss Bertha Thompson took place in Delaware, Ohio, on March 22, 1900.

Dickinson—Dr. Minor Gibson Porter, '84, of Lonaconing, Md., one of THE SCROLL's loyal subscribers, was married on April 17, 1900, to Miss Margaretta Carrington Price, at Frostburg, Md.

Colby—Wm. L. Waldron, '99, who has been teaching temporarily at the Delaware Literary Institute, Franklin, N. Y., has been engaged permanently with the rank of first lieutenant and quartermaster.

Miami—A. F. Sloneker, '98, who was a student at Wooster when Ohio Delta's charter was surrendered, was married on April 3, 1900, to Miss Gipsy Taylor, of Wooster, Ohio. Mrs. Sloneker is a member of K K Γ.

Gettysburg—Rev. J. Milton Francis, '88, of Columbia City, Ind., has accepted a call to one of the Lutheran churches of Springfield, Ill.—Dr. H. E. Gettier, '93, has been appointed surgeon in the Staten Island Hospital, N. Y.

Northwestern—Frederic C. Ellis, '96, is an attorney in the Metropolitan Block, Chicago. He was a member of Troop F, 1st Illinois Cavalry, during the late war, and was stationed at Chickamauga and Fort Sheridan until mustered out.

Texas—John H. Caldwell, '91, who is very popular with his *alma mater* for having as a member of the last legislature secured the largest appropriation ever granted the university, is the Democratic nominee for county attorney at his home, Austin.

Northwestern, '96—Frank J. R. Mitchell, our new S. G. C., is the author of the leading article in the current number of the *American Law Register*, of Philadelphia. It deals with 'The Legal Effect of the Acquisition of the Philippine Islands.'

Center—J. C. S. Blackburn, '57, who was elected U. S. senator to serve from 1901 to 1907, by the Kentucky legislature this winter, has had his credentials presented at Washington. It has been rumored that the Republicans will contest his claim to the seat.

Lehigh—Edward Kent Leech, '94, has been appointed assistant melter and refiner of the United States mint, where he has been employed since 1891. His father was formerly director of the mint, and is now vice-president of the National Union Bank, of New York.

Gettysburg—Rev. Holmes Dysinger, '78, has recently been called to the pastorate of the First Lutheran church, of Kansas City, Mo. Dr. Dysinger was for a number of years president of Carthage College, and is one of the leading educators of the Lutheran church.

Brown—W. H. Kenerson, '96, and T. M. Phetteplace, '99, of the Brown faculty, accompanied by H. M. Van Gelder, '97, and N. H. Gifford, '99, sail for Europe on the Holland-American liner, June 16. They will spend the summer in Germany, Switzerland and France.

Washington and Lee—Dailey Fielder Hardy, '91, died of consumption at San Marcos, Texas, on February 28. He was a brother of Rufus Lamar Hardy, *Texas*, '99, delegate to the Columbus convention, who was accidentally killed by an explosion last winter, as will be remembered.

Emory—Frank S. Palmer, '99, who will be remembered by all who attended the Columbus convention, is winning fame this spring as pitcher for the nine of Vanderbilt, where he is a law student. His companion 'Georgia cracker,' Geo. W. Whitney, is in the cotton business at Augusta, Ga.

Allegheny, '87—The marriage of Robert T. M. McCready, Esq., of Sewickley, and Miss Margaret Courtney, of Ben Avon, was solemnized on March 15, 1900. Upon their return from a wedding journey Mr. and Mrs. McCready will occupy a new residence at Edgeworth. Brother McCready was initiated by Pennsylvania Delta, afterwards affiliating with Ohio Beta. He is a member of the law firm of McCready and Moore, in Pittsburgh.

Mississippi—A. H. George, of Georgia Alpha, a son of the late Senator J. Z. George, an honorary member of this chapter, won great distinction in the last session of the Mississippi legislature. He served as senator of the 26th district, and was conceded by all to be one of the ablest members of that body.

Brown—Freeman Putney, Jr., '99, has severed his connection with the Rhode Island Stamp Co. of Providence, and has been engaged by the New England Stamp Co. of Boston as general manager of their mail order department.—Harry H. Mallory, '99, has recently been elected president of the National Shorthand Institute of Chicago, Ill.

Union—Rev. Arthur Dougall, '92, has received a call to the Reformed church of Fort Plain, N. Y. His former pastorate was at Berlin, Md.—Charles D. Griffith, '98, formerly with the Wagner Palace Car Co., at New York, has been assigned to the place of accountant for the engineering department of the R. W. & O. R. R., at Watertown, N. Y.

Kansas, '92—The latest bit of interesting gossip about General Funston is that his summary execution without trial of two Filipinos who were caught in the act of killing Macabebe scouts 'may' result in a court-martial. General Funston is now stationed in the central part of Luzon and has 4,000 men under him, scattered about in small garrisons.

Indianapolis—Robert Franklin Davidson, '92, was married on April 18, 1900, to Miss Mary Bemis Galvin, at Irvington, Indiana. Miss Galvin was a member of K K Γ at Butler, and has recently been Y. W. C. A. secretary at Schenectady, N. Y. After a trip south Mr. and Mrs. Davidson will return to Indianapolis to reside at 1406 Park avenue. Bro. Davidson is an attorney with offices in the Lemcke building.

Vermont—F. K. Jackson, A. B., '97, M. D., '99, will soon return from a European tour to assume the duties of assistant physician at the Mary Fletcher Hospital, Burlington. G. M. Sabin, '96, medical, '00, has filled the position during the absence of Dr. Jackson.—Edward G. Spaulding, '94, who for four years taught in New York and during that time studied at Columbia, receiving the degree of M. A. in physics in 1896, recently took the degree of Ph. D. at Bonn University, which has the reputation of having the hardest requirements for examinations of all the German universities. Mr. Spaulding received his degree *magna cum laude*. He will now spend some time in travel.

Westminster—Rev. S. Edward Young, '86, received 101 new members into his church, the Second Presbyterian, of Pittsburgh, on the occasion of his second anniversary, making 528 accessions during his two years' pastorate. The church is said to do a more extensive work among the Chinese than any other in America. It now has over one thousand members and is extremely prosperous.

DePauw—Captain Frank W. Foxworthy, '94, now assistant surgeon of the 34th U. S. Infantry in northern Luzon, has been recommended by his superiors for promotion to the rank of major for 'gallantry and meritorious conduct while treating wounded men under fire at the battle of Taguadino Pass.' Bro. Foxworthy was a member of the party which rescued Lieut. Gilmore and his men from the Filipinos last winter.

Iowa—Robert Howe Munger, '99, was recently nominated by the Republicans of Sioux City for police judge; such nomination is equivalent to election.—John W. McKee, '99, is enjoying a lucrative law practice at Muscatine, Iowa.—Julius M. Balle, '99, is in business with his father at Denison, Iowa.—Thomas Grant Fee, '99, is practicing law with his father at Centreville, Iowa. His father is candidate for the state supreme court.

Miami—Rev. Dr. Faye E. Walker, '68, who has for seventeen years been president of Oxford Female College, has resigned on account of his wife's health and his own need of change and rest. Dr. Walker is a delegate to the ecumenical conference on foreign missions, and will re-enter the Presbyterian ministry in the east. He has been pastor of churches in Dwight and Taylorville, Ill., Indianapolis, Ind., and College Hill, Ohio, and was for two years editor of the *Presbyterian Standard*.

Miami, '52—General Benjamin Harrison presided during the sessions of the ecumenical conference on foreign missions, in Carnegie Hall, New York, beginning April, 21, and continuing ten days. All denominations were represented by 2,200 delegates from all over the world. This is the third such conference, two having already been held in London, in 1884 and 1890. Clergymen say that this will prove the greatest religious gathering our country has ever known, and that it will even be of such world-wide import as to become a milestone in modern religious history. General Harrison delivered a notable address in opening the conference.

Miami, '52—The Republicans of Indiana have made themselves famous nationally for their advocacy of free trade with Porto Rico. The battle cry of their campaign has been a phrase of General Harrison's, almost the only characterization of any current political question to which he has given public utterance since his retirement. With his usual dignified sententiousness he stamped the tariff bill as 'a serious departure from right principles.' The General's Indiana friends are insisting that he would be a much stronger candidate this year than would President McKinley.

Missouri—William E. Moore, '97, who is a newspaper man and until recently on the Chicago daily press, with a companion journalist will make the trip to Cape Nome in search of gold, starting May 1. The two prospectors have ample financial backing in capitalists of Quincy, Ill., where Bro. Moore resides. Besides prospecting for gold and staking claims, the gold-seekers will keep the rest of the world in touch with their movements, having commissions from various prominent newspapers and news syndicates. Bro. Moore has a brother who is an active member of Missouri Alpha.

Tulane—Ensign Wat Tyler Cluverius, '94, was married on April 5, at the residence of the commandant of the Charlestown (Mass.) navy yard, to Miss Hannah Walker Sampson, youngest daughter of Admiral W. T. Sampson. Miss Sampson was graduated from Wells College, and is the third of her family to marry a southerner. Bro. Cluverius, who was on the *Maine* when it was sunk in Havana harbor, has been for some time on the *Solace*, making three trips to Manila. He has been ordered to report for duty at Annapolis as instructor in gunnery at the naval academy. THE SCROLL for October, 1898, contained a portrait and sketch of Bro. Cluverius.

The Cleveland Y. M. C. A., of which G. K. Shurtleff, *Syracuse*, '83, is general secretary, and Hubert H. Ward, *Ohio State*, '90, a director, will support during the coming year R. E. Lewis, *Vermont*, '92, who is now national traveling secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of China. Bro. Lewis has held four student conferences during the past year in Nanking, Shanghai, Tung Cho and Foochow. At these 1,029 Chinese students and 700 other Chinese were present. F. S. Brockman, *Vanderbilt*, '91, is another international secretary and has been working at Nanking. He and Bro. Lewis are perhaps two of the most conspicuous figures at present in the student volunteer movement. Bro. Ward has just been re-elected for a three-year term as director of the Cleveland Y. M. C. A.

Indiana—Clarence L. Goodwin, '83, contributed a four-column, illustrated article on 'The Conemaugh Valley' and the great Johnstown flood of 1889, to the *Indianapolis News* of April 21, 1900. Bro. Goodwin, who will be remembered by those who attended our last national convention, resides near the scene of the Johnstown disaster.

Washington and Lee—Morton K. Yonts, '94, though one of the youngest, has become one of the best known of the leaders of the Democratic party in Kentucky. On the final night of the stormy state convention, held in Louisville in June, 1899, which resulted in Goebel's nomination, Yonts was called to the chair and presided over that final session, which is now historic. Three weeks before Goebel's death Yonts was made one of the three state election commissioners, his appointment being made at the personal request of Mr. Goebel. In announcing the appointment the *Courier-Journal* said:

Mr. Morton K. Yonts, of Greenville, Muhlenburg county, was elected to-night by the state board of election commissioners to succeed Capt. W. T. Ellis, of Owensboro. Mr. Yonts is a promising young lawyer of Greenville, and is one of the leading Democrats in his section. He is highly educated, stands at the top of the social ladder and is a young man of fine character. He is master commissioner of the Muhlenburg circuit court, and his acceptance of the appointment will vacate the office.

Wabash—The gold standard law enacted by the present congress is acknowledged to be indebted for its successful passage to the wise and persistent efforts of Hugh H. Hanna, '69, chairman of the executive committee of the monetary mission. In recognition of Bro. Hanna's services a banquet was given at the Bates House, Indianapolis, on the evening of March 28 by the leading business and professional men of the city. About two hundred were present, among them several well-known Phis.: Hilton U. Brown, *Indianapolis*, '80, manager of the *Indianapolis News*; Henry Eitel, *Franklin*, '74, president of the Union Trust Co.; John V. Hadley, *Indianapolis*, '63, chief justice of the Indiana supreme court; J. L. Ketcham, *Wabash*, '69, the iron magnate, and Ex-President Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*, '52. General Harrison was toastmaster and made his usual hit with his introductory speech. It was brought out in the speeches of the evening that when the committee of which Bro. Hanna had charge began its work in 1897, not over ten members of congress were in favor of further financial legislation. Bro. Hanna has spent the last three winters in Washington, and given his time between con-

gressional sessions to agitation by correspondence and to a campaign of education. His work has given him a national reputation, and he has been repeatedly urged to accept nominations for mayor and United States senator, but he has so far steadily refused. His time, outside of that given to public affairs, is devoted to his large manufacturing establishment in Indianapolis. He has been named by the Republicans of the Indianapolis district for presidential elector, however. His *alma mater* conferred the degree of LL. D. upon him on February 22. On April 10 he was given a reception and banquet and presented with a gold medal by the New York Chamber of Commerce.

Hillsdale—L. B. Austin, '97, of the Burr Oak (Mich.) schools, is the new president of the St. Joseph county teachers' association.—N. B. Sloan, '97, is teaching in the science department of the Battle Creek high school.—F. W. Baker, '00, won the annual oratorical contest of the A K Φ society at Hillsdale on March 7.—L. D. Chase, '02, is an editor of the *New Collegian*, for copies of which we are indebted to Bro. L. P. Davis, '96, of North Judson, Ind.

There seems to be a vice-presidential tendency in Φ Δ Θ. The national convention of the Socialist-Labor party at Indianapolis, which nominated Eugene V. Debs for president, named Job Harriman, *Indianapolis*, '85, as his running mate. Bro. Harriman is contributing as special commissioner a startling series of articles to the *New York People* on the Coeur d'Alene mining troubles. He makes astounding charges against the mine owners' association, based on his personal investigations. He says that the association, which has waged for twelve years a class war with the miners' union, blew up the mines themselves and then charged it upon the miners. He quotes a mass of detailed evidence to sustain his point.

A vice-presidential possibility on the Democratic ticket is Hon. J. W. Tomlinson, *Vanderbilt*, '82, who has been making a canvass for the gubernatorial nomination in Alabama, and who was Bryan's right-hand man four years ago.

Two republicans who have been urged as running mates for McKinley are Hon. A. C. Harris, *Indianapolis*, '62, now U. S. minister to Austria, and Hon. Hugh H. Hanna, *Wabash*, '69, who has recently achieved a national reputation in securing the passage of the gold standard law.

Then, of course, the list is complete with Ex-Vice-president Adlai E. Stevenson, *Centre*, '60.

Gettysburg—Rev. Dr. J. B. Fox, '80, pastor of Christ Evangelical Lutheran church, of Staunton, Va., died of pneumonia on March 27, after a brief illness. Dr. Fox was born in Lincoln, N. C., in 1860. In 1882 he was graduated from Gettysburg College, and went to Tennessee for a short while. In 1886 he was elected a professor in Newberry (S. C.) College, which position he held for six years, when he was called to the pastorate of the church in Newberry, where he remained until March, 1899, when he took charge of the Staunton church. Though having been there but a year, he had endeared himself, not only to his congregation, but to the public in general, and had many admiring friends among all denominations. He was a man of fine intellect. Bro. Fox was one of the faithful readers of *THE SCROLL*.

Iowa—Wm. Hosford, '82, is dean of the dental department of the University of Iowa. Under his management it has become one of the best dental colleges in the middle west.—Arthur G. Smith, '91, is assistant professor of mathematics in the University of Iowa and chairman of the athletic board of control, which has done so much to advance Iowa's prestige in western athletics.—Sam'l D. Riniker, '94, has recently made a very prosperous business venture in buying up what were supposed to be worthless county bonds of Lyon county, Iowa, but which the county has since voted to pay in full. He is a member of the law firm of Parsons and Riniker, Rock Rapids, Iowa.—Wm. H. Bremner, '95, is one of the most successful young attorneys of Des Moines, Iowa, and alumni member of the athletic board of control of the University of Iowa.—Park W. Tourtellot, '96, is a lawyer at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

GENERAL FUNSTON'S BADGE.

Captain Charles W. Filer, of the pension office, has been the means of returning to General Fred Funston, the gallant Kansan of river swimming fame, a lost fraternity pin under conditions as peculiar as they are mysterious, says the *Washington Post*.

The pin is the emblem of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, and was lost years ago by the capsizing of a boat while General Funston was in Alaska on a government mission: The pin was attached to a vest, and the vest was in a knapsack. When the boat upset, Funston and his Eskimo companion saved themselves, but all their belongings were supposed to be at the bottom of the river.

One day last summer workmen were tearing up the floor of the old ice rink in Convention Hall, and a negro found a peculiar badge with the name 'Frederick Funston' engraved upon its back. Captain Filer heard of the incident on the very day that the story of Funston's swimming episode was given to the world. The identity of the names struck him as peculiar, and it occurred to him that the pin might belong to the Kansas fighter. When he heard that Funston was returning to the states, he wrote a letter that met the general at San Francisco. In this letter were a pencil sketch of the pin and the story of how it was found.

Captain Filer received no answer to his letter, and had about forgotten the circumstance until a few days ago, when a letter reached him that bore date of last October. It had been returned through the dead-letter office, and Mrs. Funston had made inquiry as to who Captain Filer was and re-directed it. The letter was from General Funston, and was as follows:

The badge of which you speak in your recent letter was lost by me in Alaska several years ago. It is certainly very much of a mystery how it ever reached Washington. I recognize it from the description you have given me. It is the badge of the college fraternity to which I belong. I should be under the greatest obligation to you if you would get hold of it and send it to me; even if it is necessary to pay something to the man who now has it, although he is in no way entitled to it and has no right to wear the badge of a society of which he is not a member. Thanking you most sincerely for your kindness, I am,

Captain Filer hunted up the negro who had found the pin and secured possession of it by paying him \$2. It is now on its way to General Funston. How it found its way from an Alaskan river to a Washington skating rink is a mystery that may never be solved.

NOTE. The foregoing account of the remarkable recovery of Brother Funston's badge reached the editor of THE SCROLL in a round-about way. It came to him, in the form of a newspaper clipping, from Bro. W. B. Palmer. Bro. Palmer received it by mail April 17, 1900, from Mr. W. R. Baird, editor of the *Beta Theta Psi*. The typography of the clipping indicated that it had been printed from stereotype plates sent out by some newspaper syndicate, perhaps the American Press Association. At the bottom was written, 'I cut this from an Ohio paper. F. W. S.' These are the initials of Prof. F. W. Shepardson, Denison, '80, formerly an associate editor of the *Beta Theta Psi*. It may be added, however, that THE SCROLL received notices of this incident in other ways. It was reported first in the *Washington Star* of March 19, and was clipped out and sent in on the next day by Bro. W. R. Smucker, of Pennsylvania Epsilon. It came out the next day in the *Washington Post*, and Bro. Geo. P. Chase, of Pennsylvania Zeta, sent it in forthwith. By the end of the week the Ohio newspapers had it, and Dr. Brown was clipping it for us. It is interesting to see how well Phis read the newspapers—and how well the Betas do, too.

COLLEGIATE.

Yale now has a post-office of her own and will soon have a bank.

Prof. Lamont of Brown has resigned to become editor of the *New York Evening Post*.

Inter-department contests are to be substituted for inter-class games at Pennsylvania.

Ohio State University will substitute the weekly convocation for daily chapel services.

The University of Texas has finally decided, after consulting the alumni, to retain orange and white as colors.

Miami now has a military department. Gen. Ben. P. Runkle, formerly president of the ΣX fraternity, is the instructor.

A prize winner in oratory at West Virginia has been expelled from the university and from his fraternity, $A T \Omega$, for plagiarism.

A conference of class representatives has been called by President Harris, of Amherst, to discuss, define and approve or abolish college customs.

The twenty-five Americans at Oxford, England, have formed a club and may invite their countrymen at Cambridge to join them in a general organization.

The international games between Harvard, Yale, Oxford and Cambridge will probably not be held this year because Harvard insists on holding them on her field.

Cornell will hereafter divide the academic year into two terms instead of three.—Syracuse no longer catalogues her students by classes. The students prefer the old way.

Bishop Hurst of the American University announces that President McKinley will become professor of international law in the institution when he retires from the presidency.

During March the Harvard faculty and other officers kept detailed diaries, which are to be sealed and locked away until 1925. Between 1925 and 1960, as the writers die, and generally, in 1960, the diaries and accompanying photographs will be published, in order to give posterity a complete picture of Harvard life at the close of the nineteenth century.

California took the first game of the base ball series with Stanford, the latter capturing the second. Each won at home. The deciding game was played at San Francisco, April 28.

The University of Oxford has sent 237 alumni and undergraduates to the South African war. This is hardly up to the record of several American universities in the Spanish war, taking the comparative number of alumni into account.

The enrollment at Chicago is 1701; at Purdue, 823; Syracuse, 1402; Brown, 858; Western Reserve, 717; Minnesota, 3235; Rutgers, 1846; Kansas, 1130; Michigan, 3600; Georgia Polytechnic, 400; Alabama, 245 (the largest since the war).

The University of Iowa gives free tuition to all soldiers or sailors who served in the Spanish war. The legislature this year made every appropriation asked, without reduction. This was never done before, and Chancellor MacLean receives credit for the success.

Arrangements are complete for the attendance of 1,000 Cuban teachers at the Harvard summer school. The government will furnish four steamers to transport them. The women will be lodged in private boarding-houses, and the men will use the college dormitories.

The Wisconsin inter-collegiate oratorical contest was won this year by Lawrence university, whose speakers took first and third honors, Ripon college taking second. The two Beloit orators were at the bottom of the list. This rarely happens. The Pennsylvania contest was won by Ursinus College.

Lehigh will rebuild at once the physical and electrical laboratory which was burned on April 6. The loss was \$200,000; insurance, \$50,000. The fire started in the photographic room, where Prof. W. S. Franklin, Kansas Alpha, was making a photograph to exhibit at the New York academy of science.

Lake Forest has recently received \$45,000; McGill, \$200,000; Vanderbilt, \$200,000; Washington (including gifts announced in 1899), \$900,000; Oberlin, \$75,000; Sewanee, \$50,000; Chicago, \$3,000,000 (most of it from Mr. Rockefeller); Johns Hopkins, \$24,000 (from the state legislature as an annual grant); Wellesley, \$50,000 (conditionally, from J. D. Rockefeller); Bowdoin, \$25,000; Middlebury, \$50,000; Tulane, \$50,000; De Pauw, \$50,000.

In 1856, at Lawrence, Kansas, a posse, acting under doubtful authority, destroyed the Free State hotel, owned by the New England Emigrant Aid Co. This company entered a claim for \$20,000 damages against the United States, and before its dissolution transferred its claim to the University of Kansas. The claim has recently been allowed.

Oberlin won in debate from Western Reserve at Oberlin on March 9. Michigan defeated Pennsylvania the same evening at Philadelphia, by denying that the formation of trusts should be opposed by legislation. At New York Columbia won from Chicago by affirming that national regulation of trusts is unwise and inexpedient. Haverford won from Franklin on April 21, and Earlham defeated Indiana at the same time. Ohio Wesleyan was victorious over Ohio State. Harvard again defeated Yale. Michigan again won the northwestern championship by defeating Minnesota. Minnesota had previously defeated Northwestern, and Michigan had won from Chicago.

The association of American universities, which met at Chicago on March 1, instead of at Washington, as at first announced, is composed of the following institutions: California, Catholic University of America, Chicago, Clark, Columbia, Cornell, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Michigan, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Stanford, Wisconsin, Yale. Other institutions may be admitted at the annual conference on the invitation of the executive committee indorsed by three-fourths of the members of the association. This is the first movement of the kind attempted in America. France has a similar organization. The next meeting of the association will be in Chicago in 1901.

Harvard is to offer students all the athletic facilities of the university, including admission to all games, for a nominal yearly subscription of five dollars.—Columbia has been generally commended for the heroic and open way in which she has disposed of her foot ball scandal. We trust that Mr. Caspar Whitney will not charge the west with a monopoly of professionalism in athletics hereafter.—An investigation by the Yale *Daily News* of the attendance and athletic successes there has shown that success in athletics is due to increased attendance and not *vice versa*.—Pennsylvania, Princeton, Cornell, Chicago, Syracuse, Yale and Harvard will send athletes to Europe this summer. California will send a track team east.

Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, of the U. S. coast survey, has been elected president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was educated at Central College, Fayette, Mo., at Washington University and the University of Munich.—Prof. Elisha B. Andrews, formerly of Brown, and late superintendent of the Chicago schools, has been chosen chancellor of the University of Nebraska. He is a member of ΔY .—President E. A. Alderson, of North Carolina, has been offered the presidency of Tulane.—President R. Lin Cave, of Kentucky University, has resigned.

The total number of all students at the 21 German universities, inclusive of the academy at Munster, was 35,465, as against 32,597 in the last winter semester, which is equal to an increase of 2.7 per cent. Attendance at the several universities is as follows: Berlin, 6,478; Munich, 4,049; Leipsic, 3,481; Bonn, 1,886; Halle, 1,636; Breslau, 1,618; Tubingen, 1,361; Heidelberg, 1,250; Gottingen, 1,238; Freiburg, 1,235; Wurzburg, 1,215; Strassburg, 1,105; Marburg, 1,040; Erlangen, 974; Konigsberg, 840; Giessen, 802; Greifswald, 759; Kiel, 759; Jena, 655; Munster, 620, and Rostock, 464.

Yale has adopted a new schedule of electives, making it possible for a sophomore to drop the classics and mathematics for the rest of his course.—Columbia has adopted new requirements, making it possible for a student to enter without Latin.—Chicago confers a new degree, that of 'associate,' to students completing the sophomore year.—Wisconsin has established a school of commerce.—Michigan announces three new courses in commercial education, newspaper work and public administration.—Yale has a school of forestry in prospect.—Murat Halstead has become the president of a college of journalism, in Cincinnati.

HELLENIC.

⊙ Ξ has entered Columbia.

Σ X at Tulane has taken a house.

K A ⊙ and A Φ have been incorporated at Stanford.

At Columbus, Ohio, a Σ N club has been incorporated.

K A ⊙ has had her Hauover chapter's charter surrendered.

Charles H. Alleu, the new governor of Porto Rico, is a X Ψ.

Z Ψ held her national convention at Philadelphia, March 9-10.

At DePauw Δ Y has withdrawn from Θ N E. West Virginia has a chapter of the latter.

There has been a rumor that Σ X will enter Iowa Wesleyan. She has a petition from Earlham.

President Smart, of Purdue, who died on Washington's birthday, was an honorary member of Σ X.

A volume of Stanford stories is announced. One of the authors is a nephew of Eugene Field and a member of Z Ψ.

At Michigan Δ T Δ is dead, K Σ ' has given up any attempt to carry on a chapter,' and Σ A E has lost her house, though she now occupies a rented one.

B Θ II has rented a house at Ohio Wesleyan, and is planning to build at Washington and Jefferson. Her Brown chapter tried to take a house but was unsuccessful.

K Σ has been ordered to give up its house at William-Jewell and disband because of having violated faculty rules regarding freshmen. So says the *Purdue Exponent*.

Σ X at Roanoke has six members, having begun the year with three. The enrollment in the college is 164, not quite so large as last year. Hampden-Sidney enrolls 130.

X Ψ held her convention at New York, April 19-20. Thos. B. Reed was one of the speakers at the banquet, at which 120 were present. The next convention goes to Chicago.

The new editor of the *Record* of Σ A E is Dr. Edward Melus, of Worcester, Mass. The *Shield* of Θ Δ X will be edited hereafter by Mr. Charles J. Bullock, of Williamstown, Mass.

Σ A E has entered Kentucky state, where she had for some time two bodies of petitioners, one of them later going into the K A and Σ X chapters there. Σ A E now has 56 chapters.

J. C. Beckham, the Democratic claimant of Kentucky's gubernatorial chair, is a member of Σ A E. His brother, Yule Beckham, was a Phi at Central, with the class of '93.

The Berzelius chapter house at Yale was quarantined during a recent small-pox scare. Nearly all the colleges of the country have had minor panics over small-pox this college year.

The non-fraternity students at Syracuse, who have organized as such, will not support the annual this year, because the juniors refused to increase the number of their representatives on the board from two to six.

Phil King, who was initiated by the Pennsylvania chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, but who has since affiliated with Wisconsin Alpha, has been engaged for three years, at a salary of \$3,500 a year, to coach the foot ball and base ball teams at Wisconsin.

A T Ω established a chapter at the University of California this month. She had a small chapter at Stanford from 1891 to 1897. Her chapter at Washington and Lee is dead. There are two Alpha Taus in that university.— $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ has also entered California this month.

$\Phi \Delta Y$ is a new fraternity at Illinois to which students in chemistry alone are eligible. $\Sigma \Gamma$, an honorary society composed of students interested in geology and mining engineering, has been organized at Stanford. It is modeled after $\Phi B K$ and $\Sigma \Xi$ and will establish other chapters.

The sororities at Swarthmore have been notified by the authorities that they will be expected to withdraw their charters at the end of the present college year. $K K \Gamma$, $K A \Theta$ $\Pi B \Phi$ are affected. The reason given was that the chapters interfered seriously with the social life of the college. Permission has been given to present a defense. The fraternity men, $K \Sigma$, ΔY and $\Phi K \Psi$ having chapters there, are helping the girls all they can, realizing that their turn may come next. One-third of the women students are Greeks.

$\Theta \Delta X$ at her recent convention voted to revive her chapter at Dickinson, and to instruct the officers 'to use all means toward the re-establishment' of the chapter at William and Mary. The officers are authorized to place a chapter at California, but not at Chicago. The convention was held at Washington on February 22 and 23. All the chapters were represented, the total enrollment reaching 245. At the banquet 202 were present. Secretary of State Hay and Attorney-general Griggs spoke. The delegates were received at the White House by President McKinley. Mr. Carl A. Harstrom, who has served with remarkable success as president for five years, retired, and Prof. E. W. Hufcutt, of Cornell, late editor of the *Shield*, was chosen to succeed him. The *Shield* was reported to be prospering financially.

X Ψ is about to build on the campus at Stanford.—Ψ Y has assumed ownership of her house at New York University, under mortgages amounting to \$22,000.—Σ Δ X is building a marble 'tomb' at Yale.—Δ Ψ will erect a bronze memorial tablet at Columbia in honor of Hamilton Fish, Jr., who was killed at Las Guasimas, June 24, 1898.—Α Φ will build on the Stanford campus in the old Spanish style.—The literary societies at Wellesley have Greek names (with one exception), initiation ceremonies and (four of them) chapter houses. One of them, Φ Σ, has a chapter at Wesleyan. The Shakespeare society's house is a reproduction of the great poet's home.

X Ω is a sorority organized at the University of Arkansas April 5, 1895. It has seven chapters, the others being at Tulane, Mississippi, Belmont (Nashville, Tenn.), Jessamine (Nicholasville, Ky.), Helmonth (London, Ontario) and one other institution, whose name is not announced. A journal called *The Eleusis* is published by the parent chapter. A member of K Σ assisted the founders, and he was elected an honorary member. X Ω claims that all other sororities are sectional, and purposes being 'the first woman's fraternity that is national both in spirit and in practice.' The chapters are named Psi, Chi, Phi and so on, beginning at the last of the Greek alphabet, but omitting Omega.

Φ K Ψ held her grand arch council (national convention) at Columbus, Ohio, on April 18, 19, 20. On the evening of the first day a smoker was given by the local chapter and alumni at the Great Southern; Thursday night there was a reception and ball at the Chittenden; Friday night the banquet was given at the Chittenden. The last named festivity was attended by 'over 250' Phi Psis; ex-Governor Lowndes, of Maryland, who was the star of the toast list, was kept away by a strike in his coal mines. A luncheon was given wives of visiting and local Phi Psis at the Chittenden on Friday. A photo was taken on the west steps of the state capitol, and on Friday afternoon the delegates called on Governor Nash and were presented to him. At the opening session the address of welcome was delivered by Mr. G. W. Dun, of Columbus, president of the fraternity. Mr. Dun is editor of the *Citizen*, a new Columbus newspaper, which has a Phi Psi business manager also. Mr. Dun was a candidate for re-election; other candidates were Dr. F. C. Bangs, of New York, and Rev. E. M. Shires, of Chicago. The last named gentleman was chosen on the third ballot. When the convention met, Mr. Walter S. Holden, vice-president of the

fraternity, was a prominent candidate for the presidency. The *Ohio State Journal* of April 20 said:

For ten years the most conservative chapter in the fraternity has been Michigan Alpha, at the University of Michigan, and the leader of that chapter has been Walter S. Holden of Chicago. Owing to the opposition of this chapter to many petitions for new chapters, and notably to one for a prominent institution, now pending, the feeling of the chapters favoring extension is strong against Michigan Alpha, and some of the chapters declare they will oppose Holden's elevation to the presidency or his re-election to the vice-presidency. Holden was talked of by his friends for president, but is now understood to have withdrawn.

Expansion prevailed, for the executive council was authorized to place chapters at Williams, Brown, Vanderbilt and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Canadian extension was not endorsed. The charter of one chapter was withdrawn, 'for lack of interest manifested.' Considerable time was given to revision of the constitution. The next convention will be held in April, 1902, at Pittsburgh, within a few miles of Washington and Jefferson College, where $\Phi K \Psi$ was founded in 1852. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, who was also a child of Jefferson College (later W. & J.), celebrated her semi-centennial at the same place in 1898. The fraternity treasurer reported a balance of \$3,023 on hand; with this surplus a pocket edition of the catalogue is contemplated in six months and a complete edition in a year and a half. The secretary reported that the 39 chapters occupy 25 chapter houses. There are 27 alumni associations. Members of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ who attended our convention of 1898 at Columbus will have many pleasant memories recalled by reading the report of $\Phi K \Psi$'s meeting.

$\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ has acquired many of her distinguished members by initiating them in middle life, after they had left college and become famous, but most fraternities outgrew honorary elections to membership long since. In the December $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ *Quarterly* we find that the good work knows no abatement among the Fijis, however. The Nebraska chapter reports the initiation of Prof. Magee, of the chair of oratory. The Knox chapter has initiated S. S. McClure, of publishing fame, and (Deacon) S. V. White. The DePauw chapter, which a year or so ago initiated the military instructor, has taken in a teacher in the music school. The Worcester chapter, with the aid of an Amherst Fiji, has initiated a physician of Worcester who was graduated from Amherst in 1878. Three members of the faculty at Worcester have also been initiated.

K A (southern) now has 39 chapters, the last ones being Alpha Upsilon, at Mississippi; Alpha Tau, at Hampden-Sidney, and Alpha Sigma, at Georgia School of Technology—all three having been established during the present college year. Of the Hampden-Sidney chapter 'only two—perhaps three—are certain to return next year.' The Mississippi chapter begins with seven members. The Georgia Tech. chapter has nine.—The *March Journal* has a letter from Lieut. Hobson, written at Hong Kong. The *Journal* has a review of its own history. Founded in 1879, it issued three numbers in that year, then ceased to exist. Revived in 1885, it has flourished to the present time. The present volume is XVII. There have been ten editors in all, the most famous of whom among Greeks generally is Mr. John Bell Keeble, who served from 1889 till 1896, being an almost exact editorial contemporary of Dr. J. E. Brown, whose service on THE SCROLL was a few months longer. Mr. Keeble was a member of the Vanderbilt chapter, as was Mr. Jones, his successor. The last two editors have been from the Centre chapter. From 1889 the editor's salary was \$300, until 1896, when it was made \$400. The *Journal* is issued bi-monthly during the collegiate year, and its subscription price is one dollar *per annum* in advance, otherwise one dollar and fifty cents. The present editor, Mr. C. W. Miller, of Lexington, Ky., led us to expect that we should have a recrudescence of the interesting magazine of Keeble's and Jones's day, when he promised in January to devote 'a few pages, in future issues, to the work done by other fraternities and the current history of Greekdom, of which we are only a part.' It seems that this policy was demanded by K A generally, who did not sympathize with Editor Wilson's belief that K A was all of Greekdom. The January and March issues have come and gone without even one page from 'the current history of Greekdom.' Instead we are given editorials on the paper trust and the Loud bill.

The San Francisco *Call* of March 18 contains a page of illustrations and text on 'Fraternity Life at Berkeley.' Views of the houses of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, B Θ II, Z Ψ , Δ K E and K A Θ are given. The four first named are the only chapters at the university that own their houses. The Minneapolis *Journal* of April 7 contained a similar article, with pictures of badges of 27 of the fraternities at the university (there are now 29 in all). The writer says of the Phi chapter that it was revived in 1892 by several prominent athletes. 'It exists to-

day, being composed for the greater part of professional men.' Of other chapters the writer says :

The first chapter to be established at the university was one of X Ψ, the charter being granted May 17, 1874. The faculty proceeded along conventional lines and tried to stamp out the movement. The new society waxed strong despite opposition, and having seven years' start of any other society, it made good use of its time, and has established a chapter that is one of the strongest in college. Δ T Δ, chartered in 1885, became the leading fraternity in college for several years. Of late it has dropped from that high position and initiates professional men for the most part. In 1888 Φ K Ψ entered the college and has been very successful. Some discord and internal dissensions have been made known to the public by expulsions and resignations. The chapter lives in a fine house owned by the alumni association. Σ X was established in 1888, and was fairly successful until 1890. It existed only nominally then for several years. This year it has awakened and lives in a house on Fourth street, near the college. Β Θ Η entered the university in 1889. It has always been successful in the fraternity world from the policy of getting congenial men in all departments of the college and running a large and healthy chapter. Δ K E was born in 1889. It has always been a 'society' society, and while that fact has often times harmed its standing in the college, it has always had prestige in social circles. President Northrop is a member of Δ K E. Φ Γ Δ was chartered in 1890, and has been successful in maintaining a chapter composed of men from towns about the state. Δ T, a society of dual character, was chartered in 1890, and has maintained a large chapter. Ψ T was started in 1891, having been striven for by a local society called Θ Φ since 1879. The society secured one of the most imposing houses in southeast Minneapolis, but the financial crisis of '93 was too much for them and they lost it. Α Δ Φ came in in 1892 and for a number of years ran a successful but very exclusive chapter. This policy proved to be disastrous and in 1899 the 'frat' had but ten men in college. The alumni insisted that they turn over a new leaf, and as the result of a big initiating last fall they are again on their feet. Θ Δ X was organized in 1892 from a local society known as the Addisonians. The chapter, made up of out-of-town men, occupies a large and handsome house on University avenue. Z Ψ was established during the fall, having been formerly a local society of K Φ T. It has started on its course with auspicious surroundings. It already has a body of influential alumni in the twin cities, and began life in a chapter house near the campus, an inestimable advantage to any fraternity.

Eight of these chapters have houses. The only lines in which fraternity men are not prominent are said to be the literary societies and the Y. M. C. A.

The November Δ K E *Quarterly* contains an article entitled 'The Development of a Fraternity,' by A. G. Warren, *Rock-ester*, '83. The article summarizes the most important acts of Δ K E conventions from 1881 to 1889, inclusive. The convention of 1881, at Utica, adopted a plan for an 'advisory council':

It provided for a council of five alumni residing in or near New York, to be elected by the convention, and to serve for two years, and a sec-

retary, to be elected by the council, to serve during its will. This council should have the supervision of the fraternity catalogue and magazine, should receive all applications for charters and report upon them to the conventions, and should lay before the convention each year all matters deemed to be for the best interests of the fraternity. A fund for the payment of the expenses of the council was also provided for.

The convention of 1882, at Providence, adopted a system of fraternity and chapter heraldry, and provided for the publication of a year book. During the year 1882-83, publication of the *Quarterly* was begun, the fraternity arms were printed in colors, and a fraternity library was established. The constitution of the fraternity was revised at the convention held at Detroit in 1883. At the convention of 1884, held at Rochester—

The question of the right of a member to resign from the fraternity was brought up, and it was unanimously decided that no provision for such a contingency was provided, nor should it be allowed. The subject of a uniform badge was discussed and referred to the council, and a plan for the general reorganization of the alumni and the purchase of homes by the chapters was adopted.

The convention of 1885 was held at Meriden, Conn. 'Plans were here discussed for the revival of the chapters in the south which had become inactive during the war, and recommendations were made as to reorganization in the universities of North Carolina and Mississippi.' Evidently 'Mississippi' is a mistake of the writer or printer for Alabama. The Mississippi chapter was revived shortly after the civil war; the Alabama chapter in 1885. 'The most noteworthy happenings' during 1885-86 'were the reorganization of the old Iota chapter at Central University, Richmond, Ky., and the organization of the Δ K E club of New York.' The next convention was at Washington, January, 1887. By a unanimous vote, a charter was granted for the re-establishment of the old Beta chapter at the University of North Carolina.

The revival of the Beta precipitated a question which caused a warm discussion. After the war had wiped out so many southern institutions, and with them some of our most loyal chapters, other chapters were organized in the north under the same names as some of these that were in a state of suspended animation. Beta of Columbia had become a flourishing and influential chapter under the same name as the old chapter at North Carolina; Delta of Chicago bore the name of the old Delta of South Carolina, while some other names were so repeated as to make our chapter nomenclature very confusing. The newer chapters had achieved success under their names, and a strong sentiment against a change existed. But in the interest of accuracy, and especially in view of the near approach of the issuing of our catalogue, the council recommended that the junior chapter in each case either double the designating letter or add another not already so used to its present initial. This provoked considerable opposition, and

Beta of Columbia especially was naturally loath to surrender the name under which she had become so well known and loved throughout the fraternity. A compromise was finally effected, by which the chapter at North Carolina was revived under the name of Beta Alpha. This compromise, however, only caused a renewal of the council's recommendation at a later convention (1888), and still warmer discussion, which ended in the magnanimous surrender of her name by Columbia to the successors of the old chapter, and her taking her place loyally in the column as Gamma Beta.

The next convention was at Chicago in October, 1887. 'A comprehensive plan for the payment of the cost of the catalogue was adopted. The project for the revival of the Kappa at Miami also went over to the next convention.' Little of note was done at the convention of 1888, held at Cincinnati. Boston was the meeting place in 1889.

The first business of importance to come before the convention was that of the relation of Alpha chapter at Harvard to the rest of the fraternity. To a large number of Dekes it had long seemed that a condition of affairs existed there which was simply unbearable. While many of our most loyal alumni were members of that chapter, and while it was the wish of all to respect their feelings, and to offer every opportunity to Alpha to place herself on a par with the others, and to maintain in an institution which all respected as a leader of American colleges a chapter which would be at the same time an honor to itself, its college and the fraternity, yet it was felt that the fraternity was greater than any of its component parts, and that it could not, with due regard to its own honor and integrity, permit a chapter to exist in such an anomalous state as that of the Alpha of Harvard. It was charged that this chapter, more familiarly known as the 'Dickey Club,' in common with other organizations in Harvard claiming to be chapters of well known fraternities, maintained only a nominal connection with its fraternity, seldom sending delegates to conventions, giving little or no recognition to visiting brethren, manifesting no desire to live up to fraternity regulations or traditions, and permitting membership at the same time in two or more fraternities. Measures were taken to bring the chapter to realize her duties and responsibilities, or, failing in that, to withdraw her charter, but at Alpha's urgent request, the matter was referred to the next convention, giving them an opportunity to get into line, and the council was directed to take the matter into its special charge during the year. A petition for the revival of the Kappa chapter at Miami University was presented by Judge Hunt and Senator Brice, and was granted by the convention, as was also one for a revival of the old Gamma chapter at Vanderbilt University. A charter was also granted for the Phi Epsilon at the University of Minnesota.

Mr. Warren says that the history of $\Delta K E$ from 1881 to 1889 'is marked especially by a rational development along certain recognized lines, in accordance with plans carefully thought out and persistently followed.' Beginning with 1885, $\Delta K E$ has granted charters for chapters at Alabama, Central, North Carolina, Miami, Vanderbilt, Minnesota, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Chicago, Toronto, Tulane and Pennsylvania. This makes eleven chapters chartered in fifteen

years, which is certainly not very dreadfully conservative. There are plain indications that $\Delta K E$ has determined to break away from the self-satisfied and non-progressive policy which has made $A \Delta \Phi$ and ΨY sectional fraternities, and which has made northern $K A$, $\Sigma \Phi$, $\Delta \Phi$ and $\Delta \Psi$ such small factors in the fraternity world. Mr. Warren asserts that $\Delta K E$ manifests conservatism in extension, but that it is 'not a conservatism which consists in sitting back and refusing to make any advance whatever, but in refusing to advance except along certain well defined paths, and only after the most careful investigation.' This is certainly a safe as well as wise policy. $\Delta K E$ has the sense to see that rapid educational development is taking place in all sections of the country. More eastern in birth than any other fraternity, it does not confine itself to the east, but is spreading out in the south and west, and even into Canada. Of the eleven chapters chartered in the last fifteen years, it may be noticed that nine of them—those at Alabama, Central, North Carolina, Miami, Vanderbilt, Minnesota, Chicago, Tulane and Pennsylvania—are at institutions where $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is established. It looks as if $\Delta K E$ is camping pretty close on our trail, and it takes no great prophet to foretell that $\Delta K E$ will soon be knocking at the doors of other $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ institutions. To keep ahead of $\Delta K E$ in extension we must undoubtedly keep moving, but we would rather be first than last comers at any institution, because the pioneer acquires a prestige that is not easily overcome.

Of the eleven charters that $\Delta K E$ has recently granted, four were for the reorganization of suspended chapters at Alabama, North Carolina, Miami and Chicago. The organizations at Central and Vanderbilt are called reorganizations, but they were not. The old Iota chapter of $\Delta K E$ was established at Kentucky Military Institute in 1854 and died in 1861. The establishment of a chapter at Central University in 1885-86 was in no proper sense a revival of Iota. $K. M. I.$ is non-sectarian and still exists. Central is a Presbyterian university, and was not founded until 1874. The two institutions have not the slightest connection with each other. Likewise the old Gamma chapter of $\Delta K E$ was established at the University of Nashville in 1848 and died in 1861. The establishment of a chapter at Vanderbilt University in 1889-90 was in no proper sense a revival of Gamma. The University of Nashville is non-sectarian and still exists, supported by the state of Tennessee and the Peabody educational fund. Vanderbilt is a Methodist university, and was not

founded until 1873. The two institutions have not the slightest connection with each other. It appears very much as if the object of $\Delta K E$ was to conceal its loss of two chapters.

$\Delta K E$ must be commended, however, for deciding to restore the original titles of chapters to such chapters as are revived, as in the case of North Carolina, the younger Columbia chapter finally agreeing to relinquish its claim on the same title. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has had much the same trouble, and only the objections of younger chapters to giving up the titles belonging originally to suspended chapters has prevented a readjustment of our chapter nomenclature in accordance with historical accuracy and regularity.

The last edition of 'American College Fraternities' states that the charter of the 'Dickey Club,' as a chapter of $\Delta K E$ at Harvard, was withdrawn in 1891. Theodore Roosevelt was a member of both $A \Delta \Phi$ and $\Delta K E$ at Harvard. Commenting on the statement in the November *Quarterly* about the Harvard chapter of $\Delta K E$ the November *Beta Theta Pi* says :

It is curious that the relations of both the Yale and Harvard chapters of $\Delta K E$ should be so peculiar. $\Delta K E$ at Yale is purely a junior affair; it is a peculiarly Yale institution, and yet $\Delta K E$ is a good, all around representative fraternity. There are Dekes who have not come into contact frequently with their brothers from New Haven who boast of their Yale chapter. There are others who do not.

The March *Shield* of $\Phi K \Psi$ contains the forty-seventh annual report of the secretary of the executive council, Mr. O. E. Monnette, of Bucyrus, Ohio. It is an elaborate document, comprising 19 pages of general information relative to the condition of the fraternity during the year ending December 15, 1899. This is supplemented with 33 pages containing a list of the names and residences of all members attendant during the year (the initiates during the year and the attendant members on December 15, 1899, being marked), a table of transfers, a table showing the states in which attendant members reside, a table of relationships in the fraternity of attendant members, a table showing the professional ambitions of attendant members, a table of expulsions (a Cornell member was the only man expelled), a table of deaths of alumni and attendant members, a table showing chapters which own or rent houses, rent halls or own building lots, and a table of general summary. Besides there are 37 half tone pictures of chapter groups—all chapters save those at Johns Hopkins and Kansas. The 39 active chapters initiated 270 men and had 904 attendant members during the year. On December 15, 1899, they had 648 at-

tendant members, an average of 16.6 per chapter, about one member more than $\Phi \Delta \Theta$'s average for a number of years. Their total membership was 6,720, and the total membership of inactive chapters was 1,517, making 8,237 members, living and dead, in the fraternity. The W. & L. chapter reported no initiations during 1899. The chapters having less than 10 members on December 15, 1899, were: Brooklyn Polytechnic, 9; W. & L., 5; Hampden-Sidney, 6; O. W. U., 6; Wabash, 6. During the year a chapter was established at California, and the charter of the Columbian chapter was withdrawn by the executive council, because the fraternity resources for membership were discovered to be only mediocre, and there was no hope for a betterment of the situation within the next few years. Applications for charters from the State College of Kentucky, 'a certain college in Maryland', and another 'well known institution' were denied. Two applications for charters, both from state universities, are pending before the executive council. Mr. Monnette says:

In all probability the question of the wisdom of the fraternity's extending her geographical confines and of making an entrance into Canada will be presented for discussion at the coming grand arch council. The universities of Toronto and McGill are considered by some to be fertile fields for the planting of new chapters. Other fraternities have already pioneered in this foreign territory. One brother has suggested that our fraternity, by first principles, by previous history, and by the highest logic is distinctly American—that is, American in its characteristics, in its tendencies and in its nationalism. The writer of this statement does not indicate whether he means American in its restricted, yet universally accepted, sense in being applied to the United States of America, or in the general sense of its being applied to all continental America, including Canada, Mexico and Central America. But the discussion will not be anticipated. Our constitution expressly provides that chapters may be established in any college in the United States of America, and by implication prohibits the establishment of chapters anywhere else. In any event, this provision ought not to be changed only under circumstances leading to the organizing of a chapter without the United States that will guarantee and assure very great advantage and benefit to our organization.

Mr. Monnette specially compliments the Mississippi chapter for its improvement and quotes one of its members, Mr. G. G. Hurst, who writes:

We have had a hard fight down here, but we have never despaired, nor have we ceased to hope that the glad day will come when we shall not be the only chapter of $\Phi K \Psi$ in the south We are going to have 25 of the finest fellows in school the next rushing season. With our chapter house, we will be able to outstrip everything in school. We are now able to get men without an excessive exercise of Sampson's weapon of war.

The Virginia and Northwestern chapters are also specially complimented for good work recently. Edict No. 1 for 1899, issued May 10 by the executive council, directed all chapters not occupying houses to enter houses by the meeting of the 1900 grand arch council 'or give satisfactory excuse to the executive council for not so doing.' The *Shield* has conducted an aggressive chapter house campaign, and 31 chapters have furnished the information called for by the edict, while 'eight chapters have thus far ignored the chapter entirely.' Eight chapters own houses—Gettysburg, Amherst, Cornell, Syracuse, Colgate, Michigan, Beloit, Minnesota. During 1899 Kansas changed from an owner to a renter. Fifteen chapters rent houses—University of Pennsylvania, Franklin and Marshall, W. and J., Johns Hopkins, West Virginia, Mississippi, Wittenberg, DePauw, Northwestern, Chicago, Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska, Stanford, California. Of these the chapters at West Virginia, Mississippi, Northwestern and California rented houses for the first time in 1899. The chapters at Columbia and Brooklyn Polytechnic rent apartments, and all other chapters rent halls. The chapter at Bucknell owns a building lot, and it seems that the Gettysburg chapter owns a building lot as well as a house already built on the campus. Mr. Monnette says:

The chapters of the fraternity own real estate amounting to a total valuation of \$104,800, which is an increase of \$14,400 in a year. There is a mortgaged indebtedness on this amount of \$34,400, leaving a net real estate valuation of \$70,000. This is an enlargement of previous real estate indebtedness of \$4,100. The chapters' ownership of personal property reaches an aggregate of \$30,170.63. In addition to the real estate incumbrances, small chapter debts exist in a total amount of \$841. Twenty-nine chapters report that they have no indebtedness of any character.

The chapters at Allegheny, O. W. U., O. S. U., Indiana and Wabash 'have signified their intention of entering chapter houses soon.' Mr. Monnette warns other chapters as follows:

There may be one or two exceptional cases where it is either impracticable or impossible for the chapter to enter a chapter house, but generally this is not the case The executive council will enforce its edict strictly, and only excuse those chapters making plain an impracticability or an impossibility on their part of chapter house occupancy by them at the institutions where they are located. The sufficiency of all excuses will be passed upon at the annual meeting of the council to be held at Columbus, Ohio, April 17.

As in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, chapters of $\Phi K \Psi$ are required to forward annual membership reports, as well as issue annual circular letters. The report is made out by the corresponding secretary of the chapter and forwarded to the secretary of the

executive council. An interesting feature of the report is the mention of the two fraternities which are considered each chapter's 'two most successful rivals.' Following are the fraternities mentioned in the reports for 1899 from the 29 institutions at which $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ as well as $\Phi K \Psi$ has chapters, together with the total number of general men's fraternities at each institution :

Dartmouth, 10— ΨT , $\Delta \Delta \Phi$. Amherst, 11— $\Delta K E$, $X \Psi$. Cornell, 21—no rivals. Columbia, 17—no rivals. Syracuse, 6— $\Delta K E$, ΔT . Lafayette, 9— $\Delta K E$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. Gettysburg, 6— $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. W. & J., 7— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $\Delta T \Delta$. Allegheny, 5— $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. Dickinson, 6— $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Pennsylvania, 7— $Z \Psi$, $\Delta \Psi$. Virginia, 17— $\Delta K E$, $\Delta \Psi$. W. & L., 13— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, ΣX . Mississippi, 7— $\Delta K E$, $\Delta \Psi$. O. W. U., 8— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $B \Theta \Pi$. O. S. U., 12— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $B \Theta \Pi$. Michigan, 15— $\Delta K E$, ΨT . Indiana, 7— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $B \Theta \Pi$. Wabash, 6— $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. DePauw, 9— $B \Theta \Pi$, ΣX . Northwestern, 10— $B \Theta \Pi$, ΔT . Chicago, 9— $\Delta K E$, $B \Theta \Pi$. Wisconsin, 12— $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $X \Psi$. Minnesota, 13— $X \Psi$, ΨT . Iowa, 5— $B \Theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. Kansas, 6— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $B \Theta \Pi$. Nebraska, 12— $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ (only one mentioned). Stanford, 13— $\Sigma A E$, $B \Theta \Pi$. California, 14— $\Delta K E$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

Of the 904 attendant members of $\Phi K \Psi$ during 1899 the largest representations by states were : Pennsylvania (the fraternity's native state), 151; New York, 122; Indiana, 74; Illinois, 65; Ohio, 62; Virginia, 55; Iowa, 41; Wisconsin, 36; California, 35; Massachusetts, 30. Mr. Monnette says:

Our beautifully engraved certificate of membership has not enjoyed a universal popularity throughout the fraternity. At least the orders received up to this time do not indicate that it is meeting much general favor. Only some thirty or thirty-five have been issued. The reasonable charge of \$1 for each certificate surely can not be considered an excessive price. The fraternity at that figure is not making any money. It is not the intention to secure a profit out of this movement, but to meet what appeared to be a demand for something finer than the old membership card formerly issued.†

The December *Shield* of $\Theta \Delta X$ referred to the *K A Journal* as 'the periodical that prints, perhaps, the largest number of pages annually, and is most profusely illustrated.' It appears, however, that in the *Shield* of exactly twelve months before Mr. Clay W. Holmes printed a carefully prepared table showing that in the five-year period from 1894 to 1898, inclusive, *THE SCROLL* printed more pages and used more illustrations than any rival magazine, the *Caduceus* of $K \Sigma$ coming second in total number of pages and the *Beta Theta Pi* in number of illustrations. In 1898-99 the *Journal* printed 608 pages and *THE SCROLL* 710, of which 646 were mailed to all subscribers and exchanges, the January number (convention minutes) of 64 pages being *sub rosa*.

Mr. Newman Miller, editor of the ΣX *Quarterly*, is the new director of the Chicago University press.

THE PYX.

Bro. Frank D. Swope was forced by ill health and need of rest and travel to resign the position of secretary of the general council early in March. The remaining members of the general council accepted the resignation with much regret, and have selected to fill the vacancy Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell, president of Zeta province. Bro. Swope gave as an additional reason for his retirement the fact that preparations for the national convention would monopolize his attention on his return.

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A list of the annual circular letters issued by chapters, beginning with 1887, which are on file in the fraternity library, was printed in the *Palladium* for January. As mentioned in the February SCROLL, Rhode Island Alpha issued a circular in 1897, and has a perfect record in that line. Bro. W. O. Morgan has sent us a copy of the circular letter of California Alpha for 1898-99 (dated September, 1898), so that chapter also has a perfect record for the whole period. THE SCROLL for May, 1888, gave a list of chapters which had not issued circulars that year, and Alabama Gamma was not included among delinquents. Missouri Beta has just informed us that she did issue a letter last year. We are ready to make further corrections. Chapters should send copies of their missing letters to the fraternity librarian.

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The names of initiates for the year ending February 1, 1900, will be printed in the May *Palladium*, along with the statistical tables compiled by the H. G. C. The formal list of the Chapter Grand for the past year will also appear then. If any of our readers can give us data and other particulars of the death of a Phi which has not yet been reported in our personal pages or chapter letters, we should like to have such information at once.

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Vermont Alpha and Ohio Eta have sent us their articles of incorporation. All chapters should send copies of such articles to Bro. Walter B. Palmer in a sealed envelope, as he

wishes to mention them in the history. Send copies to the fraternity librarian, too.

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Besides the college papers mentioned in the February issue we have been receiving the Brown *Daily Herald*, of which Bro. G. G. Bass is managing editor and Bros. C. C. White and W. R. Harvey senior and junior editors (three Phis on a staff of eleven, where $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has thirteen rivals), the Vermont *University Cynic*, of which Bro. R. E. Beebe is business manager, the Hillsdale *New Collegian*, of which Bro. L. D. Chase is an editor, the Ohio University *Mirror*, of which Bro. W. R. Sheldon is an editor, the Iowa *Vidette-Reporter*, and the Michigan *Wrinkle*, which has an artist with the startling name of H. T. Miller. Bro. Roy D. Chapin is on the *Wrinkle* board.

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We are now ready for the annuals of this year, the *Olio* and the *Columbian* being already overdue. Send THE SCROLL a copy when the edition first comes out.

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To Bro. J. Clark Moore, Jr., we are indebted for the handsomely illustrated booklet of this year's mask and wig play, 'Mr. Aguinaldo of Manila.' Two Phis, Bros. Deehan, '02, and Warthman, '01, are in the cast of eleven men, which speaks well for Pennsylvania Zeta. The opera was given during the week of April 16-21, at the Chestnut Street Opera House, Philadelphia, with a preliminary performance at Atlantic City and a later one at Williamsport, Pa.

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On March 15, as Father Morrison was leaving Fulton for Kansas City, he was presented with a handsome birthday remembrance by the members of Missouri Beta, acting for many chapters of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ who had responded to the invitation of a committee consisting of Bros. C. F. Lamkin, *Westminster*, '99, George H. English, Jr., *Missouri*, '97, and A. B. Caruthers, *Westminster*, '01. At Kansas City, Bro. Morrison appeared unexpectedly at the alumni day banquet and was presented by Bro. English with a book of letters from the chapters, accompanying their gift and collected by Bro. English. Some further details will be given in the May *Palladium*.

We notice from the *Daily Palo Alto*, of April 13, that the faculty nine was defeated by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the faculty diamond that afternoon, 19-3. Nothing like getting even!

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We are very much indebted to Bro. W. O. Wilson, *Chicago*, '97, for the fact that he knows shorthand and used his talents to serve THE SCROLL at the Chicago alumni day banquet.

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From clippings sent us we note that Tennessee Alpha entertained with a chafing dish party on February 24, and that Pennsylvania Zeta entertained with an elaborate tea, which was in the nature of a house-warming, on April 8. Also, that Ohio Beta gave a reception on Monday evening of the Easter vacation week.

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The second term honor list in the Ohio Wesleyan *Transcript* has the names of many Phis. Bro. W. E. Lowther, for instance, has an average of 97.2 in five studies; Bro. W. H. Bacon, of 95.25 in four branches.

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Has any chapter the following SCROLLS to exchange: February, 1890; October, 1890; October, 1891; February, 1892; October, 1898; December, 1898? Also all of volume XIII (1888-89), and the following issues of the *Palladium*: all for 1894; September, 1895; all for 1897, except November; March and May, 1898. Please name copies that can be supplied and those wished in exchange and address: C. B. Moseley, 57 University Hall, Brown University, Providence, R. I.

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The editor acknowledges with thanks many invitations to province conventions, alumni day banquets and chapter social functions. Space will not allow us to name them all, though we should like to mention Ohio Wesleyan's unique card and the beautiful menu card of Brown's eleventh annual banquet, with a leaflet of Phi songs enclosed.

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Liber Brunensis, the Brown annual for 1899, has reached us since the review in the December number was printed. This brings the crop of last year up to thirty-five. Bro. Freeman Putney, Jr., was editor-in-chief of this issue of the

Liber. Each of the thirteen fraternities has one senior editor and one junior associate. Our representative from '00 was Bro. C. K. Stillman. The preface recites the fact that this is the first issue for many years with which the faculty did not interfere. An additional novel feature is the omission of the senior records, which had grown to ridiculous proportions by including all manner of petty 'honors.' The book opens with the fraternity lists, which are preceded by a poem by Bro. Putney, closing with these lines:

When the angel reads from the book of years the roll of the myriad
 dead,
 And the hosts shall marshal to left and right at the sound of each
 sentence read—
 Then as an undivided band of brothers may we stand
 Shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart in the hall of the Chapter
 Grand!

One somewhat original feature is the 'menagerie.' In it each cage has its door depicted, marked 'president's office,' 'faculty room' and so on. The last-named is said to contain the 'happy family,' and the 'monkey cage' is assigned to the Y. M. C. A., whose actions seem 'at times almost human,' but who 'have no habits.'

The decorative page into which these verses are wrought is the work of Bro. Moseley. He and Bro. Stillman receive mention for their artistic contributions. Following we give for each chapter the number of undergraduate members and of resident alumni in the order named: A Δ Φ, 26-85; Δ Φ, 24-35; Ψ Υ, 24-138; Β Θ Π, 25-36; Δ Κ Ε, 25-85; Ζ Ψ, 22-62; Θ Δ Χ, 18-61; Δ Υ, 27-58; Χ Φ, 23-45; Φ Δ Θ, 25-17; Α Τ Ω, 28-9; Δ Τ Δ, 23-4; Κ Σ, 27-1. This shows the tremendous handicap on the younger chapters. From 80 to 90 per cent. of these resident alumni are graduates of Brown. Ψ Υ evidently has 60 or more related members among her *fratres in urbe*, of whom about 20 seem to be sons of Psi U's. The proportion of related members among the others is not so large, Δ Κ Ε having 18, for instance, and Ζ Ψ 12. The Brown chapter of Χ Φ still reads all the others out of that fraternity. Besides the 17 alumni Phis (one being from Amherst and one from Hillsdale) there are 4 among the graduate students. Bros. Slocum, Morse and Kenerson are instructors, Bro. Putney was a class day speaker, Bro. Boynton was on the board of athletic directors, Bro. Gifford was manager of the eleven, on which Bros. Hapgood and Malendy played, as well as Bro. Washburn, who is captain for 1900. Brown won from all opponents in 1898, save the big

four; in base ball that year she won games from each of these and claimed the college championship. Bro. White was assistant manager of the nine. We may add that Brown won the base ball championship in 1896 and was second in 1897. On the track team we find Bro. Hapgood; Bro. Putney won one of the scholarship prizes and was an editor of the *Brunonian*. Bros. Gifford, Bass and White were on the *Daily Herald* staff. Bros. Paige and Mallory were on the glee club, the latter being treasurer and a member of the mandolin club also. On all the social, departmental and other clubs the Phis were well represented, not omitting the debating union, the Y. M. C. A. and the whist club. In fact, the Phis of 'Little Rhody' are making a record of which any chapter might be proud, and that, too, in the face of many difficulties.

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Just as the last form is being made up, on the afternoon of April 27, we have a telegram from Bro. R. H. Switzler, accepting the presidency of Zeta province, to which he has been elected by the general council, in place of Bro. F. J. R. Mitchell, resigned.

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OUR NEW LODGE AT DICKINSON.

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PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON'S NEW LODGE.

Pennsylvania Epsilon is justly proud of her new lodge. She feels that by it she has not only added to the beauty and dignity of her *alma mater*, but has also contributed to the strength and glory of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

The new chapter house stands upon a prominent corner of the Dickinson campus, commanding a wide view of the streets which there intersect, and in turn makes a conspicuous object from all points of view. It is a cozy structure of a story and a half, and is built of choice Avondale marble with rock face. From the picture one can see the general plan of its construction and the style of architecture. The building proper is 47 x 37 feet, with a veranda ten feet wide running across the front and half of one side. A large oak door leads into a convenient vestibule, the space corresponding to which serves as an arched alcove with window seat. The reception hall is a spacious one of 15 x 20 feet, containing a window seat and fire-place. Sliding doors at the right open into the reception room proper, a room 24 x 28 feet. Directly opposite in the bay window is a paneled window seat to fill the inclosure. This room connects with the reading room by means of sliding doors. The reading room, 24 x 19 feet, is conveniently arranged and contains a fire-place. A single door from this room opens into the hall again, across from which, under the stairway, are the stairs leading to the cellar. At the end of the reception hall a door leads into the smoking room, a small apartment 13 x 13, containing a fire-place and cozy corner, and a side door leading to the street.

The plan of the staircase is the feature of the house. It is built into a bay window, corresponding in position with the other, and winds in this inclosure until it reaches the second floor. A flight of a half dozen steps conducts one to a landing, around which is an elevated window seat. The

stairs then make another turn and still another before reaching the second floor. The second floor contains three rooms, two for occupancy, with alcoved, gabled windows, and a dark secret room. The cellar is at present unfinished, but in time it will be adapted for a dining room. It now contains the furnace and bath room. The space under the veranda is excavated, and in time will serve as an outside entrance and bicycle storage room. The rooms are finished in oak and cypress, heated with furnace, and lighted by gas. Hard wood floors will be laid in course of time, as will be added many other necessary interior furnishings. The fire-places are not complete, and this and other circumstances have prevented our offering interior views. The chimneys are white pressed brick, and the second story exposures are made of cement with a pebble dash. The roof is slate. All lintels, steps and so on are dressed marble. A prepared macadamized pavement surrounds the house, and was generously donated by a neighbor who believes our lodge has enhanced the value of his property. Bro. Case, our province president, has given to us a stained glass for a circular ornamental window in the hall.

Φ Δ Θ has erected the first chapter house at Dickinson, the only one on the campus, and the only one that will be allowed to be built there, as all the remaining building space will be needed sooner or later by the college. Σ X has just bought a town house which she intends altering to suit her. Δ X (law) recently vacated a house. The other fraternities at Dickinson are seriously agitating the house question.

The committee on our house worked hard for several years, and by personal attention and supervision was able to build our lodge for \$5,000. Ordinarily it would cost very much more. The plan employed has been the subscription bond plan, and it has worked admirably. Save for the generous loan of \$1,000, without interest, from Bro. M. G. Porter, M. D., of Lonaconing, Maryland (Dr. Porter also subscribed largely), the money has come in the above way from alumni and undergraduates. The present financial status is excellent, and the future can now be spent in paying off bonds and loans.

So we hope in the enjoyment of our new home that we have contributed in some way to the honor and glory of Φ Δ Θ, and that our successful efforts will give encouragement to others who are engaged with similar projects.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON.

HENRY MATTHEW STEPHENS, DICKINSON, '92.

With the completion of their handsome lodge the members of Pennsylvania Epsilon take great pleasure in stating to the fraternity at large whose has been the master spirit in their house movement.

To Bro. H. M. Stephens, of the class of '92, belongs the credit for originating and carrying out our plans to a suc-

cessful issue. He was the first to agitate the erection of a lodge, and ever since the appointment of the first committee he has acted as chairman, treasurer or chief adviser. It was his idea that the architect embodied in the plan of the building; he was influential in securing the very desirable and exclusive site on the college campus; his zeal and activity in securing pledges and loans from the alumni was what made the whole project possible. In fact, had it not been for the loyalty of Brother Stephens and his enthusiasm for the lodge, we should still



PROF. H. M. STEPHENS,
Dickinson, '92.

be homeless. Brother Stephens has, aside from the lodge matter, been one of our most loyal graduate members. His active interest in the success of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, locally and generally, has always been an inspiration to the members of Pennsylvania Epsilon. We believe that the fraternity will be interested in hearing something about this ideal alumnus.

Henry Matthew Stephens was born at Neosho, Missouri, January 4, 1868. His father was V. A. Stephens, a Methodist minister. He was prepared for college at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa., where he was president of the Belles Lettres literary society and editor-in-chief of the Dickinson *Liberal*. He entered Dickinson College in the

fall of 1888, being initiated into $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in October of the same year. In college, among other honors which came to him, he was a member of the varsity eleven for three years; treasurer of the athletic association; president of Union Philosophical literary society; business manager of the *Microcosm*; first bass on the glee club, and a member of the banjo club; assistant in the physical laboratory; a member of the college intermediary committee; junior class president; maker of the address to the undergraduates at the class day exercises; winner of the 100-yard dash at the state meet at the University of Pennsylvania in 1892; delegate to the national convention of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Atlanta, Georgia, in 1891; an initiate of $\Phi \beta \kappa$ upon graduation.

In 1892 Brother Stephens was elected adjunct-professor of physiology and hygiene in Dickinson College, and in 1899 he was made a full professor in the department of biology.

We are proud to claim Professor Stephens as a product of Pennsylvania Epsilon. Our own lodge will ever remain a monument to his love for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

J. T. E.

METROPOLITAN GREEKS.

GREEK-LETTER MEN OF NEW YORK. Compiled by Will J. Maxwell. New York. The Umbenstock Publishing Co. 1899. 12mo; pp. 757; half morocco.

This volume is similar in every way to the Chicago, St. Louis and Philadelphia books published by the same company, only it is bigger. It contains sketches of the various fraternities and rosters of their members in New York and vicinity. The illustrations are a cut of each badge, half-tone portraits and half-tone pictures of chapter houses. The $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ houses represented are those at Amherst, Cornell, Gettysburg, Michigan and Wisconsin (the latter wrongly mentioned as the Michigan house also.) About ten pages are devoted to the origin of the fraternity system, and there is an article of eight pages on 'The College Homesteads of Greek Letter Men,' in which are cited the views of President White of Cornell and President Adams of Wisconsin in favor of such homes. From this article the following is quoted:

The number of houses owned by the 25 fraternities represented in this work is 141. The number of houses leased exceeds 200, and these are soon to give way in many cases to houses owned or erected by the chapters, plans for that purpose having been already adopted. The structures are of two classes. The earliest type was a lodge or

temple, as mostly at Yale, designed and built for the exclusive purpose of a place where the formal conclaves are held. It was soon found that for the active members of the fraternity, closely associated together throughout the whole college term, there was needed a structure containing, besides the hall or room for meetings, the complete equipment of rooms for living and social purposes. . . .

In the larger cities one naturally expects to find a style of chapter house architecture following somewhat that of the city residence or club house, while in the country localities he will meet the vagaries of the Queen Anne period, mingled here and there with stately reproductions of the best work of the colonial style. A distinct differentiation is noticeable in one of the houses at Amherst, and at another place an entirely novel type of architecture presents itself—a kind of cloister connecting the larger part of the building, where the members have their living rooms, by a gallery or covered way, with the chapel or lodge room where the proceedings are held. . . .

In some cases, as denoting a tribute of honor and reverence in loving memory of deceased members, will be found beautiful windows and tablets, and in this connection should be mentioned the house which A Δ Φ has erected at Hamilton College in commemoration of the institution there of that fraternity by its founder, Samuel Eells. With the progress of time it can well be believed that there will be more of these deserved memorials. . . .

In the smaller institutions . . . the expenditure in a few cases has not exceeded sums varying from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for land and building alone. In not a few institutions, including all the greater universities and colleges, there are chapter houses valued at \$50,000 and upwards. . . . It is estimated that the average valuation, conservatively, of the houses as they exist today is not less than \$20,000, so that, allowing a reasonable amount for the belongings in leased premises, the aggregate value of all the chapter house property of Greek-letter fraternities in the United States is not less than \$2,500,000.

It may well be expected that, because of the matured age of the fraternities, and the increase in their membership and financial resources, the college homesteads of the future will be vastly superior to the structures of to-day, and that it will not be long before buildings which will be erected will be of a splendid type of architectural beauty and perfectness; moreover, it is certain that they will be designed with strictest reference to suitability and permanence.

The strengthening influence which is exerted in the direction of promoting the vitality of the fraternities through the development of the chapter-house system, as a necessary and indispensable feature of fraternity organization, can not be too highly estimated. Besides the advantage springing from the communal life of the active members, whose interests center so closely in their chapter house, there is to be considered the fact that in after life the college homestead will prove to be an attraction to the inactive member, which will serve to bind him to his *alma mater*, and stimulate the interest and pride felt by every loyal Greek-letter man in the advancement and glory of his fraternity.

The sketches and rosters of the fraternities are arranged in the order that the fraternities were established. The book would have been much more convenient if they had been arranged alphabetically, as are the sketches in 'American

College Fraternities.' The rosters give the names and street addresses of members. Chapters, classes and occupations are given for those whose portraits appear, and it is presumable that these gentlemen were required to pay something for this extra distinction. Gov. T. L. Roosevelt appears in the rosters of both $\Delta K E$ and $A \Delta \Phi$. Dr. R. Ogden Doremus appears in the rosters of both $\Delta K E$ and $\Delta \Phi$. Gen. S. L. Woodford, ex-minister to Spain, appears in the rosters of both $\Delta K E$ and $\Delta \Psi$, but his portrait and particulars about his chapter and class [Columbia, '54], etc., appear in the roster of $\Delta \Psi$ only. The sketches of all fraternities, except those of ΨY , $B \Theta \Pi$, $Z \Psi$, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Phi K \Psi$, ΣX , $\Sigma A E$, $\Delta T \Delta$, $A T \Omega$, $K A$ [Southern], $K \Sigma$ and ΣN , include lists of distinguished members whether living in New York or not. The sketches vary from two to four pages in length, and have an additional interest from the fact that the account of each fraternity was written by one of its members whose name is appended. Some idea of the character of the sketches may be learned from the following extracts:

$K A$ [Northern].—Its founders were gentlemen and scholars. . . . The proceedings of the society were simple in the extreme, and have remained much as their originators planned them. For the first few years the membership was restricted to the two upper classes in college, but later the choice was made from the two lower classes as well. . . . At the close of the war none of the chapter returned to the University [of Virginia] and the society has never been revived there.

$\Sigma \Phi$ —The fraternity is small in chapter roll and membership, but claims precedence, not unjustly, as the most homogeneous and closely organized of the Greek letter societies. . . . All of the chapters with the single exception of that of the University of Vermont own their chapter houses. . . . The fraternity maintains no alumni chapters. . . . The colors are light blue and white.

$\Delta \Phi$ was early associated with the high principles of American scholarship. . . . In every American college except one [Princeton] fraternity life has been uniformly successful, and in this one college local reasons and associations are responsible for the absence, and no doubt the college is the loser. And in this college $\Delta \Phi$ had a chapter [established, 1854] before objections were made, and the members of that chapter made a gallant struggle for life. When every argument failed to move the innate prejudices of a faculty dominated by an un-American President [Dr. McCosh from Scotland] it asked for a revocation of its charter [suspended, 1877] and pledged its word never to re-establish without permission of the faculty, and it has kept its word; and though other fraternities are said to have had chapters at this college *sub rosa*, $\Delta \Phi$ has maintained its reputation, and the Theta chapter is now but a memory of a glorious past. . . . The fraternity colors are blue and white.

$A \Delta \Phi$ [Sketch by Charles E. Sprague, president of the fraternity].—The works of the members of the fraternity would form an extensive

library, a small selection of which fills a large bookcase at the [New York] club under the title 'τὰ τῶν Ἀδελφῶν ἔργα'.

Ψ Τ.—The general spirit of the fraternity is democratic. In the words of our song, 'With us there are no classes.' It is believed that the four-year course of undergraduate membership was adopted by Ψ Τ before any other college society, and with the single exception of the Yale chapter, where members are not eligible until the junior year, the four-year rule prevails.

Δ Τ fraternity is an open, non-secret organization. By these words, open and non-secret, is not meant that the proceedings of its chapters are necessarily to be published in the college papers. Nor does it [*sic*] mean that its meetings are open to all, with or without invitation. On the contrary, it means, first of all, that the fraternity constitution is open to such persons as care to read it. It means that no man joins the fraternity knowing nothing of what the final pledge requires. It means that that pledge puts on the initiate no obligation to keep from any one information regarding the chapter or fraternity that he may wish to impart.

Β Θ Π [Sketch by Wm. R. Baird, author of 'American College Fraternities,' and editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*.]—No chapter has been established since 1894 and but three chapters since 1890, an intensely conservative spirit having replaced the liberal policy of the preceding decade. . . . The chapters at Amherst, Wesleyan, Colgate, St. Lawrence, Pennsylvania State, Denison, Michigan, De Pauw, California and Stanford own their own houses, and twenty-five other chapters rent them. . . . In 1898 a revised constitution was adopted, reducing the board of trustees to six, establishing the office of president, making the general officers members of the board, and greatly centralizing the doing of business. . . . The patron saint of the fraternity is a mysterious deity named 'Wooglin,' and many picturesque and quaint customs cluster around his name. The members have a curious and unique signature of identification.

Χ Ψ fosters more of a secret character than most of the fraternities, withdrawing itself from rather than pushing itself before the public eye. . . . The chapters are termed Alphas.

Δ Κ Ε [Sketch by Jesse Grant Roe, editor of the *Quarterly*.]—In college life, of which the fraternity system has become an inherent part, Δ Κ Ε is a leader. . . . The Princeton chapter, on account of the anti-fraternity laws of the college, gave up its charter in 1857. The Harvard chapter, owing to its failure to fulfill the requirements of the fraternity, was withdrawn in 1890. Three other charters were taken away from northern institutions on account of the decline in the standing of the colleges. All other inactive chapters were in southern colleges, which were compelled to close their doors on account of the civil war. . . . [Among Δ Κ Ε customs are] the mystic circle, the fraternity doxology, the heraldic system developed by Δ Κ Ε.

Ζ Ψ—Although the date of the founding of Ζ Ψ was June 1, 1847, the project of Sommers would have taken definite form in 1846 but for the illness of Dayton. [It appears, therefore, that Ζ Ψ is younger than Δ Ψ, which, according to 'American College Fraternities,' was founded January 17, 1847.] . . . Ζ Ψ is actuated now by the principles upon which John B. Yates Sommers laid the foundation, and still adheres to the customs and forms which he devised more than half a century ago. . . . The policy is conservatism, no attempt at publicity, and rigid adherence to the constitution and long established usages. . . . White is the Ζ Ψ color, with which each chapter blends its college colors. The white carnation is the fraternity flower.

Δ Ψ—Unusually secret in character, conservative as to extension, strict in its policy as to initiates, and strong in organization and the bond of fellowship among its alumni, Δ Ψ stands pre-eminent. . . . No western chapters have been instituted. . . . Each chapter owns its house, Virginia alone excepted. . . . Light blue [is] the color of the fraternity.

Θ Δ X is essentially an eastern organization. Since 1889, however, charges [chapters] have been instituted in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin universities, a satisfactory departure for this exceedingly conservative fraternity.

Φ Γ Δ—The growth of the fraternity has been gradual since its establishment, and it has ever maintained that conservatism in the choice of colleges which it should enter that has given it its present strength and high standing in the college fraternity world. . . . The catalogue [of 1898] is generally acknowledged to be the most complete and elegant of its kind ever issued by any fraternity. . . . The catalogue of the fraternity, filled with names of men in every professional walk of life, speaks for itself, and it is superfluous to cite the high plane Φ Γ Δ holds in the political, scientific and social world. [Nevertheless several prominent Fijis are mentioned.]

Φ Δ Θ [Sketch by Roy M. Hardy, *Michigan*, '98.]—The fraternity now has sixty-four chapters, and has had, since 1883, a larger number of active college chapters than any other fraternity. Φ Δ Θ is established in twenty state universities. No other fraternity is represented in so many. In addition, five other institutions having Φ Δ Θ chapters receive state or federal support or both. But few additions to the chapter roll have been accepted within the last decade. A large number of chapters occupy chapter houses, in many instances owning them, while other chapters have started funds for the purpose of building.

Φ Δ Θ was the first fraternity to group its chapters into provinces. [This is an error; Β Θ Π adopted the district system in 1874, Φ Δ Θ in 1880, being the second fraternity to adopt it.] . . . The membership of the fraternity is 10,051. [This was the membership February 1, 1899.] With but two exceptions, where it is slightly exceeded, the number of living members of Φ Δ Θ is larger than that of any other college fraternity. Φ Δ Θ also has thirty-eight alumni chapters, a larger number than any other college fraternity.

New York Delta chapter was established at Columbia University in 1884. . . . The chapter has made steady progress since that time, and is now very strong. New York Delta has recently taken possession of a very handsome chapter house near Morningside Heights, where the university is now situated. The house is also the headquarters of the New York Φ Δ Θ club. This club was incorporated in January, 1898, under the name of 'The Phi Delta Theta Club of New York.' The membership is now quite large, and is steadily increasing. Considering the interest shown in this enterprise by the large number of Phis in New York and vicinity, the future of the club is an assured success. . . . Φ Δ Θ was the first fraternity to establish such a custom [of alumni day.] . . . The fraternity colors are argent and azure. . . . The flower is the white carnation. Pallas is the tutelary goddess of the fraternity. [The roster gives the names of 190 Phis in New York and vicinity. The list is not complete, as 'Metropolitan Phis,' published in 1895, gave the names of 306, and since then many have located in the city. Half tone portraits (five on a page) are given of H. L. Day, *Brown*, '89; C. T. Terry, *Williams*, '89; John Hill, *Williams*, '91; D. R. Horton, *Cor-*

nell, '75; T. W. Allen, *Union*, '86; G. M. Scofield, *Union*, '96; F. L. Eckerson, *C. C. N. Y.*, '88; F. A. Reed, *C. C. N. Y.*, '92; T. H. Baskerville, *Columbia*, '86; J. M. Mayer, *Columbia*, '86; L. E. A. Drummond, *Columbia*, '88; F. A. Winslow, *Columbia*, '89; S. W. Dunscomb, jr., *Columbia*, '93; W. A. Boyd, *Columbia*, '95; E. J. Riederer, *Columbia*, '97; H. W. Egner, jr., *Columbia*, '98; J. S. Morey, *Syracuse*, '90; C. J. Wright, *Lafayette*, '61; C. P. Bassett, *Lafayette*, '83; J. W. Fox, *Lafayette*, '91; L. H. Allen, *Lafayette*, '94; H. F. Smith, *Lafayette*, '97; C. P. Van Allen, *Lafayette*, '97; B. S. McKean, *W. & J.*, '84; E. A. Dent, *O. S. U.*, '88; W. H. Morgan, *O. S. U.*, '89; R. M. Hardy, *Michigan*, '98; W. W. Young, *Wisconsin*, '92; A. W. Jackson, *California*, '74.]

ΦΚΣ—The present chapter roll, therefore, consists of thirteen active chapters, of which five have been established since 1890. . . . The most notable event in the history of the Alpha chapter was the foundation by her of a prize at the University of Pennsylvania, of the interest on \$400, presented in honor of the founder of the fraternity—Dr. Samuel Brown Wylie Mitchell. The prize is awarded annually to the member of the sophomore class who shall have done the best work in English composition during the year; and especial interest is added to this foundation in view of the fact that its acceptance by the trustees of the university was the first formal recognition ever made of the existence of fraternities at Pennsylvania. The prize was established in 1887. . . . Founded by the great man who founded the military order of the Loyal Legion in this country, the ΦΚΣ fraternity has ever striven to stand for what is best and truest in fraternity life.

ΦΚΨ—The fraternity has a written constitution, which has been revised twice, once in 1886 and again in 1898. . . . Nine chapters own and eleven chapters rent chapter houses. . . . The value of the real estate owned by the chapters is \$90,400. The value of the personal property owned by them is \$30,265.

ΧΦ—The publication of the ΧΦ *Chackett*, one of the pioneers of Greek letter society journalism, was undertaken [in 1868.] . . . In 1896 the fraternity was re-organized. A new constitution was adopted, and the publication of the *Chackett* as an open magazine was discontinued. The fraternity now publishes a 'year book' designed for open circulation.

ΣΧ—The first chapter of the ΣΧ fraternity was established at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, June 20, 1855. At that time Ohio was one of the far western states, but ΣΧ has not only kept pace with the rapid development of the west, but has stretched out eastward and southward until to-day it stands pre-eminently a national brotherhood.

ΣΑΕ [Sketch by Herbert C. Lakin, editor of the *Record*, and Champe S. Andrews.]—ΣΑΕ gained during that fifteen years [from 1883, when its first northern chapter was established, to 1898] 365 per centum, and rose from twentieth to eleventh position among college fraternities. . . . In a financial way the fraternity is most prosperous. Owing to the faithful payment of dues by all chapters, and to a conservative management of the funds thus procured, the fraternity is enabled to add annually several hundred dollars to its considerable surplus. The members of the supreme council are salaried officials, and are allowed liberal sums for clerk hire. In this way the business of the fraternity is conducted with the precision of a business corporation. It is doubtful if any fraternity can surpass ΣΑΕ in this feature. . . . The fraternity does not possess a permanent

song book. Every initiate is presented with the official badge of the fraternity at the time of his initiation.

Δ T Δ—Since the first ten years of the fraternity's life, the election of honorary members has been forbidden. . . . Δ T Δ first of all fraternities prohibited the initiation of sub-freshmen; for years it stood alone in prohibiting 'lifting,' by making any man who joined another fraternity ineligible to membership in its ranks, and even to-day it has but little company on this point; while some years ago it passed legislation against class societies. . . . The growth of Δ T Δ has been marked by the withdrawal as well as the granting of charters.

Α T Ω [Sketch by Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, D. D., founder of the fraternity.]—Recognizing that while the fraternity could and should do its first great work in the new south, such a brotherhood had a world-wide field, and would, as soon as the new national relations were re-established, be wanted in every part of the country, its founder, from the very first, gave it such scope that it could adjust itself readily to every section. It was even more than national in its possibilities—it should be a brotherhood knowing no section, but aiming to combine true men the world over, in an effort for the supremacy of good over evil. . . . The success of Α T Ω has been remarkable.

K A [Southern.]—There is a tradition that General Robert E. Lee [president after the war of Washington College, which became Washington and Lee University, where K A was founded], the beau ideal of southern chivalry and manhood, took special interest in the young organization, but this can not be verified. . . . Nothing has been borrowed from other fraternities [by K A]. It takes a pardonable pride in its system, which is most efficient and differs from all other fraternities. The source of authority is the convention, which meets biennially, being composed of delegates, one from each chapter, and the general officers.

K Σ—The remarkable growth of the fraternity in the past decade has been coincident with the development of the broadened principles which determined, in 1885, to remove restrictions from its territorial boundaries, and made of the order a national instead of a purely southern organization.

Σ N—Just as the Alpha Taus had been dubbed by their fellow cadets 'Blackfeet,' so these their rivals [Sigma Nus at Virginia Military Institute, where Σ N was founded] were called, or called themselves, 'Whitefeet.' . . . The old name gave way to the more euphonious Greek letter name of Σ N. . . . It is believed that the stock of Σ N is quoted higher in the fraternity market to-day than ever before.

Φ Σ K—The growth of such an organization has, of course, necessitated frequent changes of its constitution. Such changes after a time became a bother in conventions, as they took a great deal of time. In 1893 Prof. Wm. P. Brooks, Ph. D., was appointed a special commissioner to revise the constitution, and with the help of some members of the council, he drew up a report, which was thoroughly discussed at a convention held in 1894 at Yale University, and finally adopted. This constitution consists of four parts, preceded by a preamble, stating the general principles of college fraternity life, of some 500 words. This preamble and the second, third and fourth parts have been printed. The first part of the constitution, which relates to the secret work and management of the chapters, is, of course, unprinted. The second part relates to the organization of members into the grand chapter, the formation of conventions, and the powers and duties of the

council, which is the executive body of the fraternity. The members of the grand chapter, which is known as the second degree, consist of all graduates, former students whose class has been graduated, and all past and present presidents of the chapters. Such, under proper restrictions, may organize themselves into clubs, which have the power to act on amendments to the constitution. Conventions are now held once in two years. The council consists of six members. The constitution to be amended must have such amendment adopted by a two-thirds vote of the convention, and ratified by three-quarters of the chapters and clubs. Thus the conventions are no longer taken up with 'constitution doctoring,' and the time is spent on the chief work of the fraternity—the promotion of fellowship. The third part of the constitution relates to the third degree, which is known as the degree of honor, and is composed of the founders of the fraternity and past president and vice-presidents of the grand chapter. The fourth part of the constitution pertains to matters of colors, emblems, taxation, headquarters, amendments, etc. . . . Each chapter has the right to initiate former students at the institution where they are located, and also honorary members who may not have been students of any college, but such must be with the unanimous concurrence of the council. Very few members of either class have ever been initiated. The fraternity has made a strong point in its university chapters of taking men from all departments, in order to promote university solidarity.

No mention is made of A X P, M I I A, Φ Φ Φ or I I K A. It is understood that the Umbdenstock Publishing Company are preparing to issue similar volumes relating to Boston and Washington.

WALTER B. PALMER.

INDIANA ALPHA, 1874-'78.*

I was initiated by Indiana Alpha, October 4, 1874, and well do I remember the night. The boys were few in number, and had a spiteful opposition from the other fraternities. Our hall was then a back room over Luzadder's store, a building since removed by fire.

What a queer hall it was. The furniture consisted of twelve chairs, a small common table, one cheap lamp and a cheaper broken-down stove; but the chief attraction was a three-ply carpet that one of the boys had brought from home. In place of a curtain on the only window in the hall, some thick wrapping paper had been tacked up. In the ceiling was a trap-opening, some 5x8 feet, covered with loose boards. The door was fastened by a lock that any key in town would open. You would appreciate this particularly could you recall with me the system of espionage to which we were subjected.

Well, on the night aforesaid, I was secretly conducted to the hall, and, when I arrived there, the boys were apprised

*From a letter to Walter B. Palmer, July 1, 1885.

that several spies were in the building, awaiting the initiation, which, consequently, had to be foregone; so the dreaded ceremony narrowed down to a reading of the Bond and signing it. I was badged out next morning.

Before we had this hall, the boys were accustomed to meet in a room in the sheriff's quarters of the county jail. A hobby-horse, belonging to the children of the said jailer, used to stand in the passageway, and was dubbed 'the goat,' though history is silent as to whether it was ever ridden by the candidates. The Luzadder hall was afterwards somewhat better fitted out, and many were the pleasant evenings enjoyed there.

The method of spiking used to be, first, to find out the status of the one enquired of, and, if that was correct, the victim would be enticed out for the afternoon to the suburban residences of Frank Hunter or Dory Wylie, or some of the other boys' homes, and there, in the shade of the forest trees, on the green grass, munching apples, the topic of conversation would gradually be led around to college organizations, and, if the promises were faithful, a pledge, on the honor of a gentleman, would be signed not to reveal the state secrets about to be discussed. This done, the talk following rarely failed to gain us our initiate.

You will find a very good letter concerning our early history down to my advent into fraternity life on pages 36 to 38 of Volume I of *THE SCROLL*. This letter was carefully written by Will Durborow, and, so far as my knowledge ever went, is authentic in all regards.

The first initiate after me was —, brother of —, and there we made our mistake. Petulant, restless, distrustful and scheming, he was scarcely a member before he began to cause trouble. His younger brother, on the contrary, was a most useful and trusted member and our standard bearer. The machinations of the older brother created internal dissensions and divisions, which led to the loss of several members. Dory Wylie, Dick Speck, Frank Hunter and myself, after a curbstome meeting, decided to call the boys together and force his resignation. But if the older brother's resignation came, we must accept the younger's with it. Consider us, a band then much smaller than any of our opponents, younger classmen new in fraternity work, about to take such a step as would, not only weaken us still further numerically, but would deprive us of our higher classmen and of our leaders in college and fraternity work. It was like the cutting off of the right arm that the body might

live, but it was necessary. After this incubus was removed we stood, two juniors, one sophomore, two freshmen and one prep., and pretty badly disheartened, but with a resolution to retain the charter so long as we remained at college. During all this trying period, our meetings were continued, as the minutes will show, but they will not tell how only two, sometimes three, were together, and how scant our literary exercises were. Every Thursday night, during all those dark days, the lamp light streamed from our window, to tell the other fraternities that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ had not disbanded, as they so fondly hoped.

But we had one staunch friend that stood by us, God bless her! and that was Gertrude V. Kendall; she has long since died of consumption. As I look back and see her devotion, I almost idolize her. When you write the history of our chapter, be sure to give her honorable mention; it would be a poor tribute of respect. I can not tell you how indefatigably she toiled for us. She was our best spiker; if we had a delicate job, we would take our man to call on her, and how well she would talk for us! She was a member of the K K Γ fraternity, but, strong Kappa as she was, she was a stronger Phi, and, whenever Kappa votes would count, they were Phi votes. At Kappa entertainments, you may be sure, the Phis were not slighted. I have yet a piece of spatter-work, with ' $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ' on it, which she made, and which, after her death, was sent to me. We came very near having her sign the Bond in spite of conventional edicts.

After our internal troubles, we grew gradually stronger, and, by the time I was graduated in 1878, we had a strong chapter and the finest hall in town, where we held a monthly levee with our lady friends. George Banta was there and can give his testimony, as were also Dick Speck, Dory Wylie, Sam Dodds, Frank Huuter and Bob Duncan.

A. GWYN FOSTER.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA'S NEW HOUSE.

To describe a house seems an easy matter after having watched its construction for two years, but in reality one scarcely knows where to begin. How much easier to take a visitor through the house and say: 'This is the dining-room,' or 'Here is our pool-room.' But that is impossible in this case.

The new home of Pennsylvania Zeta is situated on a tri-

angular plot of ground at the junction of Thirty-fourth street, Woodland avenue and Walnut street. The house is of brick, with white stone trimmings, and follows the style of architecture of the university dormitories and the new law building. From the large bay-window one can look down Walnut street and see in the distance the skyscrapers of the business section of Philadelphia. On the Woodland avenue side we face the campus, the library and College Hall. We have by far the best situation for a fraternity house in the vicinity of the university buildings.



PENNSYLVANIA ZETA'S HOUSE,
From Walnut Street.

On going in the main entrance on the Walnut street side one notices at once the large letters 'Φ Δ Θ' cut in the massive stone. The wide hall runs through the center of the house to the door in Woodland avenue. On the right of the hall is a small reception-room; further on is the dining-room, and back of the dining-room, the kitchen.

On the left of the hallway is the large lounging-room in which we hold our meetings. This room is the most comfortable one in the house. It is well lighted and furnished with easy chairs. The piano stands here and is usually the center of a gay crowd.

A wide stairway, with a landing on which there is a cozy window-seat, leads to the second floor. In the large room directly over the lounging-room we have a pool table, which is used even more than the table in the dining-room. The other rooms on the second floor, five in number, are bed-rooms. Two of these are already well furnished and are occupied by Bros. Lessig and McCauley. The third floor contains six bed-rooms, one occupied by Bro. McClain, and another by four of the members who live in town and who



PENNSYLVANIA ZETA'S HOUSE,
From Woodland Avenue.

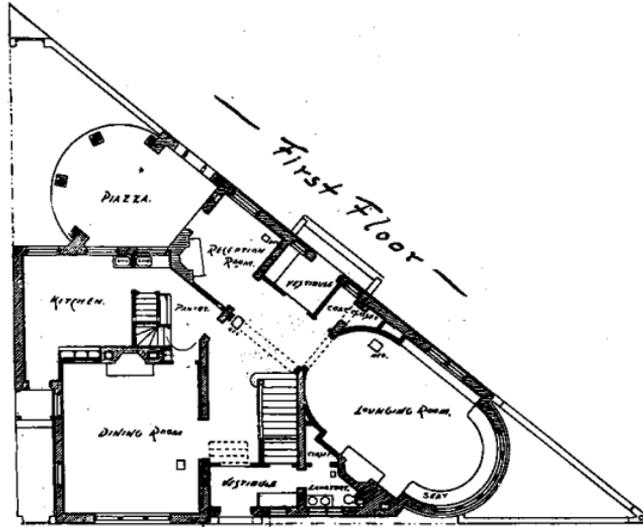
have furnished it up as a study. Two of the servants occupy a rear room on this floor; the third does not stay at the house. Next year we expect to have all the house occupied, but this year most of the members had already engaged rooms before the house was completed.

On each floor is a large bath-room; the one on the second contains a shower bath. The woodwork throughout is of light oak; the floors are polished and covered with thick, soft rugs. The house is heated by a furnace and lighted by electricity. The lounging-room and reception-room contain large fire-places and mantels. We have a neat book-

case in the large room on the first floor, but as yet our library is rather meager.

The home of Pennsylvania Zeta is always open to visiting Phis, and we shall be glad to entertain any who may favor us with a call. We are expecting to meet many members of other chapters at the time of the Republican national convention.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA.



FLOOR PLAN OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE.

INCOMPLETE NAMES IN THE CATALOGUE.

The sixth (1894) edition of the catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is remarkable in that, out of 7,288 members enrolled, the full names of all but twenty-one are given. The full name of William Jordan Flournoy, Kentucky Beta, '56, was received a few days after the K. M. I. list was printed. Bro. S. M. Roland has since furnished the full name of Edward Henry Rossman, Ohio Alpha, '57; Bro. R. J. McBryde the full name of Horace Morland Whaling, Virginia Delta, '76; Bro. A. C. Shaw the full name of Robert Oliver Strong, Ohio Alpha, '67; Bro. Telfair Hodgson the full name of John William Schmidt Arnold, Tennessee Beta, '85. The remaining sixteen incomplete names are:

Charles E. Baker, Ohio Alpha, '60, lawyer, Cincinnati, Ohio.

- Craft C. Holbrook, Ohio Alpha, '66, attorney, Oxford, Ohio, till 1870 ; died in Vanceburg, Ky., 1874.
- James M. Givens, Kentucky Alpha, '56, lawyer, Cynthiana, Ky. ; died in Colorado, about 1881.
- Walter L. Thompson, Kentucky Alpha, '79, Bagdad, Ky.
- Martin J. Miller, Indiana Beta, '64, Greencastle, Ind. ; killed in battle near Selma, Ala., 1865.
- G. M. Lee, Kentucky Beta, '56, lawyer, Kenton county, Ky. ; died *ante* 1878.
- Frank G. Thompson, Illinois Alpha, '86, elocution teacher, Denver, Col. ; died Denver, 1890.
- Platt J. Squier, Indiana Gamma, '61, Hall's Corners, Ind. ; killed at Shiloh, 1862.
- J. F. Coffman, Ohio Beta, '75, Methodist minister, Denver, Col.
- Ervy L. Goodrich, Michigan Alpha, '70, physician, Minneapolis, Minn.
- W. P. Higginson, Illinois Beta, '68, merchant, Chicago, Ill.
- Eugene W. Risley, Illinois Delta, '75, lawyer, Temple Bar Bldg., Fresno, Cal.
- Edward W. Wood, Illinois Delta, '78, New York, N. Y.
- Robert L. Wright, Georgia Beta, '75, farmer, Warrenton, Ga.
- David L. Winter, Ohio Delta, '81, lawyer, Indianapolis, Ind. ; deceased.
- John F. Henneberger, Virginia Delta, '76, traveling salesman, Baltimore, Md. ; died in Arkansas, 1890.

Every effort should be made to obtain the full names of these members, so that when the seventh edition of the catalogue is printed every name will be given complete. College matriculation books and old college catalogues should be examined. If they do not give the full names, efforts to get them should be made by correspondence. The appended addresses are the last addresses known, but probably they are wrong in a number of cases. Members living at or near these places should make diligent inquiries about the members named, and endeavor to learn the present whereabouts of those who are yet living and the full names of all. Chapter officers should write for particulars about these members to members who reside in the same places (see residence directory in the fraternity catalogue), requesting them to inquire as to the whereabouts of these members, and if they are dead, to procure biographical data from their families. This should be done without delay, for every year adds to the difficulty of tracing the proper addresses or of obtaining the full names. THE SCROLL will publish all such details that it receives, giving credit to those who obtain the information, and the data will be utilized by the editors of the next edition of the fraternity catalogue.

Charles E. Baker, Ohio Alpha, '60, may be a mistake for J. Edward Baker, A. B., Miami, '62, whom the 1899 alumni catalogue of Miami mentions as a physician, but whose address is not known.

OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

COLLECTED AND EDITED BY WALTER B. PALMER.

1875.

Sometime since I addressed a letter to C. O. Perry requesting him to write to you concerning the feasibility of locating a chapter of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ fraternity in our state university, located here. Ere many years pass it will be an institution of note, inasmuch as it is splendidly endowed. There are seven or eight young men in the university whom I think would be a credit to the fraternity. There is no fraternity yet organized here. Now is the time to strike. If you will send me a charter with full instructions, I will see that the chapter is properly organized.—G. M. Lambertson, Lincoln, Neb., to C. F. Carson, University of Wooster, Jan. 15, 1875.

My connection with the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was very peculiar. I was a student of the University of Nebraska years ago when there was no fraternity located there. From all I could learn about it, I was very favorably impressed with the Phi Delta Theta, and commenced trying to get a chapter organized at Lincoln. Finally we got in correspondence with an Iowa chapter, and we completed all the preliminary steps, and as I now remember I signed the petition for a charter. The member that was to do the instituting failed to come at the time we first expected him, and it was after I had left the university that he came. I have been highly pleased to hear satisfactory reports of the organization at Lincoln, yet you will see that I have had but little personal experience with the fraternity. Possibly you might say that I am not a member, though I assisted in procuring a charter. I am inclined to the opinion that Judge E. P. Holmes and Judge Allen W. Field, of Lincoln, were connected with the early organization at Lincoln, and they could write you fully on the subject.—Amos E. Gantt, Falls City, Neb., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 18, 1898.

I never was a member of the society you write about, or any other fraternity. Mr. Field was not a member, and the only person I can think of in Lincoln that might have been in the organization is J. Stuart Dales of the state university.—E. P. Holmes, Lincoln, Neb., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 10, 1898.

I have seen Brother Lambertson, and his memory concerning the chapter in 1875-76 is very faint, indeed. He is of the opinion that William H. Snell, 1873-76, was a member, also Judges Field and Holmes. I have written to Snell and

he says 'No.' The name of William Snett, undoubtedly meant for Snell, is given in the fifth edition of the catalogue, but not in the sixth. I have seen Field and Holmes, and both say they were not in the crowd. Dales, mentioned by Holmes in his letter to you, as a possible member, was not of the crowd. This leaves the membership of the 1875-76 chapter as follows: Clarence Walter Rhodes, '76; Francis Marion Lambertson, '77; Amos Evans Gantt, '78; James Otis Sturdevant, '79; Willis Swett, '79. One peculiar thing is that none of these men seem to have a positive recollection of ever having been formally initiated, although they secured their charter. Lambertson does not remember of it; evidently it never occurred to him that he might do it himself. Gantt wrote you that the man who was to initiate them failed to show up. The following from a letter from Rhodes to me points to the same thing: 'Mr. Lambertson being a student from some other institution, was instrumental in organizing our chapter, the meetings being held in his law office. I think that a charter was obtained but that the charter members were never put through any formal initiation. The meetings were few and far between.' The charter members of 1883 were Edmund John Churchill, '85; Conway George McMillan, '85; James Robert Foree, '86; George Bell Frankforter, '86; Henry Elton Fulmer, '87; Arthur Eymen Anderson, '88; Caleb Almon Canaday, '88; Roy George Codding, '88. The charter was dated Dec. 10, 1883. I will have a sketch of the chapter ready for you shortly.—Ralph S. Mueller, Lincoln, Neb., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., March 15, 1898.

Your letter of sometime ago regarding the organization of Phi Delta Theta at the University of Nebraska received. I have made what inquiry I could about this chapter, but have not found any one who knows anything about its early organization here. I was not a member; neither was Judge Holmes. F. M. Lambertson was at Oilcloth, Ark., the last I heard of him, and J. O. Sturdevant is dead.—A. M. Field, Lincoln, Neb., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., April 26, 1898.

What has become of the journal? Too bad to let it go by. Every one of us is anxious for it. It seems that there is but little interest felt in the enterprise if there can't be a subscription list of 300 started.—W. F. Seals, Mercer University, to Charles T. Jamieson, University of Wooster, Feb. 2, 1875.

Would a chapter of K A © do the Phis any good at Frank-

lin? A ladies fraternity is a nice thing to have at a college, and we find the members here are very useful in carrying elections; but of course they have to be trained right. They have a good chapter here, and I would be glad to help them establish a chapter at Franklin, and especially so if it would be of any advantage to my brother Phis. Have you enough first-class girls in college to make a fair chapter? What do you think of THE SCROLL? We want an expression of opinion.—James C. Norris, Indianapolis, to D. A. Owen, Franklin College, Feb. 20, 1875.

Abner Rogers and John Rogers joined the Fraternity at Danville; came to Georgetown in September, 1874, and organized the Kentucky Gamma February 25, 1875. The other members were initiated as follows, viz.: Amos Stout, Feb. 25, 1875; L. L. Bristow and Angereau Glenn, Feb. 26, 1875; Clarence S. Caldwell, April 17, 1875; Lee P. Viley, April 30, 1875; George W. Cleveland, June 8, 1875; Gilmore Hays Nunnally, Nov. 12, 1875; George S. Scarce, Eugene S. Carruthers and Walter L. Thompson, Jan. 14, 1876; German B. Stout, Jan. 28, 1876. The above is the way it stands on the book, which I have.—L. L. Bristow, Cincinnati, Ohio, to George B. Thomas, Danville, Ky. May 8, 1880.

I am glad to hear of the continued prosperity of your chapter. We can truly say the same thing of our chapter, which has fifteen first-class men, true in every sense of the word.—James C. Norris, Indianapolis, to D. A. Owen, Franklin College, March 5, 1875.

Mr. Fisher reported that he had heard from Mr. Norris, of Indiana Gamma, that the Indiana Eta at Greencastle had been reinstated with twelve members.—Mem. from minutes of Indiana Delta, April 5, 1875.

An organization has recently been formed here and we desire a chapter of your society, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Please inform us on the subject as soon as convenient.—G. E. Sturgis, G. J. Moody, and C. F. Durham, committee of investigation, Maine State College, to W. O. Bates, Cornell University, April 6, 1875.

Yours of 7th inst. was received and we now reply. Our organization consists of ten members, against the names of whom we will place a cross in the catalogue we will send. Maine State College was established in 1867. For reference we refer you to Alfred B. Aubert, B. S., professor of chemistry in this institution and an alumnus of Cornell University. We would like to know the cost of starting a chapter

of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. The organization would act unanimously, I think, so there would be ten charter members.—C. F. Durham, George J. Moody, committee of investigation, Maine State College, to W. O. Bates, Cornell University, April 13, 1875. I enclose two letters which will explain themselves. I also send a catalogue of Maine State College. A. B. Aubert, to whom the letters refer, is a Cornell graduate of '73, well known by some of our boys as a fine fellow. The institution, being an agricultural school, is *not* first-class. As shown in the catalogue their men are all in the upper classes, i. e., the ten men desiring a charter, and took all prizes last year. Shall write them a letter, asking whether they could send on a man to be initiated and telling them the matter is under discussion in the fraternity. Send me decision of National Grand in regard to granting charter and in case we take them, advise us as to best method of procedure. Personally I am in favor granting them a charter.—W. O. Bates, Cornell University to C. T. Jamieson, April 18, 1875. Sewanee, Tenn., April 30th, 1875. Secretary National Grand Chapter, my dear Brother: I believe I at last see my way clear toward establishing a chapter of our honored Fraternity at Nashville, Tenn. I have long had my eye on that place as the connecting link of southern and western chapters. I am working through Brother W. L. Calhoun of the Georgia Beta, who is at present in Nashville. Brother Calhoun is a very young man, but exceedingly active and energetic. This afternoon I received a letter from a gentleman to whom certain propositions relative to starting a chapter at Nashville have been made, and he accepts, and says moreover that some four or five more can be secured. He seems to be thoroughly imbued already with $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ spirit. My effort shall be to have this chapter chartered and in working order before the convention meets. What I want to know is this: is there any particular form in which an application for a charter must be made out, and if so, what is the form? If my plans can be carried out, the application for charter will be sent you by the Georgia Beta. I wish all necessary information on this subject so as to prevent delays. It will do my heart good to see our banner raised at Nashville. The grand institution which has been located there recently will afford ample means for a large and prosperous chapter. Kind regards to all Phis. Yours in the Bond, C. M. Beckwith.

We are now making an effort to get as many Phis into a certain house to room next year as we can. We think we are

going to be a success this time.—A. D. Newell, Ohio Wesleyan University, to the National Grand (Wooster) Chapter, May 15, 1875.

The Phi Delta Theta convention, which held its twenty-seventh annual meeting in this city, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, May 19–21, proved to be quite an interesting reunion. There was some disappointment in not having the orator and poet who had been selected for the occasion, but the place of the latter was quite agreeably filled by Mr. C. D. Whitehead, of Indianapolis, Ind., who read the beautiful poem which we print on the first page of the *Advocate* to-day. The most notable feature of the public literary exercises was the discharge of the duty assigned to Prof. C. M. Beckwith, of Sewanee, Tenn., on 'Obituaries.' He was especially felicitous in his remarks touching the *living*, and his address was well received by an appreciative audience. The banquet at James' Hall, which had been prepared by the ladies of the First Presbyterian Church, was an elegant affair. At the conclusion of the feast, toasts were announced, and as the first one, which was on 'The Press,' fell to us for a response, we could but crave the indulgence of the worthy president until the *Advocate* should make its appearance, and let *it* speak for us. The independent and unfettered press to-day is attempting to break down the barriers of sectional prejudice, and to cultivate fraternal feelings. This is essential to the accomplishment of the great mission that has been assigned to the people of this country. We find that we are confronted by narrow-minded demagogues, north and south, but, with the assistance of such associations as the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, we shall not despair of ultimate success. The feature of *fraternization* appears to be the leading object of the Phis, and this object we most heartily commend. The toast to 'The Ladies' was assigned to Prof. C. M. Beckwith, and right happy were his remarks. Mr. C. D. Whitehead, in responding to the sentiment, 'Our Order,' gave us a brief but very interesting history of the organization and its rapid development. It was conceived at Miami University, Ohio, in 1848, and now has its chapters scattered all over our broad land, and upon its rolls are the names of those who are distinguished in the professions and business pursuits of life. 'The Faculty of Centre College' was next in order, and to this Prof. Ralston was called upon to reply. He excused himself by stating that he was not a member of the faculty, and even if he were, so far as a speech was concerned, he was in the same fix as the lady whom Mark Twain

says could spell only 180 words in the dictionary. She couldn't learn any more, and steered clear of all the rest. When she found herself obliged to write upon a subject that necessitated the use of other words, she—well, she didn't write on that subject. So it was in his case. Possibly there were some 180 things he might do, but when he was called upon to make a speech, he—well, he didn't make a speech. The hit was a capital one and well received. Dr. J. L. McKee, in response to the sentiment, 'The Church,' said he did not think it was just the place to speak on that subject, but he gave us a bit of his experience as a member of a sister organization, the Beta Theta Pi, which was quite amusing and was related in Dr. McKee's most captivating style. Our young friend, George C. Cohen, was selected to respond for 'The Kentucky Alpha.' He did it well, and, in behalf of his chapter, extended to his brother Phiis a most cordial welcome. To the unique toast, 'The Meandering Streams of Old Virginia,' Mr. R. H. Woodrum, of Salem, Va., briefly responded, concluding with a most happy allusion to the Kentucky ladies.—*Kentucky Advocate*, Danville, Ky., May 28, 1875.

I interviewed two engravers to-day on the subject of designs for college directory, etc. One of them, J. A. Williams, proposes to draw as many rough outline sketches of what he would propose as we wish for about \$2 apiece, of the size of the cut of California Alpha in the *Blue and Gold*, and then he would make an engraving, of the same quality as the one in the *Blue and Gold*, for from \$20 to \$25, while for \$35 he would be able to produce a very elaborate cut. I would suggest that you vote to have him make three sketches, which will cost about \$6. It will cost money, but it is best to go into those things with open eyes—see what he has to suggest first, then you can offer your modifications and thus arrive at a definite idea.—C. T. Jamieson, Cincinnati, Ohio, to National Grand (Wooster) Chapter, June 1, 1875.

On motion Brothers Edwards and Banta were given full power to establish a chapter at Earham.—Mem. from minutes of Indiana Delta, June 7, 1875.

Our society has revived somewhat in spirits within the last month. Something was said about giving up our charter, and when we met to decide the question the boys seemed filled with love for the grand old fraternity, and showed their feelings to such an extent that almost every one shed tears. Since that meeting all have taken a new hope, and, if our plans do not fail, we expect to have by far the most

flourishing society in the university.—R. P. Hill, University of Georgia, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., June 24, 1875.

Please send me as soon as possible the report of your chapter in shape for the catalogue, or at least giving the required data. What we want are the names from the beginning, classes, dates of initiation, the residences (present or last known), the names of charter members, and any honors or honorable positions held by your members. It will be necessary for us to have this report by October 15, otherwise we shall have to put in your chapter incomplete, for which there would be no reasonable cause on your part. Therefore, for our own convenience (who are doing much troublesome and thankless work) and for the credit of your chapter, I ask you to send me a full report immediately.—S. W. Carpenter, member catalogue committee, Cincinnati, Ohio, to Secretary Indiana Delta, Sept. 24, 1875.

I find that all persons initiated at Earlham must be elected into the Indiana Delta first, so please elect Wm. V. Coffin and Mahlon C. Haworth, of Earlham, immediately. Of course this is not recorded on your minutes, and none of your chapter must ever tell when they were elected, as they have been initiated already, and the Alpha wouldn't like it if they knew how it is. I didn't tell them but what they had been elected at Franklin. Whenever Jackson at Earlham sends a name for election, you must call a quorum together and elect the person.—George Banta, University of Indiana, to John Mugg, Franklin College, Oct. 9, 1875.

On motion we elected Mr. Richard A. Jackson and Mr. Wm. V. Coffin at Earlham College.—Mem. from minutes of Indiana Delta, Oct. 11, 1875.

If you want the new form of initiation you will have to write to James C. Norris. It has been settled among most of the chapters that we will stick to the old form—that is the form we are using now. The new one is too thin. When you get the proof sheets, or rather advance sheets, of the catalogue of your chapter, you must be sure to put in the names of those Earlham boys. Two of them come under '77 and one under '78. They are members of the Indiana Delta, and will have to be catalogued as such. Initiate all of these boys you can and get their names in.—George Banta, Indiana University, to D. A. Owen, Franklin College, Oct. 21, 1875.

We have six chapters in Indiana and four of them are at the top. Here and at Greencastle we have had a hard time, and

are just building ourselves up. The Greencastle chapter was rechartered only last May. Year before last our chapter was considered dead. All the members but Bro. Al. Fullerton resigned, and consequently he had a big burden to bear. By the close of that year he had taken in some four or five trusty men, and with these he began the work of resuscitating the chapter. Now we are about second in importance, $\Phi K \Psi$ having a larger number. We celebrated our anniversary on the 11th inst. and had quite a nice time. We initiated a man that evening, which made the entertainment more pleasant. We have several places for the manufacture of our badges: Keifer, of Indianapolis; Cook, of Cincinnati, and Burgess, of Albany. The prettiest badge we have is a \$12 one made by Burgess. Cook makes a right handsome badge. Burgess' badges are convex and show to a better advantage. He enamels the scrolls, either white with black letters or black with white letters.—A. Gwyn Foster, Indiana University, to Walter B. Palmer, Oct. 22, 1875.

Please elect Joseph E. Applegate and W. H. Towell, of Earlham College, members of the Indiana Delta of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Have you sent the advance sheets of the catalogue back yet?—George Banta, University of Indiana, to John Mugg, Franklin College, Oct. 25, 1875.

On motion we elected as members of the $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ society Joseph E. Applegate and W. H. Towell, who are attending Earlham College.—Mem. from minutes of Indiana Delta, Nov. 1, 1875.

We have a really neatly furnished hall, neither expensive nor poor. We have pretty wall paper, a carpet, and the necessities, a table and chairs; also several pictures and emblems of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ to adorn our walls. We have the design of the order which you will find in the Athens minutes. I have the proportions of the shield, and could send it to you. We also have in a frame the words 'Welcome to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ' in spatter work.—A. Gwyn Foster, Indiana University, to Walter B. Palmer, Emory College, Nov. 21, 1875.

Brother Rupp read a letter from Brother Leard of Pennsylvania Alpha informing us of the fact that Pennsylvania Gamma, of Washington and Jefferson College, had been organized with seven members.—Mem. from minutes of Pennsylvania Beta, Nov. 26, 1875.

Two years ago the 17th of next June, Brother Edwards and I, both then of Indiana Delta, went to Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., and initiated a sophomore. By January,

1876, there were sixteen Phis at Earlham. They petitioned Indiana Alpha for a charter but were refused. Again they tried it, and again were they denied the parchment. They remained true to their pledges, although they gave up all hopes of ever being chartered.—George Banta, Fortville, Ind., to Walter B. Palmer, Emory College, March 5, 1877.

MIAMI AETATIS LXXV.

THE DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY VOLUME. Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, 1824-1899. Published by Authority of the Board of Trustees, under the Direction of the General Committee of Arrangements and the Editorial Supervision of Walter Lawrence Tobey and William Oxley Thompson. The Republican Publishing Company, Hamilton, Ohio. 8vo; pp. vi+359; cloth; illustrated; \$1.00.

THE ALUMNI AND FORMER STUDENT CATALOGUE OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY, Including Members of the Board of Trustees and Faculty. 1809-1892. Press of the Oxford News. Oxford, Ohio, June, 1892. 8vo; pp. xxii+195; paper.

THE ALUMNI CATALOGUE OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY, Including Members of the Board of Trustees and Faculty. 1824-1899. Press of the Republican Publishing Company, Hamilton, Ohio, June, 1899. 8vo; pp. xxx+191; paper.

The history of Miami University is of peculiar interest to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, as it must be also to the other two members of the 'Miami Triad'— $B \Theta \Pi$ and ΣX . The alumni of the university certainly have cause to be proud of what it has done for the country. For many years it was the leading institution of the west. No institution in the United States has produced greater men, and the proportion of graduates who have attained national prominence is remarkably large.

The Diamond Anniversary Volume is not altogether a satisfactory history of Miami, but it contains much matter that is very interesting. A sketch of the founding of the university is followed by accounts of the administrations of its first six presidents, with accompanying portraits. The institution was chartered by Ohio in 1809. Congress had granted thirty-six sections of land in the Cincinnati district for its endowment. The value of this endowment, however, was greatly lessened by most unfortunate acts of the Ohio legislature in 1810 and 1812. A grammar school was opened at Oxford in 1818, and the university in 1824.

Miami has had eleven presidents—R. H. Bishop, 1824-41; George Junkin, 1841-44; E. D. MacMaster, 1845-49; W. C. Anderson, 1849-54; J. W. Hall, 1854-66; R. L. Stanton, 1866-71; A. D. Hepburn, 1871-73; R. W. McFarland, 1885-

88; E. D. Warfield, 1888-91; W. O. Thompson, 1891-99; D. S. Tappan, 1899-. Though Miami has always been non-sectarian, Presbyterian influences have been very strong in its organization, and the first seven presidents were members of the Presbyterian church and doctors of divinity. The new president, Dr. Tappan, was graduated in '64, and is the first Miami alumnus to be chosen as president of the university. In 1873 Miami suspended on account of financial difficulties. In 1885 it was reopened, a considerable fund having meantime accumulated from its endowment, and the state having given it assistance. Since 1896 it has received, together with Ohio University and Ohio State University, the proceeds of a regular annual state tax.

The sketch of each of the first six administrations was written by a different pen. That of Dr. MacMaster was written by Rev. S. S. Laws, D. D., B © II, Miami, '48, ex-president of the University of Missouri. Dr. MacMaster was president of Miami at the time of the 'great snow rebellion' in January, 1848, and when Φ Δ © was founded in December of that year. A full account of the 'rebellion' was given by Rev. Robert Morrison, D. D., Miami, '49, at the convention banquet at Columbus in November, 1898, and was published in *THE SCROLL* for February, 1899. This issue of *THE SCROLL* has attracted the attention of Dr. Laws, and he seems to deprecate the publication, which he says has gone forth to the 10,000 members of Φ Δ ©. He says 'it is not desirable that these gentlemen should think ill of the very administration in which their honorable society originated.' However, he can not dispute the fact that Dr. MacMaster was a very unpopular president, or that his arbitrary course led to a great falling off in the attendance of students. Dr. Laws's own figures show a decrease from 140 in 1845-46, the first year of this administration, to 68 in 1848-49, the last.

A sketch of Miami professors mentions O. N. Stoddard, LL.D., Charles Elliott, D. D., T. A. Wylie, D. D., R. H. Bishop, Jr., and David Swing. A number of honorary members were elected by Φ Δ © at Miami, as well as by Α Δ Φ and Δ K E. Professors Stoddard, Elliott and Bishop were honorary members of Φ Δ © as also was Dr. Anderson, the president who succeeded Dr. MacMaster. David Swing, who was graduated in '52, was, while a student, initiated into Φ Δ ©. The sketch of him says:

The following lines may well express the tender feeling of Miami's alumni for David Swing. They are a part of an elegiac ode written by the professor on the occasion of President Garfield's burial:

Soft may his body rest,
 As on his mother's breast,
 Whose love stands all confessed,
 'Mid blinding tears.
 But may his soul so white
 Rise in triumphant flight,
 And in God's land of light,
 Spend endless years.

The volume contains a sketch of Miami in the war of 1861-65. A list is given of 240 men who received college training at Miami and who enlisted in the United States army or navy. However, the list is not complete, and there is no mention of Miami men in the C. S. A. There were in the U. S. A., 1861-65, thirty-six men who were, or later became, members of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, viz.: S. C. Baldrige, '49; A. W. Rogers, '51; J. K. Boude, '52; Benjamin Harrison, '52; J. A. Anderson, '53; Samuel Hibben, '53; Henry Stoddard, '54; Thomas Williams, '54; Ransford Smith, '55; H. L. Brown, '56; C. M. Hughes, '57; G. B. Peck, '57; J. N. Scott, '57; Joel Tuttle, '57; E. P. Williams, '58; E. T. Peck, '59; A. M. Shuey, '66; P. W. Smith, '66 (affiliate with Michigan Alpha); J. L. Brown, '67 (affiliate with Michigan Alpha); H. W. Graham, '67; M. M. Graham, '67; J. E. Morey, '67; R. L. Lyons, '68; T. C. Druley, '69; J. K. Gibson, '69; J. M. Oldfather, '69; W. H. Tolbert, '69; J. B. Elam, '70; J. W. Fieghan, '70; Elam Fisher, '70; Harvey Lee, '70; J. K. Youtsey, '70; A. J. Surface, '71; J. M. Logan, '72; G. F. O'Byrne, '73, and F. C. Harvey, '76 (navy). The number of Phis in the war would have been very much larger had it not been for the suspension of Ohio Alpha from 1857 to 1865. The number of Miami men in the C. S. A. was unusually large, considering that it was a northern institution, but only one Phi is known to have been in the Confederate service—T. C. Hibbett, '54.

A sketch of Miami men in public life mentions the following members of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$: Benjamin Harrison, '52, president of the United States; J. A. Anderson, '53, and T. B. Ward, '55, (the latter an affiliate from Indiana Beta) who were congressmen; J. W. Fieghan, '70, speaker of the house of representatives of the state of Washington; L. W. Ross, '52, of the Iowa senate; A. W. Rogers, '51, of the Missouri house of representatives; R. O. Strong, '67, and Elam Fisher, '70, of the Ohio house of representatives.

Among members of the bench and bar are mentioned A. W. Rogers, '51, circuit court, Missouri; Benjamin Harrison, '52, chief counsel for Venezuela in boundary dispute; L. W.

Ross, '52, master in chancery, Iowa; T. B. Ward, '55, common pleas, Indiana; J. Z. Moore, '67, superior court, Washington; Elam Fisher, '70, common pleas, Ohio.

An article on 'Miami in Literature,' by Brother Harry Weidner, '88, (who has written several books himself) mentions the following Phis who have written books or been contributors to publications: S. C. Baldrige, '49; Robert Morrison, '49; J. M. Wilson, '49; Benjamin Harrison, '52; L. W. Ross, '52; David Swing, '52; G. B. Peck, '57; A. M. Shuey, '66; M. A. D. Steen, '66; Alston Ellis, '67, and L. F. Walker, '68.

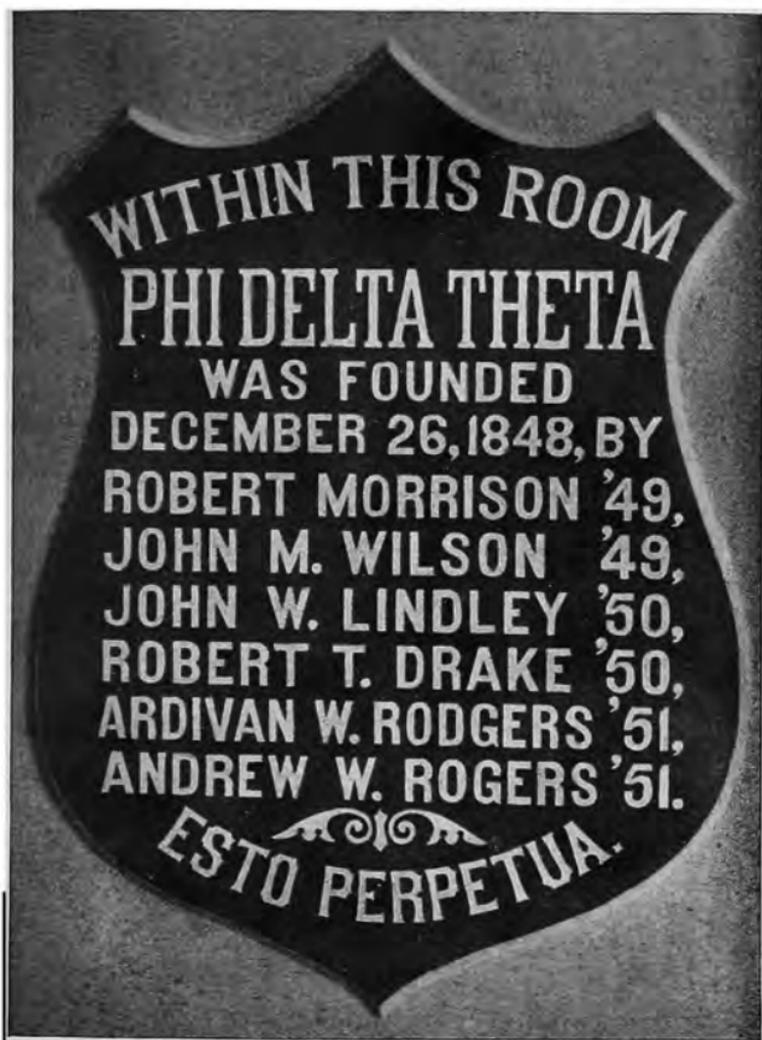
The volume also contains an account of the seventy-fifth anniversary of Miami last June. It says that 'from 1835 to 1899 every class was represented, save the classes of '37, '40, '42 and '52.' The address delivered by Whitelaw Reid on that occasion and the poem read by Gen. Ben. P. Runkle are printed in this book. Bro. Weidner was one of the trustees appointed by the board on the general committee of arrangements for the celebration. Gen. Runkle was one of the founders of Σ X who seceded from Δ K E. The following verses are from his poem entitled 'The Work of Old Miami':

Fraternities too, those brotherhoods splendid,
That tie hearts together in friendships so true
That they last till life's weary struggle is ended,
And we rise to the brotherhood beyond the deep blue.

Did we always go east to old seats of learning,
Ready made from hands of our elders to take them?
No! our hearts strong in hope, with fraternal love burning,
With confidence grand we proceeded to make them.

And now with their sisters, not greater though older,
Everywhere in the land their bright colors greet us;
From the far Golden Gate to the famed Plymouth boulder,
There are Sigma Chis, Betas and Phi Delta Thetas.

The account of 'The Golden Jubilee of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity,' which event took place in connection with Miami's diamond anniversary in June, 1899, and an account of which, written by the editor of THE SCROLL, appeared in the issue for last October, is reprinted with very little abbreviation, making twenty pages in the book. A reception held by Δ K E and banquets by Β ⊙ Π, Σ X and Δ K E, as well as a banquet by Ohio Alpha following the jubilee exercises and reception, are mentioned in half a dozen lines. There is a half-tone illustration of the Φ Δ ⊙ memorial tablet placed in the wall of the north dormitory last June, to



PHI DELTA THETA'S MURAL TABLET AT MIAMI.

designate the room in which $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was founded. By the courtesy of Brother Weidner, it is reproduced in this issue of *THE SCROLL*, and it gives a larger view of the tablet than the half-tone in the October issue.

The book also contains views of the campus in 1838 and in 1898. By the courtesy of President Tappan, both are reproduced in this issue of *THE SCROLL*. The 1838 view shows the west wing and a professor's house, erected in 1818, the main building, erected in 1824, the north dormitory, erected in 1829, the south dormitory, erected in 1836, and a laboratory, erected in 1837. The 1898 view shows (from left to right) the Herron gymnasium, erected in 1896, the north dormitory (the south dormitory being hid by the main building), the main building with the west wing, the old (1837) laboratory (burned 1898), and the Brice scientific building, erected in 1891. The west wing of 1818 (in which $B \Theta \Pi$ was founded) was torn down and a new wing erected in its place in 1868, together with the tower. This 1898 view of course does not show the east wing and tower, erected in 1899. Other illustrations in the book are portraits of Whitelaw Reid, '56, and C. S. Brice, '63, the latter accompanying a memorial sketch.

Dr. W. O. Thompson (president of Miami, 1891-99) was the editor of the alumni and former student catalogue, which gives full biographical data about all of Miami's sons who were graduated or who left college before graduation up to 1892. It also gives full biographical data about all the presidents and professors, a list of the trustees from the beginning, and a list of all honorary degrees conferred by the university. There are also a residence directory and an alphabetical index of graduates and non-graduates. The new alumni catalogue has the same features, except that the students who were not graduated are not included. It was edited by Mr. W. L. Tobey, '91, and President Thompson; and it is revised to 1899. It would be well if all institutions would publish such complete alumni catalogues. Following is an enumeration of the students at Miami from 1824 to 1900, together with the number of graduates in each year. The numerical list of students was obtained by Brother Karl H. Zwick, '00, from a file of the annual catalogues in the university library, while the number of graduates is as shown by the 1899 alumni catalogue (in which, however, by a typographical mistake, the total is given as 1,037 instead of 1,137). Reporters of chapters at institutions which have issued such alumni catalogues should send copies of the



THE MIAMI UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, 1898.

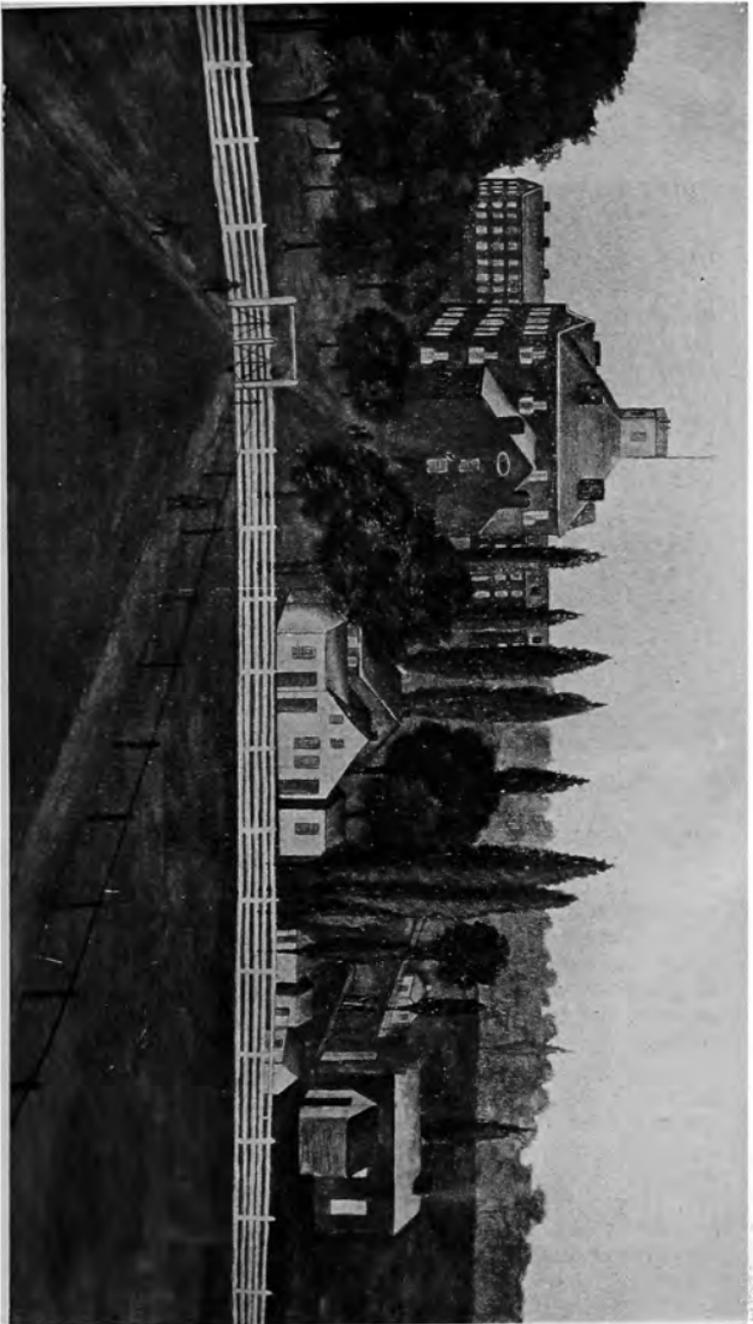
same to Brothers Shlesinger and Hulett, who would thereby obtain many details that would add to the accuracy and completeness of the forthcoming seventh edition of the catalogue of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

Years.	Students.	Graduates.	Years.	Students.	Graduates.
1824-25	58	0	1856-57	205	29
1825-26	111	12	1857-58	225	43
1826-27	144	9	1858-59	220	34
1827-28	152	11	1859-60	201	34
1828-29	129	10	1860-61	189	35
1829-30	119	10	1861-62	170	20
1830-31	163	17	1862-63	147	19
1831-32	208	12	1863-64	161	25
1832-33	228	21	1864-65	165	24
1833-34	238	22	1865-66	176	22
1834-35	207	27	1866-67	137	15
1835-36	186	22	1867-68	186	32
1836-37	167	27	1868-69	157	29
1837-38	227	21	1869-70	152	26
1838-39	222	33	1870-71	139	26
1839-40	196	25	1871-72	106	18
1840-41	164	24	1872-73	108	18
1841-42	162	30	1885-86	50	0
1842-43	131	17	1886-87	62	0
1843-44	141	13	1887-88	78	3
1844-45	138	27	1888-89	57	7
1845-46	140	18	1889-90	73	9
1846-47	137	11	1890-91	60	10
1847-48	112	9	1891-92	122	4
1848-49	68	7	1892-93	106	8
1849-50	91	7	1893-94	109	11
1850-51	142	11	1894-95	134	13
1851-52	208	16	1895-96	129	10
1852-53	242	35	1896-97	122	11
1853-54	266	28	1897-98	137	8
1854-55	251	22	1898-99	148	16
1855-56	247	24	1899-00	141	—
Totals				9,767	1,137

WALTER B. PALMER.

THIS IN DEBATE.

Under this caption we gave in the last issue biographies of two members of the fraternity who have distinguished themselves to an unusual degree in university forensics. We take pleasure this month in adding a sketch and portrait of one of our southern debaters, who has made a name for himself as leader of the North Carolina team in its victorious encounter with Vanderbilt.



THE MIAMI UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, 1838.

Bro. William Stanley Bernard entered the University of North Carolina as a junior in the fall of 1898, and since



W. S. BERNARD, *North Carolina*, '00.

that time he has been a prominent student and active worker in college publications.

In his first year he was elected to the staff of the *University Magazine*. This year he has acted as editor-in-chief of the same publication, and with his genius and energy the *Magazine* has taken the high position it now holds among college monthlies.

In debate and oratory he has always shown himself efficient, as well as in literary publications. In the spring of 1900 he was made editor-in-chief of the *Hellenian*, the university fraternity annual. For two years he has been an active member of the Philan-

thropic literary society and was elected by that body to represent them as Washington's birthday orator in February, 1899. In the spring of 1900 he was elected to lead the team which won the Carolina-Vanderbilt debate in Nashville.

Bro. Bernard became a Phi in the winter of 1899 and since that time has reflected many honors on his chapter. In positions of responsibility he has always shown himself capable, and a brilliant career awaits him in the business world.

I. F. H.

It is nothing less than remarkable the way the Phi debaters have won their contests this year. Besides the victories of teams led by Bro. Morse over Princeton and Yale, and by Bro. Ernst over Chicago, which have been noted already, we have to chronicle triumphs of Bro. Presby, *Dickinson*, '01, over Syracuse; of Bro. Hall, *Brown*, '00, over Dartmouth; of Bro. Parkin, *Knox*, '00, over Beloit; and of Bro. Bernard, as noted above. It is perfectly proper to make

these victories in a sense personal, as the men named were in each case leaders of their teams. No less creditable has been the work of the many other Phis who may have been leaders or not, or who may have won or lost the decision, but who have also gained training and fame on the platform: Bros. Cox, of Colby, House, of Franklin, Masterson, of Hanover, Thomas, of DePauw, Fairchild, of Wisconsin, Stafford, of Iowa Wesleyan, Davis, of Kansas, and those who have won positions as alternates or done faithful work in practice debate, who have won class and inter-society debates, or competed for forensic prizes on the commencement platform.

There has been a marked revival of interest in literary work generally in the last year. Our southern chapters always were strong in their records of speakers' places and medals, and so have been the chapters in New England and some in the middle west and Pennsylvania. Cornell gave further evidence of her versatility this spring, when Bro. Morrison took the '86 memorial speaker's prize over a dozen competitors who had been selected by the faculty. De Pauw prepares for an inter-state winner next year by capturing the college oratorical contest with Bro. Cartwright; in which connection we may add that Bro. Dove, *De Pauw*, '02, is president for 1900 of the inter-state oratorical association, which includes ten of the leading states of the middle west.

We trust that the coming college year will see much more general participation by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in the inter-collegiate and intra-collegiate debate, in oratory and all forms of public speaking and in writing. These are the greatest victories that college men can win. Training for them is the most valuable to which a man can subject himself.

INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND.

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Tolbert Bartl, *DePauw*, '69,
Died October 7, 1899, at Alfordsville, Indiana.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Harry Hines Burke, *Cincinnati*, '02,
Died May 6, 1900, at Cincinnati, Ohio.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Osborne Henry Chapman, *Auburn*, '99,
Died September 20, 1898, at Troy, Alabama.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Charles Church Couse, *Allegheny*, '99,
Died April 29, 1900, at Greenville, Pennsylvania.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John E. Davies, *Lawrence*,
Died January 22, 1900, at Chicago, Illinois.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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William Andrew Dixon, *Indianapolis*, '60,
Died June 24, 1900, at Ripley, Ohio.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Daniel Stiltz Dorey, *Pennsylvania*, '99,
Died April 10, 1900, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Eli Marshall Edwards, *Franklin*, '73,
Died April 20, 1899, at Mitchell, Indiana.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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James A. Eldon, *Dickinson*, '96,
Died January 25, 1900, at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Junius Bost Fox, *Gettysburg*, '80,
Died March 27, 1900, at Staunton, Virginia.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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William Merton Freeland, *Kansas*, '97,
Died May 21, 1899, at Kansas City, Missouri.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Almon Clayton Greene, *Cornell*, '75,
Died July 28, 1897, at Copenhagen, New York.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Elmer Ellsworth Griffith, *Indiana*, '85,
Died February 15, 1900, at Madison, Indiana.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Hayden Young Grubb, *Centre*, '92,
Killed October 1, 1899, in the Philippines.
In Coelo Quies Est.

Samuel Telford Hanna, *Miami*, '58,
Died November 9, 1887.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Dailey Fielder Hardy, *Washington and Lee*, '91,
Died February 28, 1900, at San Marcos, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Nathan Russell Harrington, *Williams*, '93,
Died July 25, 1899, at Atbara, Soudan, Africa.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Jesse Lynch Holman, *Franklin*, '00,
Drowned August 14, 1899, at Cuba, Missouri.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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William Greene Jenckes. *Wisconsin*, '57,
Died in 1900, at Terre Haute, Indiana.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Paul McConnell Jones, *Vanderbilt*, '90,
Drowned July 1, 1900, at Woods Holl, Massachusetts.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John Merrill Lee, *Kansas*, '98,
Died October 20, 1899, at Wichita, Kansas.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Rigdon McCoy McIntosh, *Emory*, '55 (honorary),
Died in April, 1899, at Atlanta, Georgia.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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David Harrison Minge, *Alabama*, '00.
Died August 30, 1898, at Faunsdale, Alabama.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John Mitchell, *Wabash*, '99,
Died November 20, 1899, at Beirout, Syria.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Samuel Livingston Overstreet, *Franklin*, '75,
Died November 13, 1899, near Chicago, Illinois.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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John Anderson Rankin, *Miami*, '72,
Died in 1888, in Colorado.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Ransford Smith, *Miami*, '55,
Died January 5, 1895.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Thomas Bayless Ward, *Wabash*, '55,
Died December, 1891.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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Thomas Williams, *Miami*, '54,
Died November 11, 1894, at Stanford, New York.
In Coelo Quies Est.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES—CHAPTER GRAND.

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Dr. William Andrew Dixon, *Indianapolis*, '60, one of the charter members of Indiana Gamma, died at Ripley, Ohio, on June 24, 1899, of fatty degeneration of the heart. He was born June 7, 1835, near Ripley, Ohio, and reared on a farm. His preliminary education was obtained in the Ripley schools, from which he entered the sophomore class at Ohio Wesleyan University in 1856. Before completing his course he entered the law department of the Northwestern Christian University, at Indianapolis, and in the fall of 1859 helped to obtain a charter from Indiana Alpha, through the co-operation of J. B. Atkinson, *Indiana*, '57, who was then a young lawyer in the Hoosier capital. Bro. Dixon taught in Ripley in 1861-62, entered Jefferson Medical College late in 1862, and in 1863 became a contract surgeon in the army. His first service was in the field at Resaca, and he was with Sheridan's army on its Atlanta campaign. He remained on general hospital duty to the close of the war, when he finished his medical course at the Ohio Medical College; at Cincinnati. He practiced in Decatur, Ohio, from 1865 till 1874, and in Ripley during the rest of his life. He was active in all civic enterprises, being director of schools and councilman. He was a director of the Citizens' National Bank and vice-president of the Ripley Building and Loan Association. He was a ruling elder in the Presbyterian church, and stood high in Freemasonry. An active member of state and national medical associations, he was a progressive and es-

teemed member of his profession. His talents and character were of the highest type.

Dr. Dixon was married in 1862 to Miss Rebecca C. Devore, who died in 1893. Five children survive him.

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John Merrill Lee, *Kansas*, '98, died at Wichita, Kansas, on Friday, October 20, 1899, of pleuro-pneumonia and cerebral meningitis. The funeral was held at the home of his parents in Kansas City, Mo., on the following day. Bros. Walter Brooks, *Kansas*, '97, and Geo. H. English, Jr., *Missouri*, '97, were among the pall-bearers.

Bro. Lee was one of the most promising of the younger alumni of Kansas Alpha, being professor of mathematics in the Wichita high school at the time of his death. Our chapter and the fraternity at large have sustained a great loss in his accession to the ranks of the Chapter Grand.

He was born in Kansas City, Mo., January, 24, 1877, and after graduation from the high school



JOHN M. LEE, *Kansas*, '98.

there in 1894 entered the electrical engineering course at the University of Kansas the fall of the same year. His attendance at the university was marked throughout by brilliant class-work, universal popularity with his fellow students and

a conspicuous prominence in musical, athletic and oratorical lines. He was treasurer of the state oratorical association in 1895-96; vice-president of his class in his junior year; on the board of directors of the athletic association, 1896-97; on the *K. U. Weekly*, 1897-98; on the glee and mandolin clubs and college orchestra throughout his four years' course; on the editorial board of the senior annual, and class orator at commencement. His career in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was such as to endear him to every brother in the Bond, and his loyalty as an alumnus member was firm and enthusiastic.

WILL R. MURPHY.

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For the first time in the history of Indiana Delta, in the death of Jesse Lynch Holman, the chapter has suffered the loss of one its active members.

Bro. Holman was born November 21, 1877, being the grandson of Hon. Wm. S. Holman, '40, an honorary member of Indiana Delta. He was graduated from the high school of Aurora, Indiana, in 1896, after which he entered Franklin College in the fall. He was a member of the class of '00, was president of the Indiana state oratorical association and editor-in-chief of our college paper.



J. L. HOLMAN, *Franklin*, '00.

At the time of his death he was working on the United States geological survey, with which he had held a position for four years. He was drowned in the Merrimac river, near Cuba, Mis-

souri, September 7, 1899. As a student, Bro. Holman had no superior and few equals. He always took a great interest in the various phases of college life, in all of which he was recognized as a leader. No social affair was complete without his presence; there was no student assembly in which he was not an active participant. He had many of the characteristics

which constitute a great man. He often seemed to be of a reserved disposition, but when he chose to speak, it was with that firmness and positiveness which commanded the regard and respect of his most avowed opponents; his opinions were positive, his arguments well taken and his conclusions well warranted.

As a fraternity man he can not be replaced. He was ever willing and anxious to put forth the most strenuous efforts to uphold the honor and dignity of Phi Delta Theta.

INDIANA DELTA.

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Once more Indiana Alpha of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is called upon to mourn the loss of a beloved member. By the death of Professor Elmer Ellsworth Griffith we are bereft of one of our worthiest brothers.

We can not find words to express our sorrow that such a useful life should be blighted; we can only remember him as a type of true and noble manhood, a faithful worker, a loving brother, a sympathizing friend.

Our chapter life is hallowed by his memory; we mourn him, yet we rejoice that he has been our friend.

In this sad hour we extend to his bereaved family and friends our heartfelt sympathy.

FRANK H. MASTERS,
CHAS. M. DICKEY,
W. M. ALSOP,

February 17, 1900.

For Indiana Alpha.

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Samuel Livingston Overstreet, *Franklin*, '75, was born in Franklin, July 24, 1853. He became a Phi at Franklin College in 1874, leaving school to read law in his father's office. He became city attorney in 1880, having been married the year before to Miss Julia Rogers Kern, of Franklin. His wife died in 1881, and soon thereafter he moved to Medicine Lodge, Kansas, going to Oklahoma in 1889. At Guthrie he became the law partner of Congressman D. T. Flynn. He was register of the U. S. land office in 1892-93 and was appointed U. S. district attorney for Oklahoma in 1897. He died November 13, 1899, on the sleeper between Kansas City and Chicago. He was a brother of Congressman Overstreet, of Indianapolis, and one of the leaders of the Republicans of Oklahoma.

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Harry Hines Burke was born August 13, 1879. His early education was received in the public schools of Cincinnati. He entered the Walnut Hills high school, where he soon

developed into an all-round athlete. His love of athletics, however, did not prevent him from giving due attention to his studies. Bro. Burke was actively interested in all student enterprises.



H. H. BURKE, *Cincinnati*, '02.

In his sophomore year at the University of Cincinnati he was elected treasurer of his class, and by vote of the student body was chosen a member of the athletic council. He was elected by this body to serve as captain of the track team. In addition to these duties, Bro. Burke found time to pass with great credit a civil service examination.

He was beloved by all who knew him, and his death came as a personal loss to each one of his brothers.

Bro. Burke was the champion pole-vaulter of the university, and his death resulted from an injury to his spine, caused by a breaking pole in practice. Two weeks before his death he had purchased a Phi badge with his own hard-won earnings. On his death-bed he asked his mother to wear it for him. His only thoughts as he lingered were for his family and his fraternity.

It was at his request that members of his chapter acted as pall-bearers at the funeral. Ohio Theta attended in a body and performed the impressive burial service of the ritual. The following resolutions were adopted by the chapter:

WHEREAS, a deplorable accident has taken from us our beloved brother and friend, Harry Burke, be it

Resolved, That in his death the Phi Delta Theta fraternity has sustained a sad and grievous loss; That we, members of the Ohio Theta chapter, feeling keenly the loss of our dear brother and associate, desire to convey our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved parents and sisters; That we send a copy of these resolutions to the afflicted family; That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Ohio Theta chapter and be published in *THE SCROLL* and *The McMicken Review*.

OHIO THETA.

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Charles Church Couse died April 27, 1900, aged twenty-one years. His record all through his school life was one of excellence.

He held many offices the two years that he was in Allegheny, in his senior year being editor-in-chief of one of the college papers. He was probably the best debater in college last year. He won the inter-society debate during commencement week. His popularity and many friends were shown by the floral tributes to his memory. Bros. Soult, '99, Byers, ex-'01, Wolstoncroft, '01, Douglass, '01, Masters, '02, and Lampe, '03, served as active pall-bearers, and the rest of the chapter as honorary bearers. The chapter performed the burial service of the ritual at his grave.

Bro. Couse was a loyal Phi and an earnest worker for the advancement of the chapter and the fraternity.

R. H. M.

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It will be noticed, in the roll of the Chapter Grand, that a few of the dates are from years some time past. These have not been previously reported and are given now because they may be of value to future historians and catalogue editors. Some of the dates are incomplete, and in a few cases the place of death was not reported. We should like for any reader of THE SCROLL who can supply missing data to do so promptly. Any names which have been omitted from this year's roll would better be sent in now, and they will be on hand for the lists next June.

EDITORIAL.

THE academic year just closing has been a prosperous one for colleges and fraternities—unusually so. A wave of generosity and enthusiasm has carried college men and wealthy patrons of learning to higher loyalty and self-sacrifice than ever before. Scarcely a day passes without announcement of some princely gift to great universities, or some more modest bequest to colleges of less fame but of perhaps even greater influence on individual students. Freshman classes last fall were uniformly record breakers in size. State legislatures have been liberal to an unprecedented degree. College life, with all its peculiar phases and customs and speech, is more than ever in evidence on every hand. And all this means necessarily that college fraternities have prospered. A few weak chapters have died, but many more strong ones have been established or revived. Chapter houses are springing up on every hand, and improved methods of administration are making the vexed questions of chapter finances, of alumni interest, of other things once equally puzzling, much clearer than they used to be.

OUR own fraternity has had an abundant share of the year's successes. Some chapters that were causing us serious concern a year or two since are now leading all their rivals. Washington and Lee, for instance, who enrolled one man two years ago and but five the next session, had the largest chapter in the university this year and was conspicuous in every direction. Brown and Cornell have always been strong chapters, but their success the past year in rushing men and in securing individual honors of many kinds has been wonderful. All our Alpha province chapters are in the pink of condition; Columbia has gained in numbers and position and alumni support in splendid style; Lehigh and Lafayette have gone forward famously. The new houses at Dickinson and Pennsylvania speak for themselves. But it is useless, in a brief editorial paragraph, to undertake to cover the achievements of even all of Alpha province. The two new houses

in Theta province, and the two splendid chapters that hold them, must at least be mentioned. Minnesota has made remarkable progress; so have Mississippi, Texas, Kansas, Chicago. And the others, almost without exception, have held their own firmly in the face of intenser competition, closing the year in fine shape. There are perhaps eight or ten chapters that are running with by far too few members, but we have assurance from all of these except Tulane that a more aggressive campaign will be waged in the fall.

ON February 1, 1900, the total membership of the fraternity was 10,487. In the year ending on that day 475 men had been initiated, 28 more than in 1895, when we had five more chapters than at present. The number of active members and of Phi students not formally affiliated was 1,148 on February 1. The average number of members in each chapter was 16.5; of initiates, 7.4. Each of these figures breaks the record. Nine chapters were living in houses they owned (ten are today), and twenty-one rented homes. Since February, W. & J., Purdue and (just recently) Texas have brought the number of rented houses up to twenty-four and made the total thirty-four. It is now two years since a college charter has been granted or withdrawn. The number of alumni clubs is now 39; of college chapters, 64. Practically the only unfavorable item in the statistical summary on the last page of the May *Palladium* is that which records the number of degrees taken. Chapter historians are not wholly reliable in their reports on this point, but after due allowance is made for error, the fact is plain that the proportion of those who drop out of college before completing their course is much larger than it was ten years ago. This is not true of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ alone, but is regrettable none the less. One of the important questions to be asked about a new man is always—will he complete his course as a regular student?

WITH the class of '00 two hundred and fifty Phis terminate their active membership in the fraternity, and a number of underclassmen take temporary or permanent leave of ab-

sence from college life. Among these have been some of our most enthusiastic workers. The reader of the last four volumes of *THE SCROLL* can easily see that there will be vacant places in most chapters this fall that it will be almost impossible to fill. The underclassmen of this year's chapters should realize their responsibility in time and not let any department of chapter work suffer because the man who in past years has been a model treasurer, reporter, rusher or winner of honors, literary, athletic or social, is no longer on the ground. The Phis who are leaving should see that they keep in touch with the active chapter by correspondence with its members, and by an occasional visit, if possible. They should wear their badges constantly and become active members of an existing alumni club, or organize one. They should subscribe for *THE SCROLL* and send its editor clippings or other news of Phis or fraternities or colleges. They have it in their power, with little effort, to keep fresh and vital the memories, enthusiasm and ideals—that neglect will soon wither and kill.

OUR exhortation to wear the badge constantly applies to others than the new alumnus. Undergraduates, as well, especially those who travel this summer, should remember this. In Philadelphia, in Kansas City, in Paris, at the seashore, you are almost sure to meet Phis, and if the other Phi happens to have left his pin with his sister, or his sweetheart, or on his other waistcoat, yours will enable you both to make a delightful acquaintance. A fraternity badge will serve to introduce members of rival orders and is a pretty good recommendation, whatever we may say of our rivals in the heat of the spiking season next fall. At Kansas City look up Bro. Ferris or Bro. English, in the New York Life Building, and find out about all the local alumni, some of them doubtless from your own chapter. At Philadelphia call at the Phi chapter house, or on Dr. Radcliffe or President Moore. In Paris send your name and address to Bro. Lester B. Fulton, 20 avenue Rapp, and find if any Phis you know are at the exposition. Take a copy of this number of *THE*

SCROLL and of the May *Palladium* with you when you travel, and consult it for addresses. And whenever you leave a Phi thus met let it be with a promise to meet him again at Louisville in November.

THE next national convention is going to be the crowning event of the closing century, and the Phi who misses it will regret it ever after. The alumni of Louisville have been planning for two years how to entertain us as never was convention entertained before, and Louisville is past master as host of conventions. The alumni from as far away as Chicago, St. Louis and Cleveland are planning already to be present at least on Wednesday and Thursday. The chapters must be careful not to elect foot ball players or managers as delegates, for when the roll is called there must not be a single absentee. If you were at Columbus in 1898 there is no need of telling you why, whether delegate or not, you can not afford to miss a Phi convention, especially this one. If you were not there, mention the matter to some convention-goer and see what a torrent of eloquence you will turn loose. Louisville is easily accessible from all directions; Thanksgiving week is an excellent time to get away from business; for once we are going to have no constitution or ritual to wrestle with, and even the chairmen of committees will have full time for all their meals. We must all be there, especially the Phis who fought the late war. They are to organize at Louisville, remember!

ALL editors have their theories on the subject of rushing, and every chapter has its own peculiar way, which is determined sometimes by local custom and sometimes by the character of the chapter's best rusher. No chapter can afford to sacrifice dignity or honor to win a point or a man, but snobbishness is not dignity nor laziness honor. No man needs bringing to his senses more than the chronic objector who insists that men shall meet impossible requirements, requirements he could not fill himself, who insists he must know a new man thoroughly, and who will not try to

make his acquaintance. The chapter has no place for such an incubus. The chapter must insist that a man have character, breeding, ability and congeniality—all of them to a reasonable degree. It should look out especially for men with Phi relatives and for good men from the college town. These are almost always unusually valuable. The members of the rushing committee, and, indeed, most of the members of the chapter, should keep in touch with each other during the summer and exchange all news of importance and interest while it is fresh. Alumni who wish to recommend freshmen, or a member of one chapter who wishes to report to members of another, can perhaps do what they wish quickest by sending information and communications through the editor of *THE SCROLL*, though addresses can easily be obtained from chapter letters in this issue and from the list of initiates in the last *Palladium*.

BRO. Walter W. Case, president of Alpha province, has removed from Boston to Sault Ste. Marie, and he insists that he should resign at once. The general council has not yet decided whether to take him at his word and elect a successor for the next few months. A decision will soon be reached. Bro. Case has been a model province president, and the Boston alumni and Alpha province have suffered a great loss in his departure.

THE treasurer of the general council has just returned from a flying visit among the Virginia chapters. Bro. Ruby has been making calls in Epsilon province. Bro. Mitchell, who was quite a visitor during his province presidency, recently spent a few days with the Minnesota Phis. Such visits are very beneficial for the chapters, in brushing them up on ritualistic observances, promoting chapter houses and widening the chapter's horizon. They also give the general officers a much better understanding of local conditions.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

It was proposed to the student body at the beginning of this term that if in place of the five or six fraternity boarding clubs a common club should be substituted, the cost of board could be materially decreased and many students would be attracted to Colby who are now kept away by the high price of board. A canvass was made; but the majority of students preferred their fraternity clubs, and no new departure will be made at present. The new advisory system is to be tried here next fall. Each of the students is to be assigned to one of the members of the faculty, who shall act as his advisor in regard to his studies and his general moral and physical welfare.

Our musical clubs, which made a tour of the state during the spring vacation, were the best Colby has sent out for a number of years, and the trip was a most successful one from all points of view.

In the inter-collegiate debate we again lost to Bates. Colby put up a fine argument and caused the judges to disagree, a majority finally deciding in favor of Bates on delivery. Bro. Cox, '03, opened the argument for Colby and showed that with training he will prove a strong man in future debates.

Commencement will begin June 23. The fiftieth anniversary of Z Ψ occupies a prominent place on the program for the evening of June 26.

While victories do not seem to come our way, we are keeping the other Maine college base ball teams on the anxious seat. Our last game with Maine State was called one of the best amateur base ball games ever seen in the state. Bro. Teague in right field is playing a fine game. Bro. Drew is captain of the second nine.

Bros. Drew and Jones made the sophomore declamation, while Bros. Boyadjieff and Cox are on for the freshman reading. In the play given by the dramatic club Bro. Chipman received many compliments for his acting.

Maine Alpha is planning now for her annual reception, which occurs during the spring term. Our chapter numbers seventeen men. We shall lose four strong men this spring, but Bro. Glidden, ex-'98, will return in the fall, and will prove a valuable addition. With the number of men we have pledged there is every prospect of a good delegation when the college year opens.

Waterville, May 28, 1900.

WILL H. STURTEVANT.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The most recent advancement along scholastic lines made by Dartmouth is in the establishment of a graduate school of pedagogy. This department is open to men holding bachelors' degrees, and purposes to give a year of definite training to those who intend to undertake the work of teaching or management in secondary schools.

Another important innovation is the introduction of a summer school, which during the vacation season will offer courses of instruc-

tion to teachers. This school will be under the direction of the heads of the various departments.

The most significant social and athletic events of the spring term found expression in Dartmouth's contests with Brown during 'Brown week.' Besides the junior-prom. and the vaudeville show, there were held several fraternity dances. Dartmouth won the base ball game, but lost the debate and the dual track meet. An interesting item in connection with the latter event is the fact that 30 of the 135 points were won by Phis. During the week New Hampshire Alpha tendered an informal smoker to her brothers from Brown.

The Dartmouth tennis team, which competed in the recent inter-collegiate tournament in Boston, tied Brown and Bates for honors, though winning three of the six cups offered. The success of the team and of the newly-organized association is largely due to the efforts of its president, Bro. Balkam, '00.

Bro. Dixon, professor of economics, who married President Tucker's daughter on April 11, is now abroad, where he is studying in the British economic schools to prepare himself for his work as a member of the faculty of the Tuck School of Administration and Finance.

The chapter is progressing and has received numerous honors during the past two months. On the ball team, which thus far has lost to but two colleges of the ten played, we are represented by Bros. McCarty, '01, and Abbott, '02, who play third and second bases, respectively. On the reserves is Bro. Newell, '03. Bro. Decatur plays on the freshman team. On the track team, managed by Bro. Rich, '00, are Bros. Rollins, '01, Archibald, '02, and Lewers, '03. Bro. Archibald tied for second place in the pole vault at the Worcester meet, and won his 'D' by securing second place in the Brown meet. Lewers likewise distinguished himself by winning second in the one-mile run. Bro. Thayer, '01, has been elected leader of the glee club for next season. Bro. Banning, '02, has been appointed to the *Lit* board for the ensuing year. Bro. Wiley, '03, is one of the three men selected from his class to compete in the prize-speaking contest at commencement. The vaudeville show, conducted by Bro. Rich, included the services of Bros. Tirrell, '00, Thayer, '01, Sanhorn, '02, Banning, '02, and Guardineer, '03. Of the twenty commencement appointments Phis receive three. To Bro. Sanborn is assigned a disputation, while Bros. F. D. Sears and Norris receive dissertations.

The work accomplished by the chapter during the past year has been particularly gratifying. Interest in the chapter and the proposed house has continued throughout; and closer relations have been established with our alumni. The active members now number forty-one. Twelve of these are seniors, but four will continue work here next year in the Thayer school of engineering and in the medical college.

The chapter looks forward to the fall campaign and to next year's work with encouragement and determination, and with every hope of success.

KENDALL BANNING.

Hanover, May 28, 1900.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

A chapter letter to THE SCROLL without some mention of base ball would, I suppose, be an almost unheard of thing. For this reason, rather than from a burning enthusiasm over a brilliant string of victories, I suggest the topic. After an unsuccessful New York trip and a half dozen games on the home grounds the remainder of the schedule was cancelled and our team disbanded. An unfortunate combination of

raw cold weather, trouble between the two best pitchers, weakness in the management, and reluctance on the part of the student body to subscribe to a losing team, brought this about. Class base ball is being played in the series for the Dyer cup. Bro. Goodwin, '02, is captain of the sophomore team, and Bro. Brooks, '03, of the freshman.

Interest in tennis is keener than in some years with us. In the New England inter-collegiate tournament recently played on the Longwood courts, Vermont tied with M. I. T. for third place in the singles. In the doubles our team was drawn against the champion Bates pair in the first round, and was then defeated only after a close match. A tournament with Dartmouth will soon be held here.

Vermont Alpha is closing the year in a prosperous condition. The active chapter numbers twenty-four, of whom twenty will probably return next fall. In addition we have one pledged man whom we shall initiate before the close of the year. Our most successful rivals for the year have been $\Delta \Psi$ (local) and $\Sigma \Phi$. Both have strong chapters.

We regret to learn of the resignation of Bro. W. W. Case as president of Alpha province. Alpha province loses to Delta a noble Phi.

A few personals may not be out of place. Bro. Hahn, '03, has temporarily withdrawn from college and is in the employ of the Rutland-Canadian railroad contractors. Bros. Peck, '02, and Robbins, '03, have been chosen for the Kingsley speaking. Bro. Peck, '02, is manager of the basket ball team for next year. Bro. Morse, '01, will captain the 'varsity foot ball team next fall. Bro. Murray, '00, was playing a very clever game at center field when the 'varsity nine disbanded.

Burlington, May 29, 1900.

ALBERT FRANK UFFORD.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

At the last meeting of the trustees of the college Rev. H. S. Bliss, '82, of Montclair, N. J., was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. C. M. Lamson, and George A. Plimpton, '76, of New York city, was chosen to fill the place of Dr. R. S. Storrs, resigned. A new arrangement of the curriculum was adopted whereby five three-hour courses will be required in place of four four-hour courses, and all courses after the freshman year will be elective. Latin, but not Greek, will be required for the degree of B. A.

During the last year two members of the faculty have received calls from leading universities of the country, but have decided to remain in Amherst. Many minor improvements have been made about college, and the grand stand which was burned last fall has been rebuilt at a cost of about \$10,000.

The chapter held its annual banquet at Hitchcock Hall, May 15, and was glad to welcome Bros. Ross, of Williams, Holmes, of Brown, and Woolworth, of Union, besides several of its own alumni.

Bro. Marsh, '01, has been elected to $\Phi \beta \kappa$ on the first drawing, and Bro. Hurd, '00, has been chosen on the second drawing from his class, thus keeping unbroken our record of at least one member of $\Phi \beta \kappa$ in every delegation. Bro. Hurd has also been elected to the Hardy sixteen, from which the speakers in the Hardy debate will be chosen, and to the Hyde six for the annual Hyde oratorical exhibition. Bro. Hurd will also contest for the Bond prize on the commencement stage. Bro. Trevoy, '02, has been chosen on the Kellogg five of his class and will enter the prize-speaking contest at commencement time.

Bro. Klaer, '00, captain of the track team, won second in the half-mile at the Worcester meet and Bro. R. S. Phillips, '02, tied for sec-

ond in the pole vault. We are represented on the base ball team by Bro. Couch, '01, at center field, and Bro. Favour, '03, at first base. Bros. Klaer, '00, Wiggins, '01, and Phillips, '02, will contest in the triangular meet to be held on Pratt field, June 1.

Considerable money has been expended this term in refurnishing the smoking-room and the halls of the house. We have now thirty attendant members, Bro. H. W. Gladwin, '01, being dangerously ill at his home in Westfield, Mass.

Our most successful rivals this year have been $\Delta K E$ and ΨT .
Amherst, May 28, 1900. A. FOSTER HAMILTON.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The year soon to close finds Rhode Island Alpha in the best condition in years. We number thirty active members, of whom nine will be graduated in June. Preparations for commencement week are under way and will include definite efforts to complete the endowment fund, which still lacks \$200,000. Class day, June 15, will be celebrated as usual by the fraternities with spreads in the evening, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ having been allotted one of the best rooms on the campus. The baccalaureate sermon will probably be delivered by President Faunce.

The annual, *Liber Brunensis*, has appeared—a volume deserving great credit for those who contributed to its publication. Somewhat less bulky than in former years, the present number is especially excellent as an artistic production, the result, largely, of the work of three Phis: Bros. Stillman, Moseley and Frost. The newly-elected board of editors of the *Brown Daily Herald* includes Bro. Harvey, '01, editor-in-chief, and Bros. Frost, '01, Newcomb, '02, and Drew, '03. The $\Phi B K$ society has chosen, among others, Bros. Boynton and Hall.

The Brown week at Dartmouth, May 7-9, resulted in almost a complete triumph for Brown. After being defeated in base ball, our team won the debate under the captaincy of Bro. Hall, the track meet and the freshman base ball game. Rhode Island Alpha was represented at Hanover by ten Phis: Bros. Bass, Hall, White, Tuttle, Frost, Melendy, Washburn, Knowlton, Abbot and Sutherland.

At the New England inter-collegiate athletic meet, held at Worcester, Mass., May 19, Brown won second place. Bro. E. S. Tuttle was second in the 220-yard hurdle, and Bro. Melendy won a first in the 16-pound hammer throw and third in the discus throw. The board of directors of the Brown University athletic association has now two Phis as members: Bros. Harvey and Buxton.

On May 15 Bro. Jeremiah Holmes represented us at the banquet of Massachusetts Beta at Amherst. Another event of interest was the visit of Bro. Wilbur Morse, of Pennsylvania Zeta, now of Harvard, to our chapter on May 25. Bro. Morse gave an excellent exposition of the system of debating at Harvard.

The chapter has succeeded in so great a degree this year that we believe it to be in the best condition since its foundation, internally and in the college at large. It would be hard to say what fraternities have been our most successful rivals this year; we have been pitted against all the older ones, and have not suffered any defeats.

Providence, May 30, 1900. ARTHUR E. NORTON.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The class of '01 has just issued this year's *Cornellian*, and it is one of the best annuals Cornell has ever had, as was proven by its large sale: Within two days every copy of the first edition was sold. We are

very sorry that we neglected to get a number of them, but as soon as the next edition arrives we shall be able to exchange.

Our debate team was successful in the debate with Columbia. Through some disagreement our relations with Pennsylvania were broken off, leaving the series a tie, each having won three of the contests. A series of three debates has been arranged with Columbia, and this victory gives us a good start toward the series. We were glad that Bro. Ernst of Columbia paid us a short visit. He accompanied the debate team.

A university boat club has lately been organized and will be known as the Francis boat club, in honor of Charles S. Francis, the famous Cornell single-sculler. The lack of such a club, to stir up a larger interest in rowing, has long been felt. Already a great many have joined the club, and a race has been arranged with Syracuse on June 15. Bro. Fay, '01, was elected captain of the club and will attend to all arrangements for the race. Bro. Powley will row in the club crew against Syracuse.

The 'varsity and freshman crews are showing excellent form. Especially is this true of the freshman boat, and it has been decided to send the freshmen to Philadelphia to represent Cornell in the second 'varsity race to be held there on Decoration day. Again New York Alpha has two men rowing in the freshman boat: Bros. Frenzel and Hazlewood. For the past four years we have had two men in the freshman crew, and this is no small record at Cornell. The 'varsity is pulling well, but the general opinion is that it is not up to the standard of the '98 'varsity. There is still a month before the regatta at Poughkeepsie, and greater improvement may be expected. Bro. W. B. Kugler is stroking one of the four-oared crews.

Our record in base ball this spring has not been an enviable one. The team is composed chiefly of young, inexperienced players and has played in hard luck. In a game with Fordham, some weeks ago, Captain Bole wrenched the ligaments in his left knee and has been unable to play since. His absence is felt greatly.

The track team has defeated Syracuse and succeeded in winning $7\frac{1}{2}$ points in the inter-collegiate. On Decoration day the team meets Princeton at Elmira, and we hope to make a better showing than last year. Bro. Kinsey is a member of the team. He is Cornell's best pole vaulter.

The musical clubs have been working unusually hard all spring, owing to the fact that two concerts were scheduled for Ithaca. One was given the night before the Cornell-Princeton ball game. Both teams attended, and a very enthusiastic concert was given. A concert will be given soon at Wells College, and the usual one will be given senior week. A unique Cornell song book will soon be issued.

New York Alpha continues to get university honors. Bros. Fay and Morrison have been elected to the senior honorary society, Sphinx Head; Bro. Nell, '03, has won a place on the *Cornell Daily Sun* board by competition; Bro. C. B. Kugler, '03, has a place in the masque cast for the senior week play; Bro. Morrison, '01, won the '86 Memorial declamation contest; Bro. White, '00, was elected captain and Bro. Ihlder, '00, manager of the arts base ball team; Bro. Pellett, '01, was elected captain of the law school base ball team.

Senior week at Cornell is not far off. We who will return next year are beginning to feel regretful at losing our '00 men. We shall lose this year by graduation Bros. J. C. Short, C. W. Coit, I. C. Brown and J. W. Ihlder. A number of our alumni will be with us at commencement.

This year has been a most prosperous one for New York Alpha. We have had thirty-five active members, the largest chapter at Cornell, and with quantity, we have had quality as well. We have many rivals, but our most formidable are Δ K E and Ψ T.

We hope that all Phis knowing of men entering Cornell in the fall will send us their names and addresses when possible. Address the reporter during the summer at Pennsylvania and Vermont streets, Indianapolis, Indiana.

W. H. MORRISON, JR.

Ithaca, May 27, 1900.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter New York Beta has been obliged to move. The chapter house formerly occupied was desired by the owner for his personal use, and as our lease had expired we were unable to renew it. We were fortunate to get the house where we now are. It is a little nearer the college grounds than the other; it has larger rooms and is better arranged. Surrounding it is nearly one acre of ground, with a fine lawn, large shade trees and many fruit trees, all of which are very pleasant additions. Our address now is 759 Nott street, corner Van Vranken avenue.

With this last letter we bid farewell to the members of the class of '00. They have worked well for the college and the chapter, and New York Beta will miss them greatly. At our annual commencement, June 27, will be graduated Bros. Leland L. Boorn, Everett G. Brownell, John D. Edwards, LeRoy O. Ripley and Laforest G. Robinson. Of these Bros. Edwards and Ripley have stage appointments, and Bro. Edwards will probably receive a Φ B K key.

The spring athletic meet was held last week, and the team to represent Union at the inter-collegiate meet at Geneva, N. Y., will be selected from the winners. Our chapter will probably be represented by Bros. Boorn, '00, Shelley, '01, and Griffith, '02. In a triangular meet with the two local militia companies, Union won easily, and it is hoped that the wearers of the garnet may be as successful at Geneva. At the last college meeting Bro. Woolworth, '02, was elected assistant foot ball manager for 1900.

The base ball team, under Bro. Edwards' captaincy, has fulfilled so far our best hopes. They have won six out of eleven college games, and have a clean record of victories in the pennant race in the inter-collegiate league, winning from Hobart, 13-7; Rochester, 6-5; Colgate, 2-1. The latter game was the fastest game that has been played on the campus in many years. Bro. Grout plays third base, and Bro. Edwards is captain and plays right field and pitches.

The musical association had a very pleasant trip down the Hudson last month, closing with a concert in New York, which was a flattering success. The clubs have appeared since at Johnstown and Amsterdam, and will make their final appearance Tuesday night of commencement week. Bro. Barrett, '01, will be president of the association next year.

New York Beta wishes to remind all her alumni and the fraternity that the new year will soon be opening, and all who may know of desirable men who expect to enter Union this fall are requested to notify us.

G. LEROY SHELLEY.

Schenectady, May 27, 1900.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The past year has been one of progress for New York Epsilon as well as for the university. Our eight seniors who will leave us this year are Bros. Burnham, Gregory, Hagadorn, Lewis, Perry, Rulison, Smith and Waffle. Bro. Burnham will take graduate work at Harvard; Bros. Gregory and Perry will be in the city pursuing the course in the law school; Bro. Lewis will enter Drew Theological Seminary; Bro. Rulison has accepted a position as principal of the high school at Lysle, N. Y.; and Bro. Hagadorn will enter the Yale law school. While we shall miss this class from our chapter, still their places will soon be filled. With our delegation of twelve loyal men this year our chapter has been in fine working condition. We expect to return in the fall with twenty-one men. The prospects for the '04 delegation are most promising, as a very large entering class is expected.

In the department of mathematics Prof. E. D. Roe, Jr., '80, has been elected as associate professor. Prof. Roe is a very able man and will be a valuable addition to our faculty. Other additions to the teaching force will be announced at commencement time.

New homes are in process of construction for B Θ II and Δ Δ Δ. These will be occupied in the fall. The former is next door below our lodge and will be very much like it. Rumors are about that Δ K E will also build, but thus far nothing has been done.

The Syracuse representative was successful in winning the key argument in the inter-collegiate oratorical contest with Rochester and Union, held in this city on April 24. In the inter-collegiate debate with Dickinson at Carlisle, Pa., May 18, the Dickinson debaters were successful.

Syracuse had the honor of entertaining the sixty-seventh national convention of Ψ T, May 9-11. Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff, of New York, was the convention orator, and several other distinguished men were also present. In all the delegates and alumni in attendance numbered about fifty. The convention referred an application for a charter from the University of California to the chapters, while applications from McGill University and St. Stephens College were denied. From the standpoint of a Psi U. this convention was called one of the best ever held, but from the standpoint of a Phi we think it might compare favorably with one of our Alpha province conventions.

Base ball and track athletics have been of special interest this spring. The southern base ball trip was a very successful one. We won three games out of five, defeating Bucknell, Gettysburg and Dickinson. On the eastern trip we did not make as good a showing on account of the crippled condition of the team. We won from Amherst and the Amherst 'Aggies,' but lost to Williams and Wesleyan. The great triumph of the base ball season was the defeat we administered to Cornell (6-1). The same day that we defeated Cornell our track team won the mile relay race at Philadelphia, and Prinstein established a new record in the broad jump, placing the new mark at 24 feet, 7½ inches. Bro. Scrafford was one of the four in the relay team, and Bro. House does the star work at third for the base ball team.

At the Mott Haven games last Friday and Saturday Bro. Scrafford again distinguished himself and brought honor to New York Epsilon by winning a point in the half-mile run and thus doing his share toward keeping Syracuse in fifth position.

We have received pleasant calls from Bros. Lipes, ex-'01, Reddick,

'99, Fenner, ex-'99, King, ex-'00, Kinney, ex-'00, Whitfield, ex-'94, Sanford, '92, and Simpson, ex-'01. CLAUDE M. MARRIOTT.
Syracuse, May 28, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

The college year, which is drawing rapidly to a close, has in many ways been one of marked advancement. The standard of the college has been raised by additions to many of the departments; the chapel has been adorned with the handsome pipe organ which was presented by the class of '74; the tasteful and complete Van Wickle Memorial Library will be dedicated on Memorial day; the work on the dormitories is almost half completed, and it is intended to go on with other needed improvements.

The last commencement of the closing century promises to be of unusual interest. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will be represented on class day by Bro. Bray, master of ceremonies, Bro. Hubley, chairman of the invitation committee, and Bro. Hultgren, chairman of the music committee. The graduation honors have not yet been announced, but we fully expect to be represented in those also. The annual dramatic performance, which has always been one of the most interesting features of commencement week, had to be given up this year on account of the remodeling of the opera house. It has not yet been decided what shall take its place.

The base ball season has been a disastrous one for us, notwithstanding the great effort of Bro. Hubley to make it successful. Bro. Hubley has done all that any one could under the circumstances, and deserves much credit for the way he has captained the team. One of the curious incidents was our defeat by Yale, while we defeated Lehigh, who won from Yale. Bro. Roper has won his 'L' by his good work on the track, Bro. Trout also winning some distinction. Bro. Myers is manager of the sophomore team and has done good work.

A pleasant social event of considerable interest in the college was the junior hop held on April 17. Another affair looked forward to by the junior class in particular and the college in general is the annual oratorical contest between the two literary societies. This took place last evening, and the large auditorium was well filled. It was the closest contest that has been held for a number of years. The first prize was won by a non-fraternity man, and your reporter came in second. There were eight contestants.

On April 7 the Gamma Epsilon Chapter of the $\Sigma \eta$ fraternity was organized here. This increases to ten the number of fraternities represented here. The $\Sigma \chi$ men, who are very strong in local alumni, including several wealthy men, have built a lodge near the campus and will dedicate it June 18. One of the conditions on which they were permitted to revive the chapter was that they must build a house of some sort. The lodge they have erected is of stone, presenting a neat appearance. The increase in the number of fraternities will make the rivalry greater next year, of course, but these two new chapters will have a hard time of it until they get a better class of men at the head of their affairs. Both were organized after the best men from all the classes had been selected. By its desire for honors the $\Phi \kappa \Psi$ fraternity, which has heretofore been our most successful rival, has overstepped the bounds, and has been turned down on every hand. $\Delta \kappa \epsilon$ and $\Delta \tau$, on the other hand, have by careful and earnest work built up their chapters and will be our real rivals next fall.

In our own chapter there has been a wonderful improvement, and

we stand today in many ways superior to any other fraternity in college. The rushing season for us is not over for this year, as two men have been recently pledged. Work for the coming year is being systematically organized, and by the help of our alumni we have our eyes on several men who will be here next fall. There is a spirit of carefulness in selecting men which, not having developed into conservatism, is a very healthy sign. Our banquet this year will be again held at the Sun Inn, Bethlehem, Pa., on June 18. Considerable effort has been made to make it pleasant for our alumni, and to have as many of them come as possible. Several Phi brothers among our own alumni and from other chapters called on us lately.

I desire to commend the spirit of hospitality which is so marked in our Dickinson chapter. It was my good fortune to be a delegate to the college Y. M. C. A. presidents' conference, held at Carlisle. While there I was entertained in a royal manner by the chapter, and came home feeling that I had learned something about the meaning of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ which was entirely new. The comfortable home they have arouses the spirit of fraternity, and makes those of us who are yet without houses feel a little homesick.

With this letter my duties as reporter cease. The task has been a delightful one. I heartily commend my able successor, Bro. W. M. Smith. His summer address will be Port Deposit, Md., and he will be glad to receive there any communications regarding men who are intending to enter Lafayette, or other fraternity news.

Easton, May 29, 1900.

WILLIAM C. ISETT.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The year just drawing to a close has been one of progress at Gettysburg. It has been characterized by an unusually good feeling between the faculty and students.

Commencement will be held during the week beginning June 10. Pennsylvania Beta is represented in the graduating class by Bros. Carver and Markel. Both are among the ten honor men, and both have been chosen speakers for commencement day. Bro. Carver will probably enter Johns Hopkins next fall, while Bro. Markel expects to enter the U. of P. medical school.

Our base ball record for the first half of the season has been a disappointment. There has been a noted improvement, however, among the players, and we hope to win most of the remaining games.

The dual track meet between Gettysburg and Dickinson took place on May 16, and resulted in an easy victory for the latter. The annual inter-class meet will be held on Monday of commencement week.

Tennis is receiving quite a little attention just now. An inter-collegiate tournament has been arranged. The inter-fraternity tournament will take place during the next two weeks. Pennsylvania Beta will probably be represented by Bros. Carver and Philson.

The *Spectrum*, the annual published by the junior class, has just been issued. Two Phis are members of the staff.

The junior banquet was held at the Eagle Hotel on May 18. Bro. Heintzelman was chairman of the committee in charge.

The chapter feels encouraged by her progress during the present college year. We returned last fall with but six men, but by hard and steady work we succeeded in initiating five more, thus increasing our chapter roll to eleven. We expect to begin the next year with nine members, and since we already have several men in view and are

making every effort to get a lead on the new comers, we hope to be able to give a good account of ourselves when the rushing season is over. The chapter house has been a great help to us in many ways.

The strength of the different fraternities at Gettysburg, in the order of establishment, at present is as follows: $\Phi K \Psi$, 8; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 17; ΣX , 10; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 11; $A T \Omega$, 9; $\Sigma A E$, 9. There is also a chapter of $\Theta N E$ in college, in spite of strong opposition on the part of the college authorities. It has a membership of about thirty-five. Our most successful rival is $\Phi K \Psi$. The relations between the different fraternities during the year have been of the most pleasant nature.

The annual Pan-Hellenic assembly will this year occur on Thursday, June 7, and promises to be the crowning social event of the year.

As was mentioned in our April letter, Pennsylvania Beta will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the chapter during the coming commencement week. The annual banquet will this year be held at the Eagle Hotel on Tuesday evening, June 12. The anniversary exercises will be held in the chapter house on Wednesday afternoon, June 13. Considering the fact that there will be quite a number of class reunions, we expect a large delegation of our alumni.

During the past month the chapter was honored by visits from Bros. Cook, '95, Friday, '97, Kain, '97, Frantz, *Roanoke*, House, *Syracuse*, and Hamblin, *Dickinson*.

HIRAM H. KELLER.

Gettysburg, May 25, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have entered and are now comfortably established in our new home. One of the most successful and enjoyable events of the season in college and social circles was the house warming given by the chapter. The affair was attended by about seventy-five invited guests, and the rooms of the house were thrown open for general inspection. Bros. A. A. Carline, T. C. Duff and A. E. Sloan were on the reception committee. Representatives from other fraternities of the college were present as our guests. Washington society was well represented among the guests of honor. During the evening dainty refreshments were served in the smoking-room, which was artistically decorated, red and black, the college colors, predominating in pleasing effects. In addition to the representatives from other fraternities and the young ladies, who were special guests of the fraternity men, President James D. Moffat, Prof. Weyer and Prof. McClelland were present from the college. Prof. Weyer is a Phi from Wisconsin, and Prof. McClelland is an alumnus of our own chapter.

Our chapter now has twenty-one active members and is in a flourishing condition. We landed every man we went after during the last rushing season and have no hesitancy in claiming first place at W. and J. Next to us the most successful in rushing have been $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ and $B \Theta \Pi$. We have three men among this year's graduates, Bros. Core, Carline and Brown.

Bro. Shallenberger has presented the chapter with a large mastiff. It is perhaps the largest dog in town and attracts a great deal of attention.

Bro. Ralston was elected declaimer to represent the P. and U. literary society in their annual contest with F. and M. Bro. Lindsay, the giant guard on last year's sophomore team, will likely be found in the same position on the 'varsity next fall. Bro. Metz is training hard for the inter-collegiate bicycle races. Bro. Sloan now holds a place on the college glee club in addition to that he held on the banjo

club. Bro. Hamilton has been playing right field on his class team. Bro. Libby has made numerous sketches for the college annual. Bro. Mellor is a fine pianist and has given several recitals. Bro. Foster, captain of the freshman track team, was largely instrumental in bringing victory to his class in the late inter-class contest.

Bro. Goldthorpe contemplates a trip to Japan which will take him out of college for a year.

WILLIAM E. RALSTON.

Washington, May 26, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The year now drawing to a close has been a successful one for the college and for our chapter. We began the year with eight men and now have thirteen active and four pledged members. The last man to put on the pledge button was John S. Ekey, of Pittsburgh. Our most successful rivals this year have been $\Phi K \Psi$ and $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$.

This year the senior-sophomore banquet was given in town, and it was so secretly arranged that the juniors and freshmen did not learn of the fact until it was too late to stop it. Bro. Bird, '02, was our representative on the toast list. On April 18 the fraternities held their annual Pan-Hellenic banquet. Bros. Womer, '00, and Bird, '02, represented us on the toast list. Bro. Wolstoncroft, '02, is president of the Pan-Hellenic association. This year's banquet was pronounced by all the most successful one held for years.

On May 5 the sororities gave their 'Pan-Heavenly' banquet, and we are told that theirs was as great a success as that of their brother Greeks.

The athletic election of this term was the most hotly contested one ever held in college. The first election resulted in a tie for foot ball manager, but at the second election Bro. Griffith was chosen.

This year the junior class gave the seniors a reception. This is the first time that such a thing has been done here, and it is hoped that it is the beginning of an annual custom.

President Crawford has been absent the entire month, attending the general M. E. conference being held in Chicago.

The '00 *Kaldron* will soon make its appearance, and it is expected that this number will be unusually good.

Our chapter has been entertained several times by one of our town friends, Mrs. Skelton. She certainly has proved herself a loyal friend of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and is continually working for our interests.

The tennis tournament which is soon to be held is now attracting our attention. Our chapter has secured a new court which is considered one of the best in town. We shall be represented in the tournament by Bros. Griffith, Masters, Merrill and Wolstoncroft.

This afternoon the annual field meet was held, and our chapter carried off eight 'firsts' out of a possible thirteen. Bro. Masters won three, Bros. Allen and Wolstoncroft two each and Bro. Lampe one. Some seconds and thirds were added to our list of points. Bros. Merrill and Skelton also represented us.

This term we have had visits from Bros. Byers, ex-'01, Oakes, '99, and Sout, '99, and are expecting a visit from Bro. Case, our province president.

On April 27 Bro. Charles Church Couse, '99, died at his home in Greenville, Pa. The chapter attended the funeral in a body and performed the ritualistic service at the grave.

ROGER H. MOTTEN.

Meadville, May 28, 1900.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

At a recent meeting of the trustees of the college it was decided that Dickinson should have a new dormitory. For two or three years the present dormitories have not been sufficiently large to accommodate all the students. The recent catalogue states that 140 men are rooming out in town. The new building is to occupy a corner on the east side of the campus, and it is to have all modern improvements. Ground will be broken during commencement week and work will then be begun.

So far this season Dickinson has been very successful on the diamond. We have only two defeats, seven victories and three tie games, which were called in the early innings on account of rain.

The Indians joined us in our spring sports and came near beating us. We only won by two points. Bros. Appleman and Everhart represented $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. At the relay races at University of Pennsylvania we were beaten by Bucknell. Bro. Everhart represented us on that occasion. Many of the boys in the chapter were in attendance at the races and were royally entertained by Pennsylvania Zeta. All spoke well of the new Phi house and of the chapter. We recently won from Gettysburg both the tennis tournament and track meet.

Again I must record a victory for our debating team. This time the victim was Syracuse. We won from them on May 18. The question debated was: 'Resolved, That the A. B. degree be given on completion of all full, four-year courses in colleges of liberal arts.' Bro. Presby was leader of the Dickinson team. We upheld the affirmative.

During the past week the sophomore and freshman oratorical contests have taken place. We have been well represented in them.

We recently initiated William D. Burkey, '02, of Hamburg, Pa. For two years Bro. Burkey has played in the college orchestra, and is now its leader. In him we have a man who will bring honor to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and Pennsylvania Epsilon.

Bro. Smucker has been made chairman of the junior promenade committee. This affair always takes place in commencement week.

Bro. Presby, '01, was recently elected editor-in-chief of the *Dickinsonian*. Previous to his election he served as associate editor.

During April the Y. M. C. A. convention was held here. It was a meeting of the presidents of the college associations in Pennsylvania. At that time we had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. Isett of Pennsylvania Alpha, Bro. Hooper, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '98, and Bro. Soper, *Pennsylvania*, '98, who is secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for Pennsylvania colleges. We gathered many valuable suggestions from our visiting brothers.

The province convention of $\Sigma \Delta \epsilon$ was held here in April. The convention was in session four days. On May 1 they gave a german, at which we were represented by Bros. Brubaker and Sterrett.

Since our last letter the class of '03 has given its first banquet. The freshmen quietly slipped away in the early dawn and went to Chambersburg. The sophomores were outwitted and very much chagrined.

We have been pleased to entertain recently Bros. Straub, *Lehigh*, '97, Booker, *Dickinson*, '95, House, *Syracuse*, Floto and Bickel, *Gettysburg*, and Eckels, *Gettysburg*, '95. All this who may happen to be in Carlisle will always find a hearty welcome from our chapter.

We have noted through the circular letters we have received the strength of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in the colleges in which we have chapters. It is always a pleasure to see our fraternity go to the front in all things.

In this our closing letter of the year we wish to remind the frater-



By Gustaf G. Lundberg

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THE DICKINSON CHAPTER AND ITS FRATERS IN FACULTATE.

nity members that we are always glad to receive information of any desirable man who contemplates entering Dickinson. Any information received will be carefully considered.

During the past year our two most successful rivals have been $\Phi K \Psi$ and $B \Theta II$.

Carlisle, May 25, 1900.

JAMES TILGHMAN EARLE.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

This has been a most successful year for Pennsylvania Eta. Our new house ranks among the finest, and the good resulting from its location is already felt. The chapter now numbers eleven, with good prospects of securing several more before the term closes. We shall lose three men by graduation this year: Bros. A. T. Brice, E. E., and J. J. Brice, C. E., of New York city, and W. B. Grubbe, C. E., Pine Plains, N. Y. They have been of great help to the chapter, and their loss will be keenly felt.

The lacrosse season closed on May 26, with a victory over Stevens, giving us second place in the inter-collegiate lacrosse association. The base ball season thus far has been fairly successful, Yale being one of our victims.

Prof. W. S. Franklin, *Kansas*, '87, was one of the Lehigh eclipse party which was located at Ahoskie, North Carolina. Bros. R. M. Straub, '99, and H. A. Straub, ex-'01, of Pittsburg, spent some days with us on their way to Europe. Bros. D. W. Bliem, '96, of Baltimore, Md., and B. F. Bossert, '97, of Phoenixville, were with us recently.

As we are endeavoring to bring our number up to the full quota, we would earnestly request any of the alumni who know of a desirable man coming to Lehigh to inform us as early as possible.

South Bethlehem, May 30, 1900.

SAM T. HARLEMAN.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Virginia Gamma will soon have finished a very successful session. The chapter numbers eight, three of whom are seniors. Most of the Phis are prominent in college life and have more than their share of honors. There are four other fraternities in college, numbering: $\Phi K \Sigma$, 10; ΣX , 8; $K \Sigma$, 9; $K A$, 8.

At a meeting of a committee appointed from the trustees, Mr. T. M. Jones, of Emory and Henry College, was recommended to fill the chair that will be left vacant by the resignation of D. B. Easter, professor of Greek and German. Mr. Jones is an alumnus of Randolph-Macon and is an excellent man for the place. Professor Easter intends to pursue graduate work at Johns-Hopkins.

Randolph-Macon is justly proud of her base ball team. It is perhaps the best that she has ever put in the field. From the beginning to the end of the season there has been an almost unbroken series of victories. We easily won the championship of the eastern section of the Virginia collegiate league, but were defeated by the University of Virginia for the championship of the state by a score of 8 to 5. Our prospects for next year's athletics are also very encouraging. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is represented on this year's team by Bro. Lavinder, second base and substitute captain, and Bro. G. Peatross in left field.

At the last state inter-collegiate oratorical contest, which was held

at Washington and Lee University, J. W. Shackford of Randolph-Macon was the medalist. Randolph-Macon is exceedingly proud of the honor.

Bro. Copenhaver has been elected manager of the foot ball team for next session. Bros. Sanders and Copenhaver have been elected to the board of directors of the *Monthly* for 1900-01.

On May 20 we were pleased to have with us Bro. J. B. McCabe, judge of the county court, Loudoun county, Va. Judge McCabe is one of Virginia Gamma's charter members. Bro. M. P. Rucker, '99, also paid us a short visit several weeks ago.

Ashland, May 26, 1900.

W. P. CARTER.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

The all-absorbing feature of our spring term has been the work of the base ball team. The season has been in every respect a success. Out of a total of ten games we have lost only three. Among the star players Bro. Bagley behind the bat has won many laurels.

Washington and Lee recently received an endowment of \$100,000 from the estate of Judge Bradford, of Philadelphia. A collection of handsome paintings and a valuable law library were included in the bequest. The endowment will be used for the benefit of the law department. Mr. Herbert Welsh, of Philadelphia, editor of *City and State*, has undertaken to raise another \$100,000 for the academic department.

The Tucker memorial hall has been completed and will be dedicated during commencement week. It is one of the handsomest law school buildings in the south.

Bro. Graybill has recently been elected president of the Y. M. C. A. Bro. Keeble will be coxswain of the Albert-Sidney boat crew in the coming race. Bro. J. W. Marshall is a member of the executive committee of the athletic association. Bro. Keeble will be editor-in-chief of the *Southern Collegian* next session.

Lexington, May 28, 1900.

H. R. KEEBLE.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

All regular college work for the spring term has ceased, and the students are now in the midst of their examinations for the close of the collegiate year. From the academic side of things, this has been a very satisfactory year, and the university as a whole has made decided progress in educational lines. The students individually have been energetic and have won many honors for the institution.

In inter-collegiate debate we have won over our competitors, defeating Georgia at Chapel Hill, and Vanderbilt at Nashville.

In base ball and track athletics we have won distinction also. We have made a clean record in base ball against both southern and northern institutions of high athletic rank. In the inter-collegiate track meet of North Carolina in April we won the silver cup for winning the most points on the track and in field sports.

Φ Δ Θ will lose three men by graduation in June, but some of these will return for higher work in the university in the fall term.

We have fitted ourselves up in a suite of rooms on Main street, and though we have only five men 'on the Hill' now, we will retain our apartments until the rushing season in September.

The university has added to its courses of study a course of three

months during the summer. This opens up a new field for fraternity possibilities and growth, as well as otherwise for the institution.

Chapel Hill, May 24, 1900.

I. F. HARRIS.

KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

Since our last letter Kentucky Alpha has initiated Bro. Chester Gourley, of the freshman class.

The base ball season is now in full swing, and Centre has made a record of which she may well be proud, for she has not lost a single game. The University of Indiana and Miami are among the vanquished. On the University of Indiana's base ball team all the bases were covered by Phi—Bro. Alsop playing at first, Bro. Hoover at second, and Bro. Shaw at third. Miami had one Phi on her team, Bro. McDill, who played second base, and one pledged man, Mr. Williamson, who was catcher.

Bro. Di Ingram, who is in business in Lexington, Ky., was here for a short visit a few days ago. Bro. Lyle, who has been attending school in Washington city for the past year, will return home for commencement and will be an active member of our chapter next year.

There are three other fraternities at Centre College; Θ Π Π and κ Λ have about sixteen men each, and Σ X has eight.

Kentucky Alpha has only one member to be graduated this year, Bro. Jerry Caldwell, Jr., and as we have two juniors, three sophomores and four freshmen, we have very bright prospects for next fall.

Danville, May 22, 1900.

HENRY SANDIFER, JR.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

We have initiated Bro. Fielding Glass Gordon since our last letter, but he has just left school to prepare for an eastern trip.

We are at present in the midst of our series of base ball games with Sewanee, in which Bros. Palmer and Walden have been pitted against each other. At Sewanee we broke even, each team winning a game. Our stay on the mountain was very pleasant. At both Sewanee and Mississippi our chapters entertained us with informal spreads, which were very much enjoyed.

Next fall we shall probably lose only four men, and should return a strong chapter. Bros. Hardy, Carlisle, Pilcher, Crider, Foster and Underwood will be graduated, but some of them will return to take professional courses. Bro. Underwood was nominated by the town faction the other day to represent them in the 'bachelor of ugliness' contest. This is a distinct honor, and falls only to the most popular man. Bro. Hardy is business manager of our annual, the *Comet*.

Negotiations are now on foot between Vanderbilt and Virginia for a game of foot ball in Louisville at the time of the national convention. It is to be hoped that this arrangement can be completed.

Nashville, May 28, 1900.

GRANTLAND RICE.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Only two men have been initiated this term, but both are enthusiastic and will make good Phis. They are Bros. James R. Williams and George Finley. We have captured our full share of college honors, and stand a splendid chance of getting our full quota of the new students who enter the university in August.

Quite a number of improvements have been made to the chapter's property, including the thorough repairing and refurnishing of our pool room. The pool table has also undergone extensive repairs and is now in fine condition. Bro. Mitchel is business manager of our annual, the *Cap and Gown*. Bro. Blount is president of the Pi Omega literary society. Bro. Hudson is secretary of the senior german club. Bro. Wilson is secretary of the junior german club, of which Bro. Kirby-Smith is treasurer. Bro. L. M. Williams is on the *Purple* staff, is secretary of the law club and vice-president of the athletic association, while Bros. Walden and Wilson represent us on the nine.

Bro. Walden has been making a reputation for himself in the pitching line, which is equaled by few college pitchers. He has, in the last six days, pitched four games, and hard ones at that, and succeeded in winning two of them, the second and the fourth. Our base ball team has been playing good ball this season, and now has an average of .636, which average, considering the fact that all the games have been pitched by one man, is very good. Tennessee Beta was delighted to entertain her brothers who were playing on the Vanderbilt team.

The new grammar school dormitory, which is being erected on University avenue, will be one of the prettiest buildings in Sewanee. It is 40x205 feet, three stories high, and is of Sewanee sand-stone.

Our total membership up to date is fourteen, which is slightly below the average here. $\Lambda \Gamma \Omega$ and $\Sigma \Lambda \Theta$ have been our most successful rivals this term, as, in fact, they always have been. Next term, however, we do not expect or intend to acknowledge any rivals.

Final examinations begin during the second week of July and continue until August 2, at which date our commencement holidays start. Trinity term opens on August 12 and runs until December 18. The attendance is large this year and promises to be even larger in the Trinity term. The medical department will contain about 200 students, an increase of fifty over last year.

Sewanee, May 28, 1900.

LAWRENCE M. WILLIAMS.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

During the month of April we lost three of our members, Bro. W. B. Cheatham, Jr., being called home on account of the serious illness of his mother, and Bro. A. C. Rucker, on account of the death of his brother, while Bro. J. C. Newsom, Jr., left to go into business.

On April 20, the Thaliens, the dramatic club of the university, gave their annual performance. Georgia Alpha was represented by Bro. E. P. Shannon, president, and Bros. E. W. Young, W. H. Young and W. S. Blun. Bro. Blun took the leading part in the farce-comedy, 'Lend Me Five Shillings.' The performance was a signal success.

Last Saturday the 'varsity defeated Mercer by a score of 4 to 1. It was the closing game of the season. Bro. Whitfield played an errorless game at third base. On April 27 and 28 we split even with North Carolina, losing one game, 9 to 4, and winning the other, 7 to 6.

Our two most successful rivals during the past year have been $X \Phi$ and $\Sigma \Lambda \Theta$. Phi Delta Theta has held her own with these fraternities, and honors have been about even. Owing to the loss of eight men from the chapter since Christmas, due to providential causes, our membership has been reduced to twelve.

Bro. B. D. Watkins is to represent us at the convention in Louisville

next November, Bro. C. H. Whitfield being alternate. Bro. M. M. Thurman is corresponding secretary for the summer. Our members throughout the state will report to him the names of any desirable men who will probably enter the university next fall. Bro. Thurman's address will be Barnesville, Ga.

In the appointments of officers in the corps of cadets Bro. H. J. Lamar, Jr., was made sergeant and Bros. G. W. Legwen and C. H. Whitfield corporals. These were the only men that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ had eligible.

The coming commencement promises to eclipse all former ones in the number of its visitors and attractions. About twelve class reunions are to be held, going back as far as 1847. Among the visitors will be many prominent Phi alumni. Socially we shall be well represented by a number of Phi girls. We take this opportunity to state that our chapter house will be open to all Phis.

Athens, May 28, 1900.

W. STAFFORD BLUN.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Georgia Beta is now nearing the close of one of the most prosperous years in her history. Under the management of Bro. Wood our club house has been most successfully conducted, and in his graduation this year the chapter sustains a serious loss, but with Bro. I. S. Hopkins, Jr., as manager for next year we feel that our success is assured. Bro. Hopkins would have been graduated in this year's class had not ill health forced him to drop out of school this term. It is with pride that we announce the securing of the handsomest residence in Oxford for a club house next year. It is the home of ex-state treasurer R. U. Hardeman. The securing of this place marks the realization of a hope which the chapter has long cherished, for without a doubt this will be one of the finest chapter houses in the south. It is valued at \$10,000, is built in modern style and contains ten large rooms. Besides the house there is a cottage of two rooms on the same lawn which we will use. The place could not be more desirably located, being directly on the car line and only a block distant from both post office and campus. It is our purpose to have a cut and description of our new home in *THE SCROLL* as soon as possible.

In speakers' places this year, as usual, we defeated all rivals, securing eleven. The annual contest for Emory's representative to the Georgia college oratorical contest, to occur next November in Atlanta, took place in the college chapel this morning. Bro. A. C. Broom was chosen as alternate for this position. Bro. Broom was recently elected exchange editor of the college monthly, *The Phoenix*.

We lose by graduation this year Bros. Wood, Crittenden, Tindall, Houser and Branham; it is to these loyal brothers that much credit is due for the present prosperous condition of the chapter, and their presence and counsel next year will be greatly missed. Our commencement exercises begin on June 8. It is at this time, of all others, that Oxford is alive socially, and as usual $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will have her share in all the social functions. We are arranging for an elaborate reception at our club house on the evening of June 11, when we expect to have as guests a good many of our alumni and brothers from our other Georgia chapters.

All indications point to a bright opening for Georgia Beta next fall. Our two most successful rivals, $\Xi \Lambda$ and $\chi \Phi$, will each lose by graduation about nine men, and with our return of about fourteen men and our removal into such elegant quarters, we see no reason why next

year may not be even more successful than the present one. Bro. Walter D. Domingos will be our reporter next year. His address is Bainbridge, Ga. The chapter has received pleasant visits from Bros. John M. Poer, '95, and Marvin Williams, '94.
Oxford, May 19, 1900.

GUYTON PARKS.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

As this year draws to a close we are able to report that our chapter has better prospects than for many years past. Our members stand well in their classes, take especial interest in the literary societies and are prominent in all lines of college athletics.

Bros. Forman, White and McQueen represent us on this year's base ball team. Our nine has met some of the strongest teams that compose the southern association, and we feel justly proud of our record, having won seven out of the twelve games played. Our last series of games will be played with Sewanee during commencement week.

To show our interest in literary work I mention the fact that three of our members contested for a place in the gulf states oratorical association. The medal was won this year by Alabama.

Bro. Brown has held the presidency and Bro. Catchings the vice-presidency of the Erosophic society for the last six months; Bro. Montgomery has been elected vice-president for the first term of next year.

Our banquet and hop, given in honor of our alumni, will be held on the evening of June 15.

The university has never been in a more flourishing condition, and the attendance this year has reached its maximum since the war. The new catalogue shows an enrollment of 401 students, 253 in the academic department and 148 in the medical school, at Mobile.

Our session opens next year on the second Wednesday in September, not on the first Wednesday in October as formerly, and closes the first Wednesday in June.

The committee on annual letter promises to issue one by the beginning of the next session, if not before.

Financially we are in tip top shape, and see no reason for ever again getting in debt. Out of twenty-three members we shall have sixteen to return in the fall.

C. A. BROWN.

University, May 27, 1900.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The year just closing has been very successful for Ohio Alpha. The chapter has taken an active part in all college affairs, having three commissioned and two non-commissioned officers in the cadet battalion, and being well represented on the base ball and track teams.

We have three new pledges, of whom we are very proud. Bro. Flower, however, recently left us to accept a position in Cincinnati.

We hope to be in a chapter house next year. With all our old men back, excepting Bro. Hughey, who will be graduated, we shall be ready to do good work for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in the fall.

C. M. HENDRICKS.

Oxford, May 28, 1900.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Commencement, on June 14, will mark the close of one of the most successful years in the history of the university and of Ohio Beta. O. W. U. has been victorious in oratory and debate. Ohio Beta has been prominent in college honors, athletics and society, and has had little trouble in pledging the men she spiked.

Athletics have improved greatly, and our base ball team has made an excellent showing, considering the lack of interest and support on the part of students and faculty. Several important steps have recently been taken, however, toward deepening the interest and encouraging general athletics. Field day, the only one in years, was held and was a complete success. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was represented by Bros. Skeel, McKellip and Edwards, who together made six first places, one second and one third in a schedule of twelve events. Bro. Skeel secured four first places, thereby winning the gold medal for best all-round athlete. Bro. Edwards, having secured two firsts, one second, and one third, won second place.

On the ball team our men have played excellent individual ball. They are Lowther, pitcher, Rendrick, third base, and Pyle, center field. Bro. Ewing is captain of next season's foot ball team. Our fraternity nine is champion of the inter-fraternity league and the strongest in school, next to the 'varsity.

In the annual oratorical contest of the under-classmen's literary societies Bro. Edwards secured first place and W. M. Whitney (pledged) second.

At the junior-senior banquet, Bro. Pyle will respond to the toast, 'The Girls of Noughty-nought—Our Seniors.'

Ohio Beta entertained in honor of her friends on Saturday evening, April 21. The roomy apartments were beautifully decorated in oriental draperies, Phi colors, palms, evergreens, ferns and cut flowers; there were cozy corners, wall seats and skeleton effects. The cozy corners were decorated to represent different characteristic phases of local college life. About sixty guests were present. Refreshments were served in the black room. Music was furnished by an Italian harpist.

Since our last letter we have initiated H. Clyde Snook, '00, Paulding, Ohio, and pledged W. M. Whitney, '03, Levering, Ohio. The chapter now numbers twenty, seventeen initiated and three pledged. We shall lose by graduation Bros. Carson and Snook. Our most successful rivals have been the Betas and the Phi Gams.

We have enjoyed visits from Bros. Ed. T. Miller, '95, of Columbus, W. E. Clark, '96, now of Columbia, R. A. Metcalf, Maine Alpha, '86, Del Sayers, ex-'01, H. A. Pauley, '99, A. A. Whitney, '99, E. H. Cherrington, ex-'00, A. R. Williams, Michigan Alpha (now at Kenyon).

WILLIAM P. BAIRD.

Delaware, May 28, 1900.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The difficulty between the faculty and students of the Ohio University has been adjusted. The trouble arose over the suspension of the manager of the base ball team, who, it was alleged, played a man on the team who was not a *bona fide* student. The students forthwith held an indignation meeting, and as a result of that meeting five others were suspended. Probably at no other time in the history of the

institution was there more indignation among the student body than that which attended the action of the faculty. The suspended students have all been reinstated, and everybody is glad that the unfortunate occurrence is at an end.

Our chapter roll shows twelve active members, including John A. Mitchell, of Murray City, Ohio, who was initiated April 7. Brother T. H. Sheldon is the only member we lose by graduation.

We are making a determined effort to secure a chapter house, and the indications are that Ohio Gamma will be comfortably lodged at the beginning of the fall term.

Bro. Fred Tinker, our pledged member, has been elected business manager of the *O. U. Mirror*.

Bro. Karl L. W. Core, of Washington and Jefferson, is our coach-elect for the foot ball season of 1900.

Instead of the customary June banquet, our social function for commencement week will consist of a reception to the Phi girls and a stag banquet to our alumni.

JAMES P. WOOD, JR.

Athens, May 26, 1900.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

During the past month Bro. Erdmann has withdrawn from college to accept a position with the Baltimore and Ohio railroad as assistant engineer of bridge building. At the same time we have initiated W. R. Sprague, of Columbus, a member of the middle-year law class.

The interest in inter-fraternity base ball games has been very marked. Our game with the Betas we won by a score of 16 to 14. The Betas retaliated by giving us a most enjoyable lunch a week later. It is our intention to arrange for a tennis tournament with the Betas within the next week. The 'varsity base ball team has won a majority of its games; Bro. Sayers is the pitcher.

We are glad to acknowledge visits from Bro. Snook, of Ohio Beta, and from Province President Ballou and Bro. Ross, both of Bowling Green, Ohio.

Arrangements are being made for a banquet to be held at the chapter house during commencement week, which begins June 11.

Our strongest rivals throughout the year have been the Betas, the Chi Phis, Phi Gams and Sigma Nus.

CHARLES H. WOODS.

Columbus, May 28, 1900.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

The close of the present school year finds our chapter in a secure and enviable position at Case. We have captured a majority of all the honors and elections, and in every case with credit to the school and to the fraternity. Our rivals have been Z Ψ and Δ K (local), but neither has succeeded in taking a man away from us.

We at present number twenty, having recently initiated Bro. Joseph Maudru, '01, whom we introduce with pleasure. Of this number, Bros. Backus, Niding, Clyne and Grothe complete their courses in June, so that the chapter will be strong with sixteen men at the opening of the fall term.

The annual of the junior class, which recently appeared, is an excellent publication and compares favorably with those of former classes. Bros. Yost and Maudru represented Φ Δ Θ on the board.

The triangular field day between W. R. U., Oberlin and Case nar-

rowed down to a dual meet between W. R. U. and Case, upon the withdrawal of Oberlin in a rather unsportsmanlike manner. The contest was remarkably close, W. R. U. winning with 62 points to our 54. Bro. Quarrie, captain of the Case team, secured the individual honors of the meet with 13¼ points to his credit. Bro. Braggins, with 10 points, and Bros. Grothe and Selby also scored for Case.

The base ball team has come fully up to our expectations. The Phis on the team are Bros. Braggins, Quarrie and Sullivan, Bro. Braggins being captain.

The scientific honor society, T B II, recently established a chapter at Case, and we are proud of the fact that five of the eleven members are Phis, Bros. Backus, Nissen, Ewing, Maudru and Yost being the men honored with this election. Of the remaining six none are fraternity men.

Θ N E has been somewhat aggressive in an underhand manner during the past term, and what little respect was felt for the organization by the faculty or students no longer exists.

Commencement exercises with the reception for the graduates will be held on June 7. Visiting Phis will be warmly welcomed.

Cleveland, May 29, 1900.

C. B. CLYNE.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

Death has taken a brother from us. On the afternoon of May 2, while practicing the pole vault, Bro. Harry Burke, '02, fell and sustained a fracture of the spine. The full extent of his injuries was not known until he was taken to the Cincinnati Hospital, where he lingered for four days. Bro. Burke was vaulting at the height of nine feet, six inches, when the pole suddenly split and broke. The sad accident roused the deepest sympathy in the university and in the community at large. The chapter especially feels its loss, for it is no exaggeration to say that Bro. Burke was one of the most popular students in college.

The nominations of new professors are as follows: John Miller Burnam, A. B., Ph. D., professor of Latin; Merrick Whitcomb, A. B., Ph. D., professor of history; Frederick Charles Hicks, A. B., Ph. D., Sinton professor of economics and civics; Max Poll, Ph. D., professor of Germanic languages; James E. Harry, A. B., Ph. D., professor of Greek; Bro. H. T. Cory (of Missouri Alpha), M. C. E. and M. M. E. in E. E., professor of civil engineering.

Cincinnati won the inter-collegiate field day with a score of 43 points; Ohio State University was second with 38, and Miami third with 35 points.

Bro. Cordes has been ill for the last two weeks. In spite of his illness he stands fourth in the students' contest, conducted by the *Commercial-Tribune*, for a trip to Philadelphia, June 19.

A pleasing departure from custom will be the out-door performance by the senior class of 'Midsummer-Night's Dream.' Bros. Vos. Lange and McGill have speaking parts, while Bro. O. Schlemmer makes an ideal soldier.

A literary and debating society called the Forum has recently been organized. The society gives promise of long life and Ohio Theta takes pride in having two charter members, Bros. Fillmore and McGill. Bro. Schell has joined the undergraduate society, Φ K Δ.

The chapter now numbers ten men, five of whom are graduated this year. The fact that we shall begin the rushing season with three

men pledged is significant of what we can and will do. Our two most successful rivals during the past year have been ΣX and $B \Theta \Pi$. The former loses two members in the faculty.

Cincinnati, May 28, 1900.

STUART A. MCGILL.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

On May 4 and 5 the glee, mandolin, and banjo clubs gave concerts in Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo and Battle Creek, being very enthusiastically received and meeting with success financially as well. Bro. Bagley, '02, has been elected secretary of the combined clubs for next year.

Plans have been drawn and accepted for a new science hall, to be erected this coming summer at a cost of \$250,000.

The new homeopathic hospital is nearing completion and presents a fine appearance.

$Z \Psi$ and $\Sigma \Phi$ both expect to enter their beautiful new homes this fall. $\Sigma \Phi$ will have by far the finest fraternity house in the city.

Considerable interest has been manifested in the inter-fraternity base ball games, but thus far we have succeeded in losing every game we have played.

Our annual house party to out-of-town girls, given on May 11, was a great success in every way. At that time we pledged Mr. Roy McCornac, of Detroit, Mich. Our province president, Bro. Ballou, and his wife honored us with their presence at the house party.

The May festival, May 17, 18 and 19, with Mme. Schumann-Heink as the leading attraction, was the most successful festival given here in the last few years.

During the inter-scholastic meet, May 26 and 27, we pledged four men: Messrs. Fred Troy and Horton Kessler, of Detroit, Mich., Mr. Joseph Kellogg, of Leavenworth, Kansas, and Mr. Linton, of Saginaw, Mich.

Bro. Geo. B. Mulliken, '92, paid us a visit this past week.

Bro. Foster, '00, has recently distinguished himself by winning the mile run in the 'varsity track meet.

Ann Arbor, May 28, 1900.

DAVID DENNIS STARR.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

In three weeks school will close, and the nine members of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ will leave, feeling that they have made this one of the most successful years our chapter has ever experienced. During the rushing and spiking season in the fall we had to compete with ΣX and $\Delta T \Delta$ without the much-needed aid of a hall or house. With this handicap, however, we succeeded during the year in getting every man we wanted, three of them being spiked by the Sigs and one by the Sigs and Delts. We have been well represented in all of the student enterprises and in college politics. There has been much excitement over golf at Butler this spring, and a club was organized and links laid out on and about the college campus. At the spring tournament, held April 30, Bro. Moore won the first prize. In the evening of the same day the club gave a dance at our chapter house.

Next year ΣX will probably be our strongest rival, as she has been this year. ΣX graduates no men this spring, while $\Delta T \Delta$ loses her

strongest men by graduation. All of our present chapter will return, as we have no men in the class of '00.

Bro. Hoover, of the Indiana University base ball team, was with us at the time of the Butler-I. U. game here. Our team was accompanied on its trips by a goodly number of Phi Deltas, as there were three of us on the team, and a Phi was manager. Bros. Moore and Lybrand also went with us to De Pauw and Wabash.

We will keep our house next year and shall probably lease it for a number of years, unless more suitable arrangements can be made, for we feel that we could under no consideration go back to a hall after having had a house two years.

Bro. Cleo Hunt, of Brownsburgh, Ind., is our latest initiate.

Irvington, May 28, 1900. JNO. M. CUNNINGHAM.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

During the year now closing we have been represented in almost every department of college life. Bro. Wilson, '01, as business manager of the *Blue and Gold*, has succeeded in putting out the best annual ever published here, making it a financial success, also. Bro. House, '02, who represented the college as vice-president of the state oratorical association, was also vice-president of the local organization, as well as a member of the college debating team, president of the sophomore class, secretary of the Century debating club, and impersonator and a member of the glee club. The *Kodak* has surpassed its records of previous years under the editorship of Brother Williams, '00.

We were represented in the athletic association by Bro. Fisher, '02, vice-president, Wiley, '03, secretary, and Sellers, '02, field day manager. On the track team we had Bros. Johnson, '01, Bowser, '03, and Wiley, '03. On the foot ball team of last fall we had Bros. Sellers, '02, manager, and Covert and Bowser.

On the glee club we had Bros. Parker, director, Demaree, manager, Thurston, pianist, House, impersonator, and Covert and Fisher. Bros. Fisher and Parker were also members of the college quartet. In the Periclesian literary society we hold five offices out of eight. In class offices we are liberally represented.

The junior class of next year, owing to its small numbers, has decided not to publish an annual. The commencement season was inaugurated here last Thursday evening, May 25, by a reception given by us in our halls to our many friends and supporters. The event proved to be one of the most successful of the season and was attended by over one hundred and fifty invited guests.

The college catalogue is out and shows an increased activity in all the departments over former years. There have been added to our library in the past year over 900 volumes. The treasurer's report shows the college to be in very good financial condition. Plans for the new \$25,000 fire-proof library have been completed, and before many more school years have passed we can boast of one of the best libraries in the United States.

During the entire year we have lost but one spike to our rivals, Σ A E, and we have won a number from them.

Bro. Raymond H. Sellers, '03, has accepted a position as private secretary of the general manager of the Nevada, California and Oregon railroad, with headquarters at Reno, Nevada. Bro. Covert, '00, will act as hotel clerk for the summer in one of the large hotels in Yellowstone national park. We shall lose by graduation this year Bros. Williams and Covert.

O. BAXTER SELLERS.

Franklin, May 27, 1900.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Hanover's commencement is on June 6 and will complete a successful year. The outlook for the coming year is very promising. With the old college building remodeled and refitted, and with two new professors, Hanover ought to command the attendance of more students.

Our foot ball schedule is almost completed. Games have been arranged with a number of Indiana colleges, and several games are under consideration with Kentucky institutions.

This has been a very pleasant year for Indiana Epsilon. Although few in numbers, we have stood well in all departments of college life and have taken our full share of honors. We were represented on the foot ball team by Bros. Deibler and Green, the former being captain; by Bro. Green on the base ball nine; by Bros. Demaree, Sherman, Deibler and Newton on the glee club, and by Bro. Masterson on the college debating team, which won from Franklin.

We entertained our friends on April 27 in the parlors of the College Point House. Bros. Bowman, '96, and Oldfather, '99, were with us, the former acting as toastmaster. The young ladies present entertained us with several piano solos.

Bro. Oldfather tells us that he will continue his college course at Harvard next year, making Greek his major study.

Bro. Ruby, our province president, spent a day with us recently. We were very glad to welcome him to Hanover and to have him meet the Phis of Indiana Epsilon. It is said that this is the first official visit to our chapter in thirty years. Such visits are a great benefit to any chapter, and should occur frequently. We are brought more closely in touch with the leaders of the fraternity, and the suggestions given inspire us to do more earnest work.

Our present prospects are very bright for the next college year. We hope to return eight men, and with this nucleus will be right in line for the spiking season. The chapter desires its alumni or any other Phis to notify them of incoming men. The writer may be addressed at Graham, Indiana. We are looking forward with a good deal of interest to the Louisville convention next fall, for this will be the closest we have ever been to one, and the whole chapter expects to attend.

F. S. DEIBLER.

Hanover, May 28, 1900.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Zeta will close the year in a splendid condition. We have had this year a hall and a rented house, being the only fraternity here that has had both. We have at present fourteen members and shall lose five men by graduation. In numbers we have about the average of the fraternities here. We consider Φ K Ψ and B Θ Π our strongest rivals. On May 1 our chapter opened the spring society events by giving a formal reception in our hall.

We have lately had some honors come to the chapter. Bro. F. S. Cartwright won the primary oratorical contest and will represent De Pauw in the state contest next February. Bro. Z. M. Smith has just been elected editor-in-chief of the '02 *Mirage*. He is also secretary of the local oratorical association for the coming year. Bro. F. L. Williams has been initiated into the Skull club. Bro. S. E. Dove has been elected president of the inter-state oratorical association for the coming year, and is also vice-president of the local athletic board for the year 1900-01. Our faculty members of the athletic board, Bros.

Walker and Stephenson, Bro. Stephenson being treasurer, were re-elected for next year.

De Pauw's base ball team has won nine games and lost two. The games up to date have resulted as follows, De Pauw's score preceding in each case: Greencastle, 5-3; Rose Polytechnic, 15-4; Rose Polytechnic, 20-3; Purdue, 9-8; Notre Dame, 1-9; Wabash, 10-11; Cincinnati, 8-7; Butler, 15-4; Nebraska, 15-3; Nebraska Indians, 9-5.

Bro. Andrew Stephenson, Ph. D., professor of history, sailed for Europe on May 26. He expects to spend the summer in England studying historical documents.

S. E. DOVE.

Greencastle, May 28, 1900.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The members of Illinois Alpha, like all other students at the university, are busy with examinations and the other duties incident to the closing of the collegiate year.

College political circles were excited the last week over the selection of an editor for next year's *Northwestern*. Several bitterly contested elections finally resulted in a compromise. Each side agreed to take the editorship for one semester.

Our chapter is very fortunate this year in losing only one member by graduation, Rollin S. Sturgeon. The other fraternities lose, on an average, from four to five; therefore we shall return next fall in a very prosperous condition.

Our base ball team has not met with the success anticipated at the beginning of the season. Track athletics have, however, been more successful, as we have won the Iowa and Beloit meets. Much interest is centered in the inter-collegiate meet at Chicago, June 2, in which we expect to make an unusually good showing.

The fraternities have organized a base ball league. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ won her first game, defeating ΔT , 41-7. We next play $B \Theta II$.

At present we have fourteen active men in our chapter. Our two most successful rivals are $B \Theta II$ and $\Phi K \Psi$. The year about to close has been one of pronounced success for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Northwestern.

Evanston, May 27, 1900.

WALLACE S. GRAYSTON.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

We shall close the spring quarter with eleven active members and with the prospect of losing only two—Bros. William Everton Ramsey and George Alembert Brayton. They will both work in the university this summer and take their degrees at the October convocation. Consequently, we shall start the rushing season next October with a force of nine old men and Bros. Garrey, Morris, De Wolf and Feil, who will return to continue their work in the university at that time.

The most important event that occurred here last month was the production of the comic opera, 'The Academic Alchemist,' by the men students for the benefit of the university settlement. Seven Phis took part. Bro. Lubeck had the important role of President Harper; Bro. Mosser also had a prominent part. About \$4,000 were cleared for the support of the settlement.

Bro. J. M. Sheldon, '02, has been appointed chairman of the junior promenade by the junior college council. This is an honor much

sought after by all of the fraternities, and consequently we are very proud of having captured it. We are also represented on the reception committee.

A third attempt to start a daily paper in the 'varsity is being made. It is called the *Daily Maroon*. In its third issue it contained a sensational article to which the faculty objected, and its publication was suspended. It has been allowed to re-commence publication now after a lapse of two weeks. There is a need for such a paper and it seems to have caught on well with the students. Bro. L. W. Case, '01, represents us on the editorial staff.

Inter-fraternity base ball is now well under way. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ has beaten $X \Psi$ (13-9) and $\Delta T \Delta$ (9-3) and will play in the finals for the banner. Bro. Bradwell, of the University of Georgia, pitches for us, and it is largely due to his pitching that we have won. We have strong hopes of landing the banner. [They did land it.—E.D.]

President Harper will return June 6 from a two-months' trip in Europe.

The 'varsity base ball team has lost all chance of winning the western championship. At this writing we have lost four games to Illinois, tied Michigan in a series of three games, lost one to Wisconsin, beaten Purdue, lost to Notre Dame, beaten Kansas, won twice from Northwestern and lost once. Bro. Ellsworth is a substitute on the team. He is able to catch behind the bat or pitch equally well. The track team's chances of winning the western inter-collegiate championship next Saturday are fair. They have beaten both Illinois and Wisconsin in dual meets. Bro. Lister has been doing good work for Chicago in the weights.

Bro. L. E. Gurney, '99, of Colby College, is taking graduate work in the university.

It is hard to name our strongest rivals this year. Probably they have been $A \Delta \Phi$ and $B \Theta \Pi$.

AUSTIN YOUNG HOY.

Chicago, May 27, 1900.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Illinois Delta loses by graduation this year four of her strongest and most loyal members, Bros. Mead, Torrey, Parkin and Emry, the last two receiving commencement honors, the former in oratory and the latter for scholarship. Bros. Mead and Parkin also have leading parts in the senior class-play. Bro. Groves, '02, has been compelled to leave school on account of ill-health. There are now in the chapter sixteen men, and we already have in view several good freshmen for the fall rushing season. Our principal rival in this field during the year has been $B \Theta \Pi$, although we have not lost to them a single man whom we have rushed.

Since our last letter we have covered ourselves with glory in debate. Bro. Parkin was a member of the team that defeated Beloit. Bro. Heinly, '02, won the Adelphi prize debate, and Bro. Porter, '02, won the Colton prize cup. Bro. Shurtleff, '03, has been elected a delegate from Knox to confer with the representatives of Cornell, Grinnell and Beloit concerning the formation of a debating league.

In the field of athletics we have won scarcely less fame. The base ball team has enjoyed a successful season under the management of Bro. C. W. McCormack and the captaincy of Bro. Porter; and in track work Bro. Gaines won 19 points for Knox in the dual meet with Illinois College at Jacksonville, and 18 in the meet with Monmouth.

Bro. Potter has been elected president of Gnauthautii and Bro. Heinly of Adelphi, and in general we expect to secure our share in all the elections this spring.

Bro. Webster, '03, has been elected reporter for the coming year.
Galesburg, May 26, 1900. HERMAN H. POTTER.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

On June 14 the University of Illinois will close the most successful year of its existence. Its registration of 1,500 students at Champaign exceeds any previous registration by nearly 300, and never have the affairs of the entire university been in such a flourishing condition.

Illinois Eta, along with the school, has prospered, and finishes the year with a very creditable and enviable record. Five members will be graduated at the close of the semester, but Bros. Johnston and Quisenberry will return next year for advanced work. Bros. O. A. Harker, Boyd and W. J. Fulton, the other seniors, will probably be the only loss to the chapter.

The university base ball team has more than covered itself with glory this year and is fairly entitled to the western college championship. Competent critics declare that the 'varsity team this year was the best college base ball team in the country. Bro. Arthur R. Johnston, as captain, has led the team in batting and proven himself the finest backstop the school has ever produced. Bro. Bruce Fulton has played a very creditable and consistent game at second base. On the track team we have been represented by Bro. R. W. Siler in the distance runs, and he has been the mainstay of the team in his events throughout the year.

Next year the chapter will occupy the same house it has had for a home the past two years, and we already have enough men coming back to fill all the available space. Our rushing committee has been appointed to look out for new men next fall, and it has several good high school men in view already.

Champaign, May 31, 1900.

WM. J. FULTON.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

This week marks the close of thirty scholastic years for Missouri Alpha, and the active members begin the summer vacation with the assurance that the session just closed has not been the least beneficial to the fraternity.

Before next year the university faculty will suffer the loss of some of its ablest members. Several have flattering propositions from other schools under consideration. Among these is Bro. H. T. Cory, of the engineering school, who has been offered a place in the University of Cincinnati. Phi representation in the faculty for next year will be increased by the selection of Bro. H. H. Smiley as demonstrator in anatomy. There was a spirited contest for this place among the best men in the medical school. Bro. Smiley does not allow this newly-gained honor to interfere with the sale of the *Savitar*, which under his business-like management has proven the best annual ever published by the university.

Another recent victory was that of Bro. Burruss and his Phi cast in the Shakesperean contest. It is reported that some of our Greek rivals had made preparations for an elaborate celebration banquet that night, but after the contest all orders were countermanded.



E. R. Byrd E. C. Knox J. K. Black R. M. White D. H. Hope H. P. Baker M. Yates, Jr. L. M. White
W. B. Baker R. E. Burch F. F. Baker W. C. Swope W. Q. Conway H. H. Noland A. B. Carruthers D. McGregor

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Bros. Peper and Broadhead won first place in the annual tennis doubles; and Bro. Broadhead took second place in singles.

The Phi Delta base ball team is tied for first place in the inter-fraternity league. Had it not been for the loss of Bro. Haven, on account of sickness in his family, our team would have finished the season without a defeat.

Our June letter would be incomplete without mention of a romance. This time Bro. Charles J. White takes the leading role. The bride was Miss Grace Mason, a charming Stephens College girl, conceded to be the most popular girl in that institution. Mr. and Mrs. White are now living in St. Louis.

RAYMOND S. EDMONDS.

Columbia, May 30, 1900.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Probably the most interesting features of our commencement gaieties will be the four fraternity banquets. Iowa Alpha has been putting forth extensive preparations for one which will be held on the evening of June 14; already many of our loyal alumni have assured us of their presence.

This year Iowa Alpha is proud of her splendid representation in the outgoing class: Ralph Stafford, George Weyrauch, Guy Shields and Arthur Cullison.

Our prospects for next year are bright, and at present we are busily engaged in the accumulation of a chapter-house fund. We possibly may enter a house next year and also retain our down town parlors, which have for some time been distinctively known as Phi Hall.

With pleasure we recently announced to college circles the initiation of Bro. Harry Lambert, '03.

The summer address of the reporter, to whom information in regard to new men may be sent, is Glenwood, Iowa.

Mt. Pleasant, May 26, 1900.

A. BALFOUR JEFFREY.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The year just passed has been a very successful one for Kansas Alpha in many ways, but especially as regards new men, eleven having been initiated. Our chapter roll now includes seventeen active members. Bros. Nelson and Cullison left school at the middle of the term, but since their departure we have initiated Bros. Eugene Ware, '02, and Earl Brooks, '03.

There are five other fraternities having chapters here, among which B Θ Π and Φ Γ Δ have proven to be our strongest rivals. The outlook, however, is not especially encouraging for Φ Γ Δ. It will be unable to return next fall to the house it has occupied for the last two years and, as far as known, will be homeless. Σ X, also, has lost its house. This house was built a year ago specially for the chapter, but the university Y. M. C. A. has secured a permanent title to the property and will occupy it next fall. Σ X reports that another home has been secured. The location, however, is not desirable.

Our chapter house committee has been actively engaged in its work, but it seems almost impossible to arrive at a satisfactory arrangement.

At present much activity is apparent in university circles. Extensive preparations are being made for the exercises attendant upon commencement week. These include, besides usual events, the formal dedication of the Fowler shops and the placing of the Alford

memorial tablet in the university chapel. Lieut. Alford was the first university volunteer to fall in the Philippine service.

The close of a successful base ball season is near at hand. Our team has won a majority of its games, including those played on its eastern trip. The university gets the inter-collegiate association pennant having defeated both the Missouri and the Nebraska university teams.

In the class base ball games, the juniors hold the championship. Bros. Johnson and W. Heinecke represent us on the team, Bro. Johnson occupying the box.

On May 19, at Sioux City, a joint meet was held between the track teams of the University of Kansas and the University of South Dakota. The University of South Dakota came out victorious by a score of 57½ points to 52½. Bro. De Lano participated in the pole vault.

Bro. Mize has been elected a member of the *University Weekly* editorial board for the fall term.

Our prospects for next year are bright. We lose but two by graduation, and one of these will return. With our large number of strong and active men we hope to make the chapter house idea a realization. Lawrence, May 28, 1900.

MELVIN H. TAYLOR.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Commencement exercises will begin on June 3 and continue until June 6. Rev. T. A. Wigginton, of Evansville, Ind., will preach the commencement sermon. On Monday morning will occur the annual oratorical contest of members of the sophomore class; on Monday evening will be held a joint meeting of Hermæan and Phi Sigma literary societies and the senior debate. On Tuesday there will be the exercises of the alumni society and a social reception during the evening. On Wednesday morning the graduating exercises will be held. A german, hop, alumni banquet and final ball will be the most attractive social features.

For the first time in the history of the university there will be a regular summer term, beginning on June 12 and continuing six weeks. The accomplishment of this step forward is due to the generosity of Mrs. Fanny J. Ricks, of Yazoo City, who contributed the entire amount necessary for the work.

The base ball season opened with the University of Alabama on April 10, resulting in three victories for our opponents. We defeated Jefferson College three games on our grounds. We played Vanderbilt a close and exciting game, losing by the score of 6-5; rain prevented our playing a second game. We won the series of three games from Tulane, our old rival. The last games were played with the University of Texas, in both of which we were defeated. We shall probably play the University of the South three games during commencement week.

Recently we have lost one of our number from active membership, while another has returned. Bro. F. C. Martin has withdrawn from school, and Bro. W. W. Lockard, after an absence of one month, has returned. A *resumé* of the season's work shows up well for our chapter; we have been represented on the foot ball team, glee club, *University Record, Magazine, Ole Miss*, german club, Blackstone club, Hermæan and Phi Sigma literary societies, athletic association; in fact, Mississippi Alpha is prominent in every phase of college life.

Bro. W. E. Bray is making an enviable record in the class-room, and will very probably be valedictorian of his class in '02. Bros. Lockard and Ray were appointed senior orators from the law class for commencement day.

The fifth annual contest of the state oratorical association was held in Vicksburg on May 11. Mr. J. H. Mitchell, K Σ , of Millsaps college, won the medal; the second prize was awarded to Mr. J. E. Edmonds, Δ K E, of the University of Mississippi. The fourth annual contest of the gulf states oratorical association was held in Baton Rouge, La., on May 11; the medal was won by Mr. G. T. Nelson, K Σ , of the University of Alabama.

Recently we have enjoyed visits from several of our alumni—Bros. E. B. Williams, '92, Arthur Ray, '91, W. A. Lucas, '95, and Walter Weatherby, '97. We have also had the pleasure of meeting the Phis on the Vanderbilt base ball team, including Bros. Foster, Carr, Palmer, Hardy, Davis, Cooper and Rice.

The numerical standing of the fraternities, revised up to the present time, is: Δ K E, 23; Δ Ψ , 20; Φ Δ Θ , 20; Σ A E, 10; K A, 5; Σ X, 19; Δ T Δ , 18; Φ K Ψ , 16; T Δ Θ , 11; X Ω , 7. The Chi chapter of Δ K E celebrated its semi-centennial on April 21 with an elaborate banquet and ball. Many of their alumni were present, and it was a decided success in every respect. It is now generally known that the Dekees have abandoned all plans for a chapter house. It has been rumored recently that Δ T Δ would soon build a house; nothing will materialize from it, however. Φ K Ψ still continues to rent a house on University St., and hopes to accomplish great results with it in the rush next session.

We shall lose four members by graduation this commencement; Bros. Henry, Heiss, Lockard and Ray will receive degree of LL. B. We shall return fourteen members; so great results may be expected from Mississippi Alpha next fall in the rushing season. Already we have in view eight very desirable men, whom we are confident of getting—if they enter the university. Our two most successful rivals during the past year were Δ Ψ and Δ K E.

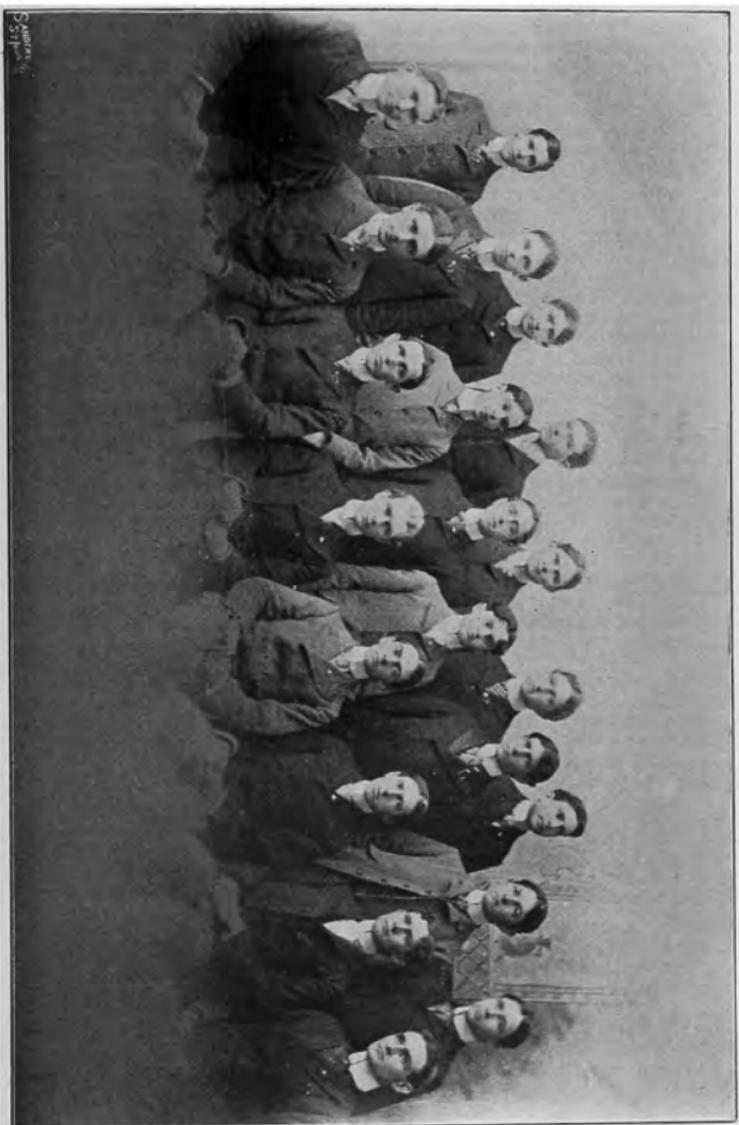
With this letter your reporter closes his active membership in the fraternity. It has been his pleasure to serve as reporter of Mississippi Alpha for the past four years, and it is with feelings of sadness and regret that he now retires from this position.

The name and address of our reporter for 1900-1901 is Bem Price, Jr., Oxford, Miss.
G. L. RAY.

University, May 24, 1900.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

By far the most important step in the history of Φ Δ Θ here was taken recently, when with enthusiasm seldom witnessed in meetings it was decided to secure a chapter house for next year. A house admirably suited for fraternity purposes and situated in a desirable portion of the city was selected and was secured over the competition of two other fraternities. Several of our men are now occupying it, and improvements and furnishings are being made, so that the chapter next year may have a good beginning in the experience of house-keeping. We are already seeing the good effects of this step. The members of the chapter have become enthused anew with fraternal spirit, and the future, it is felt by all, contains for us a still greater realization of true fraternal life. We have received much favorable comment from the other fraternities, and several, as the result of our example, are actively at work looking for houses. B Θ Π secured one



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within the last week, and will occupy it next year. Our other most formidable rival, K Σ, has had a house for the greater part of this year, but it has been used purely for social and meeting purposes.

On April 28 we had the good fortune to make Mr. C. E. Johnson, of Houston, Texas, a Phi. Bro. Johnson entered the law department of the university this term, taking advanced standing.

We now have seventeen active members in our chapter. Of these we shall lose this year by graduation Bros. Witt, Moore, Cole and Miller. Bro. Smith, who has been fellow in botany, will not return next year, but will attend the medical department of the university at Galveston. All the other brothers have signified their intention of being back, some enthusiastically declaring that they would return for no other reason than to occupy the chapter house.

The university feels a great pride in the honor that has been bestowed recently upon her president. As representing the largest institution in the southwest he was invited to deliver the commencement address at the University of Pennsylvania.

In athletics we have just closed a most successful base ball season. On the trip taken by the team eight games were played, five of which were won, one tied, and two lost.

In the debate with Baylor on May 18 our team won easily; and in the southern oratorical contest, held at Spartanburg, S. C., our representative took second place.

Summarizing the year which is about to close, we may say that it has been a most successful one for the University of Texas; our chapter here, we think, has had the most prosperous year in its history.

Austin, May 27, 1900.

E. T. MILLER.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The year of 1899-1900 has been a prosperous one for California Alpha, and next August, when college re-opens, the chapter should be in condition to do the best work in its history. Our new house, which last year was unfinished during the rushing season, has been completed, and now there is nothing to hinder the chapter's progress. At the opening of the fall term there will be twelve or more men in the house and about fourteen in active membership; this number will constitute an effective rushing force. Bros. F. U. Bugbee and Fielding J. Stilson, who have been absent on leave during the last semester will return, and Bros. V. H. Henderson, '99, and Duncan McDuffie, '99, will continue in active membership.

Five members of California Alpha received diplomas on May 16: Bros. Henderson and McDuffie, who were graduated at Christmas of last year, and Bros. John Robert Moulthrop, Alva J. Rimmel and McDonald Spencer of the class of '00. Bro. Henderson was elected to membership in Φ B K and Bros. Moulthrop and Henderson to membership in the Golden Bear, a senior class honorary society recently founded in the University of California.

On the same day Bros. George Frederic Reinhardt and George McClesney, both of '97, received the degree of M. D. from the medical department of the university, and Bro. Blanchard, '98, had conferred upon him by the law department the degree of LL. B. Bro. Reinhardt, who stood among the four highest in his class, has been appointed to a position in the city and county hospital of San Francisco.

Bro. Moulthrop will next fall enter the law school of Columbia Uni-

versity. Bro. Harry Beal Torrey, '97, who lately received a traveling fellowship, is also in attendance at Columbia. Besides these two members of California Alpha in New York city, there is also Bro. Wiggington E. Creed, '98, who is there in the capacity of private secretary to Mr. D. O. Mills, the well-known capitalist.

On commencement day Tilden's statue, 'The Foot Ball Players,' was unveiled on the campus. This piece of statuary, the gift of Mayor James Phelan of San Francisco, was won by the victorious foot ball teams of '98 and '99, who defeated Stanford University by the scores 22-0 and 30-0, respectively. By the provisions of the award, the statue was to go to the university which should take two of the three Thanksgiving games beginning with 1898.

Within the last month two new fraternities and a new sorority have been established at California, A T Ω, Θ Δ X and Δ Δ Δ. There are now fifteen fraternities and four sororities represented here. Among our rivals the last year has been an especially successful one for Δ K E and B Θ II.

W. KAY CRAWFORD.

Berkeley, May 28, 1900.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

College work for the year closed here on May 24, and only the remaining festivities of senior week and commencement are left to close the year. Bro. J. E. McDowell is chairman of the senior prom. committee, and Bro. H. G. Hill, of the ivy committee. The annual faculty senior base ball game, which is always one of the features of senior week, was won this year by the faculty for the second time.

The inter-collegiate debate with the university of California was won by Stanford, bringing the Hearst cup to Stanford this year.

This cup, which is offered by Mr. Hearst, is to go to the university first winning two debates, and each university has now won one. In base ball and on the track Stanford suffered defeat, but won the tennis championship.

The chapter gave its annual dance on May 4. There were about thirty-five couples present. Yank's orchestra furnished the music, and the large rooms were very prettily decorated with greens, roses and palms, while two smaller rooms were decorated, one in the college color and pennants and the other in the fraternity colors.

Since our last letter Bro. W. C. Day has been initiated into Φ Δ Φ, and Bro. Dennis made a member of the Junior society, Σ Σ.

Bro. R. D. Frisselle, Bakersfield, Calif., is the reporter for next year.

The chapter feels it has had a most successful year, but with the loss of six of its old men by graduation, it is preparing for active work in rushing next fall. The fraternity that is most often our rival for men is B Θ II. Plans have been drawn for three new sorority houses to be built on the campus this summer, and one fraternity house is under consideration.

Stanford University, May 28, 1900.

HOWARD G. HILL.

ALUMNI CLUBS.

LOUISVILLE.

Louisville is just now preparing for an invasion of the Confederate forces, and members of the alumni chapter, without regard to the part they or their fathers played in the war before last, are preparing

to give the Graybacks a royal welcome. As usual, Phis are prominently mixed up in things.

W. W. Davies, *North Carolina*, '91, is commandant of the John A. Broadus camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans, of Louisville, and Biscoe Hindman, a member of the old K. M. I. chapter, has been unanimously nominated by the camp for the office of commander-in-chief of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans. He already has pledged to him enough votes to secure his election.

Two business meetings have been held by the alumni this month, and the following officers have been elected for the year: President, Humphrey St. John Boyle; vice-president, Dr. F. W. Samuel; secretary and treasurer, Peyton Bethel; chaplain, Rev. Carter Helm Jones, D. D., historian, Scott Bullitt; reporter, Robert J. McBryde, Jr. Frank Swope, Jim McCormick and R. J. McBryde, Jr., have been appointed an executive committee to have entire charge of the arrangements for the convention. On account of the work of preparation for the coming confederate reunion our banquet has been again postponed, this time until the first week in June.

R. J. McBRYPDE, JR.

May 24, 1900.

CHICAGO.

The bi-monthly dinner of the Chicago alumni club was held at the Hotel Bismarck on Friday, May 25, 1900, at 6 o'clock P. M. Thirteen colleges were represented. General Black presided. Bros. H. M. Kidder, David Y. Beckham, William B. Moulton, L. H. Blanchard, Frank J. R. Mitchell, Frederick L. Davies and Irving C. Woodward responded to toasts.

A motion was made that the July dinner be abandoned, but the Phis whose fraternity spirit does not lag even in hot weather carried the day, and the July dinner will be held.

The committee appointed some time ago to prepare a complete list of Chicago Phis was instructed to publish the list, and it will appear some time in the fall, and will contain the name, college, business and residence addresses, etc., of every Chicago Phi whose presence in the city is made known to the committee. Data for the list may be sent to Bro. W. O. Wilson, 1605 Ashland block, L. B. Hyde, 253 Kinzie street, L. H. Blanchard, 242 S. Jefferson street.

Those present at the dinner were: General John C. Black, *Wabash*, '62; Col. Henry M. Kidder, *Northwestern*, '59; Edward B. Hyde, *Purdue*, '95; H. C. Rumery, *Dartmouth*, '95; Arthur Dixon, *Northwestern*, '95; I. C. Woodward, *Michigan*, '97; H. G. Ferris, *Wisconsin*, '02; F. C. Ellis, *Northwestern*, '96; W. B. Moulton, *Stanford*, '94; Frank J. R. Mitchell, *Northwestern*, '96; L. H. Blanchard, *Dartmouth*, '95; Sherman Duffy, *Illinois*, '95; F. F. Soule, *Hillsdale*, '98; Stacy C. Mosser, *Chicago*, '97; Frederick L. Davies, *Cornell*, '98; W. O. Wilson, *Chicago*, '97; Howell Van Blarcom, *Missouri*, '94; J. McG. Glenn, *Monmouth*, '83; David Y. Beckham, *Central*, '96.

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WILLIAM OTIS WILSON.

PERSONAL.

Case—C. M. Nissen, '00, has a position in the U. S. patent office at Washington, D. C.

Franklin—Dr. H. J. Hall, '73, is chairman of the prohibition state committee of Indiana.

Washington—C. A. Bohn, '93, is the proud father of a son, Master Ahiman Valentine Bohn, Jr.

Pennsylvania—Wilbur Morse, Harvard, '00, won one of the Boylston prizes in elocution on May 11.

Centre—Adlai E. Stevenson, '60, is being urged at Washington as a running mate for Mr. Bryan.

Purdue—Orville E. Simmons, '93, has returned from Lake Charles, La., to his old home, Goshen, Ind.

Indiana—Ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster, '55, is Storrs lecturer at the Yale law school for 1901.

Dickinson—M. B. Stephens, '86, has recently been appointed state superintendent of public schools in Maryland.

De Pauw—Dr. Andrew Stephenson, '82, is in Europe this summer, and will take a course in constitutional law at Oxford.

Indianapolis—John V. Hadley, '63, chief-justice of Indiana, was orator of the day at Indianapolis on Decoration day this year.

Wabash—Gen. John C. Black, '62, U. S. district attorney, was assistant chief marshal of the grand parade in Chicago on Dewey day.

Allegheny—The date of death of Charles C. Couse, '99, was April 27, 1900, and not April 29, as reported in the roll of the Chapter Grand.

Allegheny—D. B. Casteel, '99, who has this year been an instructor at Ohio Wesleyan, has a university scholarship at the U. of P. for next year.

Emory—Archibald Belcher, '92, has been teaching during the past year in the Leadville, Colo., high school. His graduate work was done at Harvard.

Northwestern—C. M. C. Buntain, '99, delegate to Columbus, and now a student in the Northwestern law school in Chicago, has been initiated into $\Phi \Delta \Phi$.

Mississippi—Monroe McClurg, '79, the attorney-general of Mississippi, delivered the annual address at the closing exercises of I. I. & C. at Columbus, Miss.

Sewanee—Rev. C. B. K. Weed, '95, delegate to Philadelphia, is in charge of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Episcopal church, the second largest in the diocese.

De Pauw—Prof. A. R. Priest, '91, has trained the University of Washington debate teams so successfully that they have won three inter-collegiate contests this spring.

Indianapolis—Dr. A. B. Thrasher, '73, a member of THE SCROLL's first editorial staff, has removed his office from 708 Walnut street to the Groten building, in Cincinnati.

Mississippi—Faison Heathman Smith, '94, and Miss Jessie Gooch were married at Indianola, Miss., on April 18, 1900. It was quite a surprise to the many friends of this young couple.

Among those elected to Σ Ξ, the honorary scientific society, at Cornell this year were W. C. Bagley, *Lansing*, '95, and Guy M. Whipple, *Brown*, '97, both advanced students in psychology.

Kansas and Pennsylvania—John H. Outland, who was captain of the U. of P. eleven in 1899 and who is graduated this year in medicine, will be physical director of Franklin and Marshall College next year.

Ohio Wesleyan, '84—The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown will be grieved to hear of the death of their infant son, on May 8. Mrs. Brown has been quite ill for some time but is now convalescent.

Franklin—Congressman F. M. Griffith, '74, of Indiana, was renominated in the Fourth district convention on May 3, by a vote of 84 to 36. His competitor had made a thorough and bitter canvass against him.

Miami, '52—General Harrison, who is an active member of the Purdue board of trustees and a member of the committee to secure a new president for the university, presented the diplomas to the graduating class at commencement.

Illinois, '94—Hiram B. Ferris, reporter of the Spokane alumni club, who has been book-keeper in the Exchange National Bank, of Spokane, sailed on May 24 for Cape Nome, Alaska. He went to look after the interests of certain eastern capitalists who had invested heavily there.

Allegheny—Bro. W. W. Case, '84, president of Alpha province, has removed to Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., where he is with the Northwestern Leather Co. On his way west he visited the chapters at Williams, Allegheny and Case.

Pennsylvania—T. B. McClain, '01, reporter of his chapter, has been elected captain of the university track team and sailed on June 20 for Paris as a member of the team for the international games. He is strong in the 100-yard dash.

Alabama and Vanderbilt—J. Craig Smith, '81, who some years since was twice state treasurer of Alabama, is once again nominated for that office by the Democratic party, and is consequently sure not only of election, but of re-election.

Cornell—Wells S. Gilbert, '93, who was his chapter's delegate to Atlanta and who was an active member of the Cleveland alumni chapter for some time, is now in Oregon, and will remain in the northwest until fall. His permanent address is 1601 East First street, Duluth, Minn.

Missouri—Captain Edgar Russell, '82, is in command of one of the two companies of the signal corps now stationed in Luzon, and has seen perilous service establishing and maintaining communication between military posts on the island. He was with Gen. Lawton on his last campaign.

Alabama—M. P. Le Grand, Jr., '84, who has been president of the Bank of Montgomery, becomes vice-president of the Farley National Bank in the consolidation of the two under the latter's name. Bro. Le Grand's father-in-law is president of the Farley National, which is the largest bank in Montgomery.

Emory—Walter B. Palmer, '77, who has been for some time in New York and Brooklyn collecting municipal statistics for the department of labor, has been 'borrowed' by the census bureau as a special agent to supervise the collection of statistics of manufactures. This is a marked tribute to Bro. Palmer's ability and industry.

Miami, '52—Of Ex-President Harrison's address at the opening of the ecumenical conference on missions, the *June Review of Reviews* says: 'It was one which will ever be quoted by friends of missions as a classic deliverance on the fundamental relations between Christian missions and the extension and preservation of civilization.' Gen. Harrison delivered an address at the closing session of the conference, also.

Wabash—Hugh H. Hanna, '69, who had been named as candidate for presidential elector by the Republicans of the Seventh district of Indiana, was placed by the state convention at the head of the electoral ticket as elector at large. He worked earnestly with the platform makers at Philadelphia to prevent their mentioning bimetallism.

The Democratic delegation from Kentucky to the Kansas City convention is headed by Senator J. C. S. Blackburn, *Centre*, '57, and the electoral ticket by Morton K. Yontz, *Washington and Lee*, '94. Senator Blackburn is leading a movement in the Democratic party to remove the objectionable features of the Goebel law.

Lombard—Hon. E. H. Conger, '62, minister to China, has been placed in a very responsible, trying position by the insurrection of the Boxers and their attacks on American missionaries. He has had the American vessels and marines in Chinese waters placed at his disposal in case of danger to life or property of subjects of the United States.

Virginia—A. Gilmer Patton, '93, has recently removed from Union, Monroe county, West Virginia, and has formed a law partnership with Major W. W. Jackson, at Parkersburg, W. Va. Bro. Patton was elected prosecuting attorney of that county in 1896, and though now a resident of Wood county, still holds his office of prosecutor of Monroe county.

Lafayette—Harper & Brothers have recently published 'Our Presidents and How We Make Them,' by A. K. McClure, '43 (honorary), the well-known editor of the Philadelphia *Times*. Including this year there have been twenty-nine presidential contests in our country. Col. McClure has actively participated in fourteen or virtually one-half the entire number.

Cornell, '00—Raymond D. Starbuck, of Glens Falls, captain of the Cornell foot ball eleven, has just been presented by the New York Alpha chapter of Phi Delta Theta with a beautiful silver loving cup, with ebony handles, as an acknowledgment of his success with the team. The inscription on the cup is as follows: 'Presented to Brother Raymond Donald Starbuck, captain Cornell foot ball team, 1899, by New York Alpha of Phi Delta Theta. In commemoration of Cornell's first victory over Princeton, October 28, 1899. Cornell 5, Princeton 0.' The cup has been sent to Captain Starbuck's home in Glens Falls.—Troy (N. Y.) *Times*.

Ohio Gamma—Quite an interesting event in the Phi world has taken place in Wood county, West Virginia, in the race for prosecuting attorney. Bro. John F. Laird, '81, was defeated at the primary for renomination for the office of prosecuting attorney on the Republican ticket, and Bro. D. C. Casto, '74, is now a candidate for that office on the Democratic ticket.

Wabash—Gen. John C. Black, '62, presided over the ceremonies at Wabash, in commencement week, when a bust of ex-President Tuttle was presented to the college by the senior class. Will H. Hays, '00, who was delegate to Columbus, tied for first place in the Baldwin oratorical contest, the evening before. Bro. W. G. Todd, the other Phi senior, was also one of the six selected by the faculty to compete for the prize.

The total eclipse of the sun on May 28 was widely observed by Phi astronomers. Chief among them were Prof. Milton Updegraff, *Wisconsin*, '84, in charge of the government expedition at Barnesville, Ga., and Dr. T. J. J. See, *Missouri*, '89, who was associated with him. Both are members of the faculty of the naval academy. Prof. W. S. Franklin, *Kansas*, '90, of Lehigh, was at Ahoskie, N. C. A. B. Colton, *Michigan*, '89, of the naval observatory, was at Pinehurst, N. C. Prof. H. A. Sayre, *Alabama*, '86, was at Union Springs, Ala.

Vermont, '86—'Municipal Engineering and Sanitation,' by M. N. Baker, will shortly be added to The Macmillan Company's Citizen's Library, edited by Prof. Richard T. Ely. The work deals with ways and means of communication, municipal supplies, such as water, markets, slaughter houses, light, heat, and power, collection and disposal of waste, including sewage, garbage, ashes, street dirt, protection of life, health, and property. There will also be discussions of administration, finance, and public policy.—*New York Times*, April 21, 1900.

Mississippi—Louis Morgan Southworth, '85, is a prominent candidate for congress in the Fourth district against A. F. Fox, the present incumbent. Bro. Southworth has served several terms in the state legislature and has held many other positions of honor and trust. At present he is a member of the state Democratic executive committee, and is a member of the board of trustees of the state university. He is recognized as one of the finest orators in the state. If successful in his political aspiration, the Fourth district will be brilliantly represented.

Pennsylvania—Daniel Stiltz Dorey, '99, died suddenly in Colorado on Tuesday, April 10, 1900. He was in the west for his health and had a fatal attack of the grippe. He was buried from his home, 1716 Spring Garden street, Philadelphia, on Good Friday, April 13. He was a graduate from the law department of the U. of P., and his interest in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and Pennsylvania Zeta was intense. He subscribed for THE SCROLL immediately upon graduation and was always quick to discover and send in items of interest to its editor and readers. In his death we have lost one of our most loyal young alumni.

Vanderbilt—M. R. Patterson, '82, who in 1894 was elected for eight years as attorney-general (state prosecuting attorney) for Shelby county, is the Democratic nominee for congress from the Tenth Tennessee (Memphis) district. The nomination is considered as equivalent to an election. The present congressman from the Tenth district is E. W. Carmack, whose campaign for the U. S. senate is being managed by Bro. T. L. Thompson, '86. The father of Bro. Patterson (General Patterson, they call him in Tennessee, as he is attorney-general) was congressman from the Tenth district from 1890 to 1896.

Michigan—A. R. Williams, '01, who is now a student at Kenyon, has made each of the athletic teams this year, save basket ball, and was elected president of the assembly, the organization which controls athletics, dramatics and all student enterprises. Our readers may have noticed reports of visits from Bro. Williams in various Ohio chapter letters during the past year. With him at Gambier are two other Phis, Bros. C. E. Mitchell, *Dartmouth*, '98, and Kenneth Beal, *Dartmouth*, '99, both instructors in the Kenyon Military Academy. They call themselves the 'Ohio Omega' chapter, and during commencement week displayed their colors 'as proudly as the rest of them.'

Pennsylvania, '00—Two conspicuous figures on class day this year at the U. of P. were W. T. Read, spoon man and president of the day, and Seizaburo Yasukawa, who was the occasion of the sensation of the afternoon when the presenter of gifts handed him the stars and stripes, with a reference to the ties that bind Japan and America. The audience, which had been laughing as cabbages and hoes and bottles were distributed among the other seniors, went wild with applause, especially when 'Yas,' one of the most popular and thoroughly respected men in his class, made a graceful speech in reply, telling the Americans that they had promoted and maintained progress in his land, and

that their silken emblem should ever hang over his hearthstone. Bros. Read and Yasukawa were members of the senior prom. committee. Bro. Read was his chapter's delegate to Philadelphia, and will start on a trip around the world this summer, accompanied by Bro. Yasukawa, with whom he will stay some months in Japan after they have done Europe and the Orient. Bro. Read will return to enter the law department of the U. of P. in the fall of 1901. He was ivy orator this year, class toastmaster and vice-president of the Houston Hall club. Bro. Yasukawa was valedictorian of the Zelosophic literary society and was presented by the society with a handsome watch fob at its closing exercises.

Kansas, '92—General Funston this spring led an expedition to capture and garrison the town of Baler, in northern Luzon. The journey was said to be the roughest that the American troops have yet attempted, but was successfully made. The most important event of Funston's recent campaigns is his discovery and seizure of Aguinaldo's state papers and secret correspondence. His most recent exploit was leading a force in person to relieve the town of Pagaya, which was threatened by the rebels. Though outnumbered three to one he put them to flight from their entrenchments with heavy loss. We notice, by the way, that Mrs. Funston was the guest of California Beta during a part of the commencement festivities at Stanford.

The reunion of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans at Louisville, the last of May, was a distinctively $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ affair. One of the preliminary chairmen was Major-general W. B. Bankhead, *Alabama, '93*. The address of welcome was delivered by Biscoe Hindman, *K. M. I., '83*. Bro. Hindman was placed in nomination for commander-in-chief by Rev. Carter Helm Jones, *Virginia, '86*, and unanimously elected. Bro. Hindman is a son of Gen. T. C. Hindman, of Arkansas. He has charge of the interests of the Mutual Life in Kentucky and Tennessee. The Louisville camp of U. S. C. V., of which W. W. Davies, Jr., *North Carolina, '91*, is commandant, managed Bro. Hindman's campaign, and on its executive committee were Bros. Jones, McBryde, and Bethel, *Centre, '97*.

The United Confederate Veterans met at the same time as the U. S. C. V., and Bro. Jones delivered an address of welcome, as did Col. T. W. Bullitt, *Centre, '58*. Bro. Hindman was chairman of the entertainment committee, and Bro. Davies was one of the speakers at the camp fire.

Missouri—Prof. H. T. Cory, '95, has accepted the professorship of civil engineering in the University of Cincinnati, at a salary of \$2,500 per annum. He was one of the petitioners for a charter to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Purdue, but was graduated from the university before the charter was granted. He took his master's degree in civil engineering at Cornell and later studied abroad. He became a special student at Missouri after leaving Cornell and there became a Phi. He is one of Missouri Alpha's most enthusiastic alumni and helped the chapter by advice and assistance to take its house and buy its lot. He has been a leader in all student enterprises and is extremely popular. As professor of civil engineering at Missouri he has made a fine record, writing extensively, as well, for technical journals.

Three or four years ago, when the Indiana University glee club made its tours of the Hoosier state—and other com-

monwealths—there was one member of the troupe who was 'the whole show' himself, so the audience would claim afterward. A great many Phis, and among them many of the present readers of THE SCROLL, will remember with pleasure Thad Rodecker and his comic solos.



T. W. RODECKER, *Indiana*, '97.

was business manager and comic soloist of the college musical clubs and toured Illinois with them. He entered the Indiana University law school in the fall of 1895 and was

Bro. Thaddeus Wilson Rodecker is a native of Pekin, Ill., being the son of Judge A. W. Rodecker. He was graduated from the Pekin high school in 1891 and, after a year of business college work in Peoria, entered Eureka College in the fall of 1892, being graduated there with the degree of B. S. in 1895. During his junior and senior years he

snapped up by Indiana Alpha on the spot. He was two years with the chapter, receiving his L.L. B. in 1897. As Indiana Alpha's reporter, he sent some excellent letters to THE SCROLL, the last one, especially, coming straight from his heart and ending 'long live $\Phi \Delta \Theta$!'



'LITTLE JOHNNY.'

Both years while at Bloomington he was the glee club's chief attraction, singing his famous ballads of 'The Monk,' 'The Cork Leg,' 'Little Johnny,' and of the blow that well nigh terminated his paternal ancestor's existence, in all the larger towns of Indiana, in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida and Maryland.

After graduation in law Bro. Rodecker took an advanced course and the degree of master of laws (in 1898) in the Chicago Law School, since which he has been business manager of the Pekin *Daily Times*. On April 25 of this year he was married in Indianapolis to Miss Caroline Reynolds Minor, K A Θ , daughter of Hon. John W. Minor, Dem-

ocratic nominee for auditor of state in Indiana in the approaching campaign. 'Thad' is as enthusiastic a Phi still as he was while at Bloomington, and it was not long ago that he was fairly keeping the wires hot between Pekin and Galesburg, helping Illinois Delta save a good freshman from our friends, the enemy.

Sewanee—Oscar Wilder, '98, has purchased a farm in Connecticut and will make his home there. R. M. DuBose, Jr., who for the past five years has been connected with the Fair, at Montgomery, Ala., has recently moved to Atlanta, Ga., to accept a position with the Queen Insurance Co. T. S. Parrott, '99, is in the insurance business at Newman, Ga.

* It was several months before the editor could persuade other reporters to stop using this same sentence at the end of their letters.

COLLEGIATE.

Williams has a book of stories and verses just out.

Vanderbilt's twenty-fifth anniversary will be celebrated next October.

At Franklin students are required to join one of the literary societies.

The German emperor has forbidden the use of Latin hereafter in university decrees.

The first college paper, the *Dartmouth Gazette*, was issued just one hundred years ago.

Wisconsin has a collection of lantern slides illustrative of college life, which are loaned to high schools.

The *Minnesota Daily*, successor to the University of Minnesota *Ariel*, a weekly, was first issued May 1.

It now takes almost \$100,000 of capital to endow a full professorship at Yale, the salary of which is \$3,750.

President Prather, of Texas, was Pennsylvania's commencement orator this year; Whitelaw Reid was Union's.

Miss Helen Gould is an honorary member of the class of '00 at Wellesley and will be its guest at commencement.

Columbia spent \$63,000 this year on athletics, coming out \$2,000 ahead. The foot ball coach next year will be paid \$5,000.

California, Washington and Oregon universities are forming a Pacific coast inter-collegiate boating association, and are planning much rowing activity.

Since 1876, Harvard has won eleven of the inter-collegiate track meets; Yale, six; Columbia, three; University of Pennsylvania, two, and Princeton, one.

The University of Pennsylvania has ordered 10,000 copies of its catalogue to be printed in Spanish for circulation in South America, Mexico, Cuba and Porto Rico.

The faculty of the University of Chicago has issued an edict to the effect that any student of the divinity school holding a fellowship or scholarship who marries will lose it.

The Harvard-Yale boat races takes place at New London, June 28; the Harvard-Yale foot ball game at New Haven, November 24. Princeton plays Yale at home, November 17.

Georgetown won seven of its first ten games with northern college teams, and tied Pennsylvania in one of the other three. It will send a track team to Paris and a crew to Poughkeepsie.

Before the senior-faculty game at Ohio Wesleyan this year the captain of the senior team notified the faculty manager that no professor whose class room work was not of the very best would be allowed to play.

The class of '00 at Yale, numbering 227 men, has spent \$1,250,000 during its college career. The average expenses for each year were: freshman, \$858; sophomore, \$888; junior, \$972; senior, \$1,001. One senior spent \$5,760.

Ex-Governor F. M. Drake, of Iowa, who has already given \$200,000 to Drake University, at Des Moines, announces that he has made the institution a joint heir with his children by his will. This will probably mean \$500,000 for the university.

Sewanee is considering the advisability of holding her commencement exercises in June, 'like other other folks,' instead of August, of dividing the session into quarters, or three-months' terms, and of eventually holding sessions the whole year through.

The University of Texas base ball team, for playing on its last trip a student with deficient class standing who had been ordered out of the game by the faculty, was suspended from class work for the rest of the term and from participation in athletics for one year.

The revised foot ball rules forbid side-line coaching, under penalty of a loss of 10 yards; allow a team to lose 20 yards and retain the ball but once in a game; make the penalty for a foul behind one's goal line a safety, and for offside play a loss of 10 yards.

New York University has established a department of marine engineering.—Pennsylvania now has a full four-year course, dealing especially with industry and commerce and leading to the B. S. degree.—Wellesley has added a course in business methods and finance.

Michigan enrolled 3,441 students this year; Illinois, 2,234, an increase of 410; Franklin, 251; Indianapolis, 872; Washington, 1,316; Wabash, 165; Oberlin, 1,216; De Pauw, 635; Washington and Lee, 191; Stanford, 1,331; Princeton, 1,194; the Catholic University at Washington, 176.

President Henry Wade Rogers, of Northwestern University, resigned on June 15. The newspapers say he did so because of lack of harmony between himself and the other officers of the institution. Some claim that he was forced to do so by trustees who did not like his attacks on 'imperialism.'

The two literary societies of Smith College—Alpha and Phi Kappa Psi—stand on an equal footing; membership in one precludes the possibility of membership in the other. The constitutional limit in either society is sixty, and no student is eligible until after Christmas of her sophomore year.

Michigan has won the last seven inter-collegiate debates she has taken part in. Previously she had won two and lost three, being beaten twice by Northwestern and once by Chicago. She has defeated Chicago four times, Pennsylvania twice, and Minnesota, Northwestern and Wisconsin once each.

The Stanford-California base ball series was won by California, the last game being played at San Jose. California won the track meet and Stanford won again in tennis. The two universities have finally signed their five-year athletic agreement, establishing the graduate system of coaching and campus games after 1900.

Iowa has won in debate from Wisconsin, North Carolina from Georgia and Vanderbilt, Cornell from Columbia, Dickinson from Syracuse, Texas from Baylor, Stanford from California, Princeton from Yale, Brown from Dartmouth and the Boston Law School, Minnesota from Iowa, Albion from Allegheny, Wooster from Denison.

Washington and Lee has recently received \$100,000 for the law department; Dickinson, \$10,000 on a special endowment; Princeton and Lafayette, \$45,000 each; Bowdoin, \$150,000 for a library; Brown University, \$50,000 in two bequests; Harvard, \$156,000 for a professorship of hygiene; Princeton, \$45,000 for a memorial gateway to the campus; Ohio Wesleyan, \$35,000. A Kansas lady has left \$250,000 to found a university at Topeka.

Wesleyan alumni are still waging war on coeducation, and it seems certain that 'co-ordinate' education will be substituted next year. The percentage of women had increased from 7 in 1889 to 20 in 1899.—Beloit, after trying coeducation for five years, pronounces it a success. It had been in vogue at Wesleyan for twenty-eight years.—The new president of Wellesley says that more Wellesley girls marry, proportionately, than do Harvard men.

Pitcher Barnes, of the Indianapolis league team, is a B @ II from Nebraska. Pitcher Gibson, of Notre Dame, has also been signed by Indianapolis. The Milwaukee team has signed the Wisconsin pitcher Hastings, and will probably secure Adkins, of Beloit. Smith, of Purdue, '00, is now Milwaukee's regular catcher. He is a B K K (applicant to Φ K Ψ).

At the second 'varsity boat race at Philadelphia on May 30 Pennsylvania, Cornell and Columbia finished in the order named. In each crew Φ Δ @ was represented. Bro. Jackson was stroke of the Columbia eight, Bros. Frenzel and Hazlewood, both freshmen, were in the Cornell boat, and Bro. W. Gardiner, also a freshman, brother of the stroke of the Pennsylvania 'varsity crew, who is also a Phi, was with the winners. This is an unusual record.

The U. of P. seniors are emulating the example of the Wesleyan men and trying to kill co-education by omitting mention of women students from the *Record*. They have also appointed a committee to confer with the other classes as to how to oppose 'the spread of co-education' in the university. Co-eds were admitted at Pennsylvania ten years ago, and there are 370 of them this year.—The Cornell trustees have decided that women are not eligible to the faculty.—In the United States there are 41 colleges closed to women and 143 closed to men.

President E. A. Alderman, of the University of North Carolina, has accepted the presidency of Tulane. Dr. F. P. Venable, professor of chemistry, succeeds him at North Carolina.—President Raymond, of West Virginia, has presented his resignation to the trustees, because they refused to remove certain members of the faculty.—President Gates, of Iowa College (Grinnell), has resigned, as has President Ort, of Wittenberg.—Prof. A. T. Perry, of Hartford Theological Seminary, has accepted the presidency of Marietta.

The Wooster University ball team, by defeating Western Reserve in their recent game, won \$5,000 for the institution. The money came from Edward S. Kelly of New York. Mr. Kelly is a friend of athletics in colleges and looked with disfavor on the rule which kept Wooster from participating in inter-collegiate sports. The new executive, the Rev. L. E. Holden, succeeded in securing the abolition of this rule, and Mr. Kelly said he would give \$5,000 to the university when it had a team that could defeat another college. He made his promise good in a letter.

The oratorical contest among the colleges of the Christian church (Disciples) at Eureka, Ill., on June 5 was won by Eureka, Butler being second. Hiram and Bethany also contested, and next year Drake and Kentucky will be added. The southern inter-collegiate contest was won by South Carolina. Alabama won the gulf states contest. West Virginia won in the western Pennsylvania and West Virginia league. Northwestern won in the northern oratorical league, with Wisconsin second. The inter-state contest was taken by Wisconsin, Lawrence University furnishing the winner. Ohio Wesleyan was again winner in the central league.

Washington University, on May 29, received a gift valued at \$4,000,000 or more. The Cupples Station property, one of the largest private shipping stations in the world, was transferred to the university by its owners, Samuel S. Cupples and Robert S. Brookings, who have already been known as benefactors of the university. Mr. Brookings, who is president of the Washington board of trustees, has been receiving from the property a salary of \$25,000 a year, which he will turn over to the university. About \$17,000 a year will be added to its income by exempting the property from taxation. The average annual gross receipts have been \$305,000; expenses, \$70,000. From the net receipts, however, an annual interest charge of \$135,000 on \$3,000,000 of bonds is paid, leaving a probable net income of \$142,000 at present from this donation. The income of the university last year was \$158,000.

HELLENIC.

Π Π Σ is a local sorority at Barnard.

Of the fifty-six chapters of Σ A E twenty-two occupy houses. An inter-fraternity club house has been proposed at Virginia.

B ⊙ Π and K Σ are having houses built for them to lease at Indiana.

New houses are being built at Stanford by A Φ, K A ⊙, Δ Γ and X Ψ.

Bishop-elect D. H. Moore, of the M. E. church, is a B ⊙ Π, Ohio, '60.

Φ B K at William and Mary has elected Thomas Nelson Page to membership.

Σ N established a chapter at Lafayette on April 7, with ten charter members.

K Σ and A T Ω pronounce the newly adopted system of division into provinces a success.

B ⊙ Π will build an \$8,000 house at Syracuse this year.—Σ X is building a house at Lafayette.

Governor Longino and Lieutenant-Governor Harrison, of Mississippi, are both members of Σ X.

The North Carolina chapter of K A is trying to organize a chapter at the A. and M. college, at Raleigh.

Σ Φ has just completed a lodge at Hamilton.—Π K A is building at Sewanee.—Γ Φ B has a house at Denver.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the national woman's suffrage association, is a member of Π B Φ.

B ⊙ Π reports 1,101 active members during the past year; the number for 1898-99 was 1,050; for 1897-98, 1,081.

T B Π, the honorary engineering society, established a chapter at Case on May 17. Five of the eleven charter members are Phis.

Σ N, the latest in the field [at Stevens], is initiating new men, a number of them being upper class men.—Stevens letter in *Beta Theta Pi*.

Σ X has four members (one senior, two juniors and one sophomore) in her Hobart chapter, whose house was sold under foreclosure last summer.

The Yale sophomore society question remains unsettled. When the societies refused to accept the faculty regulations they were forbidden to initiate any more men.

The 'sorority handicap' race at Northwestern this year was won by Bro. Malcolm Baird for Δ Δ Δ. Bro. Sturgeon was announced to run for the Woman's club, and Bro. Scheiner for Π B Φ.

The Σ A E chapter at Columbia failed to get so many men last year because of parental objection to fraternities that it expresses the hope that the next freshman class will abound in orphans.

The five fraternities at Iowa, Φ Δ ⊙, B ⊙ Π, Δ T Δ, Φ K Ψ and Σ N, presented the profits of the inter-fraternity base ball games to the athletic union to purchase suits for the track team.

Mr. Champe S. Andrews, of Σ A E, advocates a single executive for fraternity administration instead of a council of several members. He would have this autocrat edit the magazine, also.

Miller seems to be epidemic as a name for fraternity editors. The *K A Journal* is now in charge of Mr. C. W. Miller, and the *Σ X Quarterly* of Mr. Newman Miller, to say nothing of *THE SCROLL*.

$X \Omega$, the new sorority, mentioned in our last issue, has recently added chapters at Tennessee and Illinois, making nine in all. The Sigma chapter, somewhere in Virginia, remains *sub rosa*.

$\Delta T \Delta$ sends out a handsomely engraved announcement of the installation of her $\Gamma \Delta$ chapter on May 24 at the University of West Virginia, where $\Phi K \Psi$, $\Phi \Sigma K$, ΣX , $\Phi K \Sigma$, $K A$ and $M \Pi \Lambda$ are already established.

The $B \Theta \Pi$ district convention at Galesburg this year appointed a committee to visit the University of Illinois and report on it as a field for a chapter. The convention at Columbus favored entering West Virginia.

Thomas Watson, Σ A E, who was the populist vice-presidential candidate with Bryan in 1896, has retired from politics and is the leading criminal lawyer in Georgia. His son is a $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at the University of Georgia.

The editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* admits that other fraternities may justly wonder why $B \Theta \Pi$ does not enter Illinois, Washington (at St. Louis), West Virginia, Colorado, M. I. T., Vermont, Alabama, Emory and Tulane.

The last member of $\Theta \Delta X$ at Kenyon was graduated this year. It is reported that the old charter has been placed in the hands of an alumnus and that the chapter is to be revived this fall. $\Theta \Delta X$ has a new chapter at California.

$A X P$ is said to have entered Iowa with seven charter members. This fraternity was established in 1895 at Trinity (Conn.) and was credited with three chapters, at Trinity, Brooklyn Polytechnic and Pennsylvania, in 1898.

The $X \Psi$ convention last April appointed a committee to report to the next annual convention a plan for a council composed of alumni. It is one of the few fraternities which have not already provided themselves with such executive bodies.

The $\Sigma A E$ *Record* says that the election of Governor Longino of Mississippi makes the first appearance of ΣX in a gubernatorial capacity. Governor Hamilton, of Illinois, heads the ΣX list of distinguished sons in Mr. Baird's book.

The editor of the *A T O Palm*, in the March issue, argues for extension, instancing Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Chicago, Kansas, Missouri, Mississippi and California as promising fields. California has since been entered. An *A T O* club has been formed at Harvard.

$B \Theta \Pi$ will place a bronze memorial tablet in the inner wall of the chapel at Miami this summer. The chapel stands on the site of a former building, in which the fraternity was founded. The cost of the tablet will be defrayed by general subscriptions. The sum raised to date is \$558.75.

$\Phi B K$ at Yale, which made a rule last year 'letting down the bars' somewhat, failed this year to take advantage of the opportunity offered and elected the thirty highest scholars, as heretofore.—Election to the scientific scholarship society of $\Sigma \Xi$ is said to be more and more sought after at Yale.

The $\Phi \Pi \Phi$ fraternity at Hillsdale is composed of members of our late Michigan Gamma chapter and their initiated successors. They celebrated alumni day this year with a banquet at the Keefer House. Twenty-seven were present. $Z A E$ at Buchtel is a local successor to the former $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ chapter there.

The general dues of southern $K A$, $B \Theta \Pi$ and ΣX are the same—\$5 a year. It is proposed to double this sum for $B \Theta \Pi$. ΣX formerly collected \$3.50. Graduates of this fraternity will hereafter give two five-dollar notes to the 'endowment and magazine funds.' In return they will receive the *Quarterly* free two years.

$\Sigma \Xi$ has established a chapter at Brown. Among the charter members were two Phis. A chapter will be established at Iowa, also. Since Mr. Baird's book was issued charters have been granted Ohio State and Pennsylvania, making the total number of chapters eleven, including Iowa. This society is a scientific counterpart of $\Phi B K$.

The appellate division of the New York supreme court has affirmed the judgment of the lower court and thereby permanently enjoined the officers of $K K \Gamma$ from withdrawing the charter of the St. Lawrence chapter, so long as the latter 'conforms to the rules and usages of the fraternity.' Two of the judges did not concur in this opinion.

The board of managers of Swarthmore has put an end to the crusade on the part of some of the faculty and students against sororities and fraternities. The Greeks are not only to be let alone, but the board has declared its belief that their influence is for good in student life. The alumni of the chapters at Swarthmore had much to do with securing this action and declaration on the part of the board.

The April *Arrow* of $\Pi B \Phi$ has an article by 'a fraternity man' on 'the fraternity line and how the fraternity girl draws it'. He says that fraternity girls have no use for a non-fraternity man socially, and that they accept without question as to his qualities or antecedents any student who wears a badge. The writer thinks that fraternity men make no distinction against non-fraternity girls in college, but the editor of the *Arrow* demurs.

The index to the June *Beta Theta Pi* shows that during the past year the Denison chapter was the only one to have a letter in each issue of the magazine. Seven chapters had letters in each issue save one; fourteen missed two numbers; twenty-two missed three; eleven missed four issues; the Johns Hopkins, Wisconsin and Harvard chapters were heard from but once in the open issues; Vanderbilt, North Carolina, Mississippi and Cumberland appeared only in the *sub rosa* May number.

After referring to the deadlock between the sophomore societies and the faculty at Yale, Mr. Baird goes on to say in the June *Beta Theta Pi*: 'If the newspaper reports are true the Yale system has received another shock. A number of the juniors have refused election to the senior societies, something which has rarely happened before, and a number of refusals in one year is a remarkable occurrence. Yale has many traditions, and with which it is well pleased, but its society system can not be classed among them.'

In the April *Beta Theta Pi* Mr. Baird closes an article on 'The Society Situation at Yale' with this paragraph:

We have demonstrated by practical experience of nine years, that the fraternity chapter, as it succeeds and flourishes in other institutions, can succeed and flourish at Yale. The present dissatisfaction of the body of students at Yale with the existing society conditions, affords to other fraternity chapters an opportunity to enter Yale which has not heretofore existed. There is no good reason why $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, $\Sigma \chi$, $\Phi \kappa \Psi$ or $\Sigma A E$ should not place good chapters there and maintain them readily, provided they are confined to the academic department.

A favorite amusement of Mr. Jones, editor of the *K A Journal*, 1896-98, was to print selections from the chapter letters of his exchanges. It is hardly fair or brave to retaliate now, but we can not forbear quoting a few sentences from letters in the *Journal* for the benefit of our own correspondents, who sometimes need correction. The Mercer letter says:

Spring has suddenly burst upon us. With a single touch of her magic wand she has overthrown the rule of winter, and calling forth all the hidden beauties of nature, has come with magnificent equipage to establish her court on earth. We welcome her as she refreshes us with gentle showers and quickens us with her warm smiles.

The Millsaps correspondent (too bad that a poet should live at a place called Millsaps!) shows tendencies in the same direction. For example:

The sunny south, the land of poetry and song, where the birds and breeze chant one eternal *te deum*, where the roses bloom and the perfume of the violet is wafted on the air, is a great country, and this part around Millsaps is especially great.

K A (southern) is having some discussion in her chapter letters on the subject of northern extension. The Southern University correspondent resents the charge made by some that K A is narrow and political in refusing to enter northern colleges. He says that the reason she does not go north is because she finds 'nowhere beyond the limits of her beautiful country fit material of which to make a K A—not merely in name, but in conduct, in character, in very spirit.' 'The matchless chivalry of southern manhood,' he concludes, 'alone is suited to bear aloft the crimson and gold . . . in short, to measure up to the full stature of the K A knight.' The Johns Hopkins representative, however, thinks that every worthy southern institution is now occupied and that Chicago, for example, 'where almost as many southern men go as to the University of Virginia,' should be considered. 'We must either go forward or lose ground,' he concludes. The conclusion of his brother from Southern is: 'Let this be our home and let us reign supreme here where we find our most congenial companions.' However, the Georgia correspondent is an out-and-out expansionist and says: 'Let us extend our territory even beyond the Potomac and Ohio. We do not believe in having a southern fraternity. There is no south. She has faded away into a grander America.' The Southern secretary replies thus: 'There is a Mason and Dixon's line in the hearts of men and ever shall be until hell shall sing a funeral dirge over the dead body of a fallen God.' He considers the south 'the purest and best expression of the Anglo-Saxon race;' there he thinks 'America's future glory is centered.'

The March number of the $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ *Quarterly*, in an article on the University of Missouri, which $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ has recently entered, says: 'The chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, the oldest existing chapter of the fraternity west of the Mississippi, has maintained a successful existence since its establishment in 1870, and is probably the strongest and best chapter of any fraternity in Missouri today. It is first in numbers, also, with 23 men, and occupies a rented house. $\Sigma A E$, with 19 men, and $B \Theta \Pi$, with 17, probably follow $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in the order named in standing in the college world. They both occupy rented chapter lodges. The ΣN chapter, numbering 18 men, occupies its own house, and is in a prosperous condition. ΣX , with 15 members, southern $K A$, with 16, and $K \Sigma$, with 12, follow in order.' The installation ceremonies of the new chapter of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ were 'conducted in the lodge of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, who kindly placed it at the disposal of the petitioners for the occasion.'

The following is quoted from the sketch of $\Theta \Delta X$ in the 1898 edition of 'American College Fraternities':

The government of the fraternity was in the hands of the Alpha charge (chapter) until the convention of 1867, when the Alpha surrendered its charter, and a grand lodge was created, composed of one graduate and two undergraduate members, the graduate member being president thereof. The members are elected annually by the convention of delegates from the chapters, and have supreme power in the interim. They also have sole power to call conventions and act as officers of the same. It would seem that $\Theta \Delta X$ was the first fraternity to thus form an executive governing body.

It appears, however, that an executive body was established by $A \Delta \Phi$ much earlier than 1867. According to an historical sketch in the 1882 edition of the catalogue of that fraternity, $A \Delta \Phi$ never had the presiding chapter system, which most fraternities had. In the late 30's or early 40's, a council was created, consisting of a 'special representative' elected by each chapter, and 'these with the president were to be considered the permanent rulers of the fraternity.' The plan did not work very well, because 'the exact powers and duties of the council were not defined.' A convention was called to meet in 1845, specially to consider plans 'for increasing the efficiency of the council.' The matter was further discussed at the convention of 1857, but no satisfactory solution was reached until 1879, when the executive council of the fraternity was incorporated. The executive council transacts business through an executive committee with headquarters in New York City. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ created an executive committee in 1868, though our national grand

chapter was not abolished until 1880, when the executive committee was changed to the general council. Counting $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ and $\Theta \Delta X$ as respectively first and second to establish an executive board, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ seems to have been the third.

In 1882 $\Delta K E$ adopted a 'system' of heraldry; that is, a coat-of-arms for the fraternity and a modified form of the same for each chapter. About five years ago ΨY also adopted arms for the fraternity and for each chapter. This system is said to have been designed by Mr. A. P. Jacobs, Michigan, '73, after 'twenty years of research and study,' but it violates a heraldic rule in displaying the letters ΨY . It is one of the cardinal principles of heraldry that the name of the family or association should not appear on the arms, but should be suggested by the emblems. A few years ago, ΣX adopted a coat-of-arms which has been much admired on account of its simplicity. Then $B \Theta II$ adopted a coat-of-arms, and in 1898 $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ adopted a coat-of-arms, which supplanted the arms that had been designed in 1865 and officially adopted in 1871. Other fraternities which seem to have officially adopted arms are $\Sigma A E$, ΔY and southern $K A$. Most fraternities, however, still use for stationery headings and for college annual inserts a variety of symbols arranged with a view to pictorial effect, but without conformity to the recognized rules of heraldry. It is no easy matter to design a coat-of-arms which will combine the colors and principal emblems of a fraternity so that the whole design will be harmonious, distinctive and significant, and so that it will meet all heraldic requirements. At the last convention of $\Theta \Delta X$ Mr. J. McBride Sterrett, Columbian, '67, introduced a design for a coat-of-arms, the blazon of which is as follows: The escutcheon is quartered. In the first quarter is a sphynx and pyramid in natural color on a silver ground. The second quarter is blue with two five-pointed stars at the top, and a silver altar at the bottom. The third quarter is blue with a red ruby on a cross of silver with indented edges. In the upper right hand corner there are fasces; in the upper left hand corner a skull and cross-bones; in the lower right hand corner a lamp; and in the lower left hand corner clasped hands in silver. The fourth quarter is silver, with two Roman swords at the top and an open book at the bottom. The crest has a figure of Minerva on a wreath of silver and black; she is holding in her right hand a shield, and in her left a spear, while beside her is an owl. The drapery at the back of the shield is blue and silver, and the motto the Greek words for 'Our hearts are united.'

The design was referred to a committee to consider it and report to the next annual convention. From outside sources we learn that strong objection to this design was made by delegates who deemed it too intricate and overcrowded.

The annual report of Mr. O. E. Monnette, secretary of the executive council of $\Phi K \Psi$ for the year ending December 15, 1899, was published in the *Shield* for March and some paragraphs therefrom were reprinted in the April *SCROLL*. The following paragraphs were put in type at the same time, but for lack of space were omitted. As to fraternity finances Mr. Monnette says:

The returns made by the chapters have been very gratifying, and the general financial condition of the fraternity most satisfactory, more so than during any of the last four years. The executive council, at the same time, in carrying out the directions of the last grand arch council, have had to make increased expenditures over former years All except seven of the chapters have remitted to the treasurer of the fraternity the amount due from them by reason of the annual assessment Under resolutions of the executive council, a penalty of \$5 was imposed upon each of 10 chapters, for failing to return votes upon a proposition submitted to the chapters last May. These penalties must be paid in full to the treasurer prior to the coming meeting of the executive council, unless for good cause the treasurer has remitted the fine, in order to save action by the council concerning the delinquent.

Last year two chapters were reprimanded for initiating preparatory students 'under certain conditions' (see *SCROLL*, June, 1899). This year Mr. Monnette says:

The tendency in fraternity legislation with all fraternities is to forbid the indulgence by chapters in the pernicious practice of initiating preparatory students. A fraternity is properly a collegiate organization. Its membership should be made up entirely of upper-class men. A pledge of future admission may rightfully be given and exacted from a 'prep.' But a man who waits a year, a longer or shorter time, in anticipation, when finally initiated as a freshman, makes a better fraternity man for that period of waiting. The fraternity has repeatedly declared itself on this matter. Our constitutional provision concerning the pledging of men in preparatory departments is broad enough to permit their 'corralling' for future initiation. But initiations, other than those from collegiate departments, are strictly forbidden. One chapter reports that it initiates preparatory students at commencement time. There is, no doubt, good reason for this custom, if they enter the freshman class the succeeding fall. The other chapters all announce that no 'preps' are initiated by them. Nine of our chapters are in competition with chapters of other fraternities who openly indulge in this detrimental custom.

The chapters at Brooklyn Polytechnic, Hampden-Sidney and California meet twice a month, the other chapters weekly. Twenty-one of the thirty-nine chapters issued annual letters in 1899. Mr. Monnette says:

This is a good record, but the number should be increased. The advantage and influence resultant from these annual letters to alumni are incalculable. A brother alumnus enjoys beyond measure the receipt of a communication from his chapter which does not invite him to contribute to the material substance of the chapter. Letters of such character are too frequently the only ones alumni receive. When a

newsy letter, full of the doings of the chapter and fraternity, is received, the brother's interest in the chapter immediately reawakens, whereas the mere mention of money causes the downfall of the epistle to the waste-paper basket. If the chapter thinks enough of its alumni to communicate with them and let them know what the chapter is accomplishing, the alumni will soon learn to think enough of the present welfare of the chapter to aid it in time of need. To keep in touch with its alumni is the aim of every chapter and the ultimate hope of the fraternity. The annual chapter letter is a means to that end. A new edition of the catalogue is being compiled by Mr. George Smart, editor of the last (1894) edition. The new edition will be of pocket size. Mr. Smart says the plan is to publish 'a small book, giving the name, address and occupation of every member of our fraternity—a catalogue which will give in small space the most important facts.' Brother Walter B. Palmer, in an article written for THE SCROLL two years ago, advocated such a catalogue for $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and, in his reviews of various catalogues this year, has shown the advantages of a catalogue of small size. 'The material and data' for a history of $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$, 'have been collated and prepared' by Mr. C. E. Van Cleve, and 'it can be printed and issued on very short notice to the editor, but there is not a sufficient amount to the credit of the history fund in the treasury to warrant the undertaking at the present time.' The first (1892) song book of $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$ was edited by the late Rev. Robert Lowry, D. D. (who is called ' $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$'s grand old man'), and he was to be the editor of a second edition. 'The executive council has not elected any one to the editorial vacancy caused by his death, but will await suggestions from the coming grand arch council before acting. . . . The song book fund is gradually increasing under the new tax provision.' Dr. Lowry was also a member of a committee on the preparation of a burial service, and it was first used at his own funeral, and was adopted by the convention held at Columbus last April. In each grand arch council (convention) 'each chapter and alumni association is entitled to three delegates.'

THE PYX.

In addition to college papers already mentioned, we have received our old friend, the *Sewanee Purple*, of which Bro. L. M. Williams is an editor.

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The Cornell *Daily Sun* has been a welcome visitor all year. We suppose that we are indebted to Bro. J. W. Ihlder, '00,

of the editorial board, for this favor. We are pleased to note that in the competition for places for next year, Bro. E. B. Nell, '03, was chosen. ΔX , ΔY , $B \odot \Pi$, $A \Delta \Phi$ and $\odot \Delta X$ also have one man each on the new board, and there are three non-fraternity men.

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Annuals of this year are beginning to come in. We have received copies from Dartmouth, Vermont, Case, Missouri, Brown, Mississippi, Dickinson, Gettysburg, Colby, Michigan and Amherst so far.

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Chapters which receive a number of copies of their college annual through financial connection with its publication will find it very profitable to exchange with other Phi chapters in near-by and distant institutions. This is an excellent way to build up the chapter library.

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The inter-fraternity base ball championship of the University of Chicago was decided on June 13, when $\Phi \Delta \odot$ defeated $\Phi K \Psi$ in the final game, 15 to 8. The feature of the game was the pitching of Bro. Bradwell, of Georgia Alpha.

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Bro. W. B. Palmer, who has been chairman of the committee on constitution and ritual at recent conventions, requests that all members who have amendments to suggest for adoption at the Louisville convention send them to him at 209 S. Spruce street, Nashville, Tenn.

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The chapter roll books prepared by Bro. W. B. Palmer, and printed by order of the national convention and general council, were sent in April to the catalogue editors, who will enter therein the names of members initiated since the 1894 catalogue was printed. These names will be obtained from the annual reports to the H. G. C., and when they are entered in the roll books, one book will be sent to each chapter, which will thus be enabled to keep a perfect roll of its members.

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In some quarters a desire has been expressed for a new cover design for THE SCROLL. We should be glad to receive suggestions, with or without drawings of proposed designs.

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The stone of which the semi-centennial tablet, illustrated in this issue of THE SCROLL, was made, is called Montello

granite and came from Wisconsin quarries. The same stone was used for the sarcophagus of General Grant's tomb. Bro. Karl H. Zwick, who gave his personal attention to the making of the tablet, has recently sent a sample of the granite to Dr. Brown for preservation in the library.

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A committee has been appointed by the Chicago alumni club to publish a list of Chicago Phis, and it will appear this fall. If the plan meets with approval, the list will be published annually at small cost. Names and addresses may be sent to William O. Wilson, 1605 Ashland Block; Edward B. Hyde, 253 Kinzie street; L. H. Blanchard, 242 South Jefferson street.

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Chapters should not neglect to place one catalogue of those sent them in the chapter library and one in the college library.

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St. Louis, New York and Chicago are already in the race for the convention of 1902.

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Annual circular letters have come in lately from Knox and Stanford.

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In the list of initiates in the May *Palladium* the first name of Bro. M. C. Haldeman, of Dickinson, should be Merrill and not Newall. The middle name of Bro. H. J. Bronson, of Kansas, is Jay.

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We have received invitations to the commencement social functions or banquets of Missouri Beta, Ohio Gamma, Ohio Zeta, Alabama Beta, Rhode Island Alpha, as well as commencement invitations from several Phi seniors.

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The Omaha *Illustrated Bee* of May 20 has the half-tone cut and 'story' of Nebraska Alpha's mascot, Pikeia.

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Some of the chapters appeared at a disadvantage in the statistical tables in the May *Palladium*, owing to the fact that no explanations of certain figures were given. Georgia, for instance, has initiated twelve men this year, but eight have been compelled to leave college by sickness or business affairs. Hanover will apparently have but two members in

the fall, whereas they will be reinforced by four freshmen already pledged and by two upper-classmen who return. Washington and Lee only shows seven men in her report, but she has enrolled twelve during the year and closed with eight, as against five in 1899 and one in 1898, besides taking far more than her share of honors all year.

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After the De Pauw chapter letter was written the elections to Φ B K were announced. Four fraternity men were among those chosen, Σ N having one, Φ K Ψ one and Φ Δ Θ two: Bros. W. A. Collings and C. B. Campbell. Bro. Campbell, by the way, has the reputation of being the best posted fraternity man in all the Indiana colleges.

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Ohio Beta last week leased for two years a good house in the center of the best residence district of Delaware. Minnesota Alpha will enter in the fall an eight-room house which is now being built for the chapter to rent. Next!

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In the May *Palladium* it was announced that Bro. C. A. Bohn, *Washington*, '93, had offered a prize of ten dollars for the best Phi song. Following are the details of the offer:

The prize will be awarded at the Louisville convention, and the decision will be made by the convention.

Songs must be sent to the editor of THE SCROLL not later than November 1, except that songs offered later may be considered if 100 printed copies are handed in.

Words of the song may be set to familiar airs, or may have airs written expressly for them.

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This is a generous and timely offer. We hope to receive some excellent songs this fall. It will take a good song to win the prize, so make sure that yours is lacking in no detail.

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Mr. A. H. Fetting, of 14 and 16 St. Paul street, Baltimore, has been placed by the general council on the list of approved jewelers until the Louisville convention. His card will be found on the fourth advertising page of this number.

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If some enthusiastic Phi would take the trouble to secure from the chapters data on base ball and track athletics, an article could be prepared which would fitly supplement our reports of Phi victories in debate and foot ball. Take the pitching of Bro. Washburn, of Brown, for instance—his

victories over Harvard and Yale and all the rest; or that of Frank Palmer, at Vanderbilt; of Bro. Walden, at Sewanee. Take the championship record of the Illinois nine, under Bro. Johnston's captaincy. And then, the track men—Sturgeon and Scheiner, of Northwestern; Kinsey, of Cornell, and McClain of Pennsylvania, both of whom go to Paris; the Brown Phi athletes, who always take a third of all points won. Somebody ought to take up this subject systematically.

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The program of the O. S. U. musical clubs shows $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ strong, with all four members of the instrumental quartette, just as we had all the vocal quartette at Union. We want a lot of these Phi singers and players at the Louisville convention.

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The editor had a delightful visit with Bro. Fred S. Ball, ex-T. G. C., at his home in Montgomery, Ala., at the time of the total eclipse of the sun, on May 28. Bro. Ball seems to be about the busiest lawyer in Montgomery, but he manages to find time to see that his visiting friends fare sumptuously. At Union Springs, where the eclipse was observed, we had the pleasure of meeting Prof. H. A. Sayre, *Alabama*, '86, of the University of Alabama, who was a member of the astronomical expedition.

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During the college year just closing 242 letters have been published in THE SCROLL from our 64 chapters, an average of 48.4 to the issue. Besides these we have printed 25 letters from alumni clubs. Seven province conventions have been reported, two of these in Epsilon province. Beta and Eta provinces alone have held no convention. Of the alumni club letters, four have been from Chicago, and two each from Louisville, Cincinnati and New York. The alumni have reported one meeting or more in every issue.

Of the chapter letters, 64 (one from each chapter) appeared in December, 56 in April, 45 in June, 41 in February, 36 in October. The 22 chapters which have had letters in every issue are Dartmouth, Cornell, Union, Syracuse, Lafayette, Gettysburg, W. & J., Allegheny, Dickinson, Ohio Wesleyan, Ohio, Cincinnati, Franklin, DePauw, Chicago, Knox, Iowa Wesleyan, Missouri, Kansas, Mississippi, California and Stanford. All of these, except W. & J., Dickinson, Knox, Iowa Wesleyan and California, have had the same reporter throughout the year, and we wish here to thank

Bros. Banning, Morrison, Shelley, Marriott, Isett, Keller, Motten, Baird, Wood, McGill, Sellers, Dove, Hoy, Edmunds, Taylor, Ray and Hill for their promptness and faithful service. Theta province has sent in ten letters out of a possible ten—a perfect record. Alpha has had 72 out of 85, or 85 per cent. Delta has had 28 out of 35, or 80 per cent. Epsilon has had 27 out of 35, or 77 per cent. Gamma has had 18 out of 25, or 72 per cent. Zeta has had 49 out of 70, or 70 per cent. Beta has had 25 out of 40, or 63 per cent. Eta has had 12 out of 20, or 60 per cent. The general average is 76 per cent. From 22 chapters five letters have come; from 15 we have had four; from 19, three; from seven (Virginia, Miami, Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa, Washington and Southwestern), only two; from Tulane but one. These eight chapters last named should see that the reporter writes more letters next year.

To the list of chapters with letters in each issue we should like to add Vermont and Case, as letters were received from both a little too late for the October issue, owing to a misunderstanding about the time of publication. This was the first time since it had been chartered that the Case chapter had not had a letter in on time.

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